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CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK NEWSLETTER December 2024



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Greetings, I hope this letter finds everyone staying safe and getting ready to enjoy the holidays with family and friends. The city council and I would like to wish you all a happy holiday season and a great New Year!

With gift giving in mind, many of you will be ordering packages to be delivered to your home via Amazon, UPS, FedEx, USPS, etc. Our police representative has advised that porch pirates will be out in full force looking to capitalize on easy to grab items. When possible, you may consider choosing other drop off methods such as rear door drop off or require a signature upon delivery. Talk with neighbors about important packages coming in and let's all look out for each other. Should you witness suspicious activity please alert the police immediately.

The city council approved the first reading of the new Code Enforcement Board Ordinance at our November meeting. The proposed Code Enforcement Board would be made up of (3) St. Regis Park residents not currently affiliated with city administrative staff or the city council/mayor. They will meet at a specified time and location to discuss further action needed for code violations that our citation officer uncovers on regular patrols. Violations which have escalated to an unresolved status after warnings have been issued will be their primary focus.

If the Ordinance is approved by the city council, Code Enforcement Board members will be paid \$25 per meeting hour plus expenses needed to execute the position. For those of you who have expressed interest in code violations that you have found in the city, this is a great opportunity to get involved in the process. Please contact the city or attend next month's meeting at the Jeffersontown Fire Station #2 on December 18th at 7:00pm for more information and discussion.

Recently we have had residents request an avenue to bring code violation issues to our attention anonymously. After some discussion, the council agreed this should be handled by US Mail. Should there be a code violation concern you would like to report to the city without your name being attached, please mail a letter to: City of St.

Regis Park PO Box 20429 Louisville, KY 40250-0429 (also listed at the top of the back page of the newsletter). Also, if you feel uncomfortable to do so, it is not necessary to give your name should you choose to call the citation officer or any other city official.

Finally, mark your calendars for the annual "St Regis Park Holiday Party" on Sunday December 15th from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Stop by for some good food, prizes, and see Santa. We look forward to seeing you!!!

Sincerely,

Louie Schweickhardt

Louie Schweickhardt



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Sun Dec 15
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

St. Regis Park Holiday Party!
St. Andrew United Church of Christ
2608 Browns Lane

Wed Dec 18
7:00 PM

City Council Meeting
Jeffersontown Fire Station #2
4318 Taylorsville Road

Sat Dec 21

Winter Solstice

Wed Dec 25

Christmas Day

Wed Jan 1

New Years Day

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CITY OF ST. REGIS PARK
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
November 20, 2024

Following are the Minutes of the November 20, 2024 City Council Meeting for the City of St. Regis Park, held at 7:00 p.m. at the Jeffersontown Fire Station #2.

PRESENT

Mayor: Louie Schweickhardt

Council Members: John Amback, Laura Krebs Lewis (via phone), Eric Shackelford, Jeff Weis, Matt Sanderfer, Craig Theis, Cheryl Willett

City Clerk: Bill Hodapp

City Attorney: John Singler

Citation Officer: Jason Lewis

City Accountant: Charlie Veeneman

ABSENT

City Engineer - Mark Madison

Ms. Willett made a motion to approve the September and October 2024 financials. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sanderfer, and it passed without dissent.

Mr. Sanderfer made a motion to approve the September and October 2024 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Amback, and it passed without dissent.

Mr. Weis made a motion to approve Municipal Order #1, 2024-2025, an order approving the expenditure of \$2,610.00 for trees at Ascension Church (corner of Lynnbrook and Aintree). The motion was seconded by Mr. Theis and it passed, with Mr. Sanderfer dissenting and Mr. Amback abstaining.

Mr. Weis made a motion to approve the 1st Reading of Ordinance 4, 2024-2025, an ordinance prohibiting cannabis business operations in St. Regis Park. The motion was seconded by Mr. Theis, and it passed without dissent.

Mr. Sanderfer made a motion to approve the 1st Reading of Ordinance 3, 2024-2025, an ordinance establishing a Code Enforcement Board. The motion was seconded by Ms. Willett, and it passed without dissent.

