

# the OUTLOOK

## NEIGHBORHOOD WALK AND TALKS RETURN THIS SUMMER

Have questions, concerns, compliments, or requests for Spring Hill City staff and elected officials? Join us for our annual Neighborhood Walk & Talks!

Over the course of five Monday evenings this summer, Mayor Steven Ellis, members of the City Council, and City staff will visit each area of the City to talk about issues that are important to each neighborhood's residents.

Popular topics at our previous Walk & Talks include:

- Requests for minor repairs. Residents have often pointed out pavement cracks, crooked signs and street light outages that were quickly fixed after the Walk & Talk.
- Updates on ongoing/future City projects.
- Area development projects like new subdivisions and expansions of existing neighborhoods.
- Codes issues. Unmowed lots and trash pick-up are issues that were addressed in a timely manner once City staff were informed.



The schedule and list of meeting places is as follows:

**May 13:** Wolf Creek Estates, 5:30 p.m. at the pool | Prairie Ridge, 6:15 p.m. at the pool | Brookwood Farms and Boulder Springs, 7 p.m. at the Brookwood Farms pool.

**May 20:** Maple Ridge, 5:30 p.m. at the

far southern end of Falcon Ridge Drive | Woodland Ridge, 6:15 p.m.

**June 3:** Original Town west of Webster, The Meadows and Autumn Valley, 5:30 p.m. at City Park gazebo | Original Town east of Webster, 6:15 p.m. at the Spring Hill Police Station.

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## Is your sign in the right spot?

It's time for garage sale signs to start appearing! With the Citywide Garage Sale weekend set for June 14, 15 and 16, here's a few reminders for your signs!

There is no permit required to place a garage sale sign but residents will want to make sure they're following City sign placement regulations.

While garage sale signs are allowed on private property, they are not allowed in the following locations:

- Public property, including the area around the City welcome signs at Webster

and 199th streets and Webster and 223rd streets.

— Public right-of-way, which is typically the area between the street and sidewalk. In areas without sidewalks, the right-of-way extends about 15 to 20 feet from the edge of the street.

Signs will be removed by City staff if they are found on public right-of-way, public property, fences, trees, power poles or temporary structures.

For a garage sale map, visit Niffie Printing at [www.niffieprinting.com](http://www.niffieprinting.com)

## Civic Center Open House set for May

Explore the Civic Center! Join us for our Open House 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 16.

Tour the building, grab some snacks, view artwork and visit with your community during this drop-in, free event.

The Civic Center, 401 N. Madison St., houses Spring Hill City Hall as well as space for community events and reservations. The building — a former elementary school purchased by the City in 1994 — underwent an extensive renovation in 2017 and 2018, revitalizing every aspect of the nearly 70-year-old space.

The project was born out of Project Connect, community visioning sessions that all led back to the same idea: a central location that could host recreational activities, civic group meetings, performing arts and public services.

# contact us

## CITY HALL

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday  
401 N. Madison St. | P.O. Box 424  
Spring Hill, KS 66083  
Main Phone: (913) 592-3664  
Community Development:  
(913) 592-3657  
Municipal Court: (913) 592-3624  
Utility Billing: (913) 592-3626

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

418 E. Nichols St.  
Spring Hill, KS 66083  
Phone: (913) 592-2700

## PUBLIC WORKS

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday  
502 E. Nichols St.  
Spring Hill, KS 66083  
Public Works: (913) 592-3317  
After-hours emergencies:  
(913) 247-3521

## Online

[www.springhillks.gov](http://www.springhillks.gov)  
[/springhillks](https://www.facebook.com/springhillks)  
[@springhillks](https://twitter.com/springhillks)  
[@springhillks](https://www.instagram.com/springhillks)  
[City of Spring Hill, Kansas](https://www.cityofspringhillks.com)

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## Aquatic Center season opens May 26

Get ready for a summer of fun at the Spring Hill Aquatic Center!

The Aquatic Center season returns this month, beginning noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 26.

If you haven't already signed up for swim lessons or season passes, now is a great time to do so! You can enroll in swim lessons online here: [www.springhillks.gov/567/Swim-Lessons](http://www.springhillks.gov/567/Swim-Lessons) and stop by City Hall, 401 N. Madison St. to get your season pass.

Our hours are noon to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sundays and holidays. The last day of



the season will be Sunday, Aug. 11 so our seasonal employees can return to school.

Before you visit us this summer, brush up on pool rules online here: [www.springhillks.gov/382/Pool-Rules](http://www.springhillks.gov/382/Pool-Rules)

## Firework discharge dates set for 2019

Approved at the March 14 City Council meeting, fireworks for the Independence Day holiday can be discharged Wednesday, July 3 through Saturday, July 6 from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.

