

The Hursthourne Herald

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SPRING AND SUMMER RESPONSIBILITIES





With spring and summer seasons, some common code violations pop up. Here are a few to mention:

Tall grass and weeds: Cut and trim regularly.

Dogs, barking, and waste: Remember to keep pets leashed and pick up waste. Exterior home care: Paint and repair wood, trim and brick if needed.

On-Street Parking: City Ordinance restricts on-street parking – use your driveway.

Entertaining, music: Remember neighbors when entertaining – quiet please.

Junk and clutter: Please keep homes junk and clutter free.

General Appearances:

If your home appears to be in worse condition than your neighbors, maybe it is time to fix-up, trimup and clean-up. Let's remember that the City of Hurstbourne is only as good as the collective sum of its residents. In other words, if individual households fail to keep their property in good order, the City, as a whole, will decline. Such decline comes in forms of property conditions, property values and overall quality of life within the community. Let's all do our part and keep Hurstbourne standards as high as possible.



Chief's Corner – PUBLIC SAFETY TIPS FROM GRAYMOOR-DEVONDALE POLICE CHIEF GRADY THRONEBERRY

Spring has sprung! And what a wonderful time of the year . . . especially this year. 2020 was a year fraught with challenges for many from Covid to various social issues. Yet, the newness of Spring reminds us of opportunities and growth. My staff and I are delighted to partner with the City of Hurstbourne. We began our relationship November 1, 2020 and immediately felt welcomed by the many

residents who have spoken with us as we patrol. No doubt you have, or will, see our marked vehicles throughout the city, and you may have noticed one of our unmarked vehicles making traffic stops. All of our team members (except one) are retired from other agencies. Together, the 23 of us represent nearly 550 years of service, a full one third have been commanding officers, and another one third have served in specialty or investigative units. We are all very friendly, so I invite you to flag us down and say hello.

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I want to share a few thoughts about preventable crime. Nearly 99% of all property crime (burglary, robbery, shoplifting, etc.) is related to drugs. Addicts, because they are generally unemployable, need a regular flow of cash in order to support their habits. They look for quick and easy opportunities to steal cash or property that is easily converted to cash, and they most certainly do not want to be detected and identified.

The most reported property crime in Louisville Metro is thefts from cars, nearly all of which are left unlocked. It is remarkable what items folks will leave in unlocked vehicles - everything from cash and wallets to personal computers.

Here are some common sense reminders:

- Always lock your car. Most cars have remote lock and unlock, so lay your keys on the nightstand as a way to remind yourself to hit that lock button before your head hits the pillow.
- Put bicycles in the garage (or, at least, in the backyard) at night.
- When you go to the gym or shopping be aware that ill-intentioned persons could be watching to see if you are carrying a purse into the venue. If you are not, it is a pretty good indicator that you have left it in your vehicle; it likely will not be there when you get back.
- When you are home keep storm doors locked so you can safely answer if someone knocks. Most residential burglaries occur during the daylight, so if a burglar knocks and you do not answer he/she will go to the rear of your home and break in. It is a good idea to answer if someone knocks so they know to move beyond your home.
- Finally, call us anytime if you detect something or someone suspicious. We would rather respond and find that everything is ok, than respond later to discover that you have been victimized.

You may from time-to-time discover a green "crime prevention notice" hanging from your door. We use these to remind citizens of situations that make them vulnerable: Open garage doors or bicycles left out, for example.

Feel free to call anytime! I would love to chat with you.

Grady Throneberry Chief of Police (502) 612-9696



POLICE SERVICES AGREEMENT ENHANCED TO FIRST RESPONDER STATUS



In effort to provide the best possible police services to the residents of Hurstbourne, the City Commission voted unanimously to modify the agreement between the City and the Graymoor-Devondale Police Department.

Effective June 1, 2021 Graymoor-Devondale Police is designated as the *First Responder* agency to all calls originating from Hurstbourne. In other words, if someone from Hurstbourne calls 911 or 311 or any other local metro police number, the county dispatch center will recognize the Hurstbourne origination and immediately transfer the call to Graymoor-Devondale Police Department. Officers are on duty 24-7 to respond when needed.

