

# The City of Woodlawn Park....

# Welcomes you!



4327 Wingate Road  
Louisville, KY 40207  
(502) 895-6620

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**4327 Wingate Road**



Welcome New Neighbors!

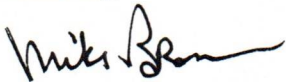
Welcome you to your new home and new neighborhood. It's a great place to live and to be involved! Feel free to reach me at city hall (502) 895-6620 if you have any city questions or visit our website too.

Please accept this packet as a sign of welcome and to help you become acquainted with your city! Our city council meets every third Monday of the month beginning at 7:00pm at City Hall, 4327 Wingate Road. We would love for you to stop by a meeting sometime even if to introduce yourself.

Please feel free to contact me or any City Council Member if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

Again, welcome to the City of Woodlawn Park!

Sincerely,



Mike Brown, Mayor  
City of Woodlawn Park

Enclosed in this packet, you will find helpful information regarding the City of Woodlawn Park.

I have listed some important information below:

- The city website is [www.woodlawnpark.com](http://www.woodlawnpark.com).
- Trash pickup day is Monday. You can set out 1 large item a week, provided you call Eco-Tech, LLC and schedule the pickup in advance. Recycle is put out every other week, yard waste and trash are put out every week.
- The home schools districts are Dunn Elementary School, Westport Middle School and Waggener High School.
- The polling location is Sojourn Community Church, 2501 Rudy Lane. (Be sure to check out the Jefferson County Clerk website for any changes)
- There are two little libraries in our city. One is located on Green Meadow Court (mostly children's books) and at City Hall (variety of general books). Feel free to use these at your convenience.
- City permits are required for any fence, garage, carport, or exterior additions to your home/property. A copy is in the back of the packet.
- Pets are required to be on a leash when not on your property. If you walk your dog, please remember to clean up after your pet.
- Parking on the street is prohibited, unless the driveway is full or service is being done to your home.
- If you have a swale, drainage ditch or culvert on your property, please keep these areas free of debris and leaves.
- We do have a City Police Department that consists of a City Police Chief. At this time, this position is vacant, and the new Chief should be named by the summer of 2023.
- The city has a strict solicitation ordinance. The City has a "Do Not Knock" registry given to all solicitors. The "Do Not Knock sign-up sheet is in the back of the packet.
- The city mails out quarterly newsletters.
- The annual city-wide yard sale takes place the Saturday after Derby each year. Sign-up sheets are placed throughout the city at the main intersections in late April.
- There is an email sign-up sheet in the back of this packet if you'd like to be on the mayor's email distribution list.

January 1, 2023

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Thomas Nunn 893-0810  
Melinda Breslin 216-4679  
Nancye Claypool 714-8559

**CITY CLERK/TRESURER**

Jennifer Osborne 439-7553  
**FINANCIAL CONTRACTOR**  
Charlie Veeneman 241-5043

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

George Langford 897-1915  
Ed Purcell 523-2957  
Doug Watson 894-9694

## **CITY OF WOODLAWN PARK**

4327 Wingate Road, Louisville, KY 40207

City Hall Telephone (502) 895-6620

Police Emergency 911

Sheriff's Department (502) 574-5471

Police Chiefs Cell Phone (502) 650-2230

Mike Brown, Mayor Cell Phone (502) 341-1004

mayor@woodlawnpark.com

**CITY COUNCIL** meets on the **third Monday at 7:00 P.M. at the City of Woodlawn Park City Hall, 4327 Wingate Road.** Your comments and appearance are encouraged.

**WOODLAWN PARK POLICE - EMERGENCY 911 (Louisville Metro Police is our 1<sup>st</sup> responder) Our Police Chief works 160 hours per month, so always make sure to call 911 for all emergencies.**

**WOODLAWN PARK POLICE - ROUTINE CALLS -574-5471**

**POLICE HOUSE WATCH - 574-5471. Request this during vacation or extended absence.**

**FIRE PROTECTION - In case of fire, dial 911 and report the location of fire. The fire department is an independent agency and levies its own taxes. It is not a part of your city government. Fire Department Office, non-emergency number is 893-7825.**

**REAL ESTATE TAXES** are \$.145 cents per hundred dollars assessed valuation. **HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION** is available to owners disabled or 65 years of age or older provided the application is on file with the **PVA** office.

**BUSINESS LICENSES, LONG AND SHORT TERM RENTAL LICENSES AND SOLICITATION PERMITS ARE REQUIRED.**

**SANITARY SEWERS and SURFACE DRAINAGE** are managed by **METROPOLITAN SEWER DISTRICT—Business Office: 540-6000, Customer Service Requests & Inquiries: 587-0603.**

**FLOOD INSURANCE** - Woodlawn Park residents are eligible for flood insurance through their insurance agent at a federally subsidized rate.

**STREET RIGHTS-OF-WAY** usually extend to the water meter and **NOT** the edge of the street. Any person depositing any material upon, or filling or excavation in or upon, or planting any shrubbery, bush or tree within, or paving an easement without the proper drainage culverts will be subject to removal at their expense. It is the responsibility of the adjacent owner to maintain this area. Most residents also have rear easements. The property owner is responsible for the maintenance of same.

