City of Wellington



What a lovely spring it has been! The city is in full bloom right now. I want to thank you all for making Wellington a wonderful place to live. From maintaining beautiful landscaping and homes, raising awareness of safety and security concerns, helping out neighbors -- your contributions make this community what it is. Also, I would like to recognize all the Commissioners, Milos Maldonado, Carol Petrites, Lara Donnelly and Andrew Matthews, along with our Treasurer, Judy Kaleher, Clerk, Lois Roby and Chief Lamey, for all they do for Wellington. It is a privilege to serve our city, and as always, if you have a question, concern or suggestion, please come to a City meeting, visit our website or email mayor@cityofwellingtonky.com. I hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe summer.

Sincerely, Sara Sievert, Mayor



Ho ho ho!

While the elves were busy back at the North Pole preparing and wrapping presents, Santa stopped by to collect letters from his mailbox on the big island and to meet and greet families. Such a treat!

Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter egg hunt was a <u>huge</u> success as over two dozen children dressed in their holiday best searched the Farmington grounds for colorful stuffed eggs. Hidden amongst the eggs was a special gold egg and silver egg, which surprised the lucky finder with a special treat between either a stuffed bunny or large chocolate bunny. The Easter Bunny himself once again made a surprise appearance at the delight of the children.

Farmington Plant Sale

Farmington plant sale will be under the Brand Pavilion on these dates: Fri, Apr 21 - 12noon-6pm

Sat, Apr 22 - 8am-4pm

The list of available plants can be found at Farmington Plant Sale. Let's support our neighbor and add to our City's landscape with new plants/herbs for your yard, office or a "thank you" gift to the host or hostess of your Thunder or Derby party.

Kentucky Derby Great BalloonFest is in our own backyard (Bowman Field)

Colorful hot air balloons will take to the sky to celebrate the Kentucky Derby. Stroll or bike to Bowman Field to watch the events:

- Rush Hour Race Friday, Apr 28, 7am at Bowman Field
- Great Balloon Glow Friday, Apr 28, 8pm at Kroger's Fest-A-Ville
- Great Balloon Race Saturday, Apr 29, 7am at Bowman Field

Yard Sale

Wellington's annual yard sale is a great way to look for bargains as you stroll the City and meet neighbors. The yard sale is always held on the first Saturday in June. In 2023, the date is Sat, June 3rd, 8am-noon.

Donating items

With spring cleaning underway, for items not sold at the yard sale or for possessions you no longer need, there are a number of outlets for donating used items. Click on <u>Donation locations</u> for a partial listing of places accepting anything from clothing to household items, furniture, appliances, home decor, activities, etc.

Library Programs & Activity Highlights

The Bon Air Library, located at 2816 Del Rio Place, serves our neighborhood, and is a resource library for eastern and central parts of Jefferson County.

 Directions to the Library: Take Bardstown Road south to Goldsmith Lane. Left on Goldsmith Lane and follow it approximately one mile until the street name changes to Del Rio Place. The Library is located one block on the left after this name change.

