From The Desk of Mayor Jim

April was National Volunteer Month and we in Windy Hills are fortunate to have volunteers who support the City all year round. For example, last month Joyce Bridge, Joyce Brown, Kate Greer, Audrey Larkin, Lou Phillips, Mike and Wendy Skelton, Ann and Steve Teaford, Beth Teaford, Patsy Wiggins, and myself volunteered for our semi-annual Brightside Clean Up. Also, the Arbor Day celebration was hosted by the Windy Hills Tree Board (picture on page 6) where Windy Hills was awarded for the third year in a row, the Tree City USA designation.

Recently a new resident **Shelby May** and fellow Sojourn member **Mike Ford** built and installed a "Little Free Library" along the sidewalk in front of Sojourn. The library is stocked with children's books to be shared with the youth in Windy Hills. Thanks guys and we welcome the May family to the Windy Hills community.

I am proud to be mayor of a city full of committed and thoughtful citizens who time and again show themselves willing to put time and effort into making Windy Hills the BEST suburban city of the 82 cities in METRO. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you for our many volunteers who contribute to the success and pride of the City.

If interested in being one of the <u>ultimate volunteers</u> in Windy Hills, election for the city council positions will take place in November for a two year term beginning January, 2017. I would be glad to answer any questions you might have about the responsibilities and commitment for this position.

Fourth Of July Parade & Picnic

There was some concern that we would be unable to hold our annual Independence Day parade/picnic because of the sale of Calvin Presbyterian Church to Sojourn Community Church. After meeting with their minister, our dilemma was solved. The Sojourners welcomed us to use their facilities. We will be unable to use the former gymnasium, as this is the new sanctuary. We are going to serve the food in the atrium but residents will have to eat it outside. There will be tents in case of rain. Picnickers should bring chairs or blankets as seating will not be provided. We will still have a band and games. Please refer to the flyer in this newsletter.



Fireworks

Knowledgeable adults and teenagers are aware that Metro has ordinances against the use of certain fireworks. Even if you decide to celebrate with legal ones, please remember your neighbors. Some people have to go to work early in the morning and, therefore, don't want to stay up late. Other residents have infants or toddlers. Others could be ill. Also consider the animals. Loud noises can terrify dogs and cats. One Windy Hills homeowner's dog jumped a fence and ran away because of fireworks. He was hit by a car but happily survived. In other words, be a good neighbor. If you insist on shooting fireworks, please quit before 11:00 P.M., and try not to burn down any houses or garages.

Windy Hills Garden Club Dinner



The Windy Hills Garden Club held a dinner at Commonwealth Bank in March. Windy Hills City officials were invited. The Club meets the third Monday of each month, excluding December, at 7:00 at the bank. In the summer, members tour outstanding gardens throughout the Metro area. The Club held its annual plant

sale in May. Some of the proceeds will be donated to Botanica. If you are interested in joining, please contact President **Marianne Rademaker** (896-1957).



great neighbors

2016 Code Enforcement Update

Dear Residents:

In our continuing efforts to keep our city beautiful, 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/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.
 Because of recent saftey considerations this Ordinance will be strictly enforced in 2016.
- No motor vehicle (everyday or occasionally) may be parked on any unpaved area.
- Trailers, Boats, Campers and other Occasional Use Vehicles may not be stored in driveways, 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.



Signs

- Realtor signs are only allowed in the yard of the home for sale and must be placed behind the right of way (generally 12 feet back from street or home side of the sidewalk).
- Directional signs to the property are not allowed on any street. Our city does have city approved signs for this purpose. All signs must be removed day of closing. Please advise your realtor.
- Commercial advertising signs may not be placed at your property before the work begins and must be removed the day the work is complete.
- Personal event signs (Yard Sales/Auctions) are allowed on a limited basis. They may be placed no more than 24 hours before your event and must be removed immediately at event conclusion. Personal "Children at Play" signs do not conform to Kentucky law and are not permitted in the City.

Garbage/Trash Pick-Up

- Garbage/Yard Waste may not be placed on the street prior to noon the day before the assigned date for the disposal.
- Cans and containers must be removed from the street before 7:00 pm on the day of collection. Tree trimings and branches must be tied in bundles not over 4 feet in length. Other yard waste must be stored in cans or biodegradable paper bags. Plastic bags are no longer usable.

