**Louisville Metro Council**

District 9 eNews

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**Affordable Housing Leads Rescue Plan Proposal**

Earlier this year, the federal government approved the American Rescue Plan Act, designed to help the country recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Among many other things, it included significant resources for cities and counties. Louisville Metro’s share was $388 Million.

Earlier this week, we announced another step along the way of making historic investments in Louisville’s future. After the first round of ARP appropriations in June, centering on public health, eviction prevention and utility assistance, Metro Council went to work on the best way to use these funds to address Louisville’s needs.

The Budget Committee, which I chair, heard from Chairman John Yarmuth, the sponsor of the American Rescue Plan Act. During what is normally a break after passage of Metro’s budget, we held public listening sessions around the county. In those and an online form, we received hundreds of suggestions.

In August, we unanimously approved a resolution, setting priority areas for the funds. Work groups, each of which involved multiple Council members of both parties and members of the administration, went to work sharing information and discussing funding options. I’ve participated in around twenty such meetings in the last few weeks.

This week, I was one of the sponsors of an ordinance and a resolution to spend ARP funds in the following areas:

* Homelessness & Affordable Housing: $100 Million

(including HOME ARP funds)

* Public Safety: $78 Million
* Premium Pay for Essential Public Employees: $28.3 Million
* Public Health: $27.6 Million

More details about the proposals are [here](https://louisvilleky.gov/news/metro-leaders-address-public-safety-homelessness-and-affordable-housing-public-health-and).

The ordinance will be discussed in the Budget Committee next week and we hope to put more of this remarkable federal funding to work very soon.

**Council Redistricting Proposal**

New Metro Council districts are being considered by a special Council committee. The committee was formed to work on the redistricting required after new census data was released earlier this year. KRS 67C.103 (3) states:

*“Following the official publication of each decennial census by the United States Bureau of the Census for the area embraced by a consolidated local government, the council shall adopt an ordinance, if necessary, to redistrict the council districts. A redistricting ordinance shall provide for the distribution of population among the council districts as nearly equal as is reasonably possible. Every council district shall be compact and contiguous and shall respect existing neighborhood, community, and city boundaries whenever possible.”*

Population movement in Louisville Metro has been to the east for many years. To keep the population of districts as nearly equal as is reasonably possible, districts have also moved east. That happened in 2011, the only other time Council districts changed, when parts of Irish Hill and Butchertown were removed from District 9 and neighborhoods east of Chenoweth Lane/ Breckenridge Lane were added to the district.

This year, the proposal moves much of Clifton Heights, including most areas west of North Birchwood Avenue, University Avenue and River Dell Drive, to District 4. All of Butchertown would now be in District 4. Bowman Field and part of Seneca Park moves to District 8. Druid Hills and several areas east of Cannons Lane near I-64 and east of Hubbards Lane near Shelbyville Road are added to District 9. All of Irish Hill would also be in District 9.

The full proposed map and individual district maps are [here](https://louisvilleky.gov/metro-council/document/proposed-redistricting-maps-all-26-overall). This [map](https://district9news.files.wordpress.com/2021/10/louisville-metro-council-districts-current-and-proposed.pdf), prepared by Michael Schnuerle, shows areas proposed to be added and removed from District 9. More information about the whole process is [here](https://louisvilleky.gov/government/metro-council/metro-council-clerk).

You can leave a written comment on this [form](https://louisvilleky.wufoo.com/forms/zc8357e1l1bt0t/).

To discuss this matter individually with me, call 574-1109 or email me by clicking [here](https://louisvilleky.gov/government/contact-councilman-bill-hollander).

**Beer Garden in Seneca Park – October 30**

This Saturday, October 30, Olmsted Parks Conservancy is hosting a West Sixth Beer Garden in Seneca Park from 5:00-9:00 p.m. Bring your blankets, your chairs, your family and pups for the event. There will be food trucks, music, lawn games, family-friendly activities and a vaccine clinic. For more information, please visit [www.olmstedparks.org/events/event/beer-garden-at-seneca-park](http://www.olmstedparks.org/events/event/beer-garden-at-seneca-park).

**Free Tree Giveaway – October 30**

TreesLouisville will host a free tree giveaway on Saturday, October 30 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon at Shawnee Park, (participants should look for the signs that will direct them to the location). 450 trees are available in the following species: Persimmon, Black Walnut, Shellbark Hickory, Willow Oak, Shumard Oak, Bur Oak, Nuttall Oak.

Trees are limited to two per household. Residents must provide a Louisville Metro zip code to qualify. Trees will be handed out on a first come, first served basis. This is a drive through tree giveaway. However, if participants do not have access to a car, they are welcome to walk up to the giveaway area.

Trees come in a 1 gallon container, which means they do not require large shovels to be planted. TreesLouisville will provide instructions on planting as well as tree care tips and tree attributes. They will also be selling water wells for $15 each- CASH ONLY. Wells are designed to hold water and protect the tree against lawn mowers and weed eaters.