Mr. Sanderfer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by M. Lewis, and it passed without dissent. The meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.

Submitted by Bill Hodapp, City Clerk

Approved:

Louie Schweickhardt, Mayor

Did You Know?

70.02 LIMITATIONS OF STOPPING AND PARKING

(A) No person shall stop or park a vehicle, except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control device, in the following places:

- (1) On a sidewalk or on a driveway blocking a sidewalk;***
- (2) In front of a sidewalk ramp providing for handicapped access;***
- (3) Within an intersection;***
- (4) Within a crosswalk;***
- (5) At any place where an official sign prohibits parking;***
- (6) Within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign or traffic control signal;***
- (7) Within 15 feet of each side of the approach to any fire hydrant;***
- (8) Any place the curb is painted red or yellow;***
- (9) In any manner that will affect the normal flow of traffic;***
- (10) On any bridge, overpass or causeway;***
- (11) In front of any public or private driveway;***
- (12) In the front, side, street side, or rear of a residence, except on a hard surface of asphalt or concrete;***
- (13) Park or stop a vehicle in a space reserved for the handicapped without the proper permit;***
- (14) Backed to the curb.***

(B) The maximum number of vehicles permitted on any residential lot in the city shall be:

- (1) Five passenger vehicles (pick-up trucks, vans and other vehicles not exceeding 6,000 pounds GVW shall be considered as a passenger vehicle); and/or***
- (2) One recreation vehicle (motor home/camper or travel trailer) parked in compliance with this chapter.***

For a detailed listing of all St Regis Park ordinances, please visit the city's website at: www.stregispark.net Then click on "Ordinances" at the top of the page.

The City has "No Parking" signs available for use by residents who host large gatherings. Residents may call Mayor Louie Schweickhardt at 639-7731 for information regarding the use of these signs.

St. Regis Park - Recently Sold Homes

Address	Price	Date Sold
2608 Aintree Way	\$365,000	October 25, 2024
4400 Dannywood Road	\$407,000	October 3, 2024
4301 Lincoln Road	\$305,000	September 26, 2024
2311 Statton Road	\$335,000	September 18, 2024
2703 Foxy Poise Road	\$347,000	August 26, 2024

St. Regis Park - Police Activity Report

Location	Action	Violation	Date	Time
Dannywood Rd	Cited	SS	10/03/24	6:54:00 PM
Dannywood Rd	Cited	SS	10/25/24	6:58:00 PM
Dannywood Rd	Cited	SS	10/25/24	7:17:00 PM
Woodmont Dr	Cited	SS	10/25/24	7:27:00 PM
Dannywood Rd	Cited	SS	10/27/24	7:30:00 PM
Dannywood Rd	Cited	SS	10/27/24	7:30:00 PM
Dannywood Rd	Cited	SS	10/30/24	7:08:00 PM
Dannywood Rd	Cited	SS	10/30/24	7:22:00 PM
Mt. Vernon Rd	Cited	SS	10/30/24	7:46:00 PM

MV - Moving Violation - Careless Driving
 MV - Moving Violation - Failure to Signal
 MV - Moving Violation - Registration

SS - Stop Sign
 S - Speeding
 RD - Reckless Driving

M - Mechanical
 A - Arrest
 O - Other

City of Saint Regis Park

HOLIDAY PARTY

Sunday, December 15th
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Saint Andrew UCC 2608
Browns Lane



Lots of good food and music! Door prizes!

Santa is scheduled to stop by, so don't miss out!

