



**The Neighborly Notice** – Vol. 14, No. 41 – Tuesday, November 16, 2021

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### **1. No Newsletter Next Week**

There will not be a newsletter next Tuesday, Nov. 23, but don't worry -- we'll be back soon with information, updates, and fun events and activities!

If you just cannot make it a whole week without an update from the Office of Neighborhood Empowerment (ONE), then make sure you're following us [on our Facebook page](#) to fill in the gaps.

### **2. City Council to Hear Neighborhood Small Grants Program**

Tonight, City Council members will hear the six applications for Neighborhood Small Grants Program for 2022.

Neighborhoods requesting funding for qualifying projects are:

- **Historic Fourth and Gill Neighborhood Organization** - \$3,000
- **Lake Forest Neighborhood Association** - \$3,000
- **Lindbergh Forest Neighborhood Association** - \$2,620
- **RiverHill Gateway Neighborhood Association** - \$3,000
- **South Knoxville Neighborhood and Business Coalition** - \$3,000
- **West Hills Community Association** - \$3,000

The total allocation for this grant cycle is \$17,620.

The process for requesting funds begins in the spring with a mandatory meeting, and then grant applications are due in the summer. There are site visits and a committee review in the fall, and then funding is issued in January of the new year.

If you are interested in seeking project funding for 2023, be on the lookout for mandatory workshops in April and May of 2022. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Sharp at 215-4382 or by email at [dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov).

### **3. New NAC Appointments Go Before City Council**

The new [Neighborhood Advisory Council](#) (NAC) appointments also go before City Council tonight.

The new NAC appointments are:

- Seat 1-B – Thomas Egan from **South Haven Neighborhood Association**
- Seat 3-A – Greg Easterly from **Norwood Community Association**
- Seat 4-A – Monty Howard from **Historic Gibbs Drive Neighborhood Association**
- Seat A (At Large) – LaShea Brabson from **Williams Creek Community Association**

The Office of Neighborhood Empowerment and the administration greatly appreciate the service of the NAC members whose terms are ending:

- Seat 1-B – Gayle Atherton from **South Haven Neighborhood Association**
- Seat 3-A – Victoria Raschke from **Norwood Community Association**
- Seat 4-A – Rob Glass from **Harrill Hills Neighborhood Watch**
- Seat 5-B – Molly Conaway from **Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association**

- Seat A (At Large) – David Gillette from **Morningside Heights Homeowners Association**

The NAC consists of neighborhood leaders from around the city, and it serves in an advisory and partnership capacity to:

- Give advice and feedback on the programs and policies of the Office of Neighborhood Empowerment
- Bring neighborhood issues and concerns to the attention of the Mayor and City administration
- Propose responses and solutions to address these concerns
- Serve as a sounding board for City initiatives and proposals affecting neighborhoods.

Members are appointed by the Mayor. There are two designated seats for each City Council district as well as three at-large positions. Members serve three-year terms, limited to two consecutive terms.

#### **4. Tell Us About a Perfect Day in Your Neighborhood!**

The Office of Neighborhood Empowerment (ONE) is requesting submissions from Knoxville residents to highlight the wonderful things about our city's neighborhoods.

Send us a one-paragraph description of your neighborhood along with a description of what a perfect day in your neighborhood looks like. What is a cool hangout for neighbors? Who is someone that tries to bring folks together? What are some of the great natural features in the neighborhood? Is there a creative project your group is working on?

If you would like your neighborhood to be featured in the Neighborly Notice, please send your submissions to Hayley Howard at [hhoward@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:hhoward@knoxvilletn.gov).

We look forward to learning more about your community!

#### **5. City Announces Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule**

City of Knoxville offices will be closed Thursday, Nov. 25 and Friday, Nov. 26, in observation of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Garbage and recycling pickups will be on the regular schedule Monday, Nov. 22 through Wednesday, Nov. 24. **There will be NO household garbage or recycling collection on Thursday, Nov. 25**, and Waste Connections' office will be closed. Waste Connections will run Thursday routes on Friday and Friday routes on Saturday.

Please remember to limit your waste to the contents of your city-issued trash cart; no overflow trash or carts with lifted lids will be collected.

As a general reminder, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day are the only days of the year when residential curbside trash and recycling are NOT picked up as scheduled.

Downtown garbage and recycling collection will run on regular schedule during Thanksgiving week.

The City's five recycling centers will be open, but the Goodwill attendant will not be available to accept household donations on Thursday, Nov. 25. Please don't leave donations at unattended recycling centers.

The City's Solid Waste Facility located at 1033 Elm Street will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 25, through Saturday, Nov. 27, and will resume normal operating hours on Monday, Nov. 29.

## **6. City's Special Events Requests Volunteers for Regal Celebration of Lights**

Are you full of Christmas spirit and looking to spread Christmas cheer? We have a great opportunity to do just that!

The City's Special Events office seeks volunteers to help at Regal Celebration of Lights on Friday, Nov. 26:

- Santa's Helper – This volunteer will help handle the Santa line and get families to Santa for the photographer.
- Santa's Line Closer – This volunteer will close off the end of Santa's line at the end of the event so Santa can go back home.
- Special Events Info Booth – This volunteer will help with FAQs, help kids write a letter to Santa, pass out brochures and keep the table stocked with information.

Multiple times and shifts are available. If you are interested in spreading some Christmas cheer at this fun event, contact Rachel White with Special Events at [rwhite@knoxvilletn.gov](mailto:rwhite@knoxvilletn.gov) or 215-4248.

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

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

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2034 at least 72 hours before the meeting.

### **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](#)

### **About This Newsletter**

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*\*\* Ideas and contributions are welcome. We reserve the right to edit submissions.*

*\*\* Deadline for news & calendar items: 12 p.m. Fridays.*

*\*\* May be copied and forwarded via neighborhood email lists and newsletters.*

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