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WORKING TO KEEP OUR CITY GREEN AND BEAUTIFUL



The City of Hurstbourne has approximately 18 miles of streets and 13 entrances; many with large shade trees. As is to be expected, some trees have aged less gracefully than others. The city horticulturalist actively inspects all trees located within the Hurstbourne right-of-way. The Horticulturalist has indicated some of the pin oak trees may require significant trimming or even removal due to excessive decline. However, new trees will also be planted to maintain the tree canopy and ensure the beauty of the medians. Planting flowers and manicuring planting beds are currently underway. City landscapers are working in all weather conditions, and until dark on many days, to stay on schedule. Even then, extreme weather and excessively wet grounds could delay the planting of flowers and other plant material in some locations.

THE PROCESS OF PAVING CITY STREETS





Every year, City streets are evaluated for resurfacing. All roadways in Hurstbourne are inspected by the City Engineer. Afterwards, a comprehensive analysis is conducted to assign a score rating of all City streets. Certain streets are selected for paving based on a number of factors including age, foundation, usage, existing damage, and rate and severity of decline. An updated map of the entire network of City streets is kept on record at City Hall. The map indicates the year that each section of City is resurfaced.

There are early indications that a number of primary streets will need to be resurfaced. As customary, the detailed analysis will be conducted in the spring. The City Engineer will then submit his analysis, recommendations, and complete cost estimates to the Commission for review and approval. The final phase of the paving process includes bidding, bid openings followed by review and approval of the lowest and best bid. Actual paving will take place during the hot summer season.

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"COLD PATCH" ASPHALT MIX USED IN WINTER-SPRING SEASON





This winter season has brought us precipitation in forms of snow, freezing rain, and sleet. Also, temperature swings from below freezing lows to warm highs work in concert to cause additional wear and tear of City streets. Over time stresses on streets show up in the form of excessive cracks that form into potholes.

During the winter and early spring seasons, a cold mix asphalt product is applied to patch potholes. The mix is poured directly from the bag to the street requiring no pre-mixing, no heat, and no heavy equipment to do the job. The simple application process includes the mix, a hand tamper, and a vehicle. The patch is traffic-ready within minutes.

It is important to note that while the application of cold patches are efficient and effective, other factors may shorten the lifespan of these patches. The most common factor is the fact that the surrounding area is also in a state of disrepair. In other words, numerous and varied degrees of surface cracking exist around the patch.

Therefore, larger, more permanent repairs are made using hot asphalt when temperatures stay well above freezing and the sun dries everything out over time.



UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- CITY JUNK PICK UP Saturday, April 30th
- CITY-WIDE YARD SALE Friday & Saturday, June 10th & 11th
- CITY SHREDDING DAY Saturday, May 21st 9:00 a.m. until Noon at City Hall

STREETLIGHTS IN HURSTBOURNE

Hurstbourne currently has 410 streetlights lighting our way and contributing to the general public safety. Louisville Gas



& Electric Company (LG&E) owns and maintains streetlights in Hurstbourne; however, Hurstbourne pays for the electric usage of these streetlights. If you encounter an out or damaged light within our city, we encourage you to contact City Hall. Public safety is of the utmost importance, and we will request LG&E make the necessary repairs quickly.

What you can do when a streetlight is not working:

- Call the City of Hurstbourne, City Hall, at 502-426-4808 and give them the information and location (nearest address). The city will inform LG&E and request repairs.
- If you feel it necessary, you may also contact LG&E directly at 502-589-1444 or online at https://lge-ku.com/outages/report/streetlight.

When to expect repairs:

- If the outage is a minor problem, such as burned-out bulb, bad ballast, bad photocell, or a broken wire, then repairs are usually made within (3) business days.
- If the outage is a major problem, such as underground wire failure, a downed pole, or an exposed wire, then repairs should take place within (7) business days. Please be advised, depending on the severity of the problem, correcting the issues could take longer.