In addition to offering the full array of services and resources offered at all libraries, the Bon Air Library features a large pubic meeting room, accessibility equipment, an exhibit gallery and a Teen Center. The Teen Center, known as "The Loft", features new computers, contemporary seating and lots of materials just for teens. It provides a great space for students to read, study and learn. and is located on the second floor of the Library. Click here for a sampling of the various events and activities hosted by the Bon Air Library.



~~~Take a Seat~~~

The City Clerk position contributes to the quality of life in the community by assisting the City Commissioners in an advisory capacity regarding a wide range of activities. Residents who serve their community in this way gain valuable insight relative to City operations. The Clerk is able to help shape the City through valuable input. There is currently an open position for City Clerk. For more info, contact Mayor Sievert here with interest in supporting your community in this capacity.

What you put on your lawn and driveway washes into storm drains Water runoff from your property washes directly into the storm water drainage system. Storm drains are located in the street easements and siphon above ground water runoff. So anything you put on your lawn, sidewalk or driveway washes directly into the drainage system and drain into ponds, lakes, streams and rivers and may harm wildlife and recreation areas.



Protect our Kids at Play

Spring is here with summer fast approaching and school will be out for summer break. There will be a great deal more activity in our neighborhood with kids playing, riding bikes, walking dogs and more. Please keep your eyes on the road, watch your speed and come to a complete STOP at ALL Stop Signs.

New to Wellington?

A Commissioner will deliver a welcome packet to you. Welcome packets include lots of information to help residents get acquainted with the City and

learn about City services, trash service, government operations, rental laws and more. For additional information on events, there is a Newsletter posted every Spring and Fall. You can access it at cityofwellingtonky.com.

Parking Issues

Please remember there is no overnight parking allowed on the city's streets between the hours of 12:00am until 6:00am. Also be aware that there are several places that do not allow parking on the streets at any time, these areas are marked with signs. Typically it is one side of every street to allow for emergency vehicles if needed. With increased foot activity, and as always, do not block the sidewalk with your vehicle.

History of Wellington

Our lovely city has been in existence since the 1940s. Many may not know that most of our properties were actually a part of the Farmington grounds. We have several residents who have lived here for years and may be able to share stories, pictures or basic history of where we live. We would like to include these in future newsletters. Please send any information, stories, and/or historic pictures to commissioner1@cityofwellingtonky.com.

Update of Info to Receive City Notifications

Update your Email Address and Subscribe to Receive City Notifications Go to the <u>City website</u> and click on "<u>Subscribe to Updates</u>" to update your email and subscribe to the topics you prefer to receive notifications about.

REACH Alert / Register Your Email Address Today!

We understand the importance of communicating with you especially with items such as power outages, police actions, upcoming meeting, community events and any important information to convey to our residents. As such, we initiated a new notification service called REACH Alert to immediately share this information. If you don't register, you won't receive our messages. All you need do is:

- 1. Go to www.reachalert.com and click on Sign Up
- 2. Network Name: type Wellington and click on our name when it appears
- 3. Follow the prompts and enter your preferred contact information.
 When you enter your address, click on it from the drop-down list.
 Upon completion, REACH Alert will send a confirmation message to you by that means.

If you don't receive the confirmation or have problems registering,

please contact REACH Alert at (877) 307-9313.

BEFORE YOU DIG

Remember that you or your contractor should call 811 before digging on your property. They will be able to locate electric or water lines to your pool, lines to septic tanks, electric lines to sheds or landscape lighting, lawn sprinkler systems, invisible pet fencing and more.

City of Wellington Facebook

The City of Wellington Facebook page was created for neighbors in Wellington to keep each other informed of community events, block watch news and general information. It does not serve as a public forum. It is a closed group available to current residents only. If you have a concern regarding a city ordinance, please contact a City commissioner. All requests to join must include the resident's physical street address for verification.

City Council meetings

Are generally held on the 4th Monday of each month at 6:30pm. During the remodel of the Farmington Visitor Center, and until further notice, the meetings will be held in a conference room on the 2nd floor at Assumption High School. All are welcome to attend, however, you must be placed on the agenda if you wish to address any issue(s). Please contact mayor@cityofwellingtonky.com a few days in advance of the meeting to be placed on the agenda.

Projects, PODs and Permits

No PODs or dumpsters may be placed on your property without first obtaining a permit. Please contact a Commissioner in advance. All permits are subject to approval by the City Council and must be submitted in writing. Please download the correct permit from cityofwellingtonky.com and mail/email the permit in 10 days prior to the dumpster/pods arrival.

