# From the Mayor's Desk...



Dear Neighbors,

Your Council members and I have been very busy. As you all know, the VA Hospital construction broke ground in the Fall. The contractor will begin blasting shortly. I am representing Windy Hills at monthly Zoom meetings with the VA Hospital Officials and the Mayors of Graymoor-Devondale, Northfield, and Crossgate. I will pass on pertinent information as I receive it via our electronic newsletter, *The Windy Hills Breeze*.

If you would like to receive regular e-mail updates, you may subscribe by sending an email to LOUVAMCCONSTRUCTION@USACE.ARMY.MIL saying, "I would like to subscribe for weekly updates." I strongly encourage you to sign up for the updates especially for information about daily blasting because it will impact the roads and traffic surrounding the site including the Watterson Expressway. You may also send your construction questions to the same address.

I want to announce that our City Clerk resigned on February 15. We have already started the process to hire someone to fill this position. In the meantime, please be patient with us because the office will not be fully staffed.

We are still working on collecting the outstanding 2021 property taxes. We have approximately 15 outstanding accounts. Liens will be filed in March so if you have not paid your 2021 taxes that were due December 31, 2021, please contact the office so we can give you the full amount with penalties and interest.

Exciting News!!!! Marianne Rademaker, Mayor Protem, and I are working with Councilwoman Paula McCraney and the Metro Public Works supervisor to improve the Hubbards Lane Public Works Facility. We have discussed cleaning up the facility, removing dead trees and invasive species, planting new trees/shrubs for screening, and the possibility of tearing down a dilapidated building on the property. We will need to determine if the building has any historic significance before we can proceed.

Some of you may be aware that a developer bought the properties at 4490 and 4492 Brownsboro Road. He is planning a development that will require rezoning from the current R-4 Residential to R-5A Residential. He is proposing 14 units on the two-acre site. The development is in the proposal stage and has to go through Metro Planning and Zoning. The City is concerned about the density of the property and our lawyers have expressed our concern to the developer. Metro Zoning Ordinances require a public hearing on the rezoning, and we hope our residents will share their opinions about the development at that hearing. As we receive more information about the progress of this proposed project and the date of the rezoning hearing, we will notify our residents via The Windy Hills Breeze.

We encourage you to get involved in Windy Hills by attending meetings and events. We always welcome your input and thoughts!

Helen

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## Did You Know? -

# **News About Windy Hills Businesses**



# Brownsboro Hardware Under New Ownership

At the end of 2021, Brownsboro Hardware and Paint owner, Jim Lehrer, sold the business to long-time employee, Doug Carroll. Doug has been a friendly, knowledgeable, and helpful presence in the business since November 2000 when he started working there while attending St. Xavier High School.

Doug grew up in nearby Indian Hills. Midway through Doug's college years, Jim offered him a managerial position. Doug said "Yes" and never looked back. When asked how he prepared himself for this position, he replied that he "always went beyond the call of duty without being told." He came to work early and left late.

Doug said that the reason employees have worked there for so many years is because the store has been flexible with their hours and the employees are considered "family." Doug has two boys, ages 4 and 7. Brownsboro Hardware and Paint has been voted the "Number One" hardware store in the Louisville area for years. This is because the store treats its customers so well and Jim and Doug have set the tone. Doug has been excited for a long time working with the community but even more now that he is the proud owner. Jim Lehrer will continue to be in the stores for at least another year and probably longer, although he plans some vacation time.

# The Inch-By-Inch Salon Under New Ownership

After working in the Inch-By-Inch Salon for the past 7 years, Debbie Gerron took over the business on January 1st, after the previous owner retired. Services for hair and nails are provided in a family-friendly atmosphere where clients of all ages feel welcomed. Call 502.895-4799 for an appointment.

# Stockyards Acquisition of Commonwealth Bank and Trust

Two Kentucky-based community banks will be joining together this year. Stock Yards Bank & Trust announced its acquisition of Commonwealth Bank & Trust last year and the transition process is under way. Both banks understand the importance of relationship building in local communities like Windy Hills. The Rudy Lane branch location will remain open with little change to what its customers know and love about the bank. Once Commonwealth Bank branches officially join the Stock Yards Bank family later this year, customers will also be able to utilize those locations for added convenience.

Community banking is about earning trust and building relationships. By merging with another likeminded community bank, Stock Yards Bank adds strength and enhances their footprint while staying in line with its company values. Many of the same bankers in hometown Commonwealth Bank locations will still be in those branch locations, bringing experience and customer service to new Stock Yards Bank customers. This will benefit the bank's high performing mortgage and wealth management businesses and allow Stock Yards Bank to continue improving its services for the long term. For updates on the merger and more information on branch locations and services, visit syb.com.