CITY PUBLIC SAFETY SIGNS

The City of Hurstbourne has many signs throughout the city for the benefit of citizens and visitors. Some signs are mandated by law, i.e., stop signs, yield



signs, school crossing signs, and speed limit signs. Other signs have been installed to assist residents and visitors, such as, street signs, warning signs, speed hump signs and others. All damaged or defaced signs are replaced right away.

Unfortunately, some well-intentioned residents have used some of these signs to attach messages reporting lost or found pets, soliciting for jobs, and even listing items for sale. In some cases, these posters are attached to City-owned signs using duct tape or similar tapes which can cause paint and reflective material to come off.

PLEASE DO NOT USE CITY SIGNS FOR ANY ADVERTISING OR OTHER NOTICES.

DOG OWNER RESPONSIBILITIES







The City of Hurstbourne continues to receive complaints from residents regarding pet owners allowing their pets to run loose without a leash, bark for hours at a time, and "do their business" anywhere within the City and not removing the waste.

Dog Control Ordinance and Penalties

The City has an Ordinance relating to the control of Dogs and proper removal of their waste. Anyone walking their dog off their property must be mindful of others and:

- Keep the dog on a leash at all times
- Carry material to pick up and properly dispose of pet's feces
- · Do not allow dogs to bark for extended periods

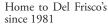
Penalty for Violations

Violators of this ordinance are subject to a \$100 fine. We hope that enforcement of this ordinance will not be necessary.

Please be a good neighbor and be mindful of others.

FEATURED HURSTBOURNE BUSINESS - Del Frisco's







New Home to Del Frisco's since 2020

Featured Fare

Back in 2019, the 38-year fine dining institution Del Frisco's experienced catastrophic events causing extreme trauma to their business. A fire followed by the roof collapse of the building they occupied, forced a shutdown of operations. On a larger scale, we all know that COVID-19 swept through the country, state, and City – causing the restaurant industry to come to a grinding halt.

Fast forward to Sunday, November 1, 2020. Del Frisco's moved to Hurstbourne. Their new home was given a new fit and finish – including a new outdoor dining area. Over time the premier fine dining establishment has grown steadily to return to its prime destination status. The Del Frisco's fare includes various cuts of premium steaks, chicken, lobster, swordfish, and shrimp. In addition to entrées, a list of delicious appetizers, soups and vegetables round out the dining experience.

Del Frisco's, a welcome addition to our community, invites Hurstbourne neighbors to experience their high-quality fine dining and exquisite atmosphere.

RECENT CITY ORDINANCES

The following ordinance was adopted over the past few months.

ORDINANCE #22-1

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A POLICY FOR SUSTAINED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY AT A PROPERTY TO BE DEEMED A PUBLIC NUISANCE

For review and copy of any Ordinance, you may visit the City website: www.hurstbourne.org and refer to the section listed as "Ordinances" where both recently passed and codified are contained.

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COYOTE SIGHTINGS IN HURSTBOURNE



Hurstbourne continues to have coyote sightings throughout the area. Many times, they are seen in back yards, creekbeds, along the golf course and even on our streets and sidewalks. In fact, Coyotes have been seen in and around Hurstbourne for several decades. It is well known that the "Urban Coyote" is a nationwide phenomenon. As civilization encroaches upon nature, Coyotes and other indigenous species are left to share shrinking space. Unfortunately, when we see wildlife on our streets, sidewalks, and back yards, it is natural to be alarmed and even feel a sense of imminent danger. These concerns are heightened when it comes to small children and pets.

While they can be a nuisance and a potential threat to small wildlife and small pets, Coyotes are known to be reclusive by nature unless their young are threatened, or they are hunting for wildlife, such as rabbits and the like. Nonetheless most people, when confronted with a Coyote sighting, are quick to report the activity and are in favor of removal or eradication.

