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semi-annual member meeting & Board Election



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**REPORTS FROM THE LVPOA BOARD | BOARD ELECTION
SPEAKERS & GUESTS**

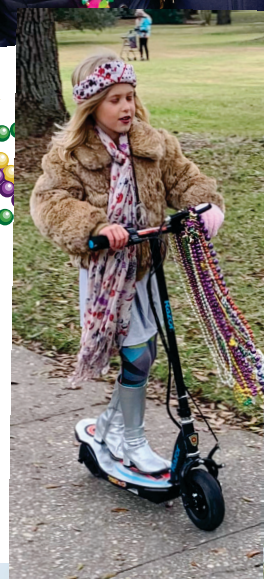
More details to be released closer to the meeting

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YOU MUST HAVE PAID DUES BY MARCH 26TH IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE MEETING.**

Mardi Gras PARADES in the Parks

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2021 LEGISLATIVE SURVEY

The Louisiana Legislative Session will commence Monday April 12, 2021. This is a “fiscal session” in which taxing and fee instruments are debated. Legislators are limited to five “general bills.” Fiscally and locally related instruments are excluded from the total. I have included survey questions addressing some of the bills my fellow legislators may file during the session.

Of local interest, I am working with the Office of Motor Vehicles to allow residents living on renamed streets to change the address on their license and vehicle registration online or over the phone. Currently, a resident is required to go to the Department of Motor Vehicles in person to change their address. Billing issues have plagued Sewerage & Water Board for years; therefore, I have drafted legislation to give the New Orleans City Council greater oversight over Sewerage & Water Board billing operations. I am supporting legislation by Rep. Matthew Willard to cap the increase of Orleans Parish residential property assessments to no more than 10% of the prior year’s assessed value. Properties that have been sold or new construction properties are excluded from the 10% cap.

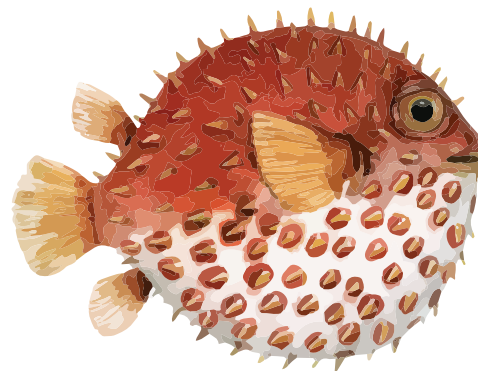
Thank you for your time in completing this survey. I greatly appreciate your feedback on these issues and welcome additional feedback on issues not covered. The completed survey can be emailed to hilfertys@legis.la.gov or mailed to: **3331 Severn Ave., Suite 206, Metairie, LA 70002**

1. Many states have a single tax collector. Louisiana allows sales taxes to be collected on a local level. Should the state have a single tax collector, rather than each parish collecting taxes? ☐Yes ☐No
2. Do you support raising the gas tax to pay for new road and bridge construction? ☐Yes ☐No
3. Do you favor reducing the sales tax rate but broadening the tax to apply to more services? ☐Yes ☐No
4. Do you support removing the requirement that a person possess a state-issued permit to carry a concealed handgun in Louisiana? ☐Yes ☐No
5. What issue should be the top priority of your representatives in Baton Rouge? Tax Reform, Election Integrity, Education, Job Creation and Economic Development, or Infrastructure. _____
6. Do you support the passage of legislation legalizing recreational use of marijuana? ☐Yes ☐No
7. In your opinion, should schools require teachers to receive the COVID-19 vaccine? ☐Yes ☐No
8. Do you support legislation to abolish the death penalty? ☐Yes ☐No
9. In your opinion, should the legislature pass legislation to restrict the power of the governor during a pandemic? ☐Yes ☐No



THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

BY MARK FULLMER



It is that time of the year to renew your LVPOA membership or to join the LVPOA, if you are not a member. This past year the LVPOA was unable to host social events; instead, a large part of its budget was devoted toward a long term work program in our parks, Honoring the Oaks, Now and Beyond. Please see an update on the project elsewhere in the newsletter.

