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1. Neighborhood Advisory Council Does Not Meet This Month

Reminder, the [Neighborhood Advisory Council](#) (NAC) will not meet in the month of July.

The next NAC meeting will be Wednesday, Aug. 10, at 4:30 p.m. at the Cansler Family YMCA. All are welcome to attend.

The NAC advises and provides input only to the Mayor and the City administration. It does not advise Knoxville City Council, Knoxville-Knox County Planning and other elected and appointed bodies; however, they may speak on behalf of their neighborhoods or as individuals.

2. The League of Women Voters Holds Forum

The League of Women Voters of Knoxville/Knox County (LWV) will host a public forum for candidates for Knox County School Board on Thursday, July 14, from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church, 2931 Kingston Pike.

The LWV is sponsoring this forum in partnership with American Muslim Advisory Council, East Tennessee Society of Professional Journalists, Howard H. Baker Jr. Center for Public Policy UTK, Knoxville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Knoxville Area Urban League, Knoxville Branch of the NAACP, and the YWCA of Knoxville and the TN Valley.

The following candidates are running for School Board:

- John Butler (District 1)
- Breauna Holloway (District 1)
- Reginald Jackson (District 1)
- Will Edwards (District 4)
- Katherine Bike (District 4)
- Betsy Henderson (District 6)
- Phillip Michael Sherman (District 6)
- Steve Triplett (District 7)
- Dominique Oakley (District 7)
- Kristi Kristy (District 9)
- Annabel Henley (District 9)

Election Day is Thursday, Aug. 4, with early voting starting July 15. It is your right to vote; know who is running.

LWV is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that encourages informed and active participation in government and works to increase understanding of major public policy issues.

3. Board of Zoning Appeals Meets Next Tuesday

The Board of Zoning Appeals will meet next Tuesday, July 19, at 4 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City County Building.

Properties that will be discussed under New Business are 5806 Westover Dr.; 835 Tally Ho Dr.; 4061 Sequoyah Ave.; 713 S. Seventeenth St.; 9111 Cross Park Dr.; 39 Seahorn

Ave.; 3948 Seahorn Ave.; 5201 Western Ave.; 1727 Grand Ave. The property that will be discussed under Old Business is 1717 White Ave.

If you live near any of these properties and wish to speak to any of them, check the City's [website](#) for the process.

The next BZA is on Tuesday, Aug. 16, at 4 p.m. in the Small Assembly Room.

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4. Early Voting Begins July 15

Early Voting for the Federal and State Primary and the Knox County General elections begins on Friday, July 15 and goes until Saturday, July 30. During early voting, you may go to any polling site. See all [polling locations](#).

Thursday, Aug. 4 is Election Day for both the Federal and State Primary as well as for the Knox County General.

The final day to request an absentee ballot is Thursday, July 28. To request an absentee ballot, go to the [Knox County Election website](#), fill out the Absentee Ballot application, and email the completed form to absenteeballot@knoxcounty.org. You must meet certain qualifications to vote absentee.

If you are unsure whether you are registered to vote, check your status at the [Tennessee Secretary of State website](#). This website will also provide your polling location, district information, and Election Day information. To see who is on the ballot, go to the [Knox County Election website](#) and click on the sample ballots.

If you have any questions or want additional information, visit the [Knox County Election website](#) or call 865-215-2480.

5. Let's Compete with Chattanooga

There is a healthy competition going on between Chattanooga and Knoxville to see which community can get the most residential yards certified as Tennessee Smart Yards. The [NoogaKnox Challenge](#) encourages residents to make their yards more stormwater friendly through native plantings, use of swales, and other techniques.

We are all connected by water—streams flow into rivers and into the ocean. And it begins as rain falling into our yards and into storm drains. What you do in your yard can end up downstream.

If you want to start your yard improvements today, go directly to [Tennessee Smart Yards](#) to download the workbook and begin the certification process. Knox County residents who gets certified between now and Sept. 21, will count toward the NoogaKnox Challenge.

Visit the University of Tennessee Extension Office [dashboard](#) to see who is winning. Hint: It is not currently us, but we can catch up!

6. Animal Care and Control in the City

Listed below are several resources for having/finding animals in Knoxville including adoptable animals, animal control, and dead animal pickup.

If you live within the City limits, all of your pets are required to possess a City tag. Your pet must have an up to date Rabies Vaccine in order to purchase a tag. This tag must be purchased annually and worn by your pet, just like the Rabies tag. Young-Williams Animal Center and most veterinarians in the City offer the sale of City tags. For more City pet ordinances, please visit the [City of Knoxville's website](#).

Do you need to contact Animal Control? The City Animal Control office is open Monday-Friday 7 a.m.-10 p.m. as well as Saturday, Sunday and holidays 10 a.m.-6 p.m. For stray animal pickup in the city, call 865-215-7457. To leave a voice message only, call 865-215-8639. For more information, contact Keith Hogue at 865-215-8640 or khogue@knoxvilletn.gov.

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) has jurisdiction over wildlife, including bats, skunks, raccoons, foxes, and coyotes. City and County Animal Control Officers can respond to calls about wildlife that are sick/injured, and pose a direct safety risk to the public. TWRA's number is 1-800-332-0900.

To request pickup for a dead animal in the city, please call 3-1-1 (865-215-4311) or make the request using the [My Knoxville app](#). The animal must be within 5 feet of the edge of the street. The animal is placed in a biohazard bag and taken for burial to the Chestnut Ridge Landfill off Raccoon Valley Road. To request dead animal pickup online, please [click here](#).

For additional resources, including local and state laws, pet food pantries and other available services, visit Young-Williams Animal Center [website](#).

7. Take It Easy During High Temps

Hot weather can trigger a variety of medical emergencies. Even healthy people should take it easy during extremely high temperatures, and those with respiratory and other health problems must be especially careful.

Heat-related injuries fall into three major categories: heat cramps, heat exhaustion, and heat stroke.

Heat cramps are muscular pains and spasms that occur when the body loses electrolytes during profuse sweating or when inadequate electrolytes are taken into the body. They usually begin in the arms, legs or abdomen, and often precede heat exhaustion. The best thing for heat cramps is to rest in the shade, get near a fan, spray the person with water, massage the cramp, and drink something with electrolytes in it.

Heat exhaustion is a medical emergency. When a person is suffering from heat exhaustion, they will perspire profusely and most likely will be pale. It is best to get to a cool place, apply cool compresses, elevate the feet, and drink something with electrolytes in it.

Heat stroke is the worst heat-related injury. The brain has lost its ability to regulate body temperature. The person will be hot, reddish and warm to the touch. Their temperature will be markedly high and there will be no perspiration. This is a medical emergency; call 9-1-1. The emergency care of heatstroke is to cool the body as quickly as possible. One of the best methods for cooling the body during a heat emergency is to wrap the patient in cool, wet sheets.

The best ways to prevent a heat-related emergency are:

- Drink before you're thirsty and drink often.
- Eat a healthy diet.
- Wear a hat or cap, keep the neck covered and wear loose fitting clothing.
- If you can, work during the cooler hours of the day or evening.

Stay safe and enjoy the warm weather!

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

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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

*** This Advisory is produced on most Tuesdays of the year.*

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

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*** See past issues at our website: <http://www.knoxvilletn.gov/neighborhoods>*

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