# **Louisville Academy of Fine Arts**

Above the Brownsboro Hardware is the Louisville Academy of Fine Arts which opened in August 2019. LAFA offers dance, drama, visual arts, music lessons, creative writing, and more, plus many virtual offerings. Dance is the specialty of owner and Artistic Director, Julie McWiliams. Julie and her staff offer creative movement and ballet for ages 3 and up. Music lessons can start as young as 4 or 5. Lessons in voice, piano, guitar, oboe, and other instruments are available. Drama classes start with age 7. Summer Camps can help your child develop her/his creative self.

Masks are required and all staff are fully vaccinated. Go to their website https://www.louafa.com/ to register. Email Julie at ms.julie.louafa@gmail.com or call 502.384.9180 or stop in (pass the grills and mulch along the side of the Hardware to find the door to go upstairs).

# **Wedding on The Green**

Susan Zoeller has worked at Stock Yards Bank for 28 years and moved to the Brownsboro Center branch in June of 1999 shortly after it opened. Little did she know that she would find true love across the parking lot! When she briefly worked part-time at Party Mart, Susan met Jim Hudson who has worked at Party Mart for 9 years. They became close and got engaged last June. When talking about the wedding, they wanted something very simple with just a few friends and close family and joked about getting married in the parking lot between the bank and Party Mart. They looked across the street and realized it would be a perfect and meaningful setting for their small service. They were married on The Green on the afternoon of September 12, 2021, with daughter, Jessica Zoeller, officiating (who also works in Brownsboro Center).



## Pass It On Kids Sale

Christ Methodist Church March 18-19 | Fellowship Hall

The semi-annual Pass It On Kids Sale has hundreds of items, including clothing, toys, books, shoes, furniture, equipment, maternity clothes and more! 40% of all proceeds are donated to mission projects selected by women of Christ Church.

For more information see https://ccum.net/passiton/

# **Videos of Windy Hills in All Seasons**

We have been sharing some videos created and offered by Dr. Bryan Carter (Windy Hills resident and member of The Moon Dogs Band). We have taken those video links and put them on the City of Windy Hills website (under the "Residents" tab) to be enjoyed. They now include Fall Morning in Windy Hills, The Windy Hills Christmas Tree, and The 2009 Ice Storm in Windy Hills. Enjoy the beauty of our neighborhood! A big thank you to Dr. Carter!



# **Health and Fitness - Windy Hills Walkers**

Be on the ground floor of a new group in Windy Hills! At least 14 walkers will meet on Sunday, February 27, at 5:30 p.m. to plan springtime walks. Location will be determined by number of participants. If you are interested and plan to attend, please call/text or email:

Council Member Suzanne Spencer-(502) 821-8740 (cell & text) or e-mail <u>suzannespencer06@gmail.com</u>

# Yoga Class with Anne Kosko

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 to 10:00 am

Broadway Baptist Church, 4000 Brownsboro Road in the multipurpose room

If unvaccinated, you will be required to wear a mask.

Cost \$6.00 per class

If you are interested and plan to attend, please call/text or email:

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# Stay in the Know!

If you would like to know about changes to the waste schedule, road closures, public safety emergencies, and other time-sensitive news in Windy Hills and receive our monthly digital newsletter The Windy Hills Breeze, you must give your e-mail address to the City. You can do that by simply sending an e-mail from that address to: <a href="mailto:info@cityofwindyhills.com">info@cityofwindyhills.com</a> asking to be added to our e-mail list. If you wish to change your e-mail address with us, just let us know. Please also add the newsletter address (<a href="mailto:newsletter@cityofwindyhills.com">newsletter@cityofwindyhills.com</a>) to your contact list so The Breeze doesn't end up in spam.

If you have suggestions or contributions for our newsletter, please contact editor, Councilwoman Marcia Myers, at <a href="mailto:newsletter@cityofwindyhills.com">newsletter@cityofwindyhills.com</a> or call 502.417.1687.

# **City Council Meetings**

Regular City Council meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at Sojourn Church at 7:00 pm. Residents are encouraged to attend and there are two opportunities at each meeting for residents to ask questions or express needs or concerns.

"Caucus" or work sessions are held at 10:00 am on the Friday morning before the formal meeting and these sessions are always open to observers. The meetings are available by Zoom to give access to residents and safeguard everyone's health. Please call the office (502.895.4778) or contact info@cityofwindyhills.com in advance for access information. Meeting dates are noted on the calendar on the city website (cityofwindyhills.com).

