

PROSPECT CITY NEWSLETTER



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Dear Friends,

I am writing to provide an update on various city matters.

Stream Crossing Bridge approved. Prospect's city council has approved funding for a pedestrian bridge in Harrods Creek Park. The bridge will span a stream that empties into Harrods Creek and is just upstream from the canoe and kayak launch. We need a method to cross the stream for grass cutting equipment, light-weight emergency vehicles, and visitors to the park. The bridge will replace a temporary crossing made of earth that covers two large concrete pipes. The new bridge will assist in restoring the stream to its natural state, will enhance the beauty of the park, and will be enjoyed by visitors to the park for many decades.

Change in Recycling Service. There will be no pickup of recycling on Thursday, September 7. Recycling will be picked up on Thursday, September 14. Thereafter, pickups will take place every two weeks. All materials being recycled should be placed inside the large rolling cart that Rumpke has provided, and you should roll the cart to the curb for pickup. Beginning on September 14, Rumpke will no longer pickup recycling left in the bins we currently use. Let me know if you will need assistance moving the new rolling cart to the curb and returning the cart to the back of your house. We have a team of volunteers who will assist. *You may keep the smaller recycling bin. If you do not want the bin, please put it out with your trash.*

Concert in the Park. The city's 2023 concert season will conclude with a 6:30 p.m. concert on Sunday, September 10, at the John E. Evans Pavilion In Little Hunting Creek Park (next to City Hall). Please bring lawn chairs or a blanket to enjoy a performance by the Sheryl Rouse Band, a superb group of musicians performing iconic songs from the genres of soul, blues, and R&B.

Coffee with the Mayor. The next two Coffee with the Mayor events will take place at Starbucks at noon on Sep-

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The City of Prospect
Presents

The Sheryl Rouse Band

At Little Hunting Creek Park
(NEXT TO PROSPECT CITY HALL)

ONE NIGHT ONLY

Sunday, September 10th
6:30 pm

**AN EVENING OF BLUES, SOUL
AND R&B**

FREE CONCERT!
Bring chairs or a blanket

PART OF
THE PROSPECT SUMMER CONCERT SERIES
CALL PROSPECT CITY HALL
FOR MORE INFORMATION
502-228-1121

All City Of Prospect Tax Bills Have Been Mailed Taxes Are Due By September 30th

Beginning October 1st outstanding tax bills will be charged a 10% penalty and 1% monthly interest. If your tax bill has not arrived by September 11th please contact City Hall (502) 228-1121. Taxes can be paid by check, or by cash at City Hall. After-hours payments can be dropped off in the mail slot at the front door (behind the Gallopalooza horse). USPS post-mark will be accepted as the date paid. Please note that most problems with missed timely payments have been from taxpayers who use their bank's 'Bill Pay' for automated payments.

Please double-check the mailing address if you do not use the blue self-addressed envelope provided to return your tax payment. For more information visit:

<https://www.prospectky.us/tax>



tember 8 and 22. In October, Coffee with the Mayor will take place on the 6th and the 20th. I invite you to stop by and voice any concerns you may have, or just say hi!

Library Book Sale. Mark your calendar for our library's October 20-21 Book Sale. Donations of books are always welcome. Please bring books you would like to donate to city hall during business hours. If you need assistance with books you want to donate, please contact city hall, 502-228-1121. Thanks to everyone who has donated previously. Your donations help the book sale and the library succeed.

Veterans Day Save the Date. On Tuesday, November 8, at 3:30 p.m., we will honor our veterans with a ceremony at the John E. Evans Pavilion in Little Hunting Creek Park. Retired Marine Corps Major General Rick Huck will make remarks, and representatives of the Sons of the American Revolution will participate in the event. Please note the date on your calendar, and plan to attend.

Pedestrian safety. Liza and I walk on most days, and I am pleased to see many others walking and jogging. Here are some safety tips for your consideration:

- Use sidewalks where available. Otherwise, walk facing traffic (I learned this in Boy Scouts, and I am surprised at the number of people who do not know this rule). If two or more are walking together, move to single file when a vehicle approaches.
- If you walk when it's dark, wear a reflective vest. During the day, wear bright colors.
- Put your phone away. Pay attention to traffic and your surroundings.

Art in City Hall. Attention Prospect artists! Please let me know if you would loan art for display and sale in City Hall. I extend my thanks to artist Kathie Sauer who has agreed to chair this project.

Doug Farnsley - Mayor

Report on the Status of Affordable Housing Proposal

In 2017 LDG Development began an effort to build a large apartment building on Timber Ridge Drive that would provide affordable housing units. The city of Prospect has consistently opposed the proposed project.