I am hopeful that the successful distribution of COVID vaccines over the next several months will allow us to have fewer restrictions in place, and the LVPOA can start hosting social events for our members and continuing its beautification efforts in Lake Vista.

Please, spend \$75 and join the LVPOA so that we can continue our efforts to make Lake Vista a special place to live.

Mardi Gras was cancelled but Lake Vista had its own celebration in compliance with social distancing guideline on Fat Tuesday which was a success. Thanks to all who participated. Please see the photos of the celebration in this newsletter.

From time-to-time, the LVPOA receives questions regarding pools in Lake Vista. Contrary to what some people believe or say, the LVPOA neither interprets nor enforces the provisions in the New Orleans Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance regarding pools. If you have questions regarding building a pool in Lake Vista, or you have questions regarding a pool that is being built in our neighborhood, you should contact New Orleans Safety and Permits at 658-7200 or write to them at www.nola.gov.

On December 15, 2020, Safety and Permits issued Zoning Interpretation Memorandum Z-20-03 which addresses pools in Lake Vista. The Memorandum is reproduced on the next two pages.

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Memorandum Z-20-03

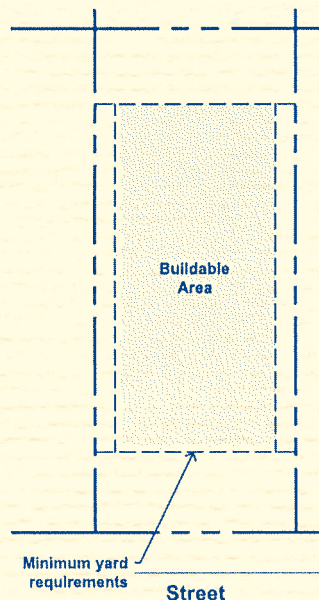
DATE: **December 15, 2020**

FROM: **Tammie Jackson, Director**

RE: Clarification on Prohibition of Certain Accessory Structures in Certain Portions of the Buildable Area

Accessory structures are generally permitted to be located in the buildable area of the lot. The buildable area is the portion of a lot that is not located in a *required* yard (see the definition below). Except for accessory structures that are listed below, accessory structures can be constructed in any portion of the buildable area, even if located in front of the principal structure.

Buildable Area. The area of a lot where a structure may be built once the minimum yard and open space requirements of this Ordinance have been met. (See Figure 26-3: Buildable Area)



While accessory structures are generally allowed in any portion of the buildable area, CZO Section 21.6.A.5 does outline circumstances where certain types of accessory structures are not allowed to locate in certain portions of the buildable area (see the citation below). There will be language that states that the accessory structure is “permitted to locate only in...” certain yards, which also includes the buildable area between the principal structure and that required yard area

5. Accessory structures are permitted within the buildable area unless specifically prohibited by this section. In such cases, the limitation is indicated by language that states “permitted to locate only in...” or similar language, and a designation of the permitted yard or yards. When such location restriction is indicated, the yard indicated includes the area between the principal building wall located parallel to such yard and the lot line, which will include the minimum required yard area.

For example, CZO Section 21.6.EE.1 permits swimming pools only in the required rear and interior side yards, which includes the buildable area between the required rear and interior side yards and the principal structure. Swimming pool are prohibited in the front and corner side yard and prohibited in the buildable area between the principal structure and the front and corner side yards.

Based on the regulations in CZO Section 21.6, here are the type of accessory structures and the portions of the buildable area where these accessory structures are prohibited:

- **Amateur (HAM) Radio Equipment:** Front, Corner Side, & Interior Side Yards (21.6.C)
- **Apiary:** Front, Corner Side, & Interior Side Yards (21.6.D)
- **Aquaponics:** Front, Corner Side, & Interior Side Yards (21.6.E)
- **Mechanical Equipment:** Front & Corner Side Yards (21.6.T)
- **Pigeon Loft:** Front, Corner Side, & Interior Side Yards (21.6.Y)
- **Large Satellite Dish Antennas (Residential Districts):** Front, Corner Side, & Interior Side Yards (21.6.CC.3.a)
- **Large Satellite Dish Antennas (Non-Residential Districts):** Front & Corner Side Yards (21.6.CC.3.b)
- **Solar Energy System: Private (Freestanding Systems):** Front & Corner Side Yards (21.6.DD.3.)
- **Swimming Pool:** Front & Corner Side Yards (21.6.EE)
- **Wind Turbines: Private (Ground-Mounted):** Front, Corner Side, & Interior Side Yards (21.6.HH.2)

