

Check out some local events and news in Rochester, NY. Feel free to contact me about any events upcoming in your neighborhood!



# MATT HAAG

Rochester City Council Member At-Large



## August 2016 Newsletter

### Historic Subway and Aqueduct Task Force Update

The Task Force that I assembled over the past month made considerable progress in ensuring future access to the abandoned subway tunnel. I felt comfortable with moving forward with the legislation to create the Erie Harbor promenade, which not only creates a connection to the Genesee Riverway trail, but showcases parts of the raceway which was one of the seeds that developed Rochester into the city it is today.

The Task Force will continue to meet so the stakeholders can share their ideas and plans as it pertains to the historic aqueduct. It is my hope that our work will continue and perhaps create a plan for public access into this historic gem in downtown Rochester.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**August 5-7**

Puerto Rican Festival

**August 6 & 7**

Park Avenue Arts Festival

**August 13, 10AM**

Carifest Parade  
at the Liberty Pole

**August 19**

Deadline to register to vote  
in the primary in September

**August 25-28**

Highland Greek Festival  
at 835 South Avenue



### Boards and Commissions Legislation

Councilmember Carolee Conklin and I have been working on improving opportunities for citizens of Rochester in boards and

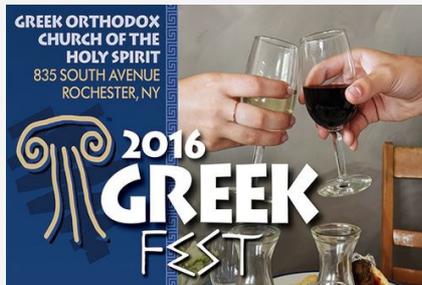
## 40th Annual Park Ave Art Festival

Join the Park Avenue neighborhood in its fortieth annual Art Festival on August 6 and 7 with both days starting at 10AM. There will be plenty of food, art, crafts and music for the whole family throughout the weekend. Shuttles will run to and from parking lots used for the festival in Gleason Works and Monroe Square. Come and support local artists and businesses in Rochester! Visit the festival's [website](#) for more information on parking, vendors, locations of musicians and full schedule of events.



### Puerto Rican Festival & Parade

Be sure to check out the Puerto Rican Festival on August 5 through 7. There will be multiple performances from popular Puerto Rican artists including Ismael Miranda, Bachata Heigtz and Charlie Aponte! There will also be a parade celebrating Puerto Rican pride on August 6 at 11AM starting at the Liberty Pole. Find out more information on the [Festival's website](#), including ticket information and a schedule of performances!



### Highland Greek Festival

At the Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Spirit, you can eat some delicious Greek food and take part in this unique Mediterranean culture on August 25 through 28. Each day the festival starts at 11AM. There is free parking for the festival in the Highland Hospital garage after 5PM on Thursday and Friday and all day Saturday and Sunday. Admission is free! You can enjoy Greek movies, dancing, music and test your luck in the raffle. Find more information on the festival's [website](#).

commissions and to promote long term health and stability of boards and commissions. We are proposing to set term limits so that more citizens have the opportunity to serve our community. We also recommend setting a minimum attendance requirement, to ensure continued interest of appointees. In the legislation we also request the City have a more active role in promoting these positions, to recruit new talent. Lastly we recommend the City Administration should perform a periodic review every 2 years to meet these new standards and goals.

If you have interest in joining any Boards and Commissions, please visit the City's [webpage](#) to track down individual requirements and how to apply. If you ever have any questions, or would like to apply; feel free to ask me so that I may be able to direct you to the right person.



### Carifest Parade

Join the Rochester West Indian Festival Organization in celebrating Caribbean roots on Saturday, August thirteenth's parade. The parade starts at 10AM at the Liberty Pole.



### Register to Vote

Just a reminder, in order to vote in the Primary Election this September, you must register by August 19. For the general election in November, you must register by October 14. Download your registration form on the Board of Elections [website!](#)

[Follow on Twitter](#) | [Friend on Facebook](#)

(585) 428-7538 (o)

(585) 410-1693 (c)

[Matt.Haag@cityofrochester.gov](mailto:Matt.Haag@cityofrochester.gov)

Web2PDF

converted by [Web2PDFConvert.com](http://Web2PDFConvert.com)

Copyright © 2016 Matt Haag for City Council, All rights reserved.

MailChimp

[unsubscribe from this list](#) | [update subscription preferences](#)