Louisville's Metro Council has twice considered a request by LDG to change the zoning of the land on Timber Ridge to permit the construction of the apartment building. In 2017, the council rejected LDG's proposed zoning change effectively killing the affordable housing project. In 2022, LDG put forward a slightly different proposal, and this time the Metro Council reached a different conclusion, approving the zoning change and permitting the affordable housing project to go forward. Each of the council's two decisions have led to lawsuits in the Jefferson Circuit Court appealing the council's decisions. In 2017, LDG appealed the first council decision, and that appeal is ongoing. In 2023, the city of Prospect appealed the council's decision permitting the zoning change, and that appeal is also ongoing before a different judge.

There have been three significant developments in the appeals. The first development is that in April 2022, in the same court proceeding that includes LDG's appeal of the 2017 Metro Council decision, LDG asserted a claim for money damages against the city of Prospect. Essentially, LDG has claimed that racial animus motivated the city's opposition to the project and has also claimed that the city tortiously interfered with LDG's contract with the owner of the land that LDG sought to develop. The city has categorically denied LDG's claims, and the city's insurance carrier has employed attorneys who are representing Prospect in the defense of the claim. The court has scheduled a trial for LDG's claim against Prospect for damages and has allotted ten days for the trial. The trial is scheduled to begin on May 21, 2024.

The second development is in the second appeal, the one by the city of Prospect seeking to overturn the Metro Council's December 2022 decision permitting the zoning change. On August 3, 2023, the judge in that second lawsuit dismissed Prospect's appeal. If the court's ruling is allowed to stand, it would have the effect of permitting the project to go forward. Prospect's city council has authorized an appeal of the adverse ruling to the Kentucky Court of Appeals, and the city's lawyers have now filed that appeal in the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

The third development is that the parties have agreed to participate in a mediation to see if a settlement can be reached that would resolve all differences between the parties. The mediation is scheduled to take place on November 7, 2023. Parties that will participate in the mediation include the city of Prospect, LDG, the Louisville Metro Council, and the city of Louisville. The parties are not required to settle their disagreements, but the courts expect the parties to participate in good faith and to reach an agreement if they are able to do so.

We will keep you posted as these matters develop.

Coffee with the Mayor

You are cordially invited to come meet with Mayor Farnsley and Chief Sherrard and voice any concerns or issues that involve the city. The Mayor and Chief will be available Friday September 8th and Friday September 22nd from Noon to 1 PM at the Prospect Starbucks.





Prospect Area Chamber of Commerce has a new CEO. Gary Tyler has replaced Kathy Jacobs who retired after 15 years. Gary brings a wealth of experience in marketing, events and networking. He is looking forward to working with all the businesses in the Prospect area. His email is ceo@prospectareachamber.org. Phone is 502-228-07493

Mark your calendar now for the Touch the Truck event on Saturday, September 30th from 10am to 2pm in the Kroger back parking lot. The event is brought to you by the Prospect Area Chamber of Commerce, Prospect Kroger and the City of Prospect. The event is free to attend. Check out the City of Prospect social media and the PACC social media for more information!



Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023 (Rain Date: Oct. 1)

10 am - 2 pm

10am - 11am is Sensory Friendly - no horns, lights or sirens



TOUCH THE TRUCKS

LOCATION

PROSPECT KROGER
5929 TIMBER RIDGE DR.
PROSPECT, KY

FOOD/DRINKS/CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES/COSTUMED CHARACTERS



SCAN FOR MORE INFO!

Prospect Area Chamber of Commerce * Kroger * City of Prospect *
Oldham County Public Library, Goshen Branch * Prospect Police * Rumpke
* Anchorage Middletown Fire & EMS * Ernst Concrete * Arborcare Inc.



“Prospect Day” at the Racing Louisville FC Game

We have had a great response to the “Prospect Day” at the Racing Louisville FC Game scheduled Friday, September 15th, 2023. Game time starts at 7:30 pm versus the Houston Dash.

The first 30 tickets sold out quickly, so before we order the additional tickets we need to have a final head count.

If you want to reserve a lower arena ticket at the discounted price of \$8.00 a person you must contact City Hall no later than 5 pm Wednesday, September 6th.

We have arranged for a meet and greet with the Racing Louisville players after the game for our younger residents. Please let City Hall know if you want to attend the meet and greet. (Parents can escort their children.)

Once tickets are delivered they will be available to be picked up at City Hall front desk. Please call or text Sallie Schneider, Prospect Park and Rec Committee member at 502-396-1602 if you have any questions.

