City of Wellington Kentucky





Easter Festivities

After a long two years of social distancing and isolating, it was a joy to gather for an Easter Egg hunt at Farmington. What started out as a cold, cold morning, with even a few snowflakes, didn't stop over two dozen children to dress in their finest Easter clothes and bunny ears to participate and collect almost 300 eggs (graciously donated by our amazing neighbors). The children were delighted by the special guest who arrived in Chief Lamey's police car with lights flashing.

Thanks to all who made this event a success!

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IMPORTANT MEETING - JCPS SCHOOL CHOICE PROPOSAL

Please plan on attending this informational meeting on May 1st.

JCPS is proposing a change to the Home School choices that will negatively affect the residents of Wellington. For example – Our Middle School becomes Westport Middle School, NOT Highland Middle & our High School becomes Waggener, NOT Atherton.

This proposed change will negatively affect our children, property values and the sale-ability of our homes. We hope for a successful turnout.

JCPS SCHOOL CHOICE PROPOSAL & ITS IMPACT ON THE HIGHLANDS

Fact-based neighborhood discussion - Please review JCPS proposal in advance:

https://tinyurl.com/ywdxkwyw

Sunday - May 1st 2022 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Deer Park Baptist Church Sanctuary 1733 Bardstown Road Louisville KY 40205

Please enter from rear (not the Bardstown Road entrance

Cassie Chambers Armstrong (District 8 Councilwoman) to attend.

JCPS & Chris Kolb (JCPS Board Member) invited.

Review of JCPS Shool Choice Proposal followed by some Q&A



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- · Bonnycastle Homestead Association
- · Tyler Park Neighborhood Association
- Deer Park Neighborhood Association
- Cherokee Triangle Association
- · City of Strathmoor Village
- City of Wellington
- Highlands-Douglass Neighborhood Association
- · Upper Highlands Neighborhood Association
- Belknap Neighborhood Association

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Spring Mulching Recommendations

Mulching is one of the best things you can do to promote tree health. Proper mulching can:

- Reduce soil moisture loss
- Control weed germination and growth
- Protect roots from extreme summer and winter temperatures
- Improve soil biology, aeration, structure, drainage and fertility
- Inhibit certain plant diseases
- Reduce the likelihood of damage from weed trimmers or lawn mowers
- Organic mulch (wood chips, pine needles, hardwood and softwood bark, etc.) is preferred over inorganic mulch (stone, lava rock, pulverized rubber, etc.)
- Apply a 2- to 4-inch layer of mulch (less if poorly drained)
- Spread mulch out to the edge of a tree's crown or beyond
- If mulch is already present, check depth. Break up any matted layers and refresh the appearance with a rake.
- If mulch is piled against the stems or tree trunks, pull it back several
 inches/centimeters so that the base of the trunk is exposed. The
 hazards of improper mulching as beneficial as mulch is, too much can
 be harmful. It is important to avoid "mulch volcanoes" -- excessive
 mulch applied around the base of a tree which can lead to the
 development of insects and disease as well as other problems.

These tips are brought to you by TreesLouisville!

Lock your Doors and Light up your House

Our current police patrol (Strathmoor Village Police Department) reminds all residents to lock up - both your home and your vehicles - and to keep your front and back porch/garage lights on at night. We all have a personal responsibility to safeguard our own property. Please be observant as you walk, bike, and drive in Wellington and report any suspicious vehicles or persons to Strathmoor Police at (502) 432-8900. As always, they are available to offer house watches and welfare checks.

Crime Prevention Tips

House Numbers: House numbers should be visible day or night. This is

important for the police or EMS unit responding to

complaint at your home.

Property Take pictures of all valuables in your home and record all Identification:

serial numbers. Keep this information in a safe place (other than at home), such as a safe deposit box or with

a friend or relative.

Locks and Keys: An unlocked lock is not a lock. Habitually locking your

home, closing and locking garage doors when away or at

night is important, even when working in the yard.

Shrubbery: If your doors and windows are hidden by shrubbery,

consider trimming the shrubs for any opportunity to hide

behind them.

Lighting: External security lighting is important, as well as interior

> lights. Use interior lights on a random timer whenever you will be away at night and motion detectors and dusk-to-

dawn lights as added security.

Vacation Plans: Make planning your security a part of your vacation plans.

Secure your home and leave some lights on a timer.

Leave a key with a trusted neighbor or friend. Make arrangements to have your lawn mowed.

Stop mail and newspaper delivery.

Contact the police department and ask for a house watch. Ask a neighbor to park in your drive while you are gone.

Smoke Detector: Make sure that your smoke detector is working properly.

Check the batteries regularly.

City Commissioners Meeting

The City of Wellington Commissioners meeting is held the fourth Monday of the month at the Farmington Welcome Center at 6:30pm. Residents of Wellington are encouraged to attend. If you would like to speak at the meeting, please contact Mayor Sievert at mayor@cityofwellngtonky.com in advance to be placed on the agenda.

Annual Yard Sale

Spring is the perfect time to dust off previously loved items and purge basements and closets of unused things. And what better time to stroll the neighborhood and meet your neighbors. You might just find that perfect something you didn't know you needed. The city-wide yard sale will be held on Saturday, June 4th to match the date of Strathmoor and Kingsley's yard sales.

