

**Knoxville Neighborhood Advisory – Vol. 12, No. 6 – Tuesday, February 12, 2019**

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**1. Deadline Fast Approaching for Community Agency Grants**

The City of Knoxville is accepting Community Agency Grants through Feb. 22. The City is looking to fund applicants who provide arts, culture, health, and/or wellbeing to the Knoxville Community.

Community Agency Grants (CAG) are available in two categories: "arts and culture" or "community and social services". Non-profits operating in the City for at least five years are eligible to apply, this includes neighborhoods with five years of 501C3 status. Neighborhoods should apply under arts or community, depending on the project. For questions, please contact Jennifer Searle (information below).

Award winners from this past fiscal year include museums, fine arts organizations, groups who present and promote cultural experiences, and local organizations that support physical and mental wellbeing.

Organizations that focus on homeless services are also eligible to apply for funding, but through the Community Development Department's [Homeless Grant](#).

To learn more and download an application, visit the City of Knoxville [Grant Applications Page](#). Applications are due by 4 p.m. on Feb. 22, to Jennifer Searle at [jsearle@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:jsearle@knoxvilletn.gov) or 865-215-2267.

**2. City Council Hears Edgewood Park Grant Proposal**

This evening, City Council will hear **Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association's** Neighborhood Small Grant Proposal.

If passed, EPNA will receive \$3,000 to provide events that engage Edgewood Park neighbors and surrounding neighborhood groups.

This funding will add to the six neighborhood organizations currently receiving grants in 2019, bringing the total amount of Neighborhood Grant funds to \$20,040.

Neighborhoods receiving funding this year include: **Fairmont Emoriland Neighborhood Association, Historic Fourth and Gill Neighborhood Association, Historic Holston Hills Neighborhood Association, Parkridge Community Organization, South Haven Neighborhood Association, and Southside Waterfront Neighborhood Association.**

If you are interested in receiving a Neighborhood Small Grant for 2020, visit the Office of Neighborhoods' [website](#) for more information.

### **3. OON Challenges Neighborhoods**

Join us, Wednesday, Mar. 13, for a City-Wide Neighborhood Challenge. Invite your neighbors, and hit the brewery in your area. The challenge is on; see which region can raise the most money for the Neighborhoods Conference!

Local breweries across the City have agreed to designate Wednesday, Mar. 13, as an evening where neighborhood organizations, family, and friends can show their support for the City of Knoxville's Neighborhood Conference.

Between 5-10 p.m. on March 13, a percentage of the beer sales from participating breweries will be donated to support this important community event. Participating breweries include: Abridged Beer Co., Hexagon Brewing Co., Last Days of Autumn Brewing, and Pretentious Beer Co.

Gather your neighbors, and show support in your region. It is a challenge between North, South, East, West and Downtown. Whether through beer sales or donations, the neighborhood region that raises the most funds will be recognized at the Neighborhood Conference! Gather your neighbors, spread the word, and join in the fun!

This year's Neighborhood Conference is scheduled for May 18, 2019 and is free and open to the public. Each year, approximately 600-700 people attend the event, which provides educational sessions and networking opportunities. Representatives from City departments are on hand to provide information and answer questions.

The Neighborhood Conference is supported by sponsorships and City funding. For more information, visit the City's [website](#) or contact Debbie Sharp at [dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov) or 865-215-4382.

Keep your eyes peeled for Neighborhood Challenge flyers, coming soon! Help us promote the event by sharing with your neighbors and your neighborhood's social media pages.

#### **4. Parks and Rec Changes Challenge Grant Due Date**

The City of Knoxville's Parks and Recreation Department's Challenge Grant due date is Thursday, May 30, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. Previously, these grant applications were due in the fall.

Neighborhood organizations or groups seeking to improve City parks, City property, or property that is available for public use, can apply for funding. This is a reimbursable matching grant, which means groups will be reimbursed up to half of the eligible costs for their approved projects, up to \$2,500

Applications are available at the Parks and Recreation [website](#) and can be mailed to: Parks and Recreation Department, P.O. Box 1631, Knoxville, TN 37901, or emailed to Tim Hester at [thester@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:thester@knoxvilletn.gov).

#### **5. Planning Commission Meets This Thursday**

The Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission will meet Thursday, Feb. 14, at 1:30 p.m. in the City County Building Main Assembly Room, 400 Main St.

The commission will discuss 37 items, some of which could affect your neighborhood. Visit [Knoxville-Knox County Planning](#) to learn more about the Planning Commission and see the full [agenda](#) for this week's meeting.

#### **6. Planning Hosts One Year Plan Meeting for North/East**

Knoxville Knox County Planning (Planning), formally known as MPC, is hosting the third and final One Year Plan input meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 19, at 6 p.m. at the New Harvest Park Community Building, 4775 New Harvest Ln. Attendees will be able to give input on updates to the 2018 plan, permitted land use and zoning districts, and development policies for the North and East areas.

Help the Planning Staff plan for a better Knoxville. For more information, visit their [website](#).

#### **7. City Council Plans Workshop on Neighborhood Zoning**

City Council will host a second workshop on [Recode Knoxville](#), Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 5:30 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 Main St.

Please note that City Council usually has their workshops on Thursdays, but this one is on a Wednesday.

This workshop will focus on Residential zones of the proposed new zoning ordinance. To see how Recode Knoxville will affect your neighborhood, check out the [Recode Knoxville Map](#).

#### **8. Bike Walk Knoxville Seeks Input**

Do you commute by foot or bike? Have you ever had a car drive just a little too close, a near miss, or even been hit? Bike Walk Knoxville (BWK) wants to hear from you!

BWK works hard to improve safety for runners, walkers, and bikers across the region. In an effort to better understand the risks of walking and bicycling here in Knoxville, BWK needs your help. Please fill out this [survey](#), and help explain the issues you face navigating our city day in and day out.

Many accidents, especially near misses, go unreported. Filling out this survey will help show BWK the real threats on the road, and in response, provide valuable knowledge to improve safety.

Those who live in Knox, Blount, Anderson, and Sevier counties are also encouraged to participate. The survey closes on Feb. 27. Please share it with your fellow walkers and bikers.

Check out the [crash map](#) to see reported pedestrian and cyclist incidents across the region.

**[9. 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](mailto: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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