

Strathmoor Manorisms
City of Strathmoor Manor Newsletter
Summer 2018

New Manor Ordinances

- Ordinance to Renew a Non-Exclusive Franchise to Provide Cable Television and Other Telecommunications Services within the City Limits -- Ordinance Series 2018, Number 1
- Ordinance to Establish Property Tax Rate for 2018 -- Ordinance Series 2018, Number 2
- Ordinance to Establish Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 -- Ordinance Series 2018, Number 3

Please find these ordinances in their entirety later in this newsletter.

Manor City Taxes

Good news! The Commission has yet again unanimously moved to keep this year's property tax rate the same as last year's at \$0.32 per \$100 of valuation, based on the PVA's tax roll distribution for 2018. If you or your mortgage company has questions regarding your Manor property taxes, please contact City Bookkeeper, Pat Colgate, at (502) 451-9800. Please mail tax payments to:

City of Strathmoor Manor
P.O. Box 5459
Louisville, KY 40255-0459

Save the Date!

The Manor will be having an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, September 9th, at 3:00 P.M.! Watch for a flyer as the date gets closer!

July 4th Manor Bicycle Parade

Please join us at 10 A.M. on Wednesday, July 4th, in the park for our annual bicycle parade through the Manor! There will be popsicles in the park afterwards! It would be a lot of fun to have an individual, family, or group of friends lead us in saying the Pledge of Allegiance and perhaps singing a patriotic song to kick off the event! Please email Commissioner Brooke Heitz at bcwillinger@gmail.com if you are interested.

P.S. Unfortunately rain will cancel this event, so please send Mother Nature plenty of good vibes in the days leading up to Independence Day! :-)

August 14th Filing Deadline for November Election

Do you have ideas on how to better our city? Would you like to serve the Manor in an official public position? There will be five City of Strathmoor Manor spots on the ballot in this November's election: Mayor (which is a 4-year term) and four Commissioners (which is a 2-year term).

If you would like to run for one of these positions, Tuesday, August 14th is the deadline to file for candidacy with the Jefferson County Clerk's Office. All candidates will file their forms at the Jefferson County Elections Center. For more information on candidate filing procedures, qualifications for each office, filing fees, and sample filing forms, you may download the Declaring Your Candidacy publication www.sos.ky.gov/elections.

Special Thank You to Ron Hirsch and Nick Clifton!

Everyone in the Manor really appreciates all the effort that both of you have put into beautifying our city! The new trees and plantings look wonderful!

Some Reminders on Mulching

Mulching is one of the best things you can do to promote tree health. Proper mulching can:

- Reduce soil moisture loss
- Control weed germination and growth
- Protect roots from extreme summer and winter temperatures
- Improve soil biology, aeration, structure, drainage, and fertility
- Inhibit certain plant diseases
- Reduce the likelihood of damage from weed trimmers or lawn mowers

Proper Mulching Technique

Organic mulch (wood chips, pine needles, hardwood and softwood bark, etc.) is preferred over inorganic mulch (stone, lava rock, pulverized rubber, etc.).

- Apply a 2- to 4-inch layer of mulch (less if poorly drained).
- Spread mulch out to the edge of a tree's crown or beyond.
- If mulch is already present, check depth. Break up any matted layers and refresh the appearance with a rake.
- If mulch is piled against the stems or tree trunks, pull it back several inches/centimeters so that the base of the trunk is exposed.

The Hazards of Improper Mulching

As beneficial as mulch is, too much can be harmful. It is important to avoid “mulch volcanoes” -- excessive mulch applied around the base of a tree which can lead to the development of insects and disease as well as other problems.

These tips are brought to you by TreesLouisville!

Parking and Driving in the Manor

Parking in the Manor can be challenging. Many homes have short or narrow driveways, and the Manor streets are on the narrow side as well. Increased on-street parking due to Lakeside Swim Club makes the situation even more challenging in the summer.

Please observe the speed limit and watch out for pedestrians and bicyclists, and please be a considerate neighbor by parking in your driveway when possible; this makes it easier for other vehicles to navigate our streets safely!

Lock Those Doors!

The Strathmoor Village Police Department reminds all residents to lock up - both your home and your vehicles. We all have a personal responsibility to safeguard our own property. Please be observant as you walk and bike in the Manor and report any suspicious vehicles or persons to Strathmoor Police at (502) 432-8900.