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife has published information on the subject of Coyotes. According to the experts, it is not advisable to attempt to eradicate or remove Coyotes as they will repopulate right away. Females may breed at younger ages and give birth to even larger litters. The survival rate of pups may increase due to less competition for food. In other cases, when municipalities attempted such actions, Coyote populations actually increased from the starting point of the extermination efforts.

Removal or eradication of Coyotes in the City of Hurstbourne is also complicated by the fact that the City of Hurstbourne owns little property, other than its road right-of-way. Everything else is privately owned by residents. This restricts the area the City has legal right to enter for trapping Coyotes within the City. In addition, the large tracts of open land upon which most of the Coyotes are living are located outside the City of Hurstbourne boundary. Furthermore, traps that attract Coyotes also attract domestic pets. Therefore, placing traps in close proximity to household pets is not a viable option.

GOLF CARTS ON STREETS



Our City continues to see an increase in residents requesting to use golf carts on city streets. Kentucky State Law dictates that a low-speed vehicle may be permitted to operate on roadways if the following requirements are met:

Drivers must be a minimum of 16 years old with a valid driver's license and valid insurance. The vehicle must be permitted by the City; in order to have the vehicle permitted, it must be equipped with the necessary safety equipment.

If you wish to have your golf cart or low-speed vehicle permitted for use on city roadways, please contact City Hall at 502-426-4808 to receive more detailed information and become street-legal.

NEW TO THE CITY?



WELCOME TO HURSTBOURNE!

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 on 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!

SPRING SEASON BRINGS BUILDING AND PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS





<u>Please note that before a shovel breaks ground on your property</u>, you need to contact the City of Hurstbourne **before you begin** and prior to the issuance of any permit of any kind. Regardless of whether you think a permit is required for your project or not, you must contact the City of Hurstbourne.

City of Hurstbourne Application for Building Permit

It is the responsibility of the resident to provide all needed information for the issuance of a City of Hurstbourne building permit. Activities which might not trigger a Metro Louisville building permit may be subject to review by the City of Hurstbourne. Such activities include room additions, attached garages or any other structure attached to the house. Fence, driveways, and wall installations also require approval. The City determines whether the project complies with the Hurstbourne Building and Design Ordinance.

Building Permit Form

You may view and download a Building Permit Application by visiting our website: www.hurstbourne.org and select the "forms" tab. It is extremely important that any building project that changes the footprint of your home must be illustrated and marked on a copy of a "surveyed plot plan" of your property. No other rendering shall be considered.

Conditions of Approval

- 1. Provide <u>drawings to scale of improvements</u> to property on <u>Surveyed Plot Plan of property</u>.
- 2. Provide sample brochure, drawings and detailed description of materials used.
- 3. Copy/proof of permit(s) from Louisville Metro within 30 days of issue date of the permit.
- 4. Provide Contractor License Number with Louisville Metro.

APPROVAL OF THE PERMIT APPLIES ONLY TO COMPLIANCE WITH HURSTBOURNE CITY ORDINANCES. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO COMPLY WITH ALL LAWS OF LOUISVILLE METRO PLANNING COMMISSION, METRO LOUISVILLE COUNCIL AND ANY APPLICABLE STATE AND FEDERAL BUILDING CODES, LOCAL LAWS, ORDINANCES, AND DEED RESTRICTIONS THAT MAY APPLY WITHIN HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATIONS, SUCH AS OXMOOR WOODS, WESSEX PLACE AND INVERNESS

Design and Construction Requirements

Construction within the City of Hurstbourne must have building architecture in keeping with the general character of the existing architecture in terms of style, type of material, design, and appearance. All fences and walls must not be installed in such a way as to obstruct drainage. All fence and wall materials must match the general style and materials and type of design.

Garages must be attached to the home. Attachments can be achieved via breezeway or wall structures attached to the primary structure on the lot. Garages must also match the general style and materials of the primary structure on the lot and must be in keeping with the general character of the neighborhood.



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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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