For any additional questions please visit [https://www.facebook.com/treeslouisville](https://protect-us.mimecast.com/s/FceACNkKX4f1klplumb5QS?domain=facebook.com).

**D9 Fall Community Cleanup a Success!**

A BIG thank you to everyone who joined me last Saturday to help beautify District 9. We had a great turnout and residents and business owners worked together along Frankfort Avenue and on other neighborhood streets. Volunteers also worked to clear sidewalks of tree obstructions and trim other areas along Frankfort Avenue. To view photos from the event, please click [here](https://flic.kr/s/aHsmX1EwUA).

If you missed this cleanup, but would like to organize your own event, please [click here](https://louisvilleky.gov/government/brightside/neighborhood-cleanups) to register and obtain supplies from Brightside.

# Family Friendly Halloween Events

Annual Jack O’ Lantern Spectacular runs through Sunday, October 31 at Iroquois Park, 1080 Amphitheater Road. 5,000 artistically-carved pumpkins line a ¼ mile trail and illuminate an organic art gallery. For tickets and more information, please click [here](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/jack-olantern-spectacular-tickets-168818501683?aff=odwdwdspacecraft).

Ghost Stories by the Fire on Friday, October 29, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Mary T. Meagher Aquatic Center, 201 Reservoir Avenue. No registration is required and children must be accompanied by an adult 18 or older. Questions, please call 574-1498.

Free Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 31, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Clifton Baptist Church parking lot, 1947 Frankfort Avenue. Join in for live music, hot chocolate, warm donuts, candy, an inflatable slide, games, balloon animals, face painting, crafts, and more! No registration is required and children must be accompanied by an adult 18 or older. Questions, please contact info@cliftonbaptist.org.

**Neighborhood Summit 2021 – November 6**

**The Center for Neighborhoods is hosting its annual summit on Saturday, November 6, from 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Louisville Urban League Sports and Learning Complex, 3000 West Market Street. The focus for this year’s summit is Healing Our Communities: Working Toward Positive Change.**

**The Summit aims to bring Louisville neighbors together for a day of learning about neighborhood activism. The day includes a keynote address, local neighborhood leader awards and workshops focused on neighborhood improvement and social justice.**

**As in previous years, District 9 has provided scholarship funds for nine District 9 residents to attend the event free of charge. The scholarships will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are interested in obtaining a scholarship, please email my Legislative Assistant,** [Kyle Ethridge](https://louisvilleky.gov/government/contact-legislative-assistant-kyle-ethridge)**, with your address, phone and email address. My office will then provide you with the discount code for registration.**

**Registration is $25 for each participant, and you can register online** [here](https://c4n.secure.force.com/default/cnp_paas_evt__ExternalRegistrationPage?Site_Id=a2y6g000000ROZVAA4&)**.**

**“Fall Back” and Check Detectors and Lights**

Set a reminder for Sunday, November 7 at 2:00 a.m. to turn your clocks back as daylight saving time ends. The sun will rise a little earlier and you’ll “gain” one hour of sleep.

It’s a good time to check your smoke detectors. For the last few years I’ve also used the time change to ask residents to check street lights in their area. We rely on residents to report any outages and a street light won’t get repaired unless someone reports it. You can do that [here](https://lge-ku.com/outages/report/streetlight).

**CSX Railroad Crossing Work DELAYED**

CSX Railroad has delayed the railroad crossing work scheduled for many D9 crossings until November. No firm dates have been determined at this time.

The following crossings will be affected and closed once the work is rescheduled. We will post new dates in the eNews, or on the District 9 Blog and our social media pages, depending on when information is received.

All but the last two crossings are near Frankfort Avenue.

* Jane Street
* Keats Avenue
* Ewing Avenue
* Hite Avenue
* Birchwood Avenue
* Clover Lane at Westport Road
* N. Hubbards Lane

**LMPD Weekly Update**

**The Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD) shares a weekly update. This week the update includes a message from Chief Erika Shields, a case highlight (this week LMPD is attempting to identify a suspect in a case), a report from the Service Center, LMPD’s centralized hub for contact with the public, an arrest of the week and a spotlight on the LMPD River Unit. To read a copy of the October 24 edition, please click** [here](https://www.facebook.com/LMPD.ky/posts/250446613780650?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)**. The weekly updates are also shared on** [LMPD’s Facebook page.](https://www.facebook.com/LMPD.ky)

**Small Business Support is Just a Click Away**

In a time when small businesses are able to see the light of survival as we make our way out of COVID’s economic impact, access to small business support and resources is critical. Louisville Forward’s Small Business Development team is here to connect small business owners with the tools and resources needed to help create sustainability in the long term as well as solutions for today’s challenges. Strategic planning, one-on-one coaching, educational workshops and financial programs are some of the resources available at no cost. To inquire about resources for your business, please click [HERE](https://louisvilleky.gov/government/louisville-forward/small-business-resource-inquiry). You can see the breadth of services [HERE](http://www.louisvilleky.gov/smallbusiness).