• Items too heavy or cans filled beyond the capacity of our contractor to lift on the truck will not be taken. Please be mindful of unusually heavy items, which may require special pick up arrangements. Please call 1-866-237-7019 ask for account #169216991 if you have questionable items. (These items may require an extra charge.)

Building/Remodel/Home Maintenance

- Windy Hills complies with Building Code Permit requirements of Louisville Metro Government. If you are doing construction on your own, or by contractor, if a pemit is required, please post in plain sight on your property, for inspection. Permits should be obtained before construction begins. Questions call Metro Governments/Construction Review 502-574-3321.
- Dumpsters/Storage Pods should be placed to the rear of property where possible and may not be on site longer than 30 days without special Metro permit.
- Unused building materials/building waste/and appliances should be stored in the rear of property and must be removed promptly when construction is complete. Used or waste building materials will not be picked up by our contactor.
- Grass may not be allowed to grow higher than 7 inches.
 For the beauty or our city and your neighbors, we ask that you be mindful to timely, proper maintaince of bushes, shrubs, and trees on your property

Thank you for your attention and understanding of these important matters to keep our city beautiful for all!

Windy Hills City Council

What Work On Your Home Needs A Building Permit?



If there is construction being done on your property, some requires a permit. Replacement and/or major alterations to plumbing, heating, electrical systems and the removal of any load bearing walls require building permits issued by Metro Government, even if the work is done by the homeowner. Repairs and general maintenance to these systems do not require permits. Additionally, the law requires that these permits be posted in plain sight on the property for inspection.

To apply for permits or if you are unsure whether the work requires a permit, please call Metro Government/ Construction Review at (502) 574-3321.

CITY OF WINDY HILLS

ORDINANCE NO. 2 Series 2016/2017

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF WINDY HILLS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017, ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

WHEREAS, a Budget Proposal and Message have been prepared and delivered to the City Council, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed such budget proposal and made necessary modification, now therefore.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF WINDY HILLS

Section 1. The budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 is hereby adopted as follows:

| RESOURCES AVAILABLE: | General Fund | Road Aid Fund |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Fund Balance Carried fwd. | \$764,2 69 | \$292,859 |
| Estimated Revenues: | | |
| Property Taxes | 515,000 | |
| Property Tax Discount | (206,000) | |
| Muni, Ins. Prem. Tax | 230,000 | |
| Cable TV franchise (other) | 18,000 | |
| Muni. Road Aid Fund | _ | 50,000 |
| Interest | 800 | 700 |
| Other | 7.900 | |
| Total Estimated Revenues | 565.700 | 50,700 |
| Total Resources Available for | | |
| Appropriation | \$1,329,969 | 343,559 |
| APPROPRIATIONS: | | |
| General government | \$165,950 | |
| Public Safety | 52,800 | |
| Streets, public works | 15,000 | 100,000 |
| Street lighting | | 35,000 |
| Sanitation | 220,000 | |
| Snow Removai | | 20,000 |
| Tree Board | 9,000 | |
| Landscape | 20,000 | |
| Green Maint | 15,000 | |
| Emergency Fund | 67,150 | |
| TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS | \$564,900 | \$155,000 |
| Excess of Resources over | | |
| Appropriations | <u>\$765,069</u> | \$198.000 |
| Estimated Fund Balances at end of | | |
| Fiscal Year | <u>\$765,069</u> | <u>\$198,000</u> |

Section 2.

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication.

First Reading held May 9, 2016.

Second Reading, Passed and approved June 13, 2016

Pames Ising, Mayor

Sandy Moore City Clerk

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CITY OF WINDY HILLS, KENTUCKY JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

ORDINANCE NO. 4, SERIES 2016/2017

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A COMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A UNIFORM FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the City desires to award a non-exclusive franchise to Google Fiber Kentucky, LLC; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 116.70 - 116.99 of the Metro Code of Ordinances, Sections 163 and 164 of the Kentucky Constitution, Louisville Metro solicited bid proposals from parties interested in obtaining franchises to erect, install and maintain communications facilities or provide communication services by use of said communication facilities within the

confines of Jefferson County; and

WHEREAS, Provider submitted a bid proposal to Metro for a communications services franchise pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 116.70 - 116.99 of the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City hereby grants to Provider for a period of twenty (20) years, a non-exclusive franchise to erect, install or maintain communications facilities or provide communication services by use of said communication facilities within the boundaries of the City in conformance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the Uniform Franchise Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full.

