



## Message from Mayor Hines

Community of the Town of Forest Heights

We enter a new era of town politics, called the politics of good services via a strong and responsible local Government of the people of Forest Heights. The council and I have to put our personal and political gains aside and rewrite the way our Town has been seen. Make no mistake, we have a rough road ahead. We didn't get in this Crisis overnight and it'll take some time to overcome all our tests. There are many obstacles in our way, it'll be a hard ride. I have sat down with the Town Council and have asked for their cooperation to unify our Town and its administration. We are all aware of what we need to do and realize we must have one vision and that it, "The Town People Come First". This Council has agreed

to stand with me to make this work. We are making sure our municipality the only municipality right next door to the upcoming National Harbor which is benefit to our neighborhood and residents. We have the support of the Honorable C.A. Muse, the Honorable Varlderrama and the Honorable Tony Knotts just to name a few. These are a few of our partners of like experience who will help to support our legislative government. The sources are easily available to restore and create a model town. One of our top priority's is keeping a sense of communities, focusing on better planning and growth for everyone. We have worked very hard on our budget. We will restore the Town Administration with a

more responsible financial posture. We will not tolerate the confusion that has existed when handling Municipal finances. The Mayor & Council have an important Legislative role. We must work together, we are working together. We have already improved. We ask for patience and understanding by the community at large. We are going to begin to show that we can overcome a crisis and recreate the Local Government that the people of Forest Heights deserve.



*"...focusing on better planning and growth for everyone..."*

*Mayor Quincy Hines, Jr.*

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## Actions by the Town Council

*Approved (7-0)* Resolution 16-07 approving a tax anticipation line of credit between Bank of America and the Town of Forest Heights

*Approved (7-0)* Resolution 17-07 Repeal of proposed salary increase of Elected Officials

*Approved (6-1)* Resolution 18-07 To increase the Municipal Utility Tax Rate

*Approved (5-2)* Resolution 19-07 To increase the Town Real Property Tax Rate

*Approved (6-1)* Resolution 20-07 To enact ordinance requiring

rental property permit in the Town of Forest Heights

*Approved (6-1)* Resolution 21-07 Quarterly financial reporting to the Town Council and Citizens of the Town of Forest Heights revision





***FY08 BUDGET***  
***July 1, 2007—June 30, 2008***

**R e v e n u e s**

Town Real Estate Taxes	\$ 657,655.00
Other Taxes	29,000.00
Income Taxes	130,000.00
Town Services	56,640.00
Town Services Metal Pick-up	5,250.00
Disposal of Tires	180.00
Cable & Television Income	28,500.00
Red Light Camera	12,500.00
Fines and Forfeitures	26,250.00
Parking Fines & Vehicle Releases	20,000.00
Municipal Infractions	15,000.00
Rental Permits	7,500.00
Investment Interest Income	13,893.00
Municipal Building Rental	10,000.00
Miscellaneous	10,000.00
Accident Reports	300.00
Rebates Waste Disposal	9,000.00
Highway User Revenue	90,000.00
Fingerprinting	3,500.00
Grass Cutting	4,000.00
Building Permits	1,000.00
Sale of Fixed Assets	5,000.00
Livable Communities Grant	25,000.00
Parks & Planning	2,000.00
Federal, State & County Shared Revenue	31,000.00
Tangible Personal Property	8,000.00
Utility Taxes	28,800.00
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<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 1,229,968.00</b>

**E x p e n s e s**

Public Works	252,815.00
Police Department	334,024.00
General Administration	254,429.00
Administration	114,600.00
Elected Officials	27,000.00
Health & Sanitation	190,000.00
Waste Management	27,300.00
Police Leave	3,500.00
Bank of America Loan	26,300.00
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**Total Expenses** **1,229,968.00**

## TOWN TRASH COLLECTION

Trash shall be collected and removed beginning at 6:30 am each **TUESDAY & FRIDAY**. Waste Management agrees that on those collection days, (**TUESDAY & FRIDAY**) the removal of trash and garbage shall include the following:

- ♦ All mixed combustibles and non-combustibles including garbage, household trash, paper, rags, and cardboard. Every WEDNESDAY, tree trimmings, grass and leaves will be picked up, provided they are no longer than 4 feet and tied in small bundles & GRASS CLIPPINGS ARE IN TRASH BAGS.

Whenever Prince George's County Government holidays are celebrated on a Tuesday or Friday, trash will not be picked up on those days, nor will there be a make up date. However, trash will be picked up on the next regular scheduled pick-up date. The holidays are New Years, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Your cooperation with Town Ordinances for disposing of residential trash is important for maintaining health and property values in the Town. The Town trash contractor collects trash on Tuesday and Friday (except holidays). The County also collects recyclable materials in the Town on **MONDAY** (plastics, newspapers, etc.). Trash should be placed within two feet of the curb line. It is important to use trash containers with lids. Public Works has a 24-hour answering machine (301) 686-1432.

### TRASH PICK-UP DAYS BEGIN AT 6:30 a.m.

MONDAY—*Recycling*

TUESDAY—*Trash*

WEDNESDAY—*Bulk & Yard Waste*

FRIDAY—*Trash*

PLEASE CONTACT TOWN CLERK AT (301) 839-1030, WITH ANY TRASH COMPLAINTS



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