Upcoming meetings:



March 11th 10:00 am "Caucus" work session at City Hall and by Zoom March 14th 7:00 pm at Sojourn Church

# Windy Hills Policy for Snow Removal (Approved 2014)

The Goal of our snow removal service is to keep our streets passable and as safe as possible under the circumstances. Our contractor pre-treats and works through the night, if necessary, not waiting for all of the snow to fall before salting and plowing. We pre-treat/salt the hills and intersections in the City and plow as necessary to keep streets open. All streets may not be plowed if the snow is light because flat streets are usually passable with caution, even if not down to the black top. The amount of traffic and the sun also affect the road surface.

Windy Hills is not responsible for Rudy Lane and Hubbards Lane because they are Metro thru-ways and Brownsboro Road and Westport Road because they are State Roads.

In view of the size of the City, all streets can't be pretreated or plowed at the same time while recognizing that everybody would like to be first.

A side effect of plowing is that snow is pushed to the right often blocking driveways when the snow is heavy. It falls on the homeowner to clear access to the street.

#### Additional info:

Streets are to be salted 150 feet at intersections.

Salt all of Ambridge Dr. between Rudy Lane and Westport Road because it is highly trafficked.

We salt the hills -

Coach Gate, Hill Top Road, Bentwood Place, Foeburn Lane (Westgate Place, Way), Brookview Rd, Kinglan Rd, Windsong Way (Place, Court) All streets in Windsong, Pin Oak, Hill Top, Two Springs Lane, Grassy Forks, Kitty Hawk, Indian Ridge, Bonfire, Waterford Place and Road, Antrim, Wicklow.

If you have a concern or issue, please contact Councilman Bruce Blue, Director of Public Works at 502.593.4738 and/or attend a Council meeting.

# **Fiber Optic Cable Coming to Windy Hills**

ATT will begin laying fiber optic cable in Windy Hills. To do so, the sub-contractor will be making curb cuts on the City right-of-way. If you want to come in and review the individual road plans, please contact the City office at 502-895-4778.



## **CITY OF WINDY HILLS**

#### **CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATE 2022**

## Dear Residents:

In our continuing efforts to keep our city compliant, and to be fair and consistent to all, please review the following items which will help us accomplish that goal in the upcoming year.

## PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES/BOATS/TRAILERS AND OTHER OCCASIONAL USE VEHICLES

- Overnight parking is not permitted on any city street or cul-de-sac between the hours of 2:00 AM and 5:00 AM
- · No motor vehicle (every day or occasional use) may be parked on any unpaved area
- Trailers, Boats, Campers and other Occasional use vehicles may not be stored in driveways or yards, where they extend beyond the front line of the home
- Illegal Parking- Abandoned, inoperable, or unlicensed vehicles are not allowed in the City, unless stored in a garage.
- Parking in the wrong direction on city streets is not permitted at any time.
- No more than 4 cars, including occasional use vehicles, may be permanently parked in the open at any city residence (less than 20,000 square feet lot). Exceptions can be made for temporary or holiday situations.

## **SIGNS**

- Realtor signs are only allowed in the yard of the home for sale and must be placed behind
  the right of way. (Generally, 15-18 feet back from the street curb, or behind sidewalks, where
  applicable) <u>Directional (pointer) signs to the property are not allowed on any street, island, entrance,
  or right of way, at any time</u>. Our city does have City Approved signs for this purpose. All signs must
  be removed the day of closing. Please advise your Realtor.
- Commercial advertising signs are not allowed in the city, unless work is actively in progress at the property. When work is actively in progress they may not be placed, on any Right of Way, or before work begins and *must be removed the day the work is complete.*
- Personal Event Signs (Yard Sales. Auctions, Estate Sales) are allowed on a limited basis. They may not be placed more than 24 hours before your event begins and must be removed <u>immediately</u> after the event conclusion. They may not be placed at city signature entrances, or on any city right of way. (At least 15-18' from the street)
- Personal "Children at Play" signs do not conform to the "Manual of Approved Traffic Control Signage" used in Kentucky. They are not permitted on City Entrances, Islands, or Right of Ways (including your yard). Rights of Ways extend 30 feet from the center line of the street(generally 15-18 feet from the curb, or behind sidewalks where applicable).
- Personal signs, including lost pet notices and yard sales may not be affixed to any city street signs, light posts, benches, or waste containers at any time. They will be removed immediately. Reach Alert is recommended for lost pets.

## GARBAGE/ TRASH PICK UP

- <u>Garbage, Yard Waste, or throw away Household Items may not be placed on the street prior to Noon the day before the assigned date for disposal.</u>
- Cans and containers must be removed from the street before 7:00 pm the day of collection.
- Tree/ bush trimmings and yard waste not in containers, must be bundled in lengths not exceeding 4 feet. Plastic Bags are no longer usable. Lawn Waste placed on tarps will no longer be picked up.
- Items too heavy or cans filled beyond capacity of the contractor to lift, will not be taken.

