

Knoxville Neighborhood Advisory – Vol. 12, No. 28 – Tuesday, August 6, 2019

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1. NAC to Discuss How to Recognize Neighborhood Orgs.

The [Neighborhood Advisory Council](#) (NAC) will continue to discuss how to recognize neighborhood organizations utilizing best practices.

This NAC meeting will be Wednesday, Aug. 14, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.

All are welcome to attend. NAC members will discuss the topic first and will take comments from the public, time permitting.

Best Practices for neighborhoods is an initiative to recognize neighborhood groups that do an exemplary job representing the needs of their community. The NAC has been working with the Office of Neighborhoods over the last couple of years to create a recognition program.

Input, comments, and questions on this subject are encouraged at any time during this process. Please direct them to Debbie Sharp at 215-4382 or dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov.

NAC members are appointed by the Mayor to:

- 1) Give advice and feedback on the programs and policies of the Office of Neighborhoods;
- 2) Bring neighborhood issues and concerns to the attention of the Mayor and City Administration;
- 3) Propose to the Administration responses and solutions to address these concerns; and

- 4) Serve as a sounding board for City initiatives and proposals affecting neighborhoods.

The NAC advises and provides input to the Mayor and City staff. As a matter of policy, it does not advise Knoxville City Council, Knoxville-Knox County Planning and other elected and appointed bodies; however, members may speak on behalf of their neighborhoods or as individuals.

For accommodations, contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at 215-2034 or scCook@knoxvilletn.gov. For translation services, contact Tatia Harris at 215-2831 or tharris@knoxvilletn.gov.

2. Knoxville Early Voting Kicks Off Aug. 7; One More Forum

Early voting for the City of Knoxville primary election kicks off on Wednesday, Aug. 7 and runs through Aug. 22.

From Aug. 7 to 19, voters can cast ballots between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday-Friday, and between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sunday. Locations are open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., on Aug. 20, 21, and 22. Please see a list of early voting locations, below:

- City-County Building, 400 Main St., Main Floor next to 4th Circuit Court. (Opens at 12 noon on Thursdays.)
- Downtown West, 1645 Downtown West Blvd., Unit 40
- Love Kitchen, 2418 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.
- New Harvest Park, 4775 New Harvest Ln.
- Meridian Baptist Church, 6513 Chapman Hwy.

Election Day for the primary election is on Aug. 27. The general election will be held Nov. 5. For common voting questions and a list of voting locations, visit the [Knox County Election Commission](#).

Are you still not sure who you want to vote for? Tune in to WBIR Chanel 10 on Tuesday, Aug. 6, from 6 to 8 p.m., for the Chamber of Commerce, Jewelry Television, and WBIR Mayoral Candidate Forum. Visit their [event page](#) for more information!

For more information and a list of candidates, [Go Vote Knoxville](#).

3. Walk with Elected Officials

[Bike Walk Knoxville](#) will host Walk with Elected Officials on Monday, Aug. 12, at 6 p.m. beginning at Northwest Middle School, 5301 Pleasant Ridge Rd., to Victor Ashe Park.

Please wear walking shoes and bring water; there are no water fountains.

This is a great time to get together with elected officials, candidates, and community members to talk about issues.

The walk is 1.6 miles along the scenic Northwest Greenway from Northwest Middle School to Victor Ashe Park and back. Come out and get to know your elected officials and candidates!

Parking for the walk will be located behind Northwest Middle School on Walpine Ln.

For more, visit their [Facebook page](#).

4. Planning Commission to Meet on Aug. 8

The Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission meets Thursday, Aug. 8, at 1:30 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 Main St.

This month's agenda features 50 items up for review. Take a look at the [agenda](#) to see if any items might affect your neighborhood. Items in "Council Districts" are items within the City. Utilize the [Groundbreakers App](#), to see what properties are located near you.

For more information on Knoxville-Knox County Planning and the Planning Commission, check out the Planning [website](#).

5. City Council to Discuss Recode Text and Map

Recode Knoxville is being considered on second reading at City Council on August 13. Both the text and the maps are on the agenda. All updates can be viewed at recodeknoxville.com.

6. City Hosts Broadway Corridor Open House

Join the City of Knoxville for an interactive open house that will focus on the future of the North Broadway Corridor on Wednesday, Aug. 14, at St. James Episcopal Church, 1101 North Broadway, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The area will look at Glenwood Ave. to McCroskey Ave. including the Hall of Fame intersection with Broadway. Your input will contribute to recommendations that will make North Broadway inviting and accessible to all users.

All are welcome to drop in and give input. There will not be a presentation; you can come at any time.

7. Knoxville Celebrates Diverse Culture with New Mural

If you have taken a stroll through downtown this summer, you may have noticed some new public art. Transforming dark alleyways into vibrant pathways to explore, learn, and imagine, Knoxville's [Art in Public Places Mural Program](#) has encouraged art to spread through downtown, across the river, and out the corridors.

The newest and biggest undertaking yet, the Market Square Garage Mural, does not disappoint. Spanning 300 feet and three stories high, the new mural is a kaleidoscope of color depicting Knoxville's diverse culture with six unique faces of individuals who live here in the community.

Artist Addison Karl is a Settle-based muralist and counts the Market Square Garage Mural among his nearly 75 murals worldwide. However, despite coming from out of town, Karl has made a point to dedicate his project and his time here in Knoxville to

being part of the community. Instructing a team of 9, including four local artists, Karl chose to photograph and paint the faces of people who live right here in Knoxville.

The Office of Neighborhoods took a field trip to see the mural and get our team picture. We were delighted to meet Karl, who took a moment out of his work day to speak with us. He emphasized his delight in spending time in our great city and being a part of the community.

The mural, in the clean, vibrant alleyway, brings the area to life. If you have a chance, come down to the east side of the Market Square Garage, between Wall and Union Aves., today, Tuesday, Aug. 6 at 4 p.m. for the reveal and celebration of the Market Square Garage Mural. Mayor Rogero, artist Addison Karl, Arts and Culture Alliance Executive Director Liza Zenni, and members of the Public Art Committee will be on hand to dedicate the mural and discuss its importance in our community.

Even if you cannot make it to this afternoon's reveal, make a point to wander down through the alley, adjacent to Market Square. Public art is a great way to brighten up a place, encourage positive recreation, and preserve culture.

For more on the Market Square Garage Mural, check out the [Knox News article](#). For a list of murals and public art across the city and a map of where to find them, check out Visit Knoxville's [Knoxville Mural page](#).

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

Call 215-3232 to include your neighborhood event or meeting in [this Google calendar](#).

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation 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 before the meeting you wish to attend. For an English interpreter, contact Title VI Coordinator Tatia M. Harris at 215-2831.

Other Calendars

Additional online calendars that cover events outside the neighborhood realm include:

- [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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