Prospect Library USED

BOOK SALE

Friday, October 20

Saturday, October 21

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days

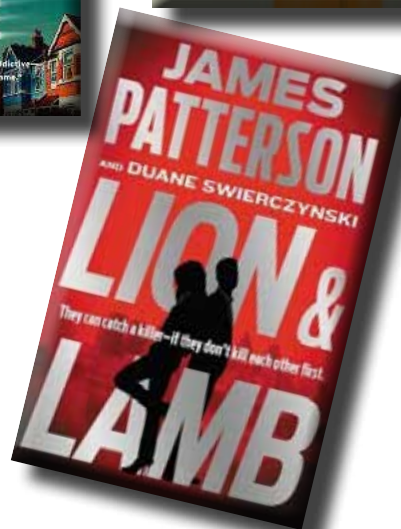
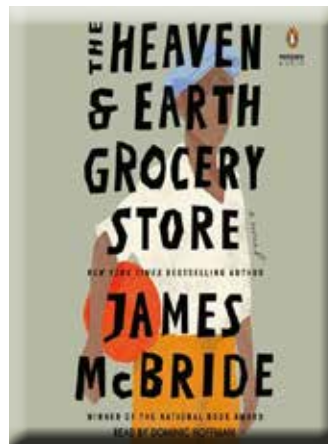
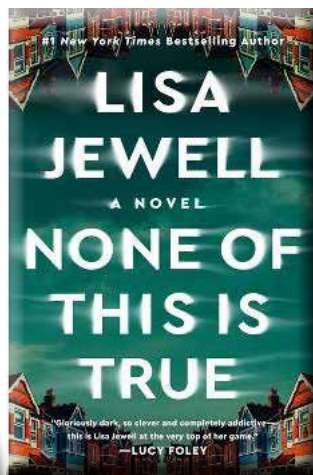
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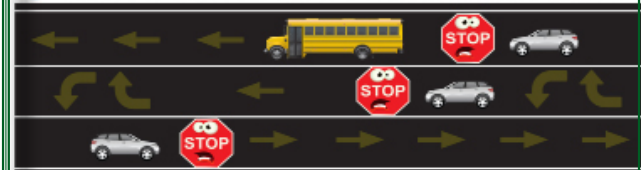
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Collector's Books, DVD's**

**CURRENTLY
ON THE
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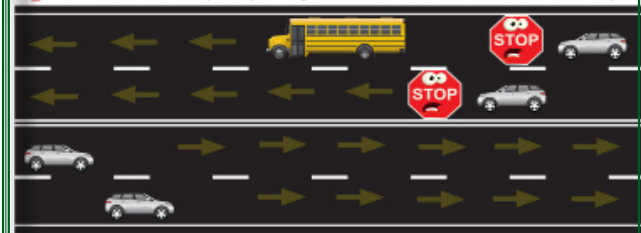




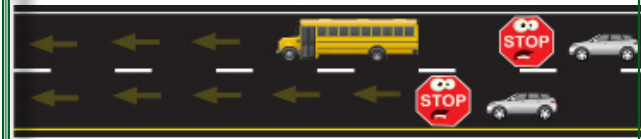
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When school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop.



2 LANE ROADWAY + CENTER TURN
When school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop.



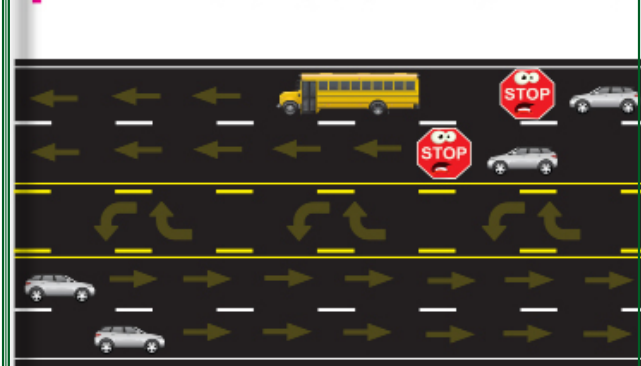
4 LANE ROADWAY NO MEDIAN SEPARATION
When school bus stops for passengers, only traffic following the bus must stop.



