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Wellington Neighbors,

I know the current pandemic has brought tremendous stress and uncertainty to many families in our city. Despite these circumstances, I have been so touched and proud at the way Wellington residents have come together and supported one another during this time. Whether offering to pick up groceries for a neighbor who may be at high risk for contracting the virus, or offering to make masks – so many of you have shown what it means to be a good neighbor and citizen. As we transition into our new normal, keep doing what you've been doing. Keep making rainbow scavenger hunts and sidewalk chalk art, keep lighting your houses up green, and keep up the positive spirit that has filled our city over the last two months.

Please continue to practice the CDC's guidelines for social distancing and being healthy at home. Stay safe and keep making Wellington a great place to live. I look forward to the day we can all be together in one place again!

Sincerely,
Sara Sievert, Mayor

Did You Know...

- When cutting your lawn, you should remember to trim/edge along the sidewalk. It is also the homeowner's responsibility to maintain and care for the sidewalk. The walkway needs to be cleared of debris, weeds growing in cracks, fallen acorns, leaves and mud and low hanging branches all of which may be a hazard for pedestrians.
- Residents are responsible for clearing all leaves and other debris from the storm drains on the easement of their property. Clogged drains lead to potential flooding issues for the resident and their neighbors.
- When you take your pet for a walk remember you are their "pooper scooper" and should deposit the bags in your own trash container.
- Wellington maintains all street lights and posts throughout the City. If you notice that a street light is not working and/or has been damaged or a post or sign needs repair, please email contact@cityofwellingtonky.com to advise the Commissioners of the problem/location so we can resolve the issue.
- As a small urban community we live very close to one another and the closeness means we need to be aware of how to be the best possible neighbor.

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House Address Numbers

All residents are required to have their address number clearly visible on their house or property from the road for emergency services (fire, police, ambulance, etc). There are quite a few homes without the address posted that could result in a delayed response time if ever needed.

Parking Ordinances

The City's parking ordinances prohibit overnight street parking, parking in fire lanes, in front of a fire hydrant, on top of speed hump or sidewalk, or with any wheels off the roadway (i.e. on a lawn). Every street in the City has one side of the road designated as a fire lane. 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.

Home Improvement Projects

When planning a home improvement project, it is your responsibility to apply for a dumpster permit with the City of Wellington before starting the project.

Note: The homeowner is paying for the dumpster and should be used only by that resident for its intended purpose. It was recently reported a dumpster was filled with household garbage and furniture (couches) belonging to someone else.

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 no later than the day after pick-up.

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.

Free Tree Program Recipients

We successfully planted ten canopy trees throughout the neighborhood. It is vital during the first two years after planting to water frequently to establish a healthy root system. Please remember to water your trees weekly, during dry spells and with intense summer heat.

Yard Sale

As a service to our residents, Wellington typically sponsors an annual City-Wide

Yard Sale in June that corresponds with the yard sales of our neighboring cities of Strathmoor Village and Kingsley. Due to current COVID-19 conditions, the Yard Sale is postponed until further notice.

Security Updates

1. House Security Reminders: There are many more people out of work for various reasons. It is important now more than ever to light up porch lights during the night, install motion lights and security cameras as a deterrent against crime. It was good to see many residents take advantage of the security rebate this year in attempts to keep their families safer.

2. Car Security Reminders: Keep your cars locked and valuables and packages out of sight whenever you are away from your vehicle.

Wellington: A Sixth Class City

But what exactly is a Sixth Class City?

In 2003, the city of Louisville and Jefferson County merged into one large city. Before the merger Jefferson County was speckled with dozens of small cities. Some so small that they did not have a police force or public works. One thing that didn't change when the Metro Merger took place, was to whom the citizens paid taxes to. The cities classified as Second through Sixth Class continued to pay taxes to their city government. Citizens who live within the original Louisville city limits still pay Louisville city taxes.

Kentucky's cities are classified into six types of cities with classification mainly based on population size, although other factors may be considered. The classifications of cities in Kentucky are as follows:

Classification	Population Size
First	> 10,000
Second	20,000 - 99,000
Third	8,000 – 19,999
Fourth	3,000 – 7,999
Fifth	1,000 – 2,999
Sixth	< 1,000

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 at people walking between our houses:

May 21-26	September 21-23
June 22-24	October 21-23
July 22-24	November 19-23
Aug 20-24	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 contact@cityofwellingtonky.com anytime with questions, concerns, suggestions, etc.

Find us on [Facebook!](#) This is a closed page for residents only.

Sign Up for Our District Councilman Brent Ackerson'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! <http://louisvilleky.gov/node/105731/>

Important Numbers for Quick Reference

Louisville Police Department: 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?

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Thank you,
City of Wellington

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