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1. Public Officer Hearing Meets This Friday

Twelve properties are on the agenda for the City's next Public Officer Hearing (POH) at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 24. The meeting will be held in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 W. Main Street.

Normally, the Public Officer Hearing meets after the Better Building Board (BBB). Due to scheduling conflicts, the POH will meet the week BEFORE the BBB. See below.

The properties to be heard for repair/demolition orders are: 5210 Aubrey Ln., 1509 Beaumont Ave. (including accessory structure), 712 East Caldwell Ave. (including accessory structure), 167 Chickamauga Ave., 1935 Fair Dr., 1311 Jourolman Ave., 1207 Karnes Ave., 1423 Lawson Ave., 0 Maryland Ave. (accessory structure only), 215 Oglewood Ave. (including accessory structure), 5807 East Sunset Rd., and 2414 Truman Ave. Boarding approvals are for 717 North Beaman St. and 1509 Beaumont Ave.

The Public Officer - David Brace, Deputy Director to the Mayor and the City's Chief Operating Officer - will hear testimony on buildings that inspectors contend are in violation of the City's building codes.

Testimony can also be made by the property owners, neighbors, neighborhood groups, and other stakeholders, such as lien holders.

The Public Officer then decides whether to issue an order requiring that the violations be addressed in a certain period of time. Failure by the owner to cure the problem may

result in the boarding or demolition of a structure, or the cleanup of a dirty or overgrown lot, with costs billed to the owner.

A property owner may appeal the Public Officer's decision to the Better Building Board (BBB) and, ultimately, to Chancery Court.

One property, 1846 Prospect Place, is on the agenda for consideration of acquisition at the City's next Better Building Board meeting at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 30. The meeting will be held in Room 549 of the City County Building.

If any of these properties are in your neighborhood, then you or a representative of your organization may wish to attend the meeting to submit testimony about the impact of the property on the neighborhood.

For agendas and more information about these hearings, see the [City of Knoxville's website](#).

2. Wiffle Ball Fun Happening This Saturday

The second annual Wiffle Ball Tournament will be held at Victor Ashe Park on Saturday, Aug. 25, from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Forest Heights Neighborhood Association, Island Home Park Neighborhood Association, Timbercrest Neighborhood Association, West Hills Community Association, Westmoreland Hills Homeowners Association, and Westwood Homeowners Association are competing for the Wiffle Ball Champion title.

Registration for this event is closed, but all are welcome to attend as spectators. See you there on Saturday!

3. Join the Maker City Summit

What is a Maker? It is a person that makes or produces something without the support of infrastructure. In other words, people making artisan crafts, creating technology, or other ideas generally on their own. It is the heart of entrepreneurship.

What is the Maker Movement? It is a group of makers creating and selling their wares. If you have not noticed before now, the Maker Movement is robust in Knoxville.

Knoxville was named a [Maker City](#), the first such city in the U.S., awarded by Etsy in 2016. To support Makers all around, Knoxville will host the third annual Maker City Summit on Sunday, Sept. 23, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., at the Mill & Mine, 227 W. Depot Ave.

This is an opportunity to meet other entrepreneurs, learn how to boost your business, understand more about marketing, and so much more. Whether you have been making things for years, or have a fresh new idea, joining the Maker City Summit could be invaluable.

You must [register](#) in advance. To learn more, visit the [website](#).

4. Recode Knoxville Meetings Scheduled; Input Needed

A series of meetings for the Recode Knoxville zoning code update is being held throughout August and into the fall. An overview of the changes made to the first draft is being given, as well as a tutorial on how to access and comment on the draft zoning map.

The meetings are being held in various parts of the city to provide several opportunities for interested community members to attend.

Knoxville's zoning code hasn't undergone a thorough review in nearly 60 years, and this update will allow the City to adopt modern standards. It also will help protect and enhance Knoxville's sense of place over the next few decades.

Knox County is projected to add 170,000 residents by 2040, and this update of the City's zoning ordinance will help prepare the community for that growth by striking a balance between protecting historic characteristics of neighborhoods and creating standards that encourage dynamic growth. It will encourage investment, protect valued community assets, and support connectivity among people and places.

Upcoming meetings:

- Thursday, Aug. 23, 6-7 p.m. at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church, 2931 Kingston Pike
- Wednesday, Aug. 29, 6-7 p.m. at Central United Methodist Church, 210 3rd Ave.
- Thursday, Aug. 30, 6-7 p.m. at Church of the Good Shepherd, 5409 Jacksboro Pike
- Monday, Sept. 10, 6-7 p.m. at South Knoxville Community Center, 522 Maryville Pike
- Tuesday, Oct. 16, 8:30-9:30 a.m. at CAC East Neighborhood Center, Holston Shopping Plaza, 4200 Asheville Hwy

Please consider attending one of these meetings. Your feedback is very important!

5. National Night Out – Call for October Celebrations

The Office of Neighborhoods is conducting a call out to all neighborhoods planning to celebrate National Night Out this October.

The City of Knoxville's 35th annual National Night Out is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2018.

Whether your neighborhood plans to have a small neighborhood potluck or a community-wide bash, please email Eden Slater, eslater@knoxvilletn.gov, and copy Officer John Morgan, jmorgan@knoxvilletn.gov with the following information:

- Neighborhood organization's name
- Contact of the person organizing your neighborhood's event

- Phone number of the contact
- Date (some neighborhoods choose other dates than Oct. 2)
- Start time and finish time
- Address where the event will be held
- What the event will be (i.e. potluck, chili cookoff, etc.)

If your neighborhood will celebrate by turning on porch lights, we want to know that as well. Officers can drive through the neighborhood to see that they are supported.

National Night Out is a fun way to both support community participation in anti-crime efforts and strengthen neighborhood-police community partnerships. Have your neighborhood join the fun.

6. Knox County School Board to Swear In New Members

The Knox County School Board will host a swearing-in ceremony for its newly elected members on Aug. 31, in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 Main St.

The incoming Board members – Evetty Satterfield (District 1), Virginia Babb (District 4), and Kristi Kristy (District 9) – will serve from September 2018 to August 2022.

Three Board members will conclude their terms on Aug. 31 – Gloria Deatheridge (District 1), Lynn Fugate (District 4), and Amber Rountree (District 9). Two current board members have been re-elected to the same seats – Terry Hill (District 6) and Patti Lou Bounds (District 7).

Four board members are still serving their terms – Jennifer Owen (District 2), Tony Norman (District 3), Susan Horn (District 5), and Mike McMillan (District 8).

The Office of Neighborhoods would like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing board members for their hard work and dedication to Knox County Schools over the past four years.

Nine board members represent Knox County Schools for a term of four years each. The Knox County School Board has regular meetings every second Wednesday of the month at 5 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 Main St. In addition, the Board holds work sessions every first Wednesday of the month at 5 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 Main St. Both regular meetings and work sessions are open to the public.

For more, [visit the website](#) or contact the Board's Executive Assistant at 594-1630.

7. Knoxville Neighborhoods Calendar (click link for online calendar)

Call 215-4382 to include your neighborhood event or meeting in [this Google calendar](#).

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to attend a City of Knoxville public meeting, please contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at scook@knoxvilletn.gov or 215-2034 no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish

to attend. For an English interpreter, contact Title VI Coordinator Tatia M. Harris at 215-2831.

Other Calendars

Here are other online calendars that cover events outside of the neighborhood realm:

- [Arts & Culture Alliance](#) (There's More to Knoxville)
- [Arts & Fine Crafts Center Classes](#) (City of Knoxville)
- [City of Knoxville General Calendar](#)

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