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NEWSLETTER TO RESIDENTS OF BELLE MEADE DECEMBER 2019



The Commissioners and city staff wish everyone a joyous and safe Holiday and a Happy New Year!

PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH DURING THE HISTORIC ZONING COMMISSION MEETING BEGINNING AT 3:00 P.M. FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BELLE MEADE CITYWIDE CONSERVATION OVERLAY INTERIM DESIGN GUIDELINES

Members of the Historic Zoning Commission (HZC) have been meeting since September with staff, the city attorney, and a consultants to establish the duties and responsibilities of the HZC and to create the city-wide conservation overlay and design guidelines that will be used in the HZC's review of proposed projects involving demolition, new construction and some, but not all, additions to existing structures. The HZC invites all members of the public to bring their questions and comments about the conservation overlay and the interim design guidelines to the meeting at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 10, 2019. A copy of the report, Belle Meade Citywide Conservation Overlay Interim Design Guidelines can be found on the City website, under "Headlines" or by clicking on the link here in this article.

<https://citybellemeade.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Draft-Interim-Design-Guidelines-November-25-2019-3-003.pdf>

Ordinance 2019-9, which establishes a citywide conservation overlay, will come before the Municipal Planning Commission on Tuesday, Dec. 17th at 4:00 p.m. for review and recommendation to the Board of Commissioners. If recommended by the Planning Commission, the Board of Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing at its meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 18th at 5:00 p.m. to hear public comments on Ordinance 2019-9. A copy of the Notice of Public Hearing for this meeting is included in this newsletter and was also published in The Belle Meade News, as well as posted on the City website.

In memory of Former Vice-Mayor and Commissioner Tom Corcoran

Tom Corcoran served on the Board of Commissioners for eight years, from 2002 to 2010. He was Vice-Mayor from 2006-2008. Tom rarely missed any of the numerous board meetings and public hearings required of a Commissioner and though he often asked thoughtful and probing ques-

tions concerning procedures, policies and spending, he was always supportive and proud of the work that the Commissioners and staff did to preserve the quality of life in Belle Meade. The Belle Meade Commissioners and staff send their condolences to the Corcoran family.



FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT – CHIEF TIM EADS:



The Police Department wishes all residents a safe and happy Holiday season!

- **Park Smart** – Always lock your vehicle, make sure your packages and valuables are out of sight and have your keys ready when approaching your vehicle. Request help from the retailer if you have many packages. Porch piracy increases during the holiday season, so don't let packages linger on your porch. Have a trusted friend or neighbor hold them for you.
- **Fire safety** - Have your chimney inspected and cleaned annually. Keep your live indoor Christmas tree well hydrated and make sure all lighting and extension cords are properly connected.
- **Home alarm system**—Set your alarm every time you leave the house and know how to use it effectively.
- **Do You Know Your License Plate Number?**—The

City's License Plate Reader (LPR) Camera System has proven to be very effective. We have recovered numerous stolen vehicles and license plates as well as several fugitives. We have also discovered a trend that criminals are using - when they steal a vehicle, they will take the license plate off of it and swap it with a plate from another vehicle. As a result, an innocent person is driving around with a stolen license plate on their car. When the LPR makes a "hit" on the stolen plate and the vehicle is stopped by our officers, we can usually resolve the matter quickly. Be familiar with your plate number and if it does not look correct, double check your registration to make sure it matches. Should you discover your tag has been switched, call 615-297-0241 and an officer will help you get the matter resolved.

RECAP OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGS



The Commissioners took action on the following items at the **November 20, 2019** meeting:

- Awarded contract for Tree Trimming on Belle Meade Blvd. Medians to the low bidder, The Parke Company in the amount of \$25,730.00.
- Approved the following invoices over \$5,000.00:
 - o Keystone Business Solutions \$ 12,616.19
 - o Sessions Paving Company \$230,999.00
- Approved on first reading, Ordinance 2019-9, Amending Title 14 of the Belle Meade Municipal Code (hereinafter "The Zoning Code") to Apply a Neighborhood Conservation Overlay to All Four Zoning Districts in the City.
- Approved on first reading, Ordinance 2019-10, Amend-



ing Title 12, Chapter 1, Section 101(1) of the Belle Meade Municipal Code to Adopt the 2015 International Residential code in Place of the 2009 International Residential Code.

- Approved on first reading, Ordinance 2019-11, Adopting Regulations for Tree Management and Protection.
- Deferred for one month, Resolution 2019-05, Amend Resolution 2019-04 to Amend Deadline for Moratorium on Issuance of Demolition Permits.



FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



Each winter, the Public Works staff prepares for the possibility of snow and/or ice events. We have been fortunate in Middle Tennessee in that the past several years

have seen only minor snowfalls with minimal accumulation. The City has a Snow and Ice Removal Policy posted on its website, under "Departments, Public Works, Streets". Please

take a moment to review this policy. The Policy states that the City will normally only plow or treat the primary streets and those streets with hills and curves, but depending on the weather conditions, Public Works staff may modify this approach to include more streets. If you have questions, please contact Larry Smith, lsmith@citybellemeade.org or Nathan McVay, nmcvay@citybellemeade.org



Belle Meade Newsletter



TO: Belle Meade Residents
RE: Belle Meade Employee Fund

Our employees are one of the greatest assets of our City of Belle Meade. These employees do not receive bonuses of any kind except through the Employee Fund. This fund is managed as a separate account and was established to enable residents to acknowledge appreciation for the diligent and consistent work of our loyal personnel throughout the year. The fund purchases gift certificates that are distributed equally among employees. The fund also sponsors events during the year in which all employees participate. Also, floral arrangements and fruit baskets are provided when there is a new baby, an illness or death in the family.

There isn't a better way to give a heartfelt "thank you" to each of the incredible employees of our city. Last year's response was overwhelming. We hope you will participate in this holiday tradition that is so appreciated by our employees. Mail or deliver a check made out to "Employee Fund" to Belle Meade City Hall, 4705 Harding Road, Nashville, TN 37205. Thanks to you in advance, and Happy Holidays to you and yours.

Jim Hunt
Louise Bryan
Bob Weigel
Rusty Moore
Cathy Altenbern

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CERES SOCIETY DONATIONS – November 2019

Mr. & Mrs. Ross Evans, III

TULIP SOCIETY - \$250 - \$499

Mr. Monnie Lusky

CERES DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF:

Mr. & Mrs. James Stadler

In Memory of Mr. Thomas Corcoran

Mr. & Mrs. Alex Wade

In Memory of Mr. Thomas Corcoran

AMERICAN FLAG SPONSORSHIP

Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Stuart

In Memory of Mr. Thomas Corcoran

PUBLIC HEARING LEGAL NOTICE

A public hearing meeting will be held during the regular Board of Commissioners meeting on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at Belle Meade City Hall, 4705 Harding Road, Nashville, for consideration of the following proposed Ordinance, with caption as follows:

CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE 2019-9, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE BELLE MEADE MUNICIPAL CODE (HEREINAFTER "THE ZONING CODE") TO APPLY A NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION OVERLAY DISTRICT TO ALL FOUR ZONING DISTRICTS IN THE CITY". SECOND AND FINAL READING

Public comments will be accepted at this public hearing. Parties wishing to speak on these issues shall be present at the meeting or submit comments to the Office of the City Manager, 4705 Harding Rd, Nashville TN or via email to breardon@citybellemeade.org on or before the public hearing date and time. Copies of the Ordinance are available for inspection at City Hall during normal business hours, M-F, 8am to 4pm, or online at www.citybellemeade.org.

**REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS
FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2020**

Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, January 15th at 4:00 pm
Wednesday, February 19th at 4:00 pm

Board of Building Code Appeals

Tuesday, January 14th at 4:00 pm
Tuesday, February 11th at 4:00 pm

Municipal Planning Commission

Tuesday, January 21st at 4:00 pm
Tuesday, February 18th at 4:00 pm

Board of Zoning Appeals

Tuesday, January 21st at 5:00 pm
Tuesday, February 18th at 5:00 pm

Agendas are available online at www.citybellemeade.org



HOLIDAY REMINDERS

City Hall offices will be closed on Tuesday, Dec. 24th, Wednesday Dec. 25th and on Wednesday January 1st for the Holidays. In case of sewer, traffic or other emergencies, please call the Police Department, 615-297-0241

HOLIDAY TRASH & RECYCLE SCHEDULE

Monday and Tuesday routes will run as normal both Christmas and New Year's week.

The dumpsters behind City Hall will be emptied every day during Christmas week except for Wednesday, Dec. 25th. **PLEASE USE THE CARDBOARD DUMPSTER FOR ALL OF YOUR (FLATTENED) BOXES. DO NOT PUT CARDBOARD IN THE GATED DUMPSTERS.**

HOLIDAY BRUSH & CHIPPER SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY ROUTE - PICK UP ON THURSDAY, DEC. 26TH AND JAN. 2ND.

Monday and Friday routes will run as normal both Christmas and New Year's week.

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return service requested