Section 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute Exhibit A hereto, and may accept minor changes to Exhibit A provided that such changes and/or modifications do not materially alter the substance of the Agreement or any term thereof.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective upon passage.

INTRODUCED AND READ AT A MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINDY HILLS, KENTUCKY, HELD ON THE 8th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2016

READ, PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WINDY HILLS, KENTUCKY, AT A MEETING HELD ON THE 13TH DAY OF JUNE, 2016.

APPROVED:

E. JAMES ISING, MAYOR

ATTEST:

SANDY MOORE, CITY CLERK

CITY OF WINDY HILLS, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE # 3, SERIES 2016-2017 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3.c. & 5.c. OF THE CITY ORDINANCE REGARDING TREES

WHEREAS, the city wishes to change the frequency of the tree board meetings, and WHEREAS, the city is changing its method of tree planting contributions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF WINDY HILLS, KENTUCKY:

Section 1.

Section 3.c., is hereby amended to read as follows:

Operation The tree board shall choose its officers and make its own rules and regulations. It shall meet monthly [at least once annually and when necessary.] and keep a record of its proceedings. A majority of the five voting members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. The Tree Board reports to the Mayor of the City Council.

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Section 5.c. is hereby amended to read as follows:

City Tree Planting Program

The City will contribute \$100 per [canopy] tree towards the planting of up to two (2) new trees per property, provided that the following conditions are met. [Trees must reach at least 30 feet height at maturity. The trees must be purchased from and planted by designated nurseries with which the City has agreements. The homeowner will pay the nursery for the tree at a 20% discount and the cost of its planting by the nursery. Upon the planting, the nursery will submit the paid invoice to the City. The City will send the homeowner a \$100 rebate per tree.]

Section 3 This ordinance shall be effective upon adoption and publication as required by law. First Reading

held May 9, 2016. Second Reading, passed and approved June 13, 2016

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NEW ART EXHIBITS

The Kentucky Water Color Society is featuring two new exhibits in the near future. A water-based media exhibit, "AquaVenture 2016", will be displayed throughout the month of April. It is an annual regional competitive exhibit. "Spring in the Blue Grass" will be exhibited during the months of May and June. The gallery is in the Brownsboro Center Arcade in the Brownsboro Shopping Center. The viewing times are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 11-4 and Saturday from 11-3.





CITY OF WINDY HILLS

ORDINANCE NO. 1 Series 2016/2017

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE LEVY OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 83, Series 1973, the City of Windy Hills elected to use the annual County assessment for properties situated in the City of Windy Hills, and

WHEREAS, there has been deposited with the City Clerk a complete list of all taxable property located within the City as of January 1, 2016.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF WINDY HILLS:

Section 1 The tax rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, is herby levied and fixed at the rate of \$0.170 per \$100.00 of property as assessed for invation.

Section 2 The City Clerk shall make out and mail tax bills, sequentially numbered, from the assessment rolls as certified on or before October 1, 2016.

Section 3 The payment of tax bills shall be made to the City Treasurer and shall be subject to the discounts and penalties listed below and the collection remedies provided by law.

- A. A discount of 40% shall be allowed on tax bills paid during October, 2016.
- B. The face amount of a tax bill shall be payable during November and December, 2016.
- C. On tax bills paid after December 31, 2016, there shall be added thereto a penalty of 10% of the tax due plus interest from the date due at 1-1/2% per month or part thereof, compounded monthly, or \$10.00 if the penalty and interest are less than this amount, plus lien filing and release fees.
- D. All delinquent tax collection expenses incurred by the city, including lien filing and release fees, and collection/attorney's fees of \$150, shall be deemed a penalty in addition to that specified in Subsection "c" above and shall be encompassed within the City's lien.

Section 4 The proceeds of such taxes shall be used for the general operating expenses of the City, including the purchasing of City supplies, the erection of City signs, the general maintenance of public ways in the City, payment of bond premiums for City officials, sanitation, public safety and the payment of all the expenses incurred in the necessary and proper municipal functions as may be properly ordained or resolved by the City Council.

