



## ***City of Westwood Hills*** ***December 2015 Newsletter***

### **December Planning Commission Meeting Canceled**

There will not be a December Planning Commission Meeting.

### **Happy Holidays!**

The City of Westwood Hills wishes everyone a wonderful holiday season and a Happy New Year.



### **Johnson County Government- 2015 Yard Waste Campaign**

In conjunction with Public Works- Storm water Management and K-State Extension office, The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) is advising residents to keep their yard waste in their yards this fall. This includes mulch mowing your leaves, composting them in your backyard compost bin, and keeping them out of the sewer and storm drains to help water quality.

[Click Here](#) for a link to the County's Yard Waste page for more information.

### **In Memoriam**

Westwood Hills has lost two long-term residents. Dr. Mila Daskalova, a native of Bulgaria and a dentist who loved gardens, died November 14, 2015. She resided at 2016 West 50th Street.

Local real estate broker and investor Chuck Stewart who grew up at 1900 West 48th Terrace and continued to own the house as a rental property died December 1, 2015. We extend our sympathy to the friends and extended family of each. And we thank Mila's neighbor for looking after her animals in the days immediately following her death. It is acts like this that make Westwood Hills a great place to live.

### **Snow Ordinance**

It's hard to believe with this weather- that there may be snow in the future. Please remember not to park on the street for 24 hours after a 2 inch or greater snow so that the plows can thoroughly clear the streets.

Violators will be ticketed, and any vehicle remaining on a street 2 hours following a snow accumulation of 2 inches or more may be towed from the street by the city at the



expense of the owner of the vehicle.

## Creek Reminder

Please remember to keep leaves and yard waste out of the creek that runs through our City and out of the storm drains along our streets. We have received reports of landscape companies blowing yard clippings or leaves into the streets or into the creek. Please advise your contractors to mulch, compost or bag any yard waste so as to keep debris out of our storm drains and creek and out of our waterways.

## Time Warner Cable Increase

Effective January 14, 2016, customers will see the following price changes. Customers will be notified 30 days in advance via their billing statement of the changes becoming effective. A summary of the pricing changes may be found below, and a sample of the customer notice is also enclosed.

<b>TV Services - Monthly Rates</b>	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>
Starter TV	\$20.95	\$20.95
Standard TV	\$66.99	\$69.99
Variety Pass	\$12.00	\$10.00
TWC Sports Pass	\$8.99	\$10.00
TWC Movie Pass	\$7.99	\$10.00

<b>Internet Services - Monthly Rates</b>	<b>NEW PRICE</b>
Lite Internet	\$39.99
Basic Internet	\$49.99
Extreme Internet	\$59.99
EarthLink Lite	\$39.99
EarthLink Standard	\$59.99

<b>EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES FEES - Monthly Rates</b>	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>
Digital HD, DVR or HD DVR Set-Top Box and Remote	\$10.25	\$11.75
A/O Service Fee	\$1.50	\$0.00
Digital Adapter and Remote	\$2.75	\$3.25
Broadcast TV Surcharge	\$2.75	\$3.75
Sports Programming Surcharge	\$2.75	\$5.00
Internet Modem Lease/EarthLink Modem Lease	\$5.99	\$8.00
DVR Service Fee	\$10.95	\$12.99

## Notify Joco

Read more [HERE](#) about NotifyJoco, the emergency alert system for Johnson County.

## Animal Noise Ordinance

The City has received several complaints regarding dogs barking. A friendly reminder of the City's noise ordinance pertaining to animals:

### ARTICLE 5. ANIMAL NUISANCES

**2-501. NUISANCE PROHIBITED.** It shall be unlawful for the owner or harbinger of any animal to cause or permit such animal to perform, create or engage in an animal nuisance. Any animal found acting in any way forbidden by this article, in the determination of the animal control officer, shall hereby be declared a nuisance, and its owner or harbinger shall be subject to citation. (Code 1994)

**2-502. ANIMALS; NOISE, DISTURBANCE OF PEACE; PROHIBITED.** No person shall keep or harbor any animal, which by loud, frequent and habitual barking, howling, yelping, screeching, fighting, or making other noise, shall annoy or disturb the public peace. It shall be presumed that the barking of a dog for a period of one minute or longer between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. and for a period of two minutes or longer at other times during the day causes a disturbance of the peace. It shall be further presumed that the owner or harbinger of any dog, cat or other domestic animal who leaves such animal outside and unattended failed to take such action as may be necessary to keep such animal from causing a disturbance of the peace, if in fact such animal does cause a disturbance of the peace. It shall be further presumed that the owner or harbinger of any dog, cat or other domestic animal failed to take such action as may be necessary to keep such animal from disturbing the peace, if such owner or harbinger has twice been previously advised, either verbally or in writing, that such animal is disturbing the peace.



### Pet Registration

Please register your animals living in Westwood Hills. Beginning in 2010, the city provided each pet owner a pet tag with an identifying number, good for as long as you have your animal, rather than issue annual tags. Please ensure that all your animals are always current on their proper vaccinations. Also, when circumstances change, for

instance, getting a new pet, or losing a tag, please apply for a new tag. Therefore, if a pet is lost, there is a better chance of helping reunite the pet with its owner. If you need to register a pet now, please fill out the [Pet Registration Form](#) and return to Beth O'Bryan. Westwood Hills allows two cats and two dogs per residence.

### Construction

If you are considering any work around the house, you may need a permit. Check with the City Clerk at [whclerk@gmail.com](mailto:whclerk@gmail.com) before starting any work.

### January Meetings

The January regular City Council meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 11, 2016. Please contact Beth O'Bryan if you have an item to place on the agenda.

The January Planning Commission Meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 21, 2016, at Westwood City Hall. Please contact Beth O'Bryan at [whclerk@gmail.com](mailto:whclerk@gmail.com) if you have an agenda item.

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## City Information

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### City Council

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Meetings are held at Westwood City Hall - 4700 Rainbow Blvd.

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