DIVIDED HIGHWAY



4 LANES + DIVIDED HIGHWAY + MEDIAN SEPARATION
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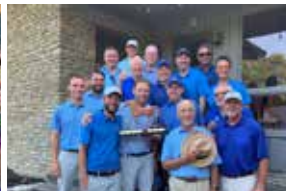
IN RECENT TIMES, HUNTING CREEK COUNTRY CLUB HAS UNDERGONE AN IMPRESSIVE \$4.5 MILLION RENOVATION TO BETTER SERVE ITS EXPANDING MEMBERSHIP. AT THE HEART OF IT ALL IS THE CLUB'S 7,157-YARD GOLF COURSE, WITH LUSH FAIRWAYS AND CHALLENGING GREENS, IT'S A GOLFER'S PARADISE THAT WILL TEST YOUR SKILLS WHILE PROVIDING BREATHTAKING VIEWS OF THE ROLLING LANDSCAPE. MEMBERS CAN DIVE INTO A WORLD OF RECREATION WITH A JUNIOR OLYMPIC-SIZED POOL, AND FOR GOLF ENTHUSIASTS LOOKING TO STAY SHARP YEAR-ROUND, THERE ARE TWO CUTTING-EDGE GOLF SIMULATORS. THE FITNESS-MINDED CAN ENJOY A 24-HOUR FITNESS FACILITY. WHEN IT'S TIME TO RELAX, THERE ARE NOT ONE, BUT TWO NEW BARS TO UNWIND AT, AND TWO DINING FACILITIES THAT OFFER DELECTABLE CULINARY EXPERIENCES. FOR THOSE WHO ENJOY AL FRESCO DINING, THE NEW PATIO PAVILION IS A PERFECT SPOT TO SAVOR A MEAL WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY. AND LET'S NOT FORGET THE KIDS—THE PLAYGROUND HAS BEEN UPDATED TO KEEP THE LITTLE ONES ENTERTAINED. PICKLEBALL ENTHUSIASTS WILL BE THRILLED TO HEAR ABOUT THE BRAND NEW PICKLEBALL COURTS. THE CLUB IS KEEPING UP WITH THE LATEST TRENDS. WITH AUTUMN JUST AROUND THE CORNER, HUNTING CREEK COUNTRY CLUB IS GEARING UP TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH A RANGE OF FALL FESTIVITIES. THERE'S A TANTALIZING NEW FALL MENU TO SAVOR AS YOU TAKE IN THE CHANGING LEAVES AND CRISP AIR.



TO SCHEDULE YOUR TOUR OR TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR NEW PAVILION AND UPDATED CLUBHOUSE, PLEASE CONTACT LISA WADE.



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Harrods Creek Park Pollinator Garden

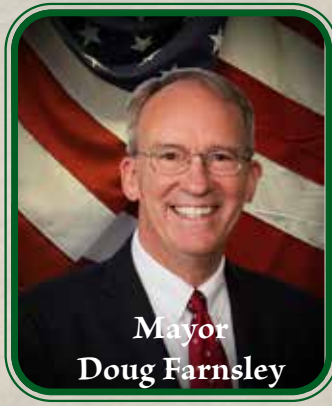


The next environmental improvement project planned for our Prospect Parks is to create a pollinator garden in Harrods Creek Park. Native bees and butterflies have had a hard time recently as their habitats have been eliminated by development, and by pesticides that are routinely applied to agricultural fields, golf courses, and suburban lawns. Unfortunately, these pesticides don't differentiate between helpful and harmful species. The Prospect Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee wants to be a force for positive environmental change.

If you take a stroll from the Harrods Creek Park parking lot toward the canoe launch, you will see an area being prepared for this project. In late September, or early October, volunteers will be planting a variety of native species to provide nectar and pollen to support native bees and butterflies. If you would like to be part of this project, please call City Hall (502-228-1121) and leave your contact information. We will make sure you have the opportunity to be part of this exciting project.

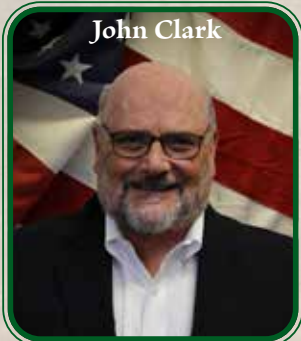


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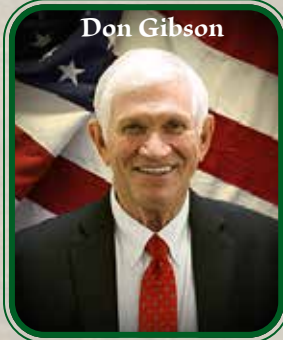
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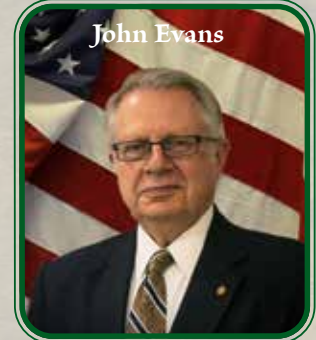
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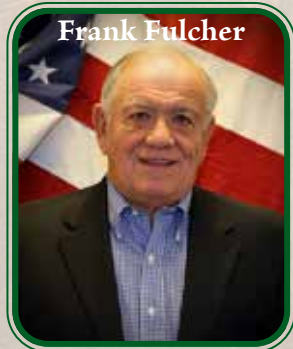
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Tuesday - Thursday.....8:30 - 5:00	Police, Fire & EMS Emergency911
Friday.....8:30 - 3:30	

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