Contact Information for Strathmoor Manor

Mayor	Brian Cobb	(502) 396-3968	cobbbrianw@hotmail.com
City Clerk	Susan Stopher	(502) 456-6319	sgstopher@gmail.com
Communications	Brooke Heitz	(502) 797-5102	bcwillinger@gmail.com
Maintenance	Kathy Zandona	(502) 238-4279	kmzandona@gmail.com
Treasurer	Bob Peterson	(502) 749-6331	rpeter8582@gmail.com

www.cityofstrathmoormanor.com

Strathmoor Village Police Dept. (502) 432-8900 strathmoorvillagepolice@gmail.com

Miscellaneous Information

- Downed tree or limb blocking a road in the Manor? Please call the Strathmoor Police Department at (502) 432-8900 or the Louisville Metro Police Department at 911. A police officer will secure the scene and call for a maintenance crew. This is considered an emergency situation because trees blocking the road also block emergency vehicles.
- Please call MSD at (502) 587-0603 if you have standing water in your easement or are experiencing a problem with the stormwater drain in your easement.
- Street light out? Please call LG&E at (502) 589-1444.
- Please make sure your house number is visible during both daylight and darkness so that guests, emergency vehicles, and vendors can find your home.
- The City of Strathmoor Manor has a Facebook page. Please join us!
- Please be a considerate dog owner and pick up after your pet, and if he or she is outside barking in the early morning or late at night, please let him or her in!

Highlands Happenings

Every Saturday from 8 A.M. - Noon -- Bardstown Road Farmers' Market, held in the Bardstown Road Presbyterian Church parking lot next to Deer Park Ave.

Every Saturday from 10 A.M. - 2 P.M. -- Douglass Loop Farmers' Market, held in the Douglass Boulevard Christian Church parking lot

Every Sunday from 7 - 9 P.M., Jun. 3rd - Sep. 9th -- Cherokee Triangle Summer Concert Series in Willow Park. The event is free, but please bring canned goods, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, paper towels, dishwashing liquid, deodorant, or school supplies to support the Highland Community Ministries' Dare to Care Food Pantry.

Through Monday, Sep. 3rd -- NATURE CONNECTS® Art with LEGO BRICKS® at the Louisville Zoo
Saturday, Sep. 8th at 1 P.M. -- 14th annual Highlands Festival, held along the 900 block of Baxter Ave. from Highland Ave. to Broadway. The event is free, but a \$1 donation to The Arrow Fund is suggested.

Through Sunday, Sep. 23rd -- Butterflies 'n' Blooms at the Louisville Zoo

CITY OF STRATHMOOR MANOR

Ordinance Series 2018, Number 1

AN ORDINANCE amending the Strathmoor Manor Code of Ordinances to renew a non-exclusive franchise to provide cable television and other telecommunications services within the City limits and declaring the existence of an emergency.

WHEREAS pursuant to Ordinance Series 1978, Number 1 a non-exclusive franchise was awarded to CPI, Incorporated to provide cable television and other telecommunications services within the City limits; and,

WHEREAS said franchise was renewed pursuant to Ordinance Series 1988, Number 6 in the name of Storer Communications, successor in interest to CPI, Incorporated; and,

WHEREAS said renewed franchise expired on March 25th, 2005 and requires renewal; and,

WHEREAS Insight Kentucky Partners II, L.P. doing business as Charter Communications is the current successor in interest to CPI, Incorporated.

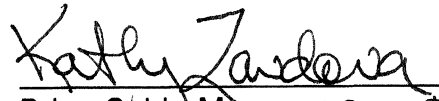
NOW THEREFORE **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STRATHMOOR MANOR** that:

- (a) An emergency exists in that the franchise agreement has expired and requires renewal.
- (b) Strathmoor Manor Code of Ordinances Section 6.101 is hereby amended to read as follows:

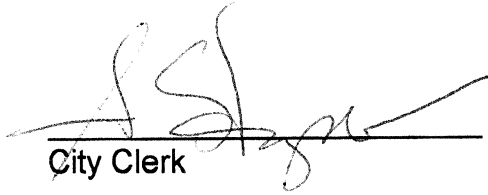
The non-exclusive franchise to construct, operate and maintain a community antenna television (CATV) system within the City of Strathmoor Manor pursuant to the authority and provisions of Ordinance Series 1978-10 and *currently held by Insight Kentucky Partners II, L.P. doing business as Charter Communications* ~~Storer Communications of Jefferson County, Inc.~~ is hereby renewed, commencing with the effective date of this ordinance and *continuing for a period of ten (10) years* ~~terminating on March 25, 2005.~~

- (c).The Mayor is authorized to execute the Franchise Agreement on behalf of the City.
- (d) This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication.

