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NEW CITY WEBSITE TO GO LIVE SEPT. 1

The City of Newburgh is proud to announce that the official City website will go LIVE on Thursday, Sept. 1. You can access the site at <http://cityofnewburgh-ny.gov>.

The winning proposal from Hoekema Design & Editorial (HDE) stated: "The site is intended to provide citizens with convenient access to local government policies, services, and information, and to provide visitors with an appealing, informative introduction to the city."

The new website comprises about 200 pages with 50 downloadable (PDF) documents and 100 images. Separate sections explain the purpose, office holders, and procedures of every department (including Police and Fire) as well as the executive office, the City Council, and the various citizen advisory boards such as the Architectural Review Commission and the Downing Park Planning Committee.

Residents can now download forms for an event permit or a tax exemption. Property owners can learn how to calculate property taxes and even download the entire City tax map. The Fire Department pages offer a complete list of all electricians licensed to work in the City of Newburgh. The Planning & Development pages include detailed information on various programs and grants in economic development, community development, housing assistance and home ownership. From the Department of Public Works, the website describes the present sanitation regulation in English and Spanish, and it has the proposed changes in downloadable form. There are photographs of every City Park, and such details as the fishing regulation for Washington Lake and cost of renting the Activity Center in Delano-Hitch Park.

For visitors, the new City website offers background information on the City's history, a community profile, things to see when visiting, and maps of the City and how to get here. There are also links to other websites relating to Newburgh, Orange County, and Hudson Valley.

Designed and edited by HDE, a design firm in the City of Newburgh, the website will be partially maintained by City employees, who will be trained to use special software to update content on the site.