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BY BETTY TEDESCO

Floral Park Fresh Water Leak

In late February, we worked closely with the Sewerage and Water Board (S&WB) on the timing and park access for their repair of a water leak affecting several resident properties as well as the park grounds near Balsam Lane in Floral Park. Nearby residents had immediately reported the leak directly to the S&WB, and their staff responded promptly on a weekend evening for the initial assessment. (see below for how to report a leak or drainage issue)



The repair of the broken water pipe necessitated the S&WB to use heavy equipment to dig a large hole, repair the water line and prepare to fill the cavernous hole. Fortunately, the “right of way” (ROW) on Jay Street is located in close proximity to this water leak. However, there were some issues with the clearance of the ROW for S&WB access. This led to Lakefront Management Authority (LMA) staff getting involved to authorize the S&WB to clear the ROW as needed for this necessary utility work.

This incident has highlighted the importance of clear access to the parks through the established ROW's. Infrastructure repairs are unpredictable and fairly frequent in our neighborhood. When trucks and heavy equipment are required for utility projects in the parks, they need access through these ROW's. If trucks and heavy equipment are forced to resort to driving through the parks, there **will be** significant risk of additional damage to sidewalks, the park grounds, subsurface pipes, and other utilities. The ROW's exist on ground owned by LMA....**NOT** by individual residents, and need to be kept clear for access!

Please refer to the Lake Vista map in the LV News and on the website for clarification of the location of the ROW near your home **AND** do your part to maintain clear access, so that both emergency and ongoing maintenance work can be done successfully, and without delays.



Entergy Electrical Buildings in LV Parks

Cleaning up often seems to uncover additional projects needing attention! The “Honoring the Oaks” project began with a careful survey of the overall condition and aesthetics of our five Lake Vista parks. Taking a wider view during the clean-up work has highlighted some problematic issues with the Entergy-owned electrical buildings.

Although, planting trees, shrubs and hedges are not a viable solution to camouflaging our historic Entergy buildings, we are on a path to better-looking buildings. We made a contact at Entergy and a representative was able to spend several hours in the parks inspecting the various buildings with us; other Entergy field representatives later surveyed the overall work needed on their buildings. It is our understanding that they are reasonably sure to have obtained a bit of funding within Entergy to provide for the cleaning and painting of some of Lake Vista's buildings. We will likely need to determine which buildings are the worst and begin the process with those. We hope to see some progress on the cleaning and painting of the electrical buildings, so that they can better “blend in” with the beauty of our parks.

REPORTING UTILITIES ISSUE - REMINDERS

"Thank you" to all residents who have initiated reports for maintenance to utility services when you have noticed water leaks or street light outages in need of attention. Please let us know, as well, when you have made a report; we may be able to assist with collaboration and follow-up when needed.

Report Water or Drainage Leaks to Sewerage & Water Board

The Sewerage and Water Board's Emergency Desk takes calls concerning water and sewer leaks. The Emergency Desk is available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. All water and sewer leaks should be called in to the Emergency Desk to ensure prompt service.

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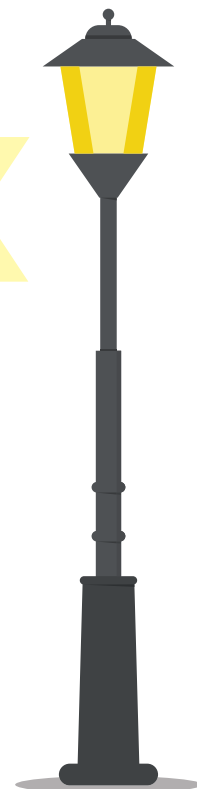
You may call 311, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to report a broken streetlight. The 311 Customer Service Agent will take down the nearest physical address of the streetlight, and issue you a ticket number. That ticket will then be sent to the Department of Public Works to assess. You may also report a streetlight outage online at <https://nola311.org> by filling out the request form provided. You will receive a ticket number when reporting an outage online and have the ability to check the status of the request utilizing this number.