**BUILDING PERMITS** are required. The first application is made to the city; upon approval, applicant then files the approved application with **JEFFERSON COUNTY** and the county will then set the fee and issue the permit.

**FENCE PERMITS** are issued by **WOODLAWN PARK. CALL Melinda Breslin at 216-4679** for an application or obtain one on the city website..



**CABLE TELEVISION**—Spectrum Cable: for more information

**OBSTRUCTIONS AT INTERSECTIONS**--All owners at street intersections are requested not to plant or permit to grow any shrubbery, bush or tree that will obstruct the view of motorists.

**STREET ADDRESSES**--City ordinance #6, 1985 requires that all homes shall conspicuously display the appropriate street address that is available from the nearest street.

**STREET AND DRIVEWAY PARKING**--*Residents are reminded and cautioned that City Ordinances prohibit parking on any city street unless the driveway is filled with vehicles.* City Ordinances also prohibit the parking of motor homes, travel trailers, trucks larger than pickups, boats and boat trailers in the driveway of yard in **FRONT** of the residence.

**DOGS, CATS AND OTHER PETS** cannot be allowed to run loose. A City Ordinance requires all pets to be on a leash when not on their home turf. *The ordinance also requires the use of cleaning up after your animal.*

**STREET LIGHTS**--Residents may request additional streetlights by calling **895-6620** or by e-mailing [mayor@woodlawnpark.com](mailto:mayor@woodlawnpark.com)

**JUNK AND HEAVY APPLIANCE PICKUP**--Pickups are twice each year, usually in May and October. No tires, batteries, oils, pesticides, solvents, oil-based paint, air conditioners or refrigerators.

**SNOW EMERGENCIES**--Following snow of 2 inches or more the city has contracted for the plowing of the city streets. **This does not include WESTPORT ROAD.** For efficient operation, please obey the city parking ordinance.

#### **GARBAGE AND REFUSE COLLECTION:**

1. **OUR WASTE HAULER**—Eco-Tech enters our city promptly at **7 A.M.** on our scheduled pickup days. It is an additional expense to retrace the route if you take your refuse out after the truck has passed. **Put all waste out prior to 7 A.M.** Please make every attempt to set out your trash after 6pm on Sunday evening (not before). Please return your cans by Monday evening. We appreciate your cooperation with making our city look good!
2. **Monday** is pickup day for **RECYCLABLES, GARBAGE** and **YARD WASTE** all year.
3. Recyclables, garbage and other waste will be picked up on Tuesday after the following holidays that fall on Monday: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.
4. Limbs and brush will be picked up if tied in bundles no longer than 4 feet and weighing no more than forty (40) pounds. Place with yard waste on **Mondays**.
5. **Christmas trees** will be collected on the **first two Mondays** after Christmas. After that, it is your responsibility to take them to the recycling center on Hubbard's Lane.
6. In the event your garbage collection is not made, call Eco-Tech at (502) 935-1130, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
7. **REMEMBER** All garbage, leaves, grass and recyclables must be in containers or bags. Plastic bags are **NOT** acceptable. Limbs and bushes must be tied in bundles 4 feet or less.



City of Woodlawn Park  
Perpetual Calendar

Month	Activity	Assigned
<b>January</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	City officials begin terms, election years only. Next one 2026.	Mayor
19-Jan	Howard Martin Day as Proclaimed by Mayor Jerry Abramson	Need committee
<b>February</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Mayor
	Uniform Financial Information Report to State for Road Funds	Treasurer
	City Audit due in Frankfort	Mayor / Treasurer
28-Feb	Rental License Bills issued.	Clerk
<b>March</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	1st Quarter Blockwatch Meeting	Council - Blockwatch Focus
	Property Valuation Report Received from PVA	Treasurer
<b>April</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Rental License Payments Due	Clerk / Treasurer
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	28-Apr	Business License Bills issued.
<b>May</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	1st Reading Fiscal Budget for upcoming year	Mayor / Clerk
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	City wide yard sale (Saturday after Derby)	Mayor
	Junk pick up (Saturday after yard sale)	Mayor
	Financial Report to Frankfort from Treasurer	Mayor
<b>June</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	2nd Quarter Blockwatch Meeting	Council - Blockwatch Focus
	2nd Reading Fiscal Budget for upcoming year	Mayor / Clerk
	Tax bills issued	Treasurer
	30-Jun	Business License Payments due
<b>July</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	4th of July Parade/Ice Cream Social	Council - Public Relations
	Sanitation contract expires in four years, next one in 2026	Mayor
<b>August</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
<b>September</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	Property taxes due September 1st through September 30th	Financial Accountant
<b>October</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	3rd Quarter Blockwatch Meeting	Council - Blockwatch Focus
	Taxes due with 15% penalty October 1 - October 31.	Financial Accountant
	Taxes 1.5% added on to total every month, liens following October	Financial Accountant
<b>November</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	Elections, every two years	Mayor
<b>December</b>	City Council Meeting - 3rd Monday @ 7:00 (Holiday Party)	Mayor
	Code Enforcement Meeting - 1st Monday @ 6:00	Code Enforcement Chair
	4th Quarter Blockwatch Meeting	Council - Blockwatch Focus
	Install decorations on light posts on major street corners.	Mayor



## Understanding Woodlawn Park Ordinances

New ordinance series are started each fiscal year and numbered based on the order the ordinance was passed. An example for each fiscal year is the annual budget and advalorem tax ordinances. Since these are the first order of business for each year, you will expect to see these ordinances identified as follows:

Ordinance No. 1, Series 2020-2021

Ordinance No. 2, Series 2020-2021

The series will change based on fiscal year.