Section 5 The ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

First Reading held May 9, 2016; Second Reading, Passed and Approved, June 13, 2016.

James Ising, Mayor

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Arbor Day

Windy Hills was blessed with good weather for this year's Arbor Day Sunday, April 17. Our city arborist, **Caroline Westfield**, demonstrated the why and how of pruning. She showed homeowners how they could prune some of their plants and advised them to hire a certified arborist for the big jobs. Eleven White Swamp Oaks were won in a lottery. The winners were **Patti Del Grande**, **David Ellerbusch**, **Terese**

Fister, Maureen Friedman, Chris Gregoire, Dan Harmon, Nancye Johnson, Chloe Lawson, Terri Seltz, and Vicky Wieland. Donna Bondehagen won

a set of pruners. The trees will be delivered this fall, the

optimum time to plant them. The White Swamp Oak is good because it can tolerate both wet and dry conditions. Kuddos go to Tree Board member **Cathy Thompson** for all of her hard work in coordinating the event.



Coexisiting With Deer

Many Windy Hills citizens are faced with the problem of the white-tailed deer causing damage to their yards. Not only do they eat your prize hosta and tear branches off shrubs and trees, the males can kill young trees when they "rut" their antiers to mark their territory. Because people have invaded

their territory with new development, they have adapted extremely well to suburbia. In the early 1900's there were approximately 500,000 deer nationwide. Today there are over 15 million. Fawns are born in early summer. Bucks begin to develop antlers in early April. Growing antlers are covered with a skin called "velvet." Once the antlers stop growing, the velvet dries up. In Autumn, the males

may use your Japanese maple to polish the velvet. They will shed the antlers in preparation to grow a new set.

A deer will consume 3% of its body weight each day. Thus a 250 pound buck needs 10 pounds of food daily. There seems to be a relationship between the value of the vegetation and its desirability. One can tell the difference between rabbit damage and deer consumption. Rabbits clean-cut plants. If the damage is ragged or ripped or is fairly high, it's probably a deer.

The question is how can people prevent or, at least, discourage Bambi? Short of erecting a 10 foot fence (disallowed by Metro) or an electric one, repellants are the primary solution. They fall under two categories: those

that taste bad or those that "stink." Hinder and Deer-Off are the only ones approved for edible plants. Apparently odorbased products work better than taste products. Apply them at the first sign of damage when no rain is expected for 24 hours and the temperature is between 40-80 degrees. Apply every 5 weeks or sooner. Home remedies include constructing an invisible fence of fishing line, drilling a hole in Irish Spring

> soap and suspending it from a tree, applying bob cat urine, filling a mesh bag of human hair (see a barber), or concocting a rotten egg solution. Barking dogs and motion detector lights may also help. Whatever you do, vary your method to keep them confused.

Plants rarely damaged include aromatic ones such as lavender, boxwood,

ferns, hellebores, and American holly. Some that are seldom severely damaged include most dogwoods, european beech, hawthorn, forsythia, beauty berry, lilacs. However, a deer may break off a branch before he realizes he doesn't like it. And if a deer is desperate, he will eat almost anything. They seem to love redbuds, clematis, english ivy, fruit trees, yews, azaleas, rhododendrons, spiraea, viburnum, weigela, oaks (they adore acorns), and sugar maples, and most perennials and annuals.

To save saplings from rutting, encase them in early autumn using bamboo stakes and heavy twine. And when you are driving, watch out for deer at dusk and dawn. The automobile is their greatest predator.

Health and Fitness

Opioid Addiction; A Medical Problem

With so many headlines and television specials currently discussing opioid problems none have addressed the specifics pertaining to our little corner of Jefferson County. Indeed the problem is here, just as it exists in every nook and cranny throughout the Metro area, State of Kentucky, and the entire United States. If you have questions, hopefully you will find some answers in the following few paragraphs. If not there are phone numbers and contact information in the list of treatment centers,

In addition to illegal heroin, the opioids themselves can be medical prescriptions obtained through your doctor from your local pharmacy, and the overdose may be accidental, or totally by mistake. According to Victoria Bond, Pharm D, RPh, the painkillers below are often prescribed:

Codeine

Fentanyl Patches

Norco (Hydrocodone)

Oxycodone

Vicodin (Hydrocodone)

Dilaudid

Methadone

Opana (Oxymorphone)

Percocet

If you find a family member or friend unresponsive or breathing irregularly and you suspect heroin use because of past experience, or that they might have ingested too much of any of the above drugs, call 911 immediately. Ask for an ambulance and tell the dispatcher of your suspicions. The medical technicians will administer Narcan (Naloxone) which revives the victim almost immediately. The person then must be transported to an emergency room. The Narcan wears off in about an hour, and the overdose symptoms may return.

