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THE CITY OF WATTERSON PARK IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE LAUNCH OF OUR OFFICIAL WEB SITE:

www.WattersonParkKy.com

Launch date: July 1, 2012

After months of planning, designing, compiling resources, and developing content, the website is scheduled to go live on **JULY 1, 2012**. Its primary purpose is to provide useful and interesting information about the City of Watterson Park to our residents, businesses, and visitors.

The main features are:

- Welcome Our Home Page, which provides general information and a brief history of Watterson Park
- City Services Outlines services provided by our City, including sanitation, street lights, road maintenance, and snow removal
- Administration Duties and bios of our Council and Officers
- Forestry Information on our ongoing Master Tree Plan
- Citizen Corner A page focusing on our citizens, with interviews, kudos, and upcoming events
- Business Bulletin A page devoted to the businesses in our City

The website will be updated on a regular basis, so please feel free to check it often. While there, we encourage you to complete the Contact Us form to ask a question, voice a concern, post a comment, or make a suggestion. Several pages are still in the design stage, so please check back often after the initial launch for new and updated features.

We are excited about this new vehicle of communication and look forward to hearing your comments and suggestions.

Thank you!

Norman R. Liebert, Mayor

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IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Police Protection –

Emergency: 911

Non-emergency: Jefferson County Police, 574-2133

Fire Protection –

Emergency: 911 Non-emergency:

> Camp Taylor Fire District, 451-7757 Okolona Fire District, 969-0521 Buechel Fire Department, 491-0085

Emergency Medical Services –

Emergency: 911

Sanitation Service – Industrial Disposal, 502.638.9000

CITY OF WATTERSON PARK GENERAL INFORMATION

Phone - 502.458.7613

Mailing Address - P.O. Box 32391, Louisville, KY 40232

City Council Meeting —

2nd Wednesday of each month, 7 p.m. Jefferson County Farm Bureau 4200 Gardiner View Avenue

Website - www.WattersonParkKy.com

E-mail — clerk.wattersonpark@gmail.com

LOUISVILLE METRO SERVICES

Air Pollution Control	574-6000
Animal Control	363-6609
County Clerk	<i>574-57</i> 00
Health Department	574-6520
Inspections, Permits and Licenses	<i>57</i> 4-3321
LG&E	589-1444
Louisville Water Company	569-3600
Metro Call	
Metro Council	574-3902
Metro Parks	
MSD (sewers)	587-0603
Mosquito Control	574-6650
Property Valuation	<i>574-7</i> 111
TARC	585-1234
Voter Registration	574-6100

Be a Good Neighbor!

- Keep your property clean and free of garbage and debris.
- Do not park vehicles on the grass.
- Store trash containers out of view from the street.
- Keep pets from roaming loosely or barking excessively.
- Clean up after your pet.
- Control the volume of your music.
- Keep the exterior of your house in good repair.
- Mow your lawn on a regular basis.
- Blow grass clippings out of street and gutters.
- Keep tree branches and shrubbery trimmed.
- Do not park/store undriveable vehicles in the driveway.
- Park campers or RVs in side or rear yard on approved surfaces.
- Don't forget to say "Hello!"

Please ...

Place the sticker insurance provided in this newsletter on the payment slip when you mail your insurance premium payment (except worker's compensation or health insurance). Remember that doing so will NOT increase your taxes or the cost of your insurance. It will, however, ensure that the license tax on insurance companies that is already being collected is properly received by the City of Watterson Park and used to pay for services for your benefit.

Thank you!

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SANITATION SERVICES GUIDELINES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2012

The following are guidelines provided by Industrial Disposal (ID) for the City of Watterson Park effective July 1, 2012. If you have any questions, please call Industrial Disposal Customer Service at 638-9000.

CONTAINERS MUST BE AT CURB BY 6 A.M. ON SERVICE DAY.

TRASH — Every Friday.* Put bagged trash in cart provided by ID and place at curb – NOT on the street. Place with wheels in the back facing the house and at least 3 feet from mailboxes, cars, landscaping, or any obstruction. All boxes should be broken down flat; large boxes should be cut down to 4-ft. sections. Trash service is for "normal" household trash – not demolition or construction materials. The following items will not be accepted: drywall, concrete, bricks, sinks, tubs, liquids, wet paint, pesticides, solvents, explosive items (i.e., oxygen tanks, propane tanks), bio-hazard materials (i.e., needles, sharps), tires or car parts, and items that contain Freon. If you need an additional cart, please call ID Customer Service at 638-9000.

COMPOSTING – RESIDENTIAL HOMES ONLY — Every other Friday beginning

July 6.* Includes grass, leaves, limbs, vines, small shrubs, and weeds. Limit 15 bags or 7 bundles per pick-up. Maximum 30 pounds per bag or bundle. Tree limbs and branches: maximum 6 inches in diameter, no longer than 4 feet. Must be tied and bundled – not thrown loose at the curb. No loose dirt, stumps, firewood, fencing, landscape timbers, blocks, or decking.

RECYCLING — **Every other Friday beginning July 13.** Put items in recycle bin provided by ID. Acceptable items are newspaper, milk jugs, food and drink bottles and jars, aluminum and tin cans, and plastics with number 1 or 2 on bottom. Not acceptable: broken glass, slick papers, ads or magazines, fiberboard, food containers with grease or oil, telephone books unless cover is removed, or plastics with number 3 on bottom. Place papers in the bottom, next plastics, and then glass to keep items from blowing away.

Note: Composting and Recycling will occur on alternating Fridays each month.

JUNK – Scheduled semi-annual large junk pick-up dates are: October 20, 2012; April 20, 2013; October 19, 2013; and April 19, 2014. No tires, paint, batteries, or any items that contain Freon will be picked up. In addition, ID will collect one junk item from a residence weekly as long as the resident has called ID in advance to schedule the pick-up. Additional charges MAY apply.

HOLIDAYS – If a scheduled service falls on an observed holiday (New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day), service will be the day following the holiday. All services for the remainder of the week are also delayed one day.

Because of this 4th of July holiday, the pick-ups scheduled for July 6 will be on Saturday, July 7.

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Watterson Park Tax Rate Is One of the Lowest in the State

The Mayor and City Council have worked hard to reduce the City's tax rates. Since 1981, the City's real property tax rates have decreased from 16ϕ to the current 9.9ϕ per \$100 of assessed value.

According to *Commonwealth of Kentucky Property Tax 2011* published by the Kentucky Department of Revenue, the average real estate property tax rate for a city in Kentucky is 22.0505¢. Watterson Park has one of the lowest tax rates at 9.9¢.

The following list illustrates the 2011 tax rates for several cities in Jefferson County. The tax rate listed is expressed in cents per \$100 of assessed value.

Anchorage41.6	Hurstbourne18.5	Prospect21.25
Audubon Park26.7	Jeffersontown14.78	Riverwood8.5
Barbourmeade20.9	Kingsley33.0	Saint Matthews20.0
Bellemeade7.5	Langdon Place28.0	Seneca Gardens21.31
Brownsboro Farm26.6	Lyndon13.0	Shively33.9
Douglas Hills13.9	Lynnview29.7	Strathmoor Manor29.23
Fincastle20.0	Meadowbrook Farm7.1	Strathmoor Village29.0
Forest Hills15.0	Metro Louisville36.66	Watterson Park9.9
Glenview13.0	Middletown13.5	Wellington21.0
Houston Acres20.6	Poplar Hills15.0	West Buechel20.0