The Little Libraries on the big island are always looking for donations. Please restrict books placed in the little library to those for the younger children.

Trash, Recycling and Yard Waste Pick-up

Household waste is EVERY week. For the foreseeable future, we will be on

an alternating schedule for yard waste and recycling pickups. The schedule is below. Please mark your calendars to help remember the schedule.

Apr 25 - Yard Waste

May 2 - Recycling

May 9 - Yard Waste

May 16 - Recycling

May 23 - Yard Waste

May 30 - Recycling

Jun 6 - Yard Waste

Jun 13 - Recycling

Jun 20 - Yard Waste

Jun 27 - Recycling

ADDITIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT (WM) INFORMATION

General Information

WM picks up on Tuesday of each week usually between 7AM - 7PM. Trash containers and recycle bins are to be placed at the curb <u>no earlier than Monday evening</u>, the day before Waste Management System's pick-up day. The trash and recycle haulers are expected to be returned to resident backyards no later than 11:59pm Tuesday evening. These items shall not be placed or left in either the city easement or curbside between WM collection dates.

Large Waste | Junk Pickup

Wellington does not have designated "junk pickup" days. They will pick it up on the same day as regular service, however, you must call Waste Management in advance at (502) 966-0117 to make them aware so they have resources available.

Yard Waste

Yard waste must be in yard containers or paper bags which are purchased specifically for yard waste. Limbs or branches should be tied in manageable bundles no longer than four (4) feet long and placed at the curb the night before your scheduled Waste Management System pick-up day. Unbundled items will not be picked up.

Homestead Exemption

Property owners who are 65 or older are eligible to receive the Homestead Exemption on their primary residence. If you are eligible, the exemption amount is subtracted from your property's assessed value, reducing your property tax liability. Only one exemption is allowed per household. The Homestead Exemption applies to your Jefferson County and Wellington tax liability. For information, contact the Jefferson County PVA Homestead Department at 574-6380.

Keep Taxes in Wellington

Just a reminder for all new neighbors:

Every homeowner pays an Insurance Premium Tax (IPT) whenever purchasing or renewing any of the following insurance policies:

- Homeowners (property and casualty)
- Automobile
- Fire and allied perils
- Life
- Business Insurance
- Inland marine

The City of Wellington tax dollars from these policies pay for our sanitation and recycling services, fire protection, police protection, street paving, sidewalk repairs and much more. Because the City of Wellington is located within Jefferson County, often these funds are diverted to other tax jurisdictions in error.

Please check your insurance policy declarations page to confirm the Insurance Premium Tax they are paying is directed to "City of Wellington 40205" and not "Louisville Metro" or "Wellington KY 40387" as the recipient of the tax. Monies going to either of those jurisdictions do not benefit our City. The Insurance Premium Tax fee is a source of revenue for Wellington and assures the money you are paying will be used within the City, which makes it possible for our City ad valorem property taxes to remain low!

LG&E Reading Dates

Following are the upcoming meter reading dates:

April 21-25

May 23-25 June 22-26 July 24-26 August 23-25 September 22-26 October 23-25 November 20-22 December 20-26

What is Metro311?

Metro311 is YOUR connection to YOUR government. As a division of Louisville Metro Emergency Services, 311 connects you to the city government and resolves your non-emergency issues. They are the city's customer service center for reporting issues such as: potholes, property maintenance, property violations and associated complaints.

City of Wellington

If you need to address a concern, please reference the meeting protocol on our <u>website</u>. The City always welcomes feedback. Feel free to email <u>mayor@cityofwellingtonky.com</u> anytime with questions, concerns, suggestions, etc.

Find us on <u>Facebook!</u> This is a closed page for current residents only. <u>You must provide your street address on your request to join.</u> Nonresidents will find pertinent City information on our <u>website</u>.

Sign Up for Our District Councilman Cassie Chambers-Armstrong Newsletter

Learn more about news and events that are happening in our surrounding area and district. These only come once a month and are full of great information! Click here to subscribe to receive Cassie's updates.

Important Numbers for Quick Reference

Strathmoor Village Police (patrols Wellington):

- For Strathmoor Village Police directly, dial 502-574-5471 and request a Strathmoor officer.
- For non-emergency issues, dial Strathmoor Village Police's line at 502-432-8900.

Add these numbers into your contacts.

<u>Louisville Police Department</u>: If you have an emergency, please call 911 For non-emergencies (car break-ins, door-to-door solicitors, etc.) call 574-

7111

MetroCall 311: Phone: 311

Louisville Fire Dept: 502-574-3701

Waste Management (Garbage/Recycling/Yard Waste): 502-966-0117

/ Website

All household pickups are on Tuesdays with alternating weeks providing

recycling and yard waste pickups.

Louisville Water Company: 502-583-6610

MSD (Sewers/Drainage): 502-587-0603 / Website

Animal Control Services: 502-473-7387

Inspections, Permits, and Licenses (IPL): 502-574-3321

Before You Dig: Call 811

Suggestions and comments for Future Newsletters?

Please email us at contact@cityofwellingtonky.com with any other information you would like to see in these newsletters.

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