



# KNOXVILLE SOUTH WATERFRONT Monthly Newsletter

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## Second Edition Notes

**How did we do?** Did the first newsletter meet your needs? Please contact us with additional comments and suggestions.

**Thanks to all of you** who came to the November 13<sup>th</sup> Public Meeting. Your continued interest and support is vital to the success of the South Waterfront Vision. Plans for the Phase I Public Improvements and your comments on them can be accessed on the website in the Related Information PDF section.

**Now what?** For over two years there have been meetings and intensive plan development. Now we're moving into implementation and need to stay in contact.

## Recent Inquiries

A search is underway for another SW drop-in center. Ideas have included Ijams and the South Knoxville Elementary School, neither of which has extra available space. Do you know of a suitable and available location?

Have you been approached with a proposal to sell your property? We would encourage you to know your property value before entering into any negotiations. Give us a call if you have any questions.

## Mailing List Options

There are several ways to receive and access the newsletter. Anyone who has e-mail is encouraged to send a request to [sbass@cityofknoxville.org](mailto:sbass@cityofknoxville.org) to be added to the SW distribution list and receive a PDF version, which would save on monthly mailing costs. It is also posted as a PDF on the website, or you may remain on the mailing list for a paper copy. To remove or modify your information from either the e-mail or the mailing list, call 215-4545.

## Meeting Updates

As the South Waterfront Development transitions from planning focus to a project design focus, it may be beneficial for an informal quarterly meeting to discuss concerns and receive feedback. Options for the best format and location for that are being examined. We won't wait another 6 months to get back in touch with you.

Reminder: The South Waterfront Advisory Board meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 PM, in the South Knoxville Elementary School Library.** All meetings of the advisory board are open to the public.

## Public Improvements Update

Hargreaves Associates is currently working on environmental permitting and associated fieldwork for the Public Improvement Projects. This involves meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers and the Tennessee Valley Authority, as well as working with local archeologists, ecologists, and other specialists. Obtaining appropriate permits for these projects will enable projects to move toward construction when funding is in place. Once the permit applications have been submitted, there will be a 30-day comment period open to the public. The permit applications will likely be submitted in January or February 2008. We'll keep you updated as more information becomes available.

## Private Development Projects

Knoxville's Community Development Corporation (KCDC) has been authorized to hire professional surveying, title work, and appraisal services for the **Lincoln Street Landing / River Road** public improvements. Affected property owners will receive letters of formal notice about this work, and will include information regarding potential interest in acquiring property on behalf of the City. The City follows federal regulations to inform property owners of the value of their land prior to any discussions regarding the purchase of land. As required by the South Waterfront Redevelopment Plan, any property acquired will be owned by the City and used only for public purposes, such as streets or parks.

## Neighborhood Beat

*This section of the newsletter provides information concerning ongoing construction work relating to the South Waterfront.*

- Dredging for the Cityview marina began in mid-October, as permitted by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) and the US Army Corps of Engineers.
- A river bottom and ecological survey was recently completed and will provide updated river topography as well as a list of species that have made South Knoxville home.
- Soil borings and environmental surveys will begin this month for several Public Improvement projects. Impacted property owners will be asked to authorize this work through "Right of Entry" letters to provided by the City.
- You may see survey stakes being placed along the route of the new River Road and Lincoln Street in the near future. This work is being contracted by KCDC for the city as part of Phase I implementation efforts.

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