## STRATFORD TIMES



## Mayor's Message SPECIAL EVENTS PARKING ADVISORY

On behalf of our emergency services

Since construction has begun at the former Laurel Mills Shopping Center site, we recognize that parking for major school and church events will be challenging in the future.

Inevitably, overflow parking will find its way into adjacent residential neighborhoods and parking lots. Our emergency services would like to take this opportunity to remind folks to be courteous and of course law abiding when parking in our neighborhoods.

Be reminded, parking too close to intersections, crosswalks, driveways, stop signs and fire hydrants all amount to safety violations. As school graduations, plays, musicals, carnivals and other larger events all fast approach, please consider car-pooling, or walking to these special events if practical.

Parking <u>legally</u> on public streets will go a long way to ensure pedestrian safety & traffic safety. A clear passage for our emergency vehicles is of great importance.

Looking forward, we have been in communication with the Stratford School District to review onsite parking options so that the number of parking spaces on site is closely aligned with our municipal code, which regulates the number of parking spaces that are required on public and private parking areas.

Thank you all for your kindness, consideration and warm sense of community.

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