Once passed by city council and signed by the mayor, the ordinance is published for public record. A new ordinance number will have to be assigned should a change in the tax or budget be required.

With regard to other city ordinances such as fence permits, on-street parking and animals on a leash, these ordinances were established very early in the history of our city. If you review the ordinance history for the City of Woodlawn Park for the past two decades, you will find that there have been no new ordinances beyond the budget and advalorem tax ordinances for each fiscal year. There have been revisions to the ordinances established by earlier councils, and in these cases, the old ordinance number is superseded by the new ordinance number for the fiscal year that the revised ordinance was passed. An example is the No On-Street Parking Ordinance. It was revised in May-2004 to address the definition of a paved surface as concrete or asphalt and not gravel and a new ordinance number assigned. This is also an example where certain locations will be grandfathered because of existing conditions like gravel parking spaces.

Up until recently, all of the original ordinances were just kept on file by the city clerk. We now have all ordinances codified and we are in the process of by the end of Summer 2023 to have them available on our city website. You can request a copy by emailing the mayor or city clerk. As one can imagine, constantly re-distributing the amount of documentation created over the past sixty-nine would be very expensive. Therefore, a summary of ordinances is created for easy distribution. As recommended by the Kentucky League of Cities, the city attorney has reviewed this summary prior to distribution. The last time this was done was in 2023, and the summary carries that date. This does not mean the ordinances were established at that time, but when major revisions occurred. Keep in mind that the summary of ordinances is just that, and the original ordinance will prevail should there be a discrepancy.

The summary of ordinances is provided to all residents with the City Directory on an annual basis. We provide this information to new neighbors through our welcoming committee. Real estate agents should also inform buyers of the existence of city ordinances on property fact sheets. We realize there are still some new neighbors missed, and you can help improve closing this communication loop by informing your real estate agent.

Thank you

**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCES  
CITY OF WOODLAWN PARK  
1954-2023**

**FIREARMS**

1. It is unlawful for any person to discharge firearms, rifles, and air pistols or pellet guns within the city limits of Woodlawn Park, KY. Fine: \$10 to \$100 for each offense.

**BUSINESS (SALES & TRADES)**

2. Any person engaged in a sales or trade business in the City of Woodlawn Park shall obtain an annual license for which he/she shall pay a minimum of \$50 annually. Total fee shall be in accordance with Subsection A and Subsection B of Ordinance No. 3, Series 1992, update with #3 series 2005-2006. Fine for violation shall be in accordance with Ordinance No. 5, series 2001 which states that any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be fined \$25.00 for the first offense and increasing fines for multiple offenses.

**DUMPING**

3. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or organization to dump any grass clippings, debris or other waste material within the city limits. Ref.: Ordinance No. 5, 1993-1994. Fine: uncontested violations; first offense - \$25, second offense - \$50, all others - \$100, contested violations; first offense - \$75, second offense - \$150, all others - \$300. Ref: Ordinance No. 9, series 1997.

**HEAVY EQUIPMENT**

4. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or organization to operate, or cause to be operated, any vehicle on streets within the city limits in excess of 18,000 gross pounds, and other streets within the City limits in excess of 50,000 gross pounds.

**VACANT LOTS**

5. It is unlawful to maintain any vacant lot or other premises within the municipality of Woodlawn Park, on which rubbish is allowed to accumulate, weeds or long grass to grow, or any water allowed to collect and lie stagnant. Fine: first offense - \$10 to \$25, subsequent offense - \$25 to \$100.

**CONCESSION SALES**

6. It is unlawful for any person, corporation or agent to engage in peddling of ice cream, Popsicles, candy, confectionary, popcorn or other items designed to be sold primarily to children, unless said peddler is operating from a human powered vehicle. Fines vary from \$25.00 for the first offense to \$300.00 for multiple offenses. Ref.: Ordinance No. 4, series 2001.

**PETS**

7. It is unlawful to allow pets to run at large within the City Limits (away from the premises of its owner and not on a leash). Ref.: Ordinance No. 5, 1988. Fine: uncontested violations; first offense - \$25, second offense - \$50, all others - \$100, contested violations; first offense - \$75, second offense - \$150, all others - \$300. This is also a state statute. Ref.: Ordinance No. 7, series 1997.

**OTHER ANIMALS**

8. Refer to Metro Ordinance 91.001-91.999.

**SPEED LIMIT**

9. The speed limit on City maintained streets within the corporate limits of Woodlawn Park has been established at 25 m.p.h. and provisions for 4-way stops, stop and yield signs within the City.

