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1. Sidewalk Dedication to Take Place on Sheffield Dr.

A new sidewalk segment on Sheffield Dr., between Portsmouth and Wesley Rds., has been constructed to create a safe pedestrian route to West Hills Elementary School and West Hills Park.

On Wednesday, Sept. 30, at 3:30 p.m., at 7017 Sheffield Dr., Mayor Indya Kincannon and Councilmember Andrew Roberto will join neighbors to cut the ribbon to dedicate the new 4,150-foot-long sidewalk segment.

The new sidewalk section is a \$437,702 investment funding the walkway as well as drainage improvements along the north side of Sheffield Dr. The new segment will both fill a "missing link" between existing sidewalks and complete a safe walking route to both the park and the school.

Neighborhood and community members, you are welcome to come celebrate the sidewalk dedication. Please practice physical distancing and wear face coverings at the outdoor event. During the celebration, on Sept. 30, Sheffield Dr. will be briefly closed to through traffic, for safety.

To request language translation services, contact Diversity and Inclusion Officer Tatia M. Harris at tharris@knoxvilletn.gov or 865.215.2831. For disability accommodations, contact City ADA Coordinator Stephanie Brewer Cook at scook@knoxvilletn.gov or 865.215.2034.

2. City Council Holds Workshop on Oct. 1

City Council will hold a virtual workshop on Thursday, Oct. 1, about Planned Development. The issues covered will include the process, examples, and proposed amendments.

You can stream this meeting at ctvknox.org or watch on television with these channels: Xfinity (Comcast) – Channel 12, Charter (Spectrum) – Channel 193, WOW! (Knology) – Channel 6 or AT&T U-verse – Channel 99.

If you would like to speak at the public forum for the workshop, you must register with the City Recorder's Office at 215-2075 or wjohnson@knoxvilletn.gov before 3 p.m. on Oct. 1. The City Recorder's Office will ask for contact information so that they can connect you to the Zoom meeting. Participation is possible either through the Zoom application or by phoning-in to the meeting.

3. Go Vote!

Here are some important dates to remember in regards to the upcoming election.

The final day to register to vote for the election is Monday, Oct. 5.

Early Voting begins Wednesday, Oct. 14.

The final day to request an absentee ballot is Tuesday, Oct. 27.

The final day of the Early Voting period is Thursday, Oct. 29.

Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 3.

You can register to vote online from your computer, tablet, or mobile device. Download a printable Tennessee voter registration application to submit to your county election commission. Check your voter registration status. Contact your county election commission.

For more information about registering to vote go visit the GoVoteTN website.

4. Bridge to be Dedicated to Local Business Owner

Last November, the Public Naming Committee approved the request from Bill Davis' family to name a new bridge on Keith Ave. after the local business owner and philanthropist.

On Friday, Oct. 2, at 11:30 a.m., near the Davis Hose & Supply Shop, Mayor Kincannon, alongside Councilmember Singh, will dedicate the bridge to Mr. Davis with the unveiling of a sign and the official naming of the Bill Davis Memorial Bridge.

Originally from Ohio, Mr. Davis was a veteran of the World War II Army Air Corps and an auto mechanic who opened a garage on Western Ave. and Keith Ave. in the late 1950s. His business grew from an auto to a heavy equipment repair shop, and still exists today as Davis Hose & Supply. Before his death in 1988, Mr. Davis was a longtime Lonsdale resident, an active member in the Kerbela Shriners, and the Sunday School Superintendent at Beaumont Ave. Baptist Church. Mr. Davis was actively engaged in the community and involved in charity work. With the Shriners, he helped build stairs at the Tennessee School for the Deaf and played Santa at children's Christmas Parties; he was also a member of both the Lions Club and Elks Lodge.

The new Bill Davis Memorial Bridge is part of the more than \$30 million state project to widen Western Ave. and improve the area, carrying Keith Ave. over the railroad lines.

[5. Knoxville Neighborhoods Calendar](#) (click link for online calendar)

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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](#)
- [Parks and Rec Community Programming](#)

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