  Please be mindful of unusually heavy items, which may require special pick-up arrangements.

  Please call 502-935-1130 if you have questionable items or amounts or would like to arrange a special pick up for house or garage clean outs. (These items may require an extra charge)



## BUILDING/ REMODEL/ HOME MAINTAINENCE/DRIVEWAY REPLACEMENT

- Windy Hills complies with Metro Louisville Building Code Permit requirements. If you are doing construction on your own, or by contractor, if a permit is required, please be sure to obtain one, before work begins. Permits must be placed in plain sight on the property while construction is in progress for inspection. (Questions call Metro Government/ Construction Review 502-574-3321)
- Dumpsters/ Dumpster Bags/ Storage Pods should be placed to the rear of the property where possible and should not be placed on any city Street or Right of Way. They may not be on site for longer than 30 days, without special approval of Windy Hills Code Enforcement.
- Unused building materials/ building waste/ throw away appliances should be stored in the rear of the property and must be removed promptly when construction is complete.
- Grass may not be allowed to grow higher than 7 inches.
- For the beauty of our city and your neighbors, we ask that you be mindful to timely, proper maintenance of bushes, shrubs, and trees on your property.
- Windy Hills requires a Right of Way Encroachment Application, when replacing or resurfacing existing drives, including expansion of existing drives, or installation of new drives, where such work crosses a City Controlled Right of Way. Applications are available from City Hall or are also available on our Web Site. Applications must be submitted before work is performed. Failure to do so could result in a fine. Questions may be directed to Code Enforcement. (Driveway resealing to existing drives is exempt from the application process).
- Parking Pads of either solid or semi porous surfaces, or any other permanent structure (excluding certain mailboxes), are not allowed on a Windy Hills Right of Way. (Parking Pads, in existence prior to 9-11-2017 are grandfathered however, they may not be increased in size.)

#### RENTAL/ VACANT PROPERTY ORDINANCES

Homes in Windy Hills which are rented, (either on a long term, or short term of less than 30 days) and those
properties which are vacant for period of 12 consecutive months (including those For Sale or under construction)
must be registered with the City. Existing rental/ vacant homes must be registered by January 15th, each year..
New, previously unregistered rental/vacant homes must be registered within 30 days of first rental, or when
vacancy continues for longer than 12 months. Contact City Hall or Code Enforcement for appropriate forms and
fees. Registration forms are also available on our web site.

Thank you for your attention and understanding of these important matters. If you have questions about any of these items, please contact Code Enforcement through the city office.

Windy Hills City Council





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#### **City Council:**

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Marianne Rademaker(Finance/Mayor Pro tem)

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Suzanne Spencer (Community Caring/Health-

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Laura Trachtenberg (Community Standards

Chair/Ordinances)

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## City Clerk:

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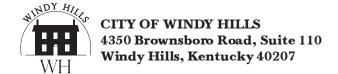
#### **Public Works/ Code Enforcement:**

Steve Teaford......502) 895-4778 Email.....steve.teaford@cityofwindyhills.com

City Council meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month, 7:00 pm at Sojourn Community Church, 2501 Rudy Lane. Observers are welcome at Council Work Sessions at 10 A.M. at City Hall the Friday before the regular meeting.

## **Other Important Contacts:**

EMS	911	
Graymoor/Devondale Police327-2677		
Thru Sheriff Dept. Dispatch	574-5471	
St. Matthews Fire District (Business)	893-7825	
District 7 Metro Councilwoman,		
Paula McCraney	574-1107	
Metro Call	574-5000	
or	311	
Animal Control Protection	361-1318	
Dog or Cat Complaints	363-6609	
Health Department	574-6520	
Jefferson County Clerk	574-5700	
(All branches can be reached at above number)		
LG&E	589-1444	
or text OUTAGE to 454358		
MSD Customer Service	587-0603	
Planning and Design Services	574-6230	
Recycling Center896-1293		
St. Matthews/Eline Library	574-1771	
Ecotech Waste Services	502-935-1130	



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# **ECOTECH Waste Pick-up February – June 2022 Schedule**

Monday, March 7th - Weekly Yard Waste resumes!

**Tuesday** – Recycling and Garbage Collection

Friday – Garbage Collection

Please call **502.935.1130** to schedule a large item or report a problem.

Check www.ecotechky.com for holiday or weather-related changes.

Ecotech observes New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. Pickup is adjusted 1 day late when necessary due to the holiday.