**GARAGES/OUTBUILDINGS**

10. No outbuilding shall be erected except one garage and/or one storage building on each lot, said garage shall provide space for no more than two (2) cars and said storage shed shall comply with the following regulations:
  - A. Exterior building dimensions shall not exceed 121 square feet or eight (8) feet in height.
  - B. No portion of storage building can be located on existing easement.
  - C. Building cannot be located closer than two (2) feet to property line.
  - D. Total area occupied by an accessory building, including garage and storage building cannot exceed 30% of rear yard area (on lots with detached garage, the sum of garage area plus storage building must not exceed 30% of total rear yard area).
  - E. Storage building cannot be used as a garage for the storage of an automobile and must be provided with a door to shield interior view.
  - F. On lots using septic tanks, storage buildings cannot be located over any portion of lateral field. (Obsolete, but still part of Ordinance.)
  - G. All storage sheds shall be located behind the rear building line of each house and no storage shed on a corner lot shall be located any nearer the street than the house which is located on said corner lot.



H. All storage sheds shall be affixed to the real estate upon which they rest and shall conform to the general type of architecture and consist of the same general types of materials typically used in the construction of houses within the City of Woodlawn Park.

I. Any person desiring to locate or construct a storage shed shall submit a request to the City Council or its designated representative accompanied by a \$10.00 fee payable to the City of Woodlawn Park. Said request shall include a description of the shed, including a description of the materials of which it consists, its dimensions, and a drawing of the proposed location of the shed in relation to the boundary lines of the property and the rear building line of the house. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of the request, and if it is determined that the request is in conformity with the provisions of this Ordinance, the person so authorized shall issue a permit authorizing the construction and/or placement of the storage shed.

J. Any person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance shall have committed a civil offense and shall be subject to the following schedule of civil fines for each offense: uncontested violations; first offense - \$25.00, second offense - 50.00, all others - \$100.00, contested violations; first offense - \$75.00, second offense - \$150.00, all others - \$300.00. Any continuing violation of this Ordinance shall be considered a separate offense for each day that such violation continues, and a separate penalty may be imposed therefor. Ref.: Ordinance No. 4, series 2013-2014.

#### CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

11. No stucco, concrete block or cinder block house shall be permitted and no garage or carport shall be permitted unless that wall of the garage or carport (or two walls on garages or carports constructed on corner lots) facing the street is constructed of brick or stone veneer; wood paneling or vinyl or metal siding. The remaining sidewalls may be concrete block, cinder block or stucco construction provided walls are painted on exterior. The roof of the garage or carport shall be consistent with the character and composition of the roof of the principal structure on the lot and shall be equipped with gutters.

#### LOT MAINTENANCE

12. Grass on all subdivision lots within the City of Woodlawn Park shall be cut to a height on no more than eight (8) inches and the property must be kept free of unnecessary trash and debris. It shall be unlawful to park, store or leave for a period in excess of seventy-two (72) hours any vehicle which is rusted, wrecked, junked or partially dismantled condition unless this vehicle is completely enclosed within a building. Fines vary from \$25.00 for first offense to \$300.00 for multiple offenses. Ref.: Ordinance No. 3-1976. Ordinance No. 6, series 1997.

#### PARKING

13. It shall be unlawful for any person to park any motor vehicle, boat or trailer on the unpaved portion of any lot or other undeveloped and un-subdivided property within the City of Woodlawn Park. No such vehicles shall be parked closer to the street than the front of the residence or the setback line of the lot. Ref.: Ordinance No. 1, 1994-1995. A "paved area" shall mean a solid, unbroken surface consisting of concrete or asphalt. Loose gravel or rock shall not be considered a paved area. Ref.: Ordinance No. 4, 2003. Fine: uncontested violations; first offense - \$25, second offense - \$50, all others - \$100, contested violations; first offense - \$75, second offense - \$150, all others - \$300. Ref.: Ordinance No. 10, series 1997.

#### FENCES

14. Section 1. Except as provided in sub-paragraphs A, B, and C hereof, boundary fences may be erected only behind the rear building line of each house and/or lot and shall not exceed seventy-two (72) inches in height above the established elevation of said lot.

A. On all lots directly adjoining the railroad tracks and/or Watterson Expressway, a privacy fence or wall not exceeding eighty four (84) inches in height may be constructed along so much of said property as directly adjoins said railroad tracks and/or Watterson Expressway.

B. Privacy fences may be constructed to a height of seventy-two (72) inches.

C. The City Council may grant variances for the construction of privacy area screens to a height of eighty-four (84) inches behind the rear of building line of each home in such instance as City Council deems it appropriate or necessary for the added or necessary privacy of the individual homeowner or resident.

D. No fence shall be built on a corner lot any nearer the street than the house which is located on said corner lot.

Section 2. The following provisions and regulations shall control the construction and installation of all fences and/or privacy area fences:

A. Any person desiring to construct a fence, boundary or privacy area screen shall submit their request to the person responsible for issuing fence permits. Said request shall include a list of the building materials to be used, a description of the type of fence or screen to be constructed, its height and length and a drawing of the area to be fenced in or screened. It shall include the location of the house on the lot and the street and any other important features of the property. A rough drawing, not necessarily to scale, will suffice. Within thirty (30) days after receipt of said request, and if it is determined that said request is in compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance, the councilperson so authorized shall issue a construction permit to the applicant upon payment of a \$10.00 fee.

