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NEWSLETTER TO RESIDENTS OF BELLE MEADE APRIL 2024



BELLE MEADE POLICE IN THE COMMUNITY

Sgt. Kate Cloxton spoke with a group of local girl scouts last month. She discussed the many tasks that police officers do daily. Kate also shared with them what information they needed to know should they ever need to call 911. The girls loved the class and enjoyed seeing the police car and all related equipment. Thank you to Troop 2101 for the invitation!

WILDS' EXEMPLARY POLICE SERVICE AWARDS

In 2021, Belle Meade residents, David and Cindy Wilds, created the Belle Meade Police Department's Exemplary Service Award Fund to recognize Belle Meade officers for acts of outstanding service to the community. If you would like to nominate an officer for this recognition, please provide a brief narrative describing why the employee deserves such recognition by email at cwilliams@citybellemeade.org or in writing addressed to Police Chief Williams. Please provide photos and any other documents or attachments as may be appropriate.

POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS ANNUAL REPORT

Copies of the Belle Meade Police Department's Annual Report for 2023, as presented to the Board of Commissioners, is now available on the City's website at

https://citybellemeade.org/police-department/



FREE COMMUNITY SHRED DAY – SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024 from 9am to

12 noon at City Hall. Bring all your paper documents for

shredding at this community event. Individuals will be limited to no more than 8 boxes or bags as this event is open only to residents, not businesses. Boxes will not be shredded, only their paper contents. You do not need to remove paperclips or staples. PAPER ONLY - absolutely no batteries, no computers, no tablets will be accepted. This service is for the shredding of confidential paper records, such as credit card statements, old checks, tax returns, to help prevent identity theft or fraud.

18TH ANNUAL RICHLAND CREEK RUN - SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024 -

For more information or to sign up for the race, go to https://greenwaysfornashville.org/richland-creek-run/



Meet and Greet Reception

JOIN US IN WELCOMING
BELLE MEADE'S NEW
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

Nathan McVay

CELEBRATING HIS PROMOTION AND CONTINUED YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF BELLE MEADE **Qate:** April 15th

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Location:

BELLE MEADE CITY HALL 4705 Harding Road Nashville, Tennessee 37205



DRAFT 4 NOW AVAILABLE OF THE NEW ZONING CODE

Belle Meade Commissioners and Municipal Planning Commission members continue seeking comments from residents and design professionals comments on the proposed new Zoning Ordinance. The comment period opened in January when the proposed draft of the new code was first presented to the Municipal Planning Commission. To date, the Commissioners have been working to address comments by making additional revisions and is currently reviewing

Draft 4 of the new Zoning Ordinance. Public comments are best submitted in writing but also may be made in-person during the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission, which is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 4 p.m. at Belle Meade City Hall.

Copies of the drafts, presentation materials, meeting videos, as well as a summary of the proposed changes, are available on the city's homepage at citybellemeade.org. Please direct all questions and comments to Planning Director Mary Samaniego, msamaniego@citybellemeade.org.

PEDESTRIAN-FRIENDLY DESIGN CONCEPTS FOR BELLE MEADE BOULEVARD

City Commissioners and city staff have recently renewed efforts to identify a vision for improving Belle Meade Boulevard in a way that will be attractive, encourage slower speeds, and create a safer, more pedestrian-friendly environment. Project consultants from KCI Technologies have been given until the end of April to deliver a first draft of concepts to the Commissioners, which will allow them to discuss and compare the benefits and potential costs of various design options for a pedestrian-safe path along the Boulevard. These efforts have been informed by the input gathered from residents over the last two years (and longer). The consultants were directed to provide a phased approach that begins with the section of Belle Meade Boulevard from Harding Place to Page Road, with a goal

of connecting the Warner Parks at one end to the residential areas, Belle Meade Country Club, and existing sidewalks at the other end.

The project is currently in the very early stages of concept development. Upon delivery and discussion of these initial renderings, the Board of Commissioners has a full range of options available to them and may determine not to move forward or, alternatively, may support a single, winning concept and take the next step to hire engineering services to continue their efforts towards delivery of a final design concept and an engineer's opinion of the anticipated total anticipated cost of construction.

The Belle Meade Together Plan can be found on the City's homepage at www.citybellemeade.org.



GOOD NEIGHBOR REMINDERS

Lawn care and landscaping services should be reminded not to block access to the street with their vehicles and equipment while working. Grass clippings and other yard debris should not be blown into the street. Littering of our city streets in this way will be enforced as a violation of Belle Meade Municipal Code § 16-107. Lawn trimmings and grass blown into the roadway can create a safety hazard and block or clog storm drains. Please keep grass clippings on your property for mulching or consider bagging them for collection and disposal.

Specifically for our residents with a sewer grinder pump, we ask to please make your lawn or landscaping crews aware of the location of the green grinder tank lid to so they may avoid causing any damage from mowing equipment.