For New Year's Eve, fireworks may be lit 11 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Dec. 31 through Jan. 1.

Fireworks should not be lit:

- In any gathering of people;
- In public parks, including golf courses, and public parking lots of the city;
- Within any building;
- In, under or from a car or vehicle whether moving or standing still.

For more information, visit [www.springhillks.gov](http://www.springhillks.gov) and click on Community Development.



## Full-time positions now open

We're looking for great candidates to fill open positions! Full-time positions are now available in various departments.

To apply or view the positions, visit us online at [www.springhillks.gov](http://www.springhillks.gov) and click on Employment.

### Coming soon!

Full-time positions in our Police Department will be opening soon!



## Honoring our staff: National Public Works Week this month

We will be celebrating National Public Works Week this month!

May 19 through May 25 is National Public Works Week in coordination with thousands of agencies across the country. This year's theme "It Starts Here" represents the many facets of modern civilization that grow out of the efforts put forth by public works professionals.

Spring Hill Public Works crews treat wastewater, monitor water quality, fill potholes, replace and create roads and sidewalks, care for our parks, maintain our Aquatic Center, keep our city clean and safe, fix leaks and perform repairs, lay utility lines and much more to keep Spring Hill moving.

## Spring Hill named a Tree City USA for 23rd straight year

Spring Hill was recently named a 2018 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. Spring Hill has been a Tree City USA recipient for 23 years.

Spring Hill achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: A tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

"Tree City USA communities see the impact an urban forest has in a community first hand," Dan Lambe, president of the Arbor Day Foundation, said. "Additionally, recognition brings residents together and creates a sense of community pride, whether it's through volunteer engagement or public education."

Trees provide multiple benefits to a community when properly planted and maintained. They help to improve the



visual appeal of a neighborhood, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits."

For more information on the Tree City USA program, visit [www.arborday.org/programs/treeCityUSA/](http://www.arborday.org/programs/treeCityUSA/)

## Open Gym hours return

Open Gym is back in our newly-renovated gymnasium!

Join us every Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. and every other Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. All ages are welcome. Open Gym hours begin Thursday, May 9. Check our website for updates on hours excluded for holidays and previously-scheduled events or summer hours.

Participants for Open Gym must sign in prior to entering the gymnasium. Children ages 13 and up must bring in a waiver signed by a parent or guardian or have the form on file in order to be allowed to participate. Children 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult age 18 or older. To print a waiver or view the Open Gym rules, visit us at <http://bit.ly/SHopengym>

Use of the gym is on a first-come, first-served basis. Balls and sports equipment are not provided. Remember, this is not a time for organized sports or organized practices. Those activities can be reserved through our rental program at <http://bit.ly/GymFacility>

## NEIGHBORS: South subdivisions set for June

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**June 10:** Village at Spring Hill, Victory Woods and Village on Victory, 5:30 p.m. at the Spring Hill Community Center. | Dayton Creek, 6:30 p.m. at the Dayton Creek pool.

**June 17:** Blackhawk, Feather Ridge, Summerhill Acres, Heritage Glen and Sweetwater Creek, 5:30 p.m. at Blackhawk Park.

Inclement weather and unforeseen events may require some of these meeting dates to change. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter or watch the City website for updates.

# Trash, recycling delayed due to Memorial Day

Trash, recycling and yard waste pick up will be delayed one day due to the Memorial Day holiday.

Pick up will be Saturday, June 1. Please have all containers curbside by 7 a.m.

Want weekly reminders for trash pick up or large item day? Sign up online at [www.springhillks.gov/list.aspx](http://www.springhillks.gov/list.aspx)

## WE'RE ACCEPTING LOCAL ART

Are you a Spring Hill artist? We're looking for local artwork for display at the newly-renovated Civic Center. Know someone who might be interested? Have them email us at [publicaffairs@springhillks.gov](mailto:publicaffairs@springhillks.gov)

# MAY + JUNE

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**Large item trash day: Miami County** | Call (913) 631-3300 at least 48 hours in advance to schedule pickup.

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**Cemetery Board meeting** | 7 p.m. | Spring Hill Civic Center

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**City Council meeting** | 7 p.m. | Spring Hill Civic Center

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**Broadband Task Force meeting** | 7 p.m. | Spring Hill Civic Center

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City offices closed Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day. Join us for an early summer swim at the Spring Hill Aquatic Center, open noon to 6 p.m.

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