B. All fences and privacy area screens erected must conform to the general type of architecture and value of the improvements already in existence within the City of Woodlawn Park. All fence posts, supports and braces shall



be constructed of wood, vinyl or metal and shall be on the inside of the fence. Under no circumstances will a chain link fence in excess of sixty (60) inches in height be approved for construction and installation.

- C. If any fence or privacy screen is constructed within an existing easement, it is with the understanding that said fence or privacy screen will be immediately removed by the owner of the fence at his or her expense, if an when directed by the City or the owner of the easement, as the case may be.
- D. No non-conforming fence existing at the time of the enactment of this Ordinance must be repaired or rebuilt if the cost of repairs or rebuilding said fence exceeds 50% of the cost of constructing a new fence in conformity within the Ordinance.
- E. Should a variance to this Ordinance be requested, the request shall be submitted to the City Council at its regular meeting for consideration. A decision will be made no later than the following regular City Council meeting as to whether to grant said variance.
- F. Fence permits are valid for sixty (60) days from date of issue and may be renewed for an additional sixty (60) days.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall keep records of permits. The clerk will also keep on file all request for fence permits granted or denied. A report of fence permits issued will be made monthly to the council. The report will list address, name of person receiving permit and a brief description of the request.

Section 4. Fines vary from \$25.00 for first offense to \$300.00 for multiple offenses. Ref.: Ordinance #3, series 2005.

#### **ON-STREET PARKING**

- 15. It shall be unlawful for any resident or visitor to park any motor vehicle, boat, trailer or other personal property on the city streets of Woodlawn Park. Ref.: Ordinance No.: 1, 1990. Fine: uncontested violations; first offense - \$25, second offense - \$50, all others - \$100, contested violations; first offense - \$75, second offense - \$150, all others - \$300. Re.: Ordinance No. 8, series 1997.

**SAID VEHICLE IS SUBJECT TO TOWING TO HOLDING LOT AT OWNER'S EXPENSE.**

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

- 16. The City of Woodlawn Park has established a police department currently consisting of a Police Chief that works 160 hours per month. Our 1<sup>st</sup> responder is Louisville Metro Police Department. In the event of an emergency, always call 911 first!

#### **SOLICITATION**

- 17. No person shall engage in the solicitation of contributions or the sale of goods or services within the city without first obtaining a solicitation permit from the Mayor. Ref.: Ordinance No. 3, series 2012-2013.

#### **NOTICE-RENTAL PROPERTY LICENSE FEE**

- 18. Each person, firm, organization or corporation that leases real property or improvements to real property within the City of Woodlawn Park, KY is deemed to be engaged in business and shall obtain an annual license from the City Treasurer by no later than April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year at a minimum cost of \$250.00. Any person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance shall have committed a civil offense and shall be subject to a maximum fine of \$250.00 for each violation thereof, subject to the following schedule of civil fines for each offense: uncontested violations: first offense - \$100.00, second offense - \$150.00, all others \$200.00, contested violations; first offense \$150.00, second offense \$200.00, all others \$250.00. Ref.: No. 2 series 1990-1991, Ordinance No. 1, series 2008.

#### **UNLICENSED OR INOPERABLE VEHICLES**

- 19. It is unlawful to keep any wrecked, untended, unlicensed or discarded vehicles on or about the premises. Ref.: Ordinance No. 3, 2000. The property owner shall be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 per offense and each day of violation constitutes a separate offense. Fine: uncontested violations; first offense - \$25, second offense - \$50, all others - \$100, contested violations; first offense - \$100, second offense - \$200, all others - \$300.

**THE FOREGOING IS A MERE SUMMARY OF SOME OF THE CITY ORDINANCES. ANY CONFLICT BETWEEN THE SUMMARY OF ORDINANCES AND THE ORDINANCES THEMSELVES, SHALL BE RESOLVED BY THE TERMS OF THE ORDINANCE**



# CITY OF WOODLAWN PARK

4327 Wingate Road Louisville, KY 40207 O) 502-895-6620 F) 502-384-0199

Residents,

We are pleased to announce that starting immediately, we will begin using REACH Alert to send you timely information about events affecting our city.

What does this mean for you? We will be able to better communicate with you by providing immediate information regarding a number of potential situations. From broken water lines/boil water advisories, road closures/construction delays, inclement weather, flooding, etc., we can inform you in a matter of seconds. As a user of REACH Alert, you will be in control of how you receive your messages from us. This means you will be able to:

- **Choose up to three ways to receive your messages** – text, voice call, email messaging.
- **Add up to four devices** – phone numbers and/or email addresses that you want to receive your messages.
- **Update your contact information at anytime** – add a phone number or email address when you register, then login to update your info today or three years from now.

However, if you don't register, you won't receive our messages or the benefits above.