The City provides a weekly brush and chipper service that is contracted for roadside collection of bagged leaves and clippings, small limbs and normal yard debris. The service contract does not include the pickup or removal of large trees that have been cut down on private properties, which is the homeowner's responsibility. Please do not dispose of yard waste with your household garbage and it is not accepted in the dumpsters behind City Hall.



RECAP OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGS

The Commissioners took action on the following items at the, March 20, 2024 meeting:



- Approved a proposal from Landscape Services Inc., totaling \$24,295, for a citywide irrigation system improvement project.
- Approved a one-year extension of a contract with JR and Associates for creek debris removal and maintenance, not to exceed \$140,000, for fiscal year 2024-2025 (work to begin after July 1).
- Approved two proposals, totaling \$6,782, with Gibbs Brothers
 Construction for repairs to the parking lot and entrance
 road around the Belle Meade City Hall and Public Works
 Maintenance building.
- Approved a parade permit for the annual Cheekwood Classic Car Parade on Sunday, June 16, 2024.
- Received a monthly update on building activities and the Zoning Ordinance revisions in progress.
- Received a monthly presentation of updates on the city's capital projects in progress.
- Approved a proposal, not to exceed \$40,500, with KCI Technologies to deliver conceptual designs and an opinion of probable cost for the Belle Meade Boulevard Pedestrian Pathway project.
- Received a monthly presentation of the city's financial statements.
- Approved the following invoice over \$5,000:
- 1) SkyCop, Inc \$44,500.00
- Approved a proposal, not to exceed \$29,070, with Kraft CPAs to perform the city's annual financial audit for the year ending June 30, 2024.

- Received a report from the City Manager on the promotion of Nathan McVay, formerly Assistant Public Works Director, to Director of Public Works.
- Approved on the first of two readings, Ordinance No. 2024-3, an Ordinance to repeal Title 3, Section 205 "Electronic Citation Regulations and Fees" of the Municipal Code of the City of Belle Meade in Accordance with its five-year sunset provision".
- Approved on the first of two readings, Ordinance No. 2024-4, an Ordinance to amend Title 11, Section 812 "Court Costs" of the Municipal Code of the City of Belle Meade to Recover Increased Costs Associated with Written and Electronic Citations.
- Deferred an Ordinance No. 2024-5, on first of two required readings, to amend certain sections of Title 13, Chapters 1-3 "Property Maintenance Regulations" to clarify and simplify enforcement procedures.
- Approved Resolution No. 2024-03 to declare certain property owned by the City to be surplus to the City's needs and directing disposal of the same.
- Mayor Moore announced his appointment of Julie Frist to the Budget and Finance Committee, following the recent resignation of long-time member and former Mayor, Mrs. Peggy Warner.
- The Board of Commissioners' next regular meetings will be held on Monday, April 15th at 4:00 p.m. with a public reception immediately prior to the meeting, at 3:00 p.m., to celebrate the recent appointment of the new Public Works Director Nathan McVay. All meetings are open to the public and public comments will be accepted.

"Are you thinking about doing some improvements to your property this year? Please contact Mary Samaniego the Planning Director at City Hall to discuss your project."





Thank you for your time and attention,

Mary Samaniego
Planning Director
City of Belle Meade
4705 Harding Road, Nashville, TN 37205

Phone 615-297-2364 Fax 615-297-0255

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS APRIL & MAY 2024

All Meetings Held at Belle Meade City Hall

Board of Commissioners

Monday, April 15th at 4:00 pm* *rescheduled, no meeting on Wed., April 17th Wednesday, May 15th at 4:00 pm

<u>Historic Zoning Commission</u>

Tuesday, April 9th at 3:00 pm May 14th at 3:00 pm

Municipal Planning Commission

A workshop will be held on April 3rd at 3:00 pm for MPC to review revisions to the draft Zoning Ordinance Tuesday, April 16th at 4:00 pm Tuesday, May 21st at 4:00 pm

Board of Zoning Appeals

Tuesday, April 16th at 5:00 pm Tuesday, May 21st at 5:00 pm

Agendas are available online at www.citybellemeade.org

CERES SOCIETY DONATIONS – MARCH 2024

TULIP SOCIETY - \$250-\$499

Mr. & Mrs. Richard McKinney

REMINDERS:

CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 27th in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

Property Taxes were due by February 28, 2024. On March 1st, taxes are considered delinquent and incur an additional 2% interest fine each month until paid. You may pay by e-check, credit card or PayPal utilizing our new online portal at www.citybellemeade. org and, for assistance, contact Belle Meade City Recorder Rusty Terry, rterry@citybellemeade.org or 615-297-6041.

St. George's Farmers Market Opening Day will be Thursday, May 2, 2024.

The market will offer extended hours this year. Open weekly on Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. from May through August.

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