



The Neighborly Notice – Vol. 15, No. 1 – Tuesday, January 4, 2022

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1. Welcome to 2022!

We in the Office of Neighborhood Empowerment (ONE) are excited for what the New Year 2022 can bring to your neighborhoods and the City as a whole. We want to see everyone flourish!

If you need any assistance with revitalizing or re-starting your group, have ideas for what ONE can do to help, and/or are thinking of how to help another neighborhood in

need, please reach out to us. We have many ideas and want to hear what you are doing as well.

Let's work together to make our city's neighborhoods the best they can be and keep Knoxville awesome!

Sincerely,
Debbie, Hayley, and Courtney

2. City Seeks Public Input for Hiring New KPD Chief

The City of Knoxville is holding five community listening sessions to gather input to help guide the search for the next Knoxville Police Department Chief. Knoxville Police Chief Eve Thomas announced in November that she is retiring in May 2022.

The listening sessions are as follows:

Friday, Jan. 7, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail
Friday, Jan. 7, 3-5 p.m., Small Assembly Room, City County Building, 400 Main St.
Monday, Jan. 10, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Family Justice Center, 400 Harriet Tubman St.
Monday, Jan. 10, 5-7 p.m., City of Knoxville Public Works Building, 3131 Morris Avenue
Tuesday, Jan. 11, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., South Knoxville Community Center, 522 Maryville Pike

Residents are invited to stop by one of the open-house-style meetings to ask questions and submit their ideas. Anyone unable to attend one of these sessions can email comments to ChiefSearch@knoxvilletn.gov.

3. Neighborhood Advisory Council Meets In-Person

The [Neighborhood Advisory Council](#) (NAC), which has not met in person since March 2020, will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 12, at 4:30 p.m. at the Cansler YMCA in the Community Room.

The agenda includes introducing the council's five new appointees. To begin the year, group members will present topics that are important to their neighborhood groups and/or districts then rank the issues in order of importance. Throughout 2022, the Office of Neighborhood Empowerment will invite presenters on these topics to speak at NAC meetings.

All are welcome to join. Face masks and other COVID-19 safety protocols are encouraged. If you have any questions about the NAC, please contact Debbie Sharp at dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov or 215-4382.

4. CAC RSVP Program Seeks Volunteers

Are you, or is someone you know, 55 years or older and looking for a meaningful opportunity in the community? CAC's [Retired and Senior Volunteer Program](#) (RSVP) is seeking volunteers.

This program supports and matches passionate volunteers with personalized opportunities in their communities. You can volunteer as much or as little as you would like, meet other RSVP volunteers, and be matched with an opportunity that fulfills you.

If you have questions about the program or you would like to volunteer, please call CAC at 865-524-2786.

5. Board of Zoning Appeals Rescheduled

The [Board of Zoning Appeals](#) (BZA) meeting originally scheduled for Dec. 21, 2021, will be held Wednesday, Jan. 5, at 4 p.m. in the Small Assembly Room, City County Building, 400 Main St. The four properties being addressed are:

- 222 Radford Pl.
- 2126 Forest Ave.
- 7201 Kingston Pike
- 5121 Camelia Rd.

For more details about these requests, view an updated agenda [here](#).

Data pertinent to this agenda may be reviewed in the City's office of Plans Review and Building Inspections, 4th Floor of the City County Building, 400 Main Street.

If you need assistance or accommodation for a disability, please contact the City ADA coordinator at 865-215-2034. Please contact Cheri Burke at 865-215-2867 or cmburke@knoxvilletn.gov with questions about attending or for alternate attendance options.

This meeting and all communications between the Board members is subject to the provisions of the Tennessee Open Meetings Act, Tenn. Code. Ann. § 9-44-101, et seq.

A decision of this Board may be appealed to City Council by filing an Appeal Application and paying the required fee with the Plans Review and Building Inspections Department within 15 days of the date of the decision.

6. Police Advisory Review Committee Schedules Meeting

The Police Advisory Review Committee (PARC) will hold its quarterly meeting on Monday, Jan. 31, at 6 p.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 Main Street.

PARC Executive Director Tiffany Davidson and committee members will review all the cases from the fourth quarter of 2021 (Oct.-Dec. 2021). City staff will be present to share information about the upcoming national search for a new Chief of Police.

If you are interested in speaking during the Public Forum, please contact Marcus Rudolph at mrudolph@knoxvilletn.gov or 865-215-3869 no later than 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28.

7. Community Partners Host Two-Day Vaccine Clinic

East Tennessee Children's Hospital, with support from the City of Knoxville and other community partners, is hosting a two-day flu and COVID-19 vaccine clinic for children 5-11 years old at the Jacob Building on Friday, Jan. 7, from 3-8 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 8, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

The Jacob Building is located at 3301 Magnolia Ave. in Chilhowee Park, adjacent to the Knoxville Zoo.

All youth 16 and under need to be accompanied by an adult. Vaccines will also be available for adults.

For questions or further information, please contact New Directions Healthcare Solutions, Inc. at 865-274-4793 or 865-851-8005.

8. 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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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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