**D9 Blog and Social Media Sites Provide Updates**

We publish this newsletter every other week, with the next edition scheduled for November 11. For up-to-date announcements between newsletters, we update our blog, Facebook page and Twitter feed. You can access the blog [here](https://district9news.wordpress.com), and, if you wish, sign up for blog updates by email at that site (they are relatively rare, so we don’t overload mailboxes). You can also like the “[**Councilman Bill Hollander**](https://protect-us.mimecast.com/s/JxDcCn5m7KC3Ow7xH92YGKy?domain=lnks.gd)” Facebook page and follow “[**Bill Hollander” on Twitter**](https://protect-us.mimecast.com/s/FF0KCo2n8LhPq9r8S1MsWzn?domain=lnks.gd).

**Notice of Planning & Design Public Meetings**

For basic details for all of below case/s, please visit [https://aca-louisville.accela.com/LJCMG/Welcome.aspx?](https://aca-louisville.accela.com/LJCMG/Welcome.aspx). Click on the “Planning” tab. Then enter either the case number in the “record number” box or the address.

You can also click on the notice below to go to the application page.

For specific case information, please call or email the listed case manager. If you have any questions, please contact Planning & Design directly at 574-6230.

**Case No. 21-MPLAT-0167**

**Record Plat Amendment** for Plat Book:8 Page: 35A to create three lots from one on 0.81 acres in the R5 zoning district.

Subject Property: 2715 Lindsay Avenue

Case Manager: Julia Williams (Julia.williams@louisvilleky.gov)

Meeting Type: Development Review Committee

Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 3, 2021

Time: Meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. and continue until all cases are heard

Location: Online at <https://louisvilleky.gov/government/planning-design/upcoming-public-meetings>.

Don’t have internet access? Please call 574-6230 to find out how to connect to the meeting by telephone.

If you wish to submit comments on this case, please submit comments (in writing) to the case manager by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, November 2, 2021.

**Ninth District Events!
Saturday, October 30:** Carmichael's Bookstore, 2720 Frankfort Avenue, will host MacKenzie Haley to present How to Hide a Ghost at 2:00 p.m. For more information, please visit https://www.carmichaelsbookstore.com/event/mackenzie-haley-presents-how-hide-ghost.

**Tuesday, November 2:**Butchertown Neighborhood Association meeting at 6:00 p.m. More information will be available online, https://www.facebook.com/butchertownneighborhood.

**Wednesday, November 3:**The Peterson- Dumesnil House with Bourbons Bistro will host a bourbon tasting at 5:30 p.m. at 301 S. Peterson Avenue. Tickets are $65 per person and include a welcome cocktail, four bourbon tastings and small bites. Tickets may be purchased online [here](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/peterson-dumesnil-house-bourbon-tasting-tickets-189306148787).

**Wednesday, November 3:**Waterfront Botanical Gardens, 1435 Frankfort Avenue, will host a special lecture with Panayoti Kelaidis, Director of Outreach & Senior Curator Denver Botanic Gardens from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Includes cocktail reception, seated dinner and presentation. For more information and to register, click [here](https://waterfrontgardens.org/event/bring-em-back-alive-50-years-of-plant-hunting-at-denver-botanic-gardens/).

**Wednesday, November 3:**Crescent Hill Library, 2762 Frankfort Avenue, will host a meeting of the minds at 7:00 p.m. Join members of the community as they think about and discuss current topics. Questions, please contact the branch at 574-1793.

**Thursday, November 4:**Crescent Hill Community Council Neighborhood annual meeting at 7:00 p.m. in person and via Zoom. More information will be available online http://www.crescenthill.us/.

**Saturday, November 6:** Free computer tune up and repair at the St. Matthews Library, 3940 Grandview Avenue. This service will be offered the first Saturday of each month from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Help will be limited to the first FIVE people to make a reservation by email to taylor\_rae@hotmail.com. Participants must bring any additional devices that they may need such as a keyboard, monitor, and mouse for desktops. If participants are bringing a laptop, please bring your battery charger. For details visit [www.computertuneupandrepair.weebly.com](https://computertuneupandrepair.weebly.com/about.html).

**Monday, November 8:**St. Matthews Library, 3940 Grandview Avenue, will host Snarky Stitchery at 2:30 p.m. Looking for that unique fall/winter project to keep your hands busy? Then we have the program for you! It’s Snarky Cross Stitch, where sarcasm meets handicraft. Bring your own project or choose from a selection of simple, yet cynical patterns. Take & make or stitch on site. Materials provided. Questions, please call the branch at 574-1771.

**Tuesday, November 9:**Clifton Community Council Virtual Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m. Contact michael.oleary@twc.com for more information.

**District 9 LINKS**District 9 Blog: [www.district9news.wordpress.com](http://www.district9news.wordpress.com) District 9 Website: <http://www.louisvilleky.gov/district9>

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