2024 City Council Meeting Attendance

Name	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended	YTD%
Mayor Louie Schweickhardt	11	11	100%
Cheryl Willett	11	10	91%
Eric Shackelford	11	8	73%
Jeff Weis	11	8	73%
John Amback	11	11	100%
Craig Theis	11	8	73%
Matt Sanderfer	11	9	82%
Laura Krebs Lewis	11	11	100%

St. Regis Park - Citation Officer's Report

Violation	Ordinance	October	YTD
Grass over 9 inches high or on curb	92.03 (A)	2	70
Prohibited golf cart/recreational vehicle on city street	71.03		22
Animal noise disturbance	90.03	1	11
Accumulation of tree/waste debris	92.03 (H, I, J)	3	41
Property Maintenance issues	150.16		31
Parking facing traffic, 24+hrs, or in grass	70.01	3	93
Trash / Recycle / Yard waste bins still at curb outside of ordinance	50.01 (B)	1	29
P.O.D.'s in driveway past allowed 20 days	150.41 (A)		1
Dumpster in driveway past allowed 20 days	50.16 (A)		3
Inoperable vehicle stored on property	92.03 (K)		30
Recreational Vehicles improperly parked on property	70.07	1	11
Illegal door-to-door sales	112.01		16
Construction without a Letter of Compliance	150.16 (A)		9
Notice of Violation with fine issued	various	1	17

Did You Know?

70.01 MANNER OF PARKING

(A) It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle to stop or park the vehicle in a manner other than with its right-hand side toward and parallel with the curb.

(B) No vehicle shall be parked or left standing on any street unless its two right wheels are within one foot of and parallel with the curb, except that on one-way streets where parking is permitted on the left side, the two left wheels are to be within one foot of and parallel with the curb.

(Ord. 3, Series 2018, passed 10-2-2018) Penalty, see § 70.99

Friendly Reminder,

Neighbors across from one another are choosing to park cars on both sides of the street which seriously restricts traffic flow. Not only is it a hinderance to the general traffic pattern but more importantly, it greatly reduces the response time of emergency service vehicles.

Your Mayor, City Council, and Citation Officer respectfully request that everyone please have the courtesy to take steps to avoid clogging the traffic artery.

Thank You!

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Pruning Young Trees

Proper pruning is essential in developing a tree with a strong structure and desirable form. Trees that receive the appropriate pruning measures while they are young will require less corrective pruning as they mature.

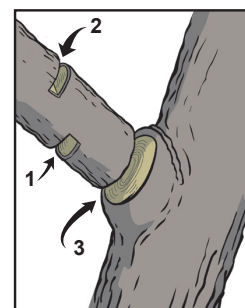
Keep these few simple principles in mind before pruning a tree:

- Always have a purpose in mind before making a cut. Each cut has the potential to change the growth of the tree.
- Poor pruning can cause damage that lasts for the life of the tree. Learn where and how to make the cuts before picking up the pruning tools.
- Trees do not heal the way people do. When a tree is wounded, it must grow over the damage. As a result, the wound is contained within the tree forever.
- Small cuts do less damage to the tree than large cuts. Correcting issues when a tree is young will reduce the need for more drastic pruning later.

Making the Cut

Pruning cut location is critical to a tree's growth and wound closure response. Make pruning cuts just outside the branch collar to avoid damaging the trunk and compromising wound responses. Improper pruning cuts may lead to permanent internal decay.

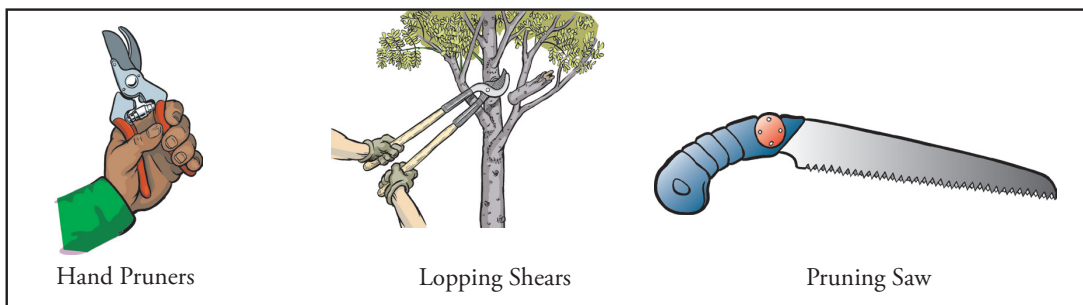
If a large branch must be shortened, prune it back to a secondary branch or a bud. Cuts made between buds or branches may lead to stem decay, sprout production, and misdirected growth.