City of Wellington Facebook

The City of Wellington Facebook page was created for neighbors in Wellington to keep each other informed of community events, block watch news and general information. It does not serve as a public forum. It is a closed group available to current residents only. if you have a concern regarding a city ordinance, please contact a City commissioner or officer. All requests to join must include the resident's physical street address for verification.

Call Before You Dig



Know what's **below**. 811 before you dig.

April is National Safe Digging Monthl As the spring home improvement season and digging begins, following the safe digging process is essential to keep communities safe and connected to essential services. National Safe Digging Month is a reminder to the public and professionals to always 811 before you dig by contacting Kentucky 811 at least two full working days before starting any outdoor digging projects.



Parking Ordinances

Please be a considerate neighbor and inform your guests of these ordinances. These parking ordinances will be enforced and citations will be issued and subject to fines.

- There is no overnight street parking.
- One side of each street in the City is designated as "No Parking Fire Lane". Please remind your guests.
- No parking on speed humps.
- Vehicles should not be parked over the sidewalk of any driveway.
- When parked on the street, all four tires should be on the street, non in the easement area. And you must park in the direction of the traffic flow.
- Vehicles are not to park on the grass anywhere including easements and yards.

The Little Libraries on the big island are always looking for donations. Please limit the books in the shorter one to those for the younger ones.

Trash Containers and Recycle Bins

Trash containers and recycle bins are to be placed at the curb no earlier than the day before Waste Management System's pick-up day. Residents are expected to remove and properly store trash containers from the curb <u>no later than 11:59 pm the day of pick-up</u>.

Large Waste | Junk Pickup

Wellington does not have designated "junk pickup" days. They will pick it up on the same day as regular service, however, you must call Waste Management in advance to make them aware so they have resources. 502-966-0117

Yard Waste

Yard waste must be in yard containers or paper bags which are purchased specifically for yard waste. Limbs or branches should be tied in manageable bundles no longer than four (4) feet long and placed at the curb the night before your scheduled Waste Management System pick-up day. Unbundled items will not be picked up.

Homestead Exemption

Property owners who are 65 or older are eligible to receive the Homestead Exemption on their primary residence. If you are eligible, the exemption amount is subtracted from your property's assessed value, reducing your property tax liability. Only one exemption is allowed per household. The Homestead Exemption applies to your Jefferson County and Wellington tax liability. For information, contact the Jefferson County PVA Homestead Department at 574-6380.

Keep Taxes in Wellington

Just a reminder for all new neighbors:

Every homeowner pays an Insurance Premium Tax (IPT) whenever purchasing or renewing any of the following insurance policies:

- Homeowners (property and casualty)
- Automobile
- Fire and allied perils
- Life
- Business Insurance
- Inland marine

The City of Wellington tax dollars from these policies pay for our sanitation and recycling services, fire protection, police protection, street paving, sidewalk repairs and much more. Because the City of Wellington is located within Jefferson County, often these funds are diverted to other tax jurisdictions in error.

Please check your insurance policy declarations page to confirm the Insurance Premium Tax they are paying is directed to "City of Wellington 40205" and not "Louisville Metro" or "Wellington KY 40387" as the recipient of the tax. Monies going to either of those jurisdictions do not benefit our City. The Insurance Premium Tax fee is a source of revenue for Wellington and assures the money you are paying will be used within the City, which makes it possible for our City ad valorem property taxes to remain low!

LG&E Reading Dates

Below are the upcoming meter reading dates so as not to be alarmed with people walking between houses:

May 23-25 June 22-24 July 22-26 August 22-24 September 21-23 October 21-25 November 21-23 December 21-23

What is Metro311?

Metro311 is YOUR connection to YOUR government. As a division of Louisville Metro Emergency Services, 311 connects you to the city government and resolves your non-emergency issues. They are the city's customer service center for reporting issues such as: potholes, property maintenance, property violations and complaint

City of Wellington

If you need to address a concern, please reference the meeting protocol on our web-site. The City always welcomes feedback. Feel free to email mayor@cityofwellingtonky.com anytime with questions, concerns, suggestions, etc.

Find us on <u>Facebook!</u> This is a closed page for current residents only. <u>You must provide your street address on your request to join.</u>

Sign Up for Our District Councilman Cassie Chambers-Armstrong's Newsletter

Learn more about news and events that are happening in our surrounding area and district. These only come once a month and are full of great information! Subscribe & Stay Informed | LouisvilleKY.gov

Important Numbers for Quick Reference

<u>Louisville Police Department</u>: If you have an emergency, please call 911. For non-emergencies (car break-ins, door-to-door solicitors, etc.) call 574-7111

MetroCall 311: Phone: 311

Louisville Fire Dept: 502-574-3701

Waste Management (Garbage/Recycling/Yard Waste): 502-966-0117

/ Website

All pickups are on Tuesdays.

Louisville Water Company: 502-583-6610

MSD (Sewers/Drainage): 502-587-0603 / Website

Animal Control Services: 502-473-7387

Inspections, Permits, and Licenses (IPL): 502-574-3321

Before You Dig: Call 811

Suggestions and comments for Future Newsletters?

Please email us at mayor@cityofwellingtonky.com with any other information you would like to see in these newsletters.

Thank you, City of Wellington

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