



City of Westwood Hills June 2016 Newsletter

Tree Reimbursement Program

The City received a grant from the County to encourage residents to plant new trees, and we encourage residents to consider whether a new native tree planting would benefit their landscapes. Prior to any planting, the homeowner must submit an application to the City, describing the planting project. If a homeowner's application is approved, the City will reimburse half the cost of the tree, up to \$150.00. There is a limited amount of money, and first come, first served. Click [here](#) for the application.



Fourth of July Parade

Please join your friends and neighbors on Monday, July 4th, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM for the 2016 Westwood Hills 4th of July parade and picnic celebration on the Green. This always fun event is sponsored by the Westwood Hills Community



Association. The parade begins at 11 AM at the corner of 49th and Rainbow - and will proceed to the Green. Children are encouraged to dress patriotically as well as to decorate their bikes, scooters, and pets and march in the parade. A tent, tables, and chairs will be set up on the Green, and burgers, hot dogs, and drinks

will be provided. Please bring either a side dish or dessert to share. There will be an ice cream truck with treats, and a cookie decorating area for the kids, and the Dixie Doodlers will be there to entertain us.

Fireworks Display

The annual Independence Day fireworks will be held Sunday, July 3rd, at St. Agnes Athletic Field. Fireworks will begin at 9:30 p.m. or dusk. Be sure to bring lawn chairs and blankets. Attendees are encouraged to walk to this event, as parking space is limited. The display is sponsored by the cities of Westwood Hills, Fairway, Mission Woods, Roeland Park & Westwood.



In the event of inclement weather this event will be rescheduled for Friday, July 8th.

Census Bureau 2015 Estimates

All of the municipalities located in Northeast Johnson County reflect larger estimated populations since the last 2010 Census population count was taken. The Census Bureau's July 1, 2015, population estimate for all of Johnson County stands at 580,159, a 35,980 increase from the 544,179 Census population count in 2010. Find more information on the Census Bureau [here](#).

Census Bureau Population	Count	Estimate
City	2010	2015
Fairway	3,882	3,970
Merriam	11,003	11,288
Mission	9,323	9,491
Mission Hills	3,498	3,601
Mission Woods	178	182
Prairie Village	21,447	21,877
Roeland Park	6,731	6,827
Westwood	1,506	1,719
Westwood Hills	359	364
Johnson Co (total)	544,179	580,159

A Note from the HOA Regarding Trash and Yard Waste

Yard waste collection has resumed; and will continue until December 31, 2016. Leaves and yard waste should be placed curbside in brown yard waste bags. Twigs and branches should be tied and bundled in no longer than 3 foot bundles.

Did you know that each home is allowed one large item per month for complimentary pick up? You must call WCA (formerly Town & Country) to schedule the pick up.

Appliances are not included in the monthly pick up.

All residents may call the Homes Association Trash Liaison Board Member, Lizann Kesse, at 816 289 4379 with any questions.

2016 Home Occupation Licenses

If you operate a business from your home, please complete the [Home Occupation License](#) form and mail the completed application with a \$25.00 check payable to the City of Westwood Hills. Home occupation licenses must be renewed annually.

Yard of the Month (YOTM)

Congratulations to Kevin & Lindsey Cowhey at 1921 West 48th Terrace.



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.

Voter Registration Deadline

July 12 is the last day to register to vote in the primary elections in Kansas. Because of some actions taken by Secretary of State Kobach, related to restricting the right to vote of persons who registered when getting or renewing a Kansas drivers license, please check your voter registration status to be certain your vote will count. You can check your status by going to:

[Kansas Secretary of State | Voter View - Registrant Search](#)

House Watch Submission Form

The Westwood Public Safety Department can help monitor your property while you are out of town. To begin this service, complete and submit the [Online Form](#) at least two business days before you depart.

Construction

If you are considering any work around your property, you may need a permit. Check with the City Clerk at whclerk@gmail.com before starting any work.

The June Planning Commission Meeting

There will not be a June meeting.

July Meetings

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

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

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