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1. Speeding in Neighborhoods: Final Meeting to Voice Your Views

The City of Knoxville next week will conduct the last of five public meetings on residential traffic safety as it seeks public comment for possible changes in its traffic calming policy.

The meeting begins at **5:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 22**, at **O’Connor Senior Center**, 611 Winona Street, just off East Fifth Avenue and a few blocks from the Hall of Fame exit on I-40. City officials will make presentations about traffic calming and then record the comments, questions, ideas and concerns of city residents and representatives of city neighborhood groups and other organizations.

Neighborhood groups are encouraged to send representatives. You do not have to be a resident of East Knoxville or Center City neighborhoods at attend and participate.

Public input will be critical in helping city staff draft the traffic calming policy for the coming years. A response to the public input and a first draft of the new policy will be published in the first quarter, followed by a public meeting for additional comment. The draft will be reworked as needed and then presented to the public and to City Council.

The city encourages citizens to visit and explore its traffic calming web site --- located at www.cityofknoxville.org/trafficcalming --- to become familiar with the issues.

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to attend a public meeting, please contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at 215-2034 or scook@cityofknoxville.org no less than 48 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

2. Lyons View Community to Celebrate Improvements, Thank Supporters

The Lyons View Community Club (LVCC) will hold an “open house” at the Lyons View Community Center and Playground, 314 Sprinkle Avenue, on Sunday, October 27, from 3-5 p.m.

The purpose of the open house is to celebrate recent work on the center and playground and to thank the organization’s supporters for the time, labor, materials, and supplies donated to the effort.

In addition to the many neighborhood volunteers, support was also provided by the City of Knoxville, Knox County (especially the Sheriff's Department), Community Design Center, Community Action Committee's (CAC) AmeriCorp Program, Dr. James W. and Elizabeth Wall, and others.

A brief 30-minute program will begin at 3:30 p.m. Hot dogs and hamburgers will then be served. Everyone is invited. Please RSVP by Friday, Oct. 25, to LVCC President Mary (Fowler) Brewster at 454-2390 or marylbrewster@yahoo.com, or to David Johnson, Event Chairperson, at dharrisjohnson@aol.com or 235-4153.

3. Aslan Sponsors "Visioning Workshop" for Vestal

Residents of Vestal and other parts of South Knoxville, along with representatives of the City of Knoxville and nonprofit organizations, will gather on the last Sunday of October to envision enhancements to key destinations in the Vestal community.

The visioning workshop is sponsored by the Aslan Foundation, which has been acquiring property to add to the urban wilderness in South Knoxville. To conduct this workshop, Aslan retained Project for Public Spaces, Inc., "a world-renowned public space expert dedicated to helping people create and sustain public spaces that build stronger communities."

The goal for the day is to come up with short-term, low-cost, "lighter, quicker, cheaper" improvements to Vestal destinations such as Mary Vestal Park.

The workshop lasts from 3-6 p.m. Sunday, October 27. Starting from the South Knoxville Community Center, groups will walk to various destinations. Comfortable shoes and clothing are advised. To participate in this workshop, interested persons should RSVP to 524-6360 or jeff@tn-cf.org.

4. KPD Taps Gallaher as Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

The Knoxville Police Department has appointed Officer Ricky Gallaher to be the neighborhood watch coordinator in KPD's safety education unit.

Gallaher was already a very active part of safety education. He has served as the Boys and Girls Club liaison officer, a life skills officer serving city schools in the Knox County Schools system, a Health Department liaison officer, an active participant in National Night Out, a cultural diversity teacher in the KPD Academy, an assistant in KPD's Safety City program, and a presenter at KPD's Anti-Bullying Summit.

Gallaher has participated in numerous Safety Education Unit programs such as "Boo at the Zoo," safety fairs, personal safety, Big Blue is Watching You, and Waste Connections training.

Gallaher will now take on responsibility for supporting neighborhood watch groups and helping to launch new groups. He can be reached at the new Safety Education Office at 2422 Mineral Springs Road, 215-1519, and rgallaher@cityofknoxville.org .

5. Documentary Film Focuses on East Tennessee Assets, Challenges

A new documentary exploring the unique assets of the East Tennessee area and the challenges faced by communities and their residents will be debuted next week.

“Tell Our Story: Our Legacy Matters” is presented by PlanET and produced by Academy and Emmy Award winning production company Milkhaus.