Pruning Tools

Small branches can be cut easily with hand pruners. Scissor-type or bypass-blade hand pruners are preferred over the anvil type as they make cleaner, more accurate cuts. Cuts larger than one-half inch (1.27 cm) in diameter should be made with lopping shears or a pruning saw.

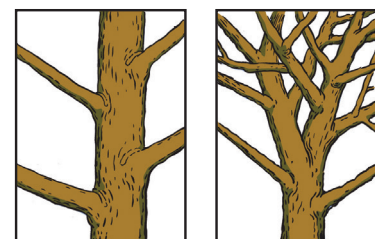
Hedge shears should be used for shaping hedges only. Do not use shears to prune a tree. Whatever tool you use, make sure it is kept clean and sharp.



Establishing a Strong Scaffold Structure

A good structure of primary branches should be established while the tree is young. These limbs, called scaffold branches, are a mature tree's framework. Properly trained young trees will develop a strong structure that requires less corrective pruning as they mature. The goal in training young trees is to establish a strong, central trunk with sturdy, well-spaced branches. This form mimics tree growth in forest settings where outward branching is limited by neighboring trees.

Some tree species develop some or all of these characteristics naturally, even when grown openly in an urban or park setting. Others may require more frequent attention.



Good Structure

Poor Structure

Trunk Development

For most young trees, maintain a single dominant leader growing upward. Do not prune back the tip of this leader or allow secondary branches to outgrow the main leader. Sometimes, a tree will develop double leaders known as codominant stems. Codominant stems can lead to structural weaknesses, so it is best to remove or shorten one of the stems while the tree is young.

A tree's secondary branches contribute to the development of a sturdy, well-tapered trunk. When numerous branches are being removed, it is preferable to retain some, at least temporarily, to promote trunk diameter growth.

Permanent Branch Selection

Most of the branches present on a young tree at planting will be pruned away at maturity to provide clearance for mowing, pedestrians, and/or vehicle traffic.

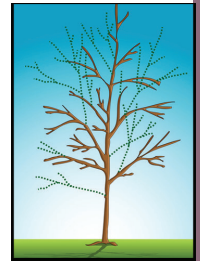
The height of the lowest permanent branch is determined by the tree's intended function and location in the landscape. The road side of a street tree may be raised to 16 feet (5 m) to accommodate traffic. In most other situations, 8 feet (2.4 m) of clearance is sufficient. Trees used as screens or wind breaks, however, usually branch low to the ground.

Sufficient branch spacing and balance, both vertically and radially, is important. The space between permanent branches should be approximately 3 percent of the tree's eventual height (for example, 1.5 feet [0.5 m] for a tree that can grow to be 50 feet [15 m] tall).

Beyond spacing, the strength of branch structure depends on the relative size of the branches and branch angles. Branches similar in diameter to the trunk or limb from which they arise are more prone to failure than those smaller in diameter.

Narrow angles of attachment or tight crotching can enclose bark within a branch union. Such growth is called included bark, a condition that weakens the branch attachment and may lead to failure when the tree matures. Branches with weak attachments should be pruned while still small. Balance should be considered by retaining some branches in each direction radially, spreading from the center outward. Make sure one scaffold branch is not allowed to grow directly above another.

When pruning, be sure not to remove too many branches. Leaves and their supporting branches are major sites of food production and storage. Eliminating too much of the canopy can "starve" the tree, reduce growth, and increase stress. No more than 25 percent of the crown should be removed in one pruning.



Newly Planted Trees

Pruning of newly planted trees should be limited to the removal of dead or broken branches. All other pruning should be withheld until the second or third year, when a tree has recovered from the stress of transplanting.

Wound Dressings

Despite any claims otherwise, research has shown that wood dressings do not reduce decay or speed wound closure and rarely prevent insect or disease infestations. Most experts recommend that wound dressing not be used.

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