All ambulances carry Narcan, but it is not yet approved to be sold to individuals for private use. Although it is safe to use even if no opiate was ingested - it must be administered by people trained to do so.

Prevention & Aftercare: Keep your prescription drugs away from children and all visitors to your home. Lock them up if necessary, but certainly keep them out of sight.

If you suspect a family member is using opioids, legal or illegal, try to get them to talk about it with a professional. In cases where the loved one is especially dangerous to him/herself, check the internet for Casey's Law. This offers a way to force the addict into life-saving treatment, and you will likely need your lawyer's help. This may seem a drastic and unpleasant undertaking, but considering the alternatives and the following numbers you may find it the most reasonable action to take.

"90% of all crime is directly related to drugs." - Chief Grady Thronebury, Graymoor-Devondale Police Department "70% of all court cases are directly or indirectly related to drugs." - James Hodge, Attorney; City of Windy Hills

"44% of Americans say they know someone who has been addicted to prescription painkillers, and 66% think the Federal Government isn't doing enough to combat painkiller abuse." - The Week Magazine; May 13, 2016

Helpful Organizations

The Healing Place

Men's Campus 1017 W. Market Street Women's Campus 1503 W. 15th Street

(502) 583-0369 (502) 568-6680

The Healing Place is a non-profit organization, and there are no fees or costs. It offers a detoxification program, and also is a long term residential facility manned by a very dedicated volunteer staff of peers, and is organized on the 12 step model. They proudly claim that 75% of alumni remain sober after a year. No referrals are necessary, but person must be 18 years and older, be screened and drug-free for the previous 48 hours.

JADAC, 601 - 605 South Preston, (502) 583-3951

JADAC (Jefferson County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Center), founded in 1975, is a non-profit, fee based, 80 bed inpatient and outpatient facility that accepts many forms of health insurance and third-party payers, including Medicaid. There are some sliding scale fees based on various factors. It offers a detoxification program, plus rehabilitation including counseling, life skills, recreation, relapse prevention, introduction to AA/NA and referrals to community services. Medical services are provided by licensed physicians and nurses. Referrals from health and social service providers as well as selfreferrals are accepted. Patients must be 18 years or older.

The Morton Center, 1028 Barret Ave., (502) 451-1221

The Morton Centeris a non-profit, fee based, outpatient facility that accepts pre-authorized private payer insurance, but does not accept Medicare or Medicaid. They offer various services, priced between \$90.00 and \$135.00. Counseling services are available for the entire family, plus young adults 12 to 18 years of age. They encourage individuals with questions to attend their "Concerned Persons" meeting held Tuesday evenings at 5:30 P.M. Just stop by or phone Diane at 451-1221, ext. 218.



City of Windy Hills

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CITY OF WINDY HILLS 4350 Brownsboro Road, Suite 110 Windy Hills, Kentucky 40207

Have You Looked At Your Mail/Paper Box Lately?

Drive down your street and a number of city streets and often you will see mail and paper boxes that are in horrible condition... in need of repair, refurbishment, or removal, especially if not in use.

The city is doing many things to improve the appearance and curb appeal of our homes and the city as a whole. The question is does your mail/paper box reflect positively on your home and street? If not, it should not take too much effort or expense to improve our streetscape. Let's try to make Windy Hills the premiere city in Metro.



Dog Waste Problem Persists

The city is still faced with the problem of irresponsible dog owners who refuse to pick up after their pets. Some actually pick up the droppings in a bag but leave the bag on the ground. A suggestion is to take several bags with you. Those actually used can be placed in one of the extra to be taken back to your home or deposited in one of the 3 trash cans

that the city has installed throughout Windy Hills. Please be a good citizen. These droppings are hazardous to your health and unsightly.

Quarterly Quote

"Whatever you are, be a good one." - Abraham Lincoln