The short film will be premiered at an event hosted by Oak Ridge Mayor Tom Beehan and Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero on Friday, October 25, 2013. The event begins at 5:15 p.m. at the Square Room (Café 4) on Market Square in Downtown Knoxville. The public is invited to join the mayors and other community leaders for a one-night screening, a celebration of our region, and a discussion about how we can work together to make our region stronger in the years ahead.

In the face of a changing economy, pollution concerns, higher rates of health problems, and rising housing and transportation costs, this documentary challenges us to work together to rethink the region and come together to tackle these shared problems.

Our willingness to address tough issues together will determine if we are able to grow, innovate, prosper in ways that will ensure that we leave our children a livable, beautiful, and welcoming region.

For more information please go to www.planeasttn.org or contact Emily Saunders at 215-2854.

6. Neighborhood and Government Calendar

Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-3232.

All government meetings will be held in either the Large or Small Assembly Room unless otherwise noted. For a complete list of meetings of various city boards and commissions, visit <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/calendar/>.

Also see: Community Events Calendar: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/events/events.pdf>

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Today through Thursday, October 31
EARLY VOTING
General Election, City of Knoxville
Knox County Election Commission
215-2480, www.knoxvotes.org

Saturday, October 19 --- 10 a.m.
South Haven Neighborhood Association (Third Saturdays)
Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Avenue

Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Monday, October 21 --- 9 a.m.

Dr. Lee L. Williams Tenant Association (Third Mondays)
Recreation Center, 317 McConnell Street
James Grant Chandler, 200-8697

Monday, October 21 --- 7 p.m.

Alice Bell Spring Hill Neighborhood Association
(Third Mondays except June, July, December)

Change in location for this month only:

Alice Bell Baptist Church, Alice Bell Road

All are welcome to attend.

Ronnie Collins, 637-9630

Monday, October 21 --- 7 p.m.

Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization
Board Meeting (Third Mondays except January)

Contact Judith Neff for Location

Judith Neff, merlin2@comcast.net, 567-7980

Monday, October 21 --- 7 p.m.

West Hills Community Association – General Neighborhood Meeting
Church of the Nazarene, Vanosdale Road
Reuben Pelot, 693-0454

Tuesday, October 22 --- 5:30 p.m.

Traffic Calming Public Meeting (East Knoxville/ City Center)

Voice your views on residential traffic safety.

City of Knoxville

John T. O'Connor Senior Center, 611 Winona Street

David Massey, 215-3232, dmassey@cityofknoxville.org

Tuesday, October 22 – 6 p.m.

Inskip Community Association (Asociación de la Comunidad de Inskip)

Community Meeting (Fourth Tuesdays)

Inskip Baptist Church, 4810 Rowan Road

Betty Jo Mahan, 679-2748, bettymahan@knology.net

Thursday, October 24 --- 9 a.m.

Special Events Community Meeting (Fourth Thursdays, Jan.-Oct.)

“Meet with city services that may assist in planning your event.”

Civic Coliseum Ballroom, Third Floor

Free Parking available at Civic Coliseum Parking Garage

Office of Special Events, 215-4248

Thursday, October 24 --- 7 p.m.

Old Sevier Community Group

(Fourth Thursdays, February through October)

Stanley's Greenhouse, 3029 Davenport Road

Gary Deitsch, garyedeitsch@bellsouth.net

Friday, October 25 --- 5:15 p.m.–7 p.m.

Film Screening: *Tell Our Story: Our Legacy Matters*

A documentary film about East Tennessee's challenges, assets and opportunities
Festive attire! Heavy hors d'oeuvres provided, cash bar.
Plan East Tennessee (www.planeasttn.org)
The Square Room, 4 Market Square, Downtown Knoxville
Please RSVP to Emily Saunders at ESaunders@cityofknoxville.org or 215-2854.

Sunday, October 27 --- 3-5 p.m.

Open House
Lyons View Community Center and Playground, 114 Sprinkle Avenue
Lyons View Community Club
David Johnson, Event Chairman, 865-235-4153, dharrisjohnson@aol.com

Monday, October 28 --- 5:30 p.m.

Pembroke Condominium Association (Last Mondays except May and December)
Lobby of Pembroke, 508 Union Avenue
Jessie Brown, 525-6500

Monday, October 28 --- 1:45 p.m. (zoning at 5 p.m.)

Knox County Commission
(Fourth Mondays, Jan.-Oct. Third Mondays, Nov.-Dec.)
www.knoxcounty.org/commission
Agenda: Click on "Commission Agendas"
Public Forum held at beginning & ending of meeting.
Zoning Issues heard starting at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, October 29 --- 6:30 p.m.

Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association (Last Tuesdays)
Tiger Top at the Zoo, 3500 Knoxville Zoo Drive
Paul Ruff, 696-6584

Tuesday, October 29 --- 7 p.m.

City Council (Every Other Tuesday)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>
Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Thursday, October 31 --- 3:30 p.m.

Better Building Board
(Last Thursday, Jan.-Oct. First Thursday, Dec.)
Small Assembly Room, City-County Building
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/betterbuilding.asp>

Friday, November 1 --- 9:30 a.m.

Public Officer Hearing – Neighborhood Codes Enforcement
(Usually held on the Friday following Better Building Board meetings)
The PO considers action on violations of city's building codes.
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Monday, November 4 --- 5:30 p.m.

Council of Involved Neighborhoods (COIN)
(First Mondays except holidays)
CAC/L.T. Ross Building, 2247 Western Avenue
Dave Gartner, 862-2066

Monday, November 4 --- 5 p.m.

Knox County School Board – Work Session
(Monday before the regular meeting, except holidays or holiday weeks)
First Floor Board Room, Andrew Johnson Building, 912 South Gay St.
For agenda, work sessions, and other items:
Visit <http://knoxschools.org>. Click on “Board of Education.”

Tuesday, November 5 --- 6 p.m.
Dandridge Avenue Neighborhood Watch (First Tuesdays)
Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Avenue
Lawrence Washington, 524-4498

Tuesday, November 5 --- 6:30 p.m.
Parkridge Community Organization (First Tuesdays)
Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.
Jerry Caldwell, 329-9943

Tuesday, November 5 --- 7 p.m.
Mechanicsville Community Association (First Tuesdays)
Fairview Recreation Center, 1628 Dora Street
Charles Wright, 637-1802

Tuesday, November 5 --- 8—8 p.m.
ELECTION DAY
General Election, City of Knoxville
(Five City Council seats)
Knox County Election Commission
For locations and necessary documentation:
215-2480, www.knoxvotes.org

Wednesday, November 6 --- 5 p.m.
Knox County Board of Education (First Wednesdays, except holiday weeks)
Large Assembly Room, City County Building
For agenda, work sessions, and other items:
Visit <http://knoxschools.org/>. Click on “Board of Education”

Friday, November 8 --- 7:45 a.m. and 8 a.m.
North Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Second Fridays)
Breakfast at 7:45 am, Meeting at 8 a.m.
Open to North Knoxville Residents, Neighborhood Groups, Business Owners
Fulton High School,
Becky Dodson, becky.dodson@hma.com, 545-6750.
www.nkbpa.org

Friday, November 8 --- 6 p.m.
Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays)
Beaumont Elementary School, 1211 Beaumont Ave.
Dennis Murphy, 237-9481

Friday, November 8 --- 8:30 a.m.—3 p.m.
Equity in East Tennessee: Why Health Equity Matters
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Adewale Troutman (American Public Health Assn.)
Lunch Provided
Sponsors: PlanET, Knox County Health Dept., University of Tennessee
Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Avenue

Ashley Brooks, abrook33@utk.edu

Monday, November 11 --- 3 p.m.

Northgate Resident Association (Second Mondays)
Social Hall, 4301 Whittle Springs Road
David Wildsmith, 219-0417

Monday, November 11 --- 5 p.m.-6 p.m.

Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)
CAC East Neighborhood Center, 4200 Asheville Hwy.
Marian Bailey, 525-5625

Monday, November 11 --- 6 p.m.

Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)
Magnolia Avenue Methodist Church, 2700 Magnolia (Harrison St. Entrance)
Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, November 11 --- 6 p.m.

Lyons View Community Club (Second Mondays)
Lyons View Community Center, 114 Sprankle Avenue
Mary Brewster, 454-2390

Monday, November 11 --- 6 p.m.

Vestal Community Organization (Second Mondays)
South Knoxville Community Center
Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, November 11 --- 6:30 p.m.

Old North Knoxville (Second Mondays)
St. James Episcopal, Parish Hall, 1101 N. Broadway
Lauren Rider, 964-3905

Monday, November 11 --- 6:30 p.m.

Community Potluck
Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization (Second Mondays)
Central United Methodist Church, 210 Third Avenue
Judith Neff, 567-7980

Monday, November 11 --- 7 p.m.

Belle Morris Community Action Group (Second Mondays)
City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Avenue
www.bellemorris.com
Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Monday, November 11 --- 7 p.m.

Town Hall East
(Second Mondays in September, November, January, March and May)
Fellowship Hall, Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 409 Asheville Highway
Mac Goodwin, 524-9954

Tuesday, November 12 --- 11:45 a.m.

Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission
(Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting)
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, November 12 --- 6 p.m.

Brown Avenue Neighborhood Watch (Second Tuesdays)
Hoitt Avenue Baptist Church, 2121 Hoitt Avenue
Jimmy Ramsey, 637-0243

Tuesday, November 12 --- 6:30 p.m.

Lonsdale United for Change (Second Tuesdays)
Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Avenue
Steve Ritter, 973-0877

Tuesday, November 12 --- 7 p.m.

Mechanicsville Neighborhood Watch Association (Second Tuesdays)
Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, College Street
R. Bentley Marlow, 607-4357

Wednesday, November 13 --- 11:30 a.m.

Community Forum (Second Wednesdays)
West Knoxville Library, 100 Golf Club Road at Kingston Pike
Sue Mauer, 690-0269

Wednesday, November 13 --- 1 p.m.

100 Block Association (Second Wednesdays)
Dewhirst Properties, 123 S. Gay Street
Jody Freeman, 525-1554

Wednesday, November 13 --- 4:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Advisory Council
(Every Second Wednesday, except December)
Venue to be determined
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods>
David Massey, 215-3232

Thursday, November 14 --- 1:30 p.m.

Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays)
<http://www.knoxmpc.org>
Agenda: <http://agenda.knoxmpc.org>

Thursday, November 14 --- 6 p.m.

Lonsdale Homes Resident Association (Second Thursdays)
Community Building, 1956 Goins Drive
Phyllis Patrick, 323-7224

Thursday, November 14 --- 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Greenwood Heights Neighborhood Watch (Second Thursdays)
Corner of Buttercup Circle and Sundrop Drive
Alice Wershing at awershing@aol.com

Thursday, November 14 --- 7-8 p.m.

Colonial Village Neighborhood Association (Second Thursdays)
South Knoxville Church of God, 5623 Magazine Road
Paula Gumpman, babyouzo@hotmail.com, 300-4401

Tuesday, November 19 --- 6 p.m.

Delrose Drive Neighborhood Watch (Third Tuesdays)
Riverview Baptist Church, 3618 Delrose Drive
Corina and John Buffalow, 523-0102

Tuesday, November 19 --- 7 p.m.

Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association (Third Tuesdays except December)
Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail

Thursday, November 21 --- Breakfast @ 7:45 a.m. Meeting @ 8 a.m.

East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays)
Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders
Speaker: Representative Joe Armstrong, District 15
Charles Morgan, cwm826@aol.com, Gray Hodges Corporation, 522-3113
www.EastKnox.org

Thursday, November 21 --- 8:30 a.m.

Historic Zoning Commission (Third Thursdays)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/historic.asp>

Thursday, November 21 --- 12 p.m.

KUB Board of Commissioners (Third Thursdays, except July)
Historic Miller's Building, 445 S. Gay Street
See www.kub.org. Click on "About Us" at top of the page.

Thursday, November 21 --- 4 p.m.

City Board of Zoning Appeals (Third Thursdays)
Small Assembly Room
Pre-Agenda Meeting: 3 p.m. in Room 511
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/zoning.asp>

Thursday, November 21 --- 6:30 p.m.

Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association
Monthly Meeting (Third Thursdays)
Community Club House, 916 Shamrock Avenue at Henagar Street

Monday, November 25 --- 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

South Woodlawn Neighborhood Association
Bi-Monthly Meeting (Fourth Mondays, odd months, except holidays)
Woodlawn Christian Church, 4339 Woodlawn Pike
Janice Tocher, 686-6789

Thursday, December 12 --- 6 p.m.

Burlington Homeowners & Residents Association
Next Meeting: January 11, 2014
Burlington Library, Asheville Highway
Kimberley Fowler, ccfp@comcast.net, 524-7094

Monday, December 9 --- 5:30 p.m.

Downtown Residents Quarterly Meeting
Central Business Improvement District
Knoxville Chamber offices, 17 Market Square
(Future meetings in 2013: 12/9)
<http://downtownknoxville.org/>
Michele Hummel, 246-2654

Saturday, December 28 --- 8 a.m. till Last Person is Heard
"Coffee with the Councilman"
(Last Saturday of Each Quarter)
Vice Mayor and First District City Council Member Nick Pavlis
Bring your concerns or stop by to chat; open to all city residents.
Roundup Restaurant, 3643 Sevierville Pike
Nick Pavlis, 454-7216

Saturday, March 8, 2014 --- 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
The Neighborhood Conference
Knoxville Convention Center

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