

TOWN HALL EAST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

January 2019

From our Prez. David Lee to You

The first section of the Knoxville News Sentinel edition of December 26 was a pleasant surprise for any East Knoxville. There were no fewer than three stories highlighting positive developments in our quadrant of the city. Sandra is reporting on all of them in this edition of the newsletter. These are stories on national recognition for the design of housing in the Five Points area, a grant awarded in support of the coffee shop set to open on Magnolia near Chilhowee Park, and news of a tenant moving into the space in Knox Center that was vacated by Gold's Gym. Support new businesses as they open, and let's all work to keep these positive stories coming.



We are continuing to monitor the discussion on Recode. An extra draft was added to the schedule, so we have been through four versions of the document. Some changes have been made in response to citizen input, and in some instances changed back in response to more input. The document will begin to wend its way through City Council at the end of this month or next month. Although it is now too late to submit a comment to the Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) it is not too late to weigh in on the Recode discussion as it moves to City Council. Let us know if you have specific concerns.

Since Town Hall East has been around for more than fifty years, we have already become part of Knoxville's history, and we are turning over a substantial portion of our past records to the East Tennessee History Center, where they will be archived. We are also interested in the rich history of East Knoxville, and to that end we are fortunate to have such an engaged and prolific historian as Jack Neely to tell us more about it at our meeting on January 14. Jack's talk will include both threads and anecdotes from East Knoxville's history and an interactive exchange with the audience when Jack turns on his tape recorder and asks for contributions from his listeners.

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Neighborhood Meeting Monday January 14th

7 PM Fellowship Hall behind
Eastminster Presbyterian Church
4904 Asheville Highway



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WEEKLY EVENTS

- Preschool Storytime— Wed, 10:45 am**
Essencentric's "Aging Backwards" Work-out— Wed, 12 to 1 pm
Senior Fitness— Thu, 9 to 10 am
Yoga at the Library— Mon, 9 to 10 am

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Crochet Mania— Tues, Jan 8, 10:30 am**
Coffee, Doughnuts, & a Movie: Mission Impossible: Fallout— Mon, Jan 14 10:30 am
Family Movie Night: The Incredibles— Mon, Jan 14, 5:30 pm
CLOSED JAN 21st—Martin Luther King Day
Burlington Game Night—Thu, Jan 17 5:30pm
Just Add Color— Mon, Jan 28 5:30pm
Evening Lego Club— Mon, Jan 28, 6 pm



Recode Knoxville

The new Zoning Ordinance will be heard by MPC on Jan 10th, 1:30 pm, City/County Bldg. Finbarr Saunders identified the tentative dates City Council Work sessions will be chosen from: January 16, 21, 28 and/or Feb 5, and 19. The East TN Community Design Center charette display is 5 pm, Feb 1st, Public Works Bldg at 3131 Morris Ave.

The T.H.E. Board has submitted comments to the 4th draft and is studying several issues such as cell tower standards and public process. Final action by City Council should happen mid-Spring.



It's a nearly 300-page document accompanied by a new zoning map. Think about what is important to you and your neighborhood and see how your concerns are addressed Now.... While it's still in draft form.

Perk City Coffee Shop

A community-based coffee shop, independently owned and neighborhood friendly, has been awarded \$10,000 by the Knoxville Area Urban League and will open this year. Co-owners Sherene Jacobs and September Max will renovate 3229 E. Magnolia Ave, (next to Chilhowee Park entrance) and open their coffee shop for relaxing conversation, homemade baked goods, local art displays, and deliciously brewed coffee. They hope to be a catalyst for other start-up small businesses, to reinvigorate Magnolia Avenue, and to strengthen the community.



The name 'Perk City Coffee Shop' refers to Park City, the former municipality of East Knoxville.

Can't wait to taste their baked goods, especially the blackberry lavender cornbread topped with honey drizzle!

NEXT LEVEL KNOXVILLE

Next Level Knoxville, a 40,000 sq-ft facility in Knoxville Center Mall, hosts gaming tournaments, laser tag, archery tag, and an esports lounge. Fortnite, FIFA, and Call of Duty tournaments are planned, kicking off with a Super Smash Brothers tournament late February. The owner, Dustin Wyrick, offers state-of-the-art laser guns. Ordered from Australia, each gun has unique characteristics, tracks the users "health" and determines when the user has "expired".

This raises laser tag to whole level!!!

Five Points Housing, An Award Winning Green Development



Phase 2 of the Five Points project has gained national recognition for the sustainable construction practices required by the Knoxville Community Development Corporation (KCDC). Receiving a Green Communities award from Enterprise Green Communities, KCDC has adhered to Best Practices standards in: planning, operational efficiency, resource conservation, energy efficiency, and healthy living environment.

Upon project completion, Five Points will provide 320 –to-350 affordable living units ranging from single-family to multifamily and senior housing. Phases 3 and 4 are under construction and the final phase will break ground Spring 2019.

Community Events

- Free MLK celebration concert 6 pm Jan 20th Tennessee Theatre. Knoxville Symphony Chamber Orchestra and the Celebration Choir. Sponsors: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Commission and with support from Knox County Commissioner Evelyn Gill.
- MLK Parade Jan 21st. Midway Chilhowee Park. Line-up 8:30 am Start 10 am.
- MLK Memorial Tribute Jan 21 11:45 (after parade) Overcoming Believers Church 211 Harriet Tubman St.

Development News

- 1 B-19-UR 3865 Holston Hills Rd. <https://agenda.knoxmpc.org/2019/jan2019/1-B-19-UR.pdf> Sertoma requests to build a duplex. Staff recommends approval. Jan 10, hearing.
- New ownership and new management for several big apartment complexes: Morningside Hills Apartment Complex (2040 Dandridge Ave, Magnolia Apts. (2724, 2730, 2733 E Magnolia Avenue)

The point of contact is: David Gillette 2040 Dandridge Ave. (865) 333 5255. Hayes-Gibson Property Services is a national company. The new owner expressed excitement over the Magnolia Corridor project.

How's Your Logic?

Three chests contain coins. One is labelled “gold”, a second “bronze, a third “gold or silver”. One chest contains gold coins only, another silver coins only, and the third bronze coins only, but all the chest are incorrectly labeled. How many chests must be opened to determine the contents of each chest?

Answer will be posted on Town Hall East Face Book.