Registration takes less than a minute to complete! To register:

- Go [www.reachalert.com](http://www.reachalert.com)
- Click on **MY ACCOUNT**.
- Click on **CREATE ACCOUNT**
- Follow the prompts and enter your preferred contact information
- Network: Enter **Woodlawn Park** (click on our name in the dropdown list)
- Select **Resident**
- Enter your physical address

If you opted to receive text alerts, Reach Alert will send a text message to your cell phone immediately upon completion of your registration. Please enter the 4-digit number on the registration screen and then click the word **VALIDATE**. If you do not receive this message, please call Reach Alert.

**If you do not have access to a computer or if you experience any difficulty registering, please contact REACH Alert at (877) 307-9313.**

Thank you.



## HISTORY OF WOODLAWN PARK

Once our area thundered with the sounds of horses' hooves. Crowds of people called their favorite horses on to victory. Our city of Woodlawn Park was the site of the world famous Woodlawn Race Course!

The earliest history of the area is rather vague. A Jefferson County land grants map shows the Woodlawn Park included in a grant to Col. William Christian, I.W. Blagg and William Bradley dated June 7, 1774; also, however, it has been said to have been given to a Col. Grey by the king of England. Col. Grey is said to have lost it by gambling.

The property later was purchased by several gentlemen, who started Woodlawn Race Course and the Woodlawn Association in 1858. They subscribed for a total of 50,000 in stock. The first Woodlawn races were held in the fall of 1859.

The opening day of the spring meet, May 21, 1860, began as a beautiful day. People eager to come filled the earliest trains, and the crowds filled Woodlawn. Many important ladies from both city and state attended. In fact, so many ladies attended that the stands set apart for them were overcrowded. Gallant male club members gave up half of their stands to accommodate the ladies. The track was in excellent condition. Later in the day a large storm appeared, but it didn't dampen the spirit of the enthusiastic crowd. Twenty-three thousand dollars was sold in pools and much had been wagered in private bets.

The element of suspense as to which horse was ahead was often present, because as the horses reached the half-mile post it was not long before they would disappear behind a grove of trees. The crowd would anxiously await a glimpse of their favorite. The races were run rain or shine.

In the spring meet's first day of races, the judge was James K. Duke, Esq. The horses in the last race were Bettie Ward, Lucy Fowler, Magenta, Belle Barandon, Dick Atkinson's Filly, and Buford's Filly. Time of the race was 1:45 3/4. The winner was Magenta.

Many races were run in heats, some up to four miles at the finish.

Another day in the spring meet saw the running of the Galt House stakes. There was a prize of \$3,000 and a magnificent piece of silver plate that was donated by Capt. Miller of the Galt House. Bettie Ward was the winner.

On the third day of racing the pool had \$25,000 staked. The track on May 27 drew a crowd of 5,000, 600 of whom were ladies.

At May 28, 1860, Louisville Daily Courier complemented Woodlawn Woodlawn and said the course deserved to be placed among the top ten courses in the world.

Descriptions of Woodlawn Race Course are sketchy. The clubhouse had thick brick walls, spacious rooms and fireplaces with finely wrought mantelpieces. It had a tin roof with a hatch, thought to be a lookout for Indians. The clubhouse appears on an 1858 map near where Ahland and Perryman roads are now. Somewhere near Ahland Road were brick stables and a wooden stable.

Another building believed to have been built as apart of the course's original layout is now 169 Beechwood Road. It is said to have been either another clubhouse or the home of the track superintendent. It has thick walls covered with weatherboarding and has a tin roof. Little is said about the track itself. One part was said to have been near where 169 Beechwood is now... when one digs deep in that location now there is a thick layer of cinders.

Gilbert B. Alberts believes a portion of the track curved through his property, at 4318 Westport Road. There is a small burying ground on the property for black jockeys who died in racing accidents.

In 1862 the Louisville Daily Courier announced that the spring meet at Woodlawn Race Course had been canceled because of bad management. Before the fall meet in 1862 "important



alterations" were made in the arrangements of the saloons, and new arrangements also had been made to supply refreshments at the fall races, it was to be an epicure's delight. After the fall meet in 1862 the Civil War began to affect Woodlawn Race Course. On Oct. 8, 1863, the Battle of Perryville took place. Wounded soldiers were taken to Louisville and New Albany.

The Woodlawn course was used as a mustering-out station for soldiers. Woodlawn's races continued, however, reasonably uninterrupted for the war. The Louisville Daily Courier reported on Oct. 15, 1862, that trotting races would be held... "contests for the stakes will take place... there will be extra sport also, well worth the attention of the admirers of such sport." After the Civil War, Woodlawn continued to draw big crowds. It was the site of fairs, political rallies and other events.

But shortly thereafter interests in horse racing began to wane temporarily in the Louisville area. Lack of interest made it difficult for tracks to continue to exist due to decreasing revenue. The Greenland Course closed in 1869, leaving Woodlawn the only course in the area. And although it was an excellent track, Woodlawn could not survive its worsening financial difficulty, and it, too, was forced to close, following the spring meet in 1870.

#### **\* WOODLAWN STATION WELCOMES RACE FANS \***

In 1847 the Louisville & Frankfort Railroad started construction between the two cities. The first train was in operation on this line in 1851.

About 1858 a flagstop called Woodlawn Station was built on the line. People who went to the races in 1859 and later at Woodlawn paid 50 cents to ride the nonstop train to the station. Others arrived at the racecourse in their carriages. It was in 1869 that the Louisville & Frankfort Railroad became the Louisville, Cincinnati & Lexington Railroad. The Louisville & Nashville Railroad acquired the LC&L in 1881. Between 1882 and 1890 Woodlawn Station became Beechwood Station. After Woodlawn Race Course was closed the station used for interurban runs to Louisville, provided tickets were bought in advanced. It continued to operate until about 1935, when L&N ended all stops on this branch of the interurban.

The Louisville Daily Courier reported in 1860 that Col. R.A. Alexander ordered a "Challenge Vase" from Tiffany and Company in New York City for use by the Woodlawn Association. It cost \$1,000, which was quite extravagant for that time. The association felt that a worthy trophy would add to the interest and excitement of the races. The Woodlawn Vase had an estimate appraisal value of \$500,000 in April 1971. Its craftsmanship is unequalled and the cost of replacing it today would be incomprehensible.

The huge, ornate trophy stands 34 inches high, is 15 inches in diameter and weighs 29 pounds, 12 ounces. There are meticulous engravings of Southern gentlemen near the top, four sculpture angels at the sides and three houses at the base. At the very top of the trophy there is a horse and rider. Near the base are two small signboards where the racing rules of the Woodlawn Association are etched in tiny detail. It is indeed a most magnificent trophy. When the Civil War flared up in Kentucky the vase was buried- secretly. It came back into use before the century's end. Thomas Clyde won it in Brooklyn in 1904. He was a member of the Maryland Jockey Club-Pimlico. In 1917 the Woodlawn Vase became associated with Pimlico's Preakness, when Clyde offered it to Pimlico as a permanent trophy for the race. Since 1953 a smaller replica of the Woodlawn Vase has been awarded the winner of the Preakness (at the insistence of the insurance company). So we have to turn on our TV set to get a glimpse of Woodlawn Park's former days of glory as a world famous racetrack. We can feel a real sense of pride when we see the latest winner of the Preakness awarded his or her trophy-Woodlawn Vase.



**\* FROM RACE COURSE TO OUR SUBURBAN COMMUNITY \***

In 1858 Westport Road was a dirt road. It curved north into what is now Windy Hills, then over to Herr Lane. Between then and 1879 it was diverted to the path it generally follows today.

Apparently sometime after Woodlawn Race Course had closed a road was built to connect Woodlawn Station with Westport Road. It later would become Beechwood Road. After Beechwood Station was torn down, Beechwood Road shrank to its present size. Parts of Perryman Road and Westport Terrace were built about the same time as the station road.

After Woodlawn Race Course closed, a large portion of the site was purchased by Norbourne Arterburn. On this portion was the clubhouse, which in 1928 was purchased by Dr. Roy Moore, along with 13 acres, for a summer home. Moore sold it in 1946, and the clubhouse became a home for boys, called Kentucky Boys estate. Sometime during this period, the wooden stable was torn down.

After 1954, the Woodlawn area began to change from farmland to a suburban community. The first new street was Larry Avenue, later included as a part of Westport Terrace.

Later Kentucky Boys Estate was razed, together with the remains of the brick stables, for the construction of Woodlawn Park in the early 1950's. The racecourse that was left later became the home of Robert Gudgel family, now the home of the Rev. C. Gerald Summerfield and his family. It survives as 169 Beechwood Road.

After Woodlawn Park's construction began the area necessarily expanded. In 1954 Woodlawn Park was incorporated as a sixth-class city. By the early 1960's most of the homes were constructed. In 1966 Woodlawn Park became a fifth-class city... with a mayor and a city council.

Due to the untiring efforts of Wells Myers, Woodlawn Park was placed on the register of Historic Places in 1986. The Schuwey Family donated the site and the State placed the Historic Marker at the intersection of Perryman and Westport Roads in Sept. 1986. \*\*\*

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## WOODLAWN PARK DISASTER/EMERGENCY PLAN

**DISASTER:** Earthquake  
Flood/Flash Floods  
Fire  
Hazardous Materials Incident  
Winter Storm  
Thunderstorms  
Tornado  
Train Derailment

The **City of Woodlawn Park, Kentucky** is covered under the **Louisville Metropolitan Emergency Agency located at 601 West Jefferson Street, Suite 113, Louisville, Kentucky 40202-2728, telephone 502-574-4619**. This Agency is responsible for all emergencies, natural and man-made, in **Jefferson County, Kentucky**.

The **City of Woodlawn Park, Kentucky** fire protection is covered by the **Saint Matthews, Kentucky Fire Department**.

The **City of Woodlawn Park** has a contract to clear the **City of Woodlawn Park's** streets when it snows more than two (2) inches. This contract does not cover Westport Road. It is the responsibility of each homeowner to clear their own driveways.

The **City of Woodlawn Park** has a contract to clear the **City of Woodlawn Park's** streets after a storm in which trees or blown down. It is the responsibility of each homeowner to clear their yards of any trees, branches, etc. after any storm.