What Information do I need to Report a Broken Streetlight?

When reporting a streetlight outage, please be prepared to provide the 311 Customer Service Agent your name and phone number in case additional information about your complaint is needed at a later date. Please also provide the nearest physical address of the streetlight, the pole number and the cross streets. Pole numbers are typically printed on metal plates affixed to the streetlight pole but may not be visible on each pole. Pole ID's are always alpha-numeric (For example Ab123).

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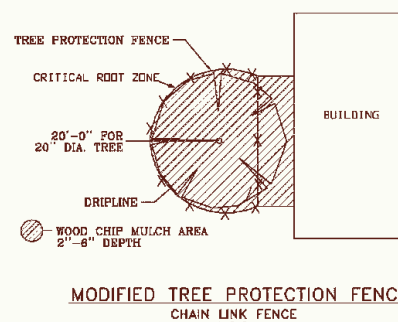
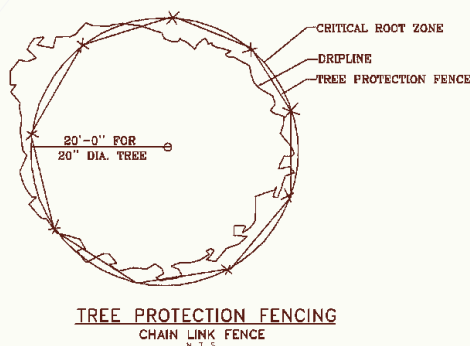
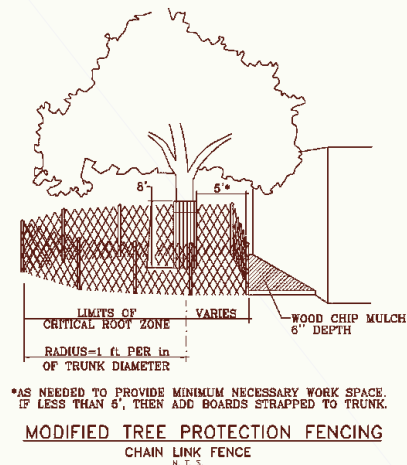
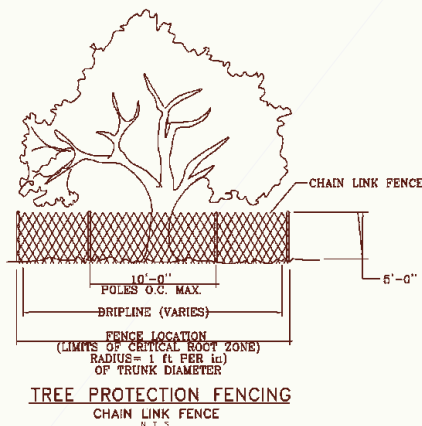
By Patricia Fullmer

Honoring the Oaks, Now and Beyond UPDATE

Honoring the Oaks, Now and Beyond, phase one is completed. The project, described in detail in the previous newsletter ([available at www.golvpoa.com](http://www.golvpoa.com) under the *Documents/Newsletters Tab*), has had a brilliant impact on our five parks. Although, there were three or four concerned neighbors, that I am aware of who questioned the wisdom of the arborists and park landscape expert's judgment to remove certain trees and shrubs, we received and welcomed a lot of positive feedback from our neighbors. Phase Two, funded by LMA is scheduled to start soon.

For clarification, Honoring the Oaks was never about trimming the park oaks. Park oaks are not considered maintenance oaks by most arborists. They do not require routine trimming like a street oak might. If a park oak or a lane oak near your property needs work, contract a licensed arborist for a consult and quote. The arborist you or several neighbors hire will need to obtain a permit from LMA to perform any work on any LMA tree. The permits are good for a 10 day period. Heavy equipment cannot enter the parks and lanes when the conditions are wet and the equipment would rut the ground. If the right of ways