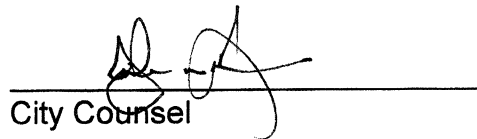
Enacted this 27th day of February, 2018.


Brian Cobb, Mayor PRO-TEM

Attest:


City Clerk

Approved as to form:


City Counsel

Ordinance Series 2018, Number 2

AN ORDINANCE relating to the ad valorem tax rate on real property .

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STRATHMOOR MANOR that:


Section 1. Section 2.605(a) of the Strathmoor Manor Code of Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

The tax rate on non-exempt real property within the corporate limits of the City of Strathmoor Manor shall be ~~32.00~~ 32.00 cents per \$100.00 valuation.

Section 3. Section 2.605(b) of the Strathmoor Manor Code of Ordinances is amended to read as follows:

This ordinance shall take effect with the issuance of the ~~2016~~ 2018 Property Tax Bills of the City based on valuations of real property as of January 1st, ~~2017~~ 2018 by the Jefferson County Property Valuation Administrator.

Enacted this 9th day of ~~April~~ ^{May}, 2018.



Mayor

Attest:

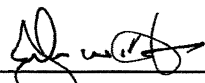


City Clerk

First Reading: 3 / 27 / 2018

Second Reading: 5 / 9 / 18

Approved as to form:



City Counsel

AN ORDINANCE adopting an annual budget for the City of Strathmoor Manor for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STRATHMOOR MANOR that

Section 1. The annual budget for the City of Strathmoor Manor, Kentucky is hereby adopted as follows:

General Fund	
Revenues:	
Property Tax (after discounts and exemptions)	\$ 123,500
Insurance Premium Tax	46,000
Kentucky Intergovernmental Revenue	4,850
Telecommunications Tax	1,365
Other and Interest	290
Total General Fund Budgeted Revenues	<u>176,005</u>
Carry Forward Projected Unassigned balance year ended 6/30/2018	<u>227,236</u>
General Fund revenues available for appropriation	403,241
Less minimum ending general fund balance	(118,000)
Less designated for FY 2019/2020 major repairs and replacements	<u>(29,800)</u>
General Fund revenues available for appropriation current year	255,441
Expenditures:	
Landscaping, Lawn, and Tree Maintenance	(46,000)
Garbage Collection	(28,000)
Fire Protection	(27,600)
Police Protection	(30,000)
Sidewalks and Curbs	(30,000)
Park Enhancements and Signage	(16,000)
Street Lights-Electric	(10,750)
Insurance	(6,500)
Attorney Fees	(8,000)
Bookkeeping	(5,100)
Audit	(4,500)
Manor Board and Clerk	(3,600)
Snow Removal	(3,500)
General Government	(2,700)
PVA Fee	(2,200)
City Events	(1,200)
Total General Fund Budgeted Expenditures	<u>(225,650)</u>
Transfer to Road Fund	(10,000)
Ending balance Unappropriated	19,791
Add minimum ending general fund balance	118,000
Add designated for FY 2019/2020 major repairs and replacements	<u>29,800</u>
Ending Unassigned fund balance	<u>\$ 167,591</u>
Road Fund	
Revenues:	
Kentucky Municipal Road Aid	\$ 8,276
Transfer from General Fund	10,000
Carry forward Restricted for Roads fund balance year ended 6/30/2018	<u>37,911</u>
Road Fund revenues available for appropriation	56,187
Expenditures:	
Road Repair and Maintenance	<u>(2,500)</u>
Ending Restricted for Roads fund balance	<u>\$ 53,687</u>

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication.

Enacted this 26th day of June, 2018



Mayor

Attest:



City Clerk

First Reading: April 24, 2018
Second Reading: June 26, 2018

Approved as to form:



City Counsel