If any of the above emergencies occur **911** or any other **Emergency Responder** should be called.

The **City of Woodlawn Park, Kentucky** does not own or have any emergency equipment such as chain saws, generators, snow plows, shovels, and stockpiles of food and water. It is the responsibility of each homeowner to have his or her own equipment and supplies.



**CITY OF WOODLAWN PARK**

**EMAIL DISTRIBUTION LIST SIGNUP FORM**

Return this form to City Hall, 4327 Wingate Rd, Attn.; Mayor Brown

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Resident Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Your email address will not be shared with any other organization. It will be used solely for the distribution of the newsletter and other pertinent City of Woodlawn Park information provided by the city government.







## “Do Not Knock Registry” – New Ordinance

The City of Woodlawn Park City Council passed an ordinance regulating solicitation within Woodlawn Park. Effective April 21, 2012, all persons, businesses and organizations wishing to solicit in Woodlawn Park for any money, funds or contributions are required to obtain a permit. Upon permit approval, solicitors will be issued permanent ID cards and will be required to keep them displayed at all times. **All solicitors are prohibited from soliciting at any location listed on the “Do Not Knock Registry.”**

The new ordinance requires all solicitors to obtain a current Do Not Knock Registry (anti-solicitation) list on the first of each month. The Do Not Knock Registry will work similarly to a “Do Not Call” list and will prohibit solicitation at registered addresses. For your protection, only addresses and expiration dates will appear on the Do Not Knock list. **If you would like your address to appear on the Do Not Knock Registry (Anti-Solicitation) List, please complete the Registry Application form below and mail it back to City Hall.** Your registration will become effective on the first day of the month following registration and must be renewed every five years.

We are in the process of having “No Solicitation” signs available at City Hall for purchase. A sign is not required for those listed on the Registry, but may be helpful in preventing unwanted solicitors. The entire ordinance, as well as an overview of the program, is available on the website at [www.woodlawnpark.com](http://www.woodlawnpark.com), Go to “Solicitation Ordinance.”

For further information or to report a violation please call (502) 439-6545, the Chief of Police.

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### City of Woodlawn Park Do Not Knock Registry Application

Print Resident Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration is effective on the 1st of next month and expires five years from the effective date.

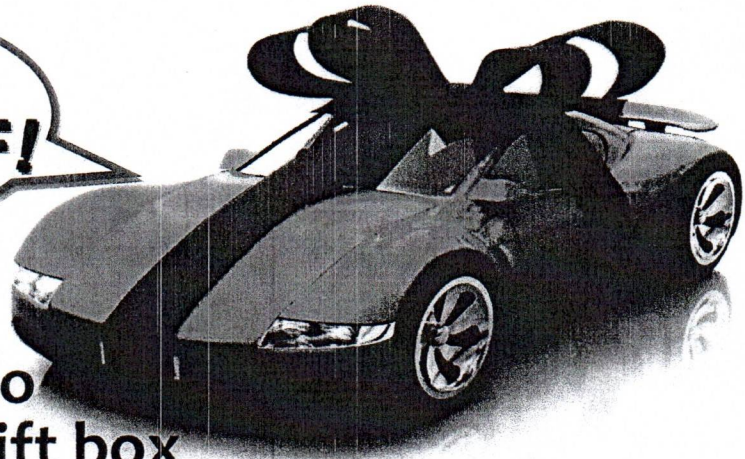
Names will remain confidential- only addresses will be given to the solicitors as part of the Anti-Solicitation List



# WHAT IS YOUR CAR SCREAMING OUT TO THIEVES?

*Psssttt...*  
**FREE STUFF!**

Don't make  
your car into  
a big gift box  
for thieves.



**ALWAYS** lock vehicle and enable alarm if installed



**NEVER** leave vehicle running unattended (even for a brief moment to make a small purchase)



Leave no valuables in sight (including chargers and docking stations, which serve as telltale signs that valuables are in vehicle)

**ITEMS FREQUENTLY STOLEN FORM VEHICLES:** Purses, Cell Phones, Currency, GPS Navigation Systems, Satellite Radios, Docking Stations, Chargers, Laptops, CD Players, Gym Bags, Briefcases, and Vehicle Registration Papers.





Make sure to check that the local government tax is going to Woodlawn Park on your insurance bills.....

Ordinance Number 3, Series 1990-1991 imposes a License fee upon insurance companies for the privilege of engaging in the business of insurance within the corporate limits of the city of Woodlawn Park. This includes homeowners, car insurance and first year premiums of life insurance. This ordinance has been difficult to enforce because of the city dynamics and the number of insurance companies issuing policies. The problem has arisen where many residents are not making their insurance company aware of the proper direction of the tax fee and sometimes this fee is going to Louisville metro.

Please help us solve this situation and help your city collect thousands of dollars of revenue that are being routed to St. Matthews or other municipalities in error. Your insurance rates WILL NOT change as this fee is already being applied. It is merely a matter of misdirection of these funds. You can simply call your insurance company to check on this matter for you.

If you should have any questions, please call Woodlawn Park city hall at (502) 895-6620.