The primary benefit is shorter response times. Due to the proximity of Graymoor-Devondale to the City of Hurstbourne, response times are expected to be very quick. Another benefit is the availability of detective services to work active cases.

Graymoor-Devondale Police Department direct phone numbers:

Police Office: 502 425-5862 Dispatch – Officer on Duty: 502 327-2677 or 502 327-COPS

Chief of Police: 502 612-9696

If you need to find these important contact numbers in the future, visit our website: www.hurstbourne.org. On the home page simply look up the word POLICE at the bottom of the page or, at the top of the page click on City Services / City of Hurstbourne / Police or call City Hall at 502 426-4808.

REAL ID OFFICE OPEN IN HURSTBOURNE



The federal deadline that requires passengers on domestic flights or guests on military bases to have an approved ID card is May 3, 2023. If you have not upgraded your present personal ID or Driver's License, it is very convenient to do so because A Real ID office is now open in the City of Hurstbourne at 9112 Leesgate Road. If you plan to make the trip to convert to a Real ID, Here is what you need to know:

You will need three things:

- 1. Proof of your Social Security number
- 2. Proof of identity
- 3. Proof of residency (you will need two items).

For proof of identity, you can provide a birth certificate or a passport, and for proof of your Social Security number, you will need your social security card or a tax document that displays the number.

It is important to note that if the current name and name on the birth certificate differ, a marriage license or divorce papers will be needed to reconcile any difference.

For proof of residency, you can provide a few different items, including, but not limited to bills, lease agreements, mortgage statements or a car title.

You can make appointments online at https://drive.ky.gov/RealID.



HURSTBOURNE LISTED IN TOP RATED PLACES TO LIVE

According to the Niche.com website, the Best Places to Live ranking provides a comprehensive assessment of the overall livability of an area. This grade takes into account several key factors of a location, including the quality of local schools, crime rates, housing trends, employment statistics, and access to amenities in an attempt to measure the overall quality of an area. All of the places listed below received an A+ score from Niche. *Hurstbourne came in fourth in the metro area and fifth in the entire state*.

Cherokee Seneca Cherokee Gardens Indian Hills

Hurstbourne

Northfield Prospect Anchorage Hurstbourne Acres Rockcreek Lexington Road Deer Park

CITY-WIDE SHREDDING EVENT IS A BIG HIT



The annual City-Wide Shredding Event was held Saturday, May 15 at City Hall. Once again, the event proved to be very popular. Residents showed up well before the 9:00 start time and drive-up traffic was steady until the noon end time. This year, *Shred-it* parked a mobile unit to provide the on-site shredding service.

ILLEGAL DUMPING IN EASEMENT AREAS



The City of Hurstbourne, like other communities, has open space and easement areas that abut property lines. Unfortunately, in cases where fences and foliage exist along property boundaries, certain common areas become a dumping ground. Another problem is the lack of property upkeep. These sometimes-remote property lines do not get proper attention.

Please be mindful of your neighbors and your community and keep these areas clear of debris, junk, and overgrowth.



CITY OF HURSTBOURNE ORDINANCE #21-06, SERIES 2021 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING LETTER OF COMPLIANCE/APPROVAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SOLAR INSTALLATIONS

Ordinance 21-06 responds to a recent request to install solar collectors on a home in Hurstbourne. The City reviewed ordinances regulating the installation of solar energy systems in homes from around the country and developed this ordinance to regulate solar installations. The purpose of the ordinance is to limit the impact of the installations to the surrounding houses, to require the installations to be designed fit into the surrounding neighborhood and to make sure the installations are safe and of good quality. The ordinance also provides for penalties for non-compliance of not less than \$20 and no more than \$100 per day of violation. The undersigned attorney does hereby certify that this ordinance has been summarized for publication pursuant to KRS 83A.060(9). Full text of the ordinance can be obtained by contacting Hurstbourne City Hall at 200 Whittington Parkway, Suite 100, Louisville, KY 40222. John Singler, Attorney, City of Hurstbourne.

CITY OF HURSTBOURNE. KENTUCKY ORDINANCE NO. 21-04

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE CITY OF HURSTBOURNE AD VALOREM TAX ASSESSMENT AND THE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAX THEREON FOR CITY PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022

WHEREAS, there has been deposited with the City Clerk the Jefferson County Property Valuation Administrator assessment for all taxable real estate located within the City, and

WHEREAS, the City has computed its tax rate as required by law, now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF HURSTBOURNE:

Section 1. The City of Hurstbourne does hereby elect to use the Jefferson County Property Valuation Administration tax assessment of all real estate located in the City as of January 1, 2021 as the basis for ad valorem taxes for the City for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Section 2. An ad valorem tax for the fiscal year of the City ending June 30, 2022, is hereby levied and fixed at the rate of \$.169 per \$100.00 of all real estate assessed for taxation and subject to taxation by said City under assessment date of January 1, 2021, as made by the Jefferson County Property Valuation Administrator.

Section 3. The City Accountant shall make out and mail tax bills from the assessment rolls on or about July 1, 2021. Each bill shall show the lot, assessment, name of owner, tax rate and total tax due.

Section 4. The payment of tax bills shall be made to the City Accountant and shall be subject to the discounts and penalties listed below and the collection remedies provided by law:

- a. A discount of 5% shall be allowed on tax bills paid prior to August 31, 2021.
- b. The face amount of the tax bill shall be payable September 1st, 2021 through November 30th, 2021.
- c. On bills paid on or after December 1, 2021, there shall be added thereto a penalty of 10% of the face amount of the tax due.
- d. On bills paid on or after January 1, 2022, there shall be added thereto an additional penalty of 15% of the face amount of the tax due.
- e. On any bill paid on or after the face amount is due, December 1, 2021, there shall be added interest until the bill is paid. All interest shall be calculated on the face amount of the bill, plus the applicable penalty. Interest shall be at the rate of one and one-half (1-1/2%) per month or part thereof.
- f. The City shall file liens to secure delinquent taxes and such lien shall take precedence over other security interests in said property, as set out in Kentucky Revised Statutes. Any lien filing and release fees must be paid by the taxpayer.
- g. If the City has to initiate a lawsuit, or is named a party to a foreclosure action, to collect such delinquent taxes, then it shall recover 25% additional penalty, which shall be deemed a penalty under (c) and (d) above and shall be encompassed within the City's lien.

Section 5. The proceeds of such taxes shall be used for general operating expenses of the City, including purchasing of city supplies, the erection of city signs, the general maintenance of the public ways, payment of bond premiums for city officials, sanitation, public safety, and the payment of all expenses incurred in the necessary and proper municipal functions.

Section 6. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

FIRST READING: May 11, 2021

SECOND READING and adoption May 17, 2021

ATTEST:

Mary Masick, Mayor

Jim Leidgen, City Clerk

CITY OF HURSTBOURNE, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE NO. 21-05

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF HURSTBOURNE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2021 TO JUNE 30, 2022 BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, an annual budget proposal has been prepared and delivered to the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has reviewed said budget proposal and made necessary modifications in public session, now, therefore, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF HURSTBOURNE:

Section 1: That the annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, is hereby adopted as follows:

	Conoral Fund	Bood Fund	Drainage	TOTAL
	General Fund	Road Fund	Projects Fund	ALL FUNDS
Resources Available:				
Prior Year: Carry-Forward Appropriations	\$255,506	\$0	\$0	\$255,506
Current Year: Revenues & Other Appropriations		\$80,000	\$100,000	\$180,000
Property Taxes Interest and Penalties Insurance Premium Tax Cable Franchise Fees Bank Franchise Tax Sign Fees Alcohol Beverage Fees Home Occupation Fees Business License Fees State Coal/Mineral Tax/Litter Abatement Base Court Revenue (HB 413) Interest General Fund Miscellaneous Income	\$1,378,844 \$6,000 \$760,000 \$28,000 \$104,000 \$7,000 \$21,450 \$600 \$10,000 \$200 \$5,000 \$15,000 \$2,000			\$1,378,844 \$6,000 \$760,000 \$28,000 \$104,000 \$7,000 \$21,450 \$600 \$10,000 \$200 \$5,000 \$15,000 \$2,000
200 Whittington Bldg Tenant Leases	\$25,848 \$0			\$25,848 \$0
200 Whittington Bldg Other Income Subtotal (Current Year) Revenues & Appropriations Less Property Tax Discounts/Uncollected Accounts	\$2,363,942 (\$59,000)	\$80,000	\$100,000	\$2,543,942 (\$59,000)
Net Total (Current Year) Revenues & Appropriations	\$2,304,942	\$80,000	\$100,000	\$2,484,942
Total Resources available for Appropriations	\$2,560,448	\$80,000	\$100,000	\$2,740,448
Expenses: General Government Public Works Public Safety Sanitation - Code Enforcement Community Projects & Events	\$567,308 \$1,158,000 \$239,640 \$485,500 \$110,000	\$80,000	\$100,000	\$567,308 \$1,338,000 \$239,640 \$485,500 \$110,000
Total Expense Appropriations	\$2,560,448	\$80,000	\$100,000	\$2,740,448

First Reading held on: Tuesday, May 11, 2021

ATTEST: Passed and Approved on: Monday, May 17, 2021

Section 2: This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.

James E. Leidgen, C.A.O. / City Clerk	Mary Masick, Mayor

INSPECTED, LICENSED AND REGISTERED GOLF CARTS ONLY



Recently, the City of Hurstbourne passed an ordinance allowing golf carts to travel on city streets. However, it's important to remember that only inspected, licensed and registered golf carts operated by licensed drivers are allowed.

Qualified golf carts must have a Jefferson County Sheriff's Office inspection (KRS 189.286) to meet certain specifications including, headlamps, tail lamps, stop lamps, turn signals, reflectors, mirrors, parking brake, seatbelts for each seat, horn, slow moving vehicle emblem, and a valid insurance certificate in the Golf Cart (KRS 304.039-080).

The operator must have a valid driver's license in their possession and a permit sticker from the City of Hurstbourne showing compliance must be displayed on the cart.

On a number of occasions, carts have been spotted on city streets being operated by very young drivers. Please keep in mind that un-registered golf carts operated by unlicensed drivers are not allowed on city streets.

RENTAL PROPERTIES

Rental Properties are becoming more commonplace for many reasons. The City of Hurstbourne has its fair share of Tenant occupied homes. Unfortunately, the upkeep of these properties suffers primarily due to the combination of absentee ownership and the lack of commitment from the Tenant. In fact, a significant number of City Code violations come from Rental Properties. Like commercial properties, Rental Property Owners must register and obtain a business license and are required to keep their property up to standards. rentals must be registered with the City of Hurstbourne and Louisville Metro.

Tenants and Owners:

please be a good neighbor and give your home the same level of attention that your neighbors do. If everyone works hard to do his or her part, then everyone benefits.

POSTERS, FLYERS AND SIGNS ON CITY SIGNS, SIGN POSTS, TREES AND MEDIANS

The City reminds residents to refrain from placing "yard sale" and "lost pet" signs etc. on any city signs, sign posts, light posts and trees. Doing so could result in damaging the signs and posts and possible charges to the resident for repairs and restorations.

NEW TO THE CITY?



WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Are you a new resident of our City? Important information such as the City directory, sanitation schedule, ReachAlert mass communication network, City Ordinances, Codes, and important public service agencies are good to have in hand.

If you need any of the above, contact the City website at www.hurstbourne.org, call us at (502) 426-4808 or stop by City Hall at 200 Whittington Parkway.

Help us help you get plugged in and connected!



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We encourage you to check out the ways you can get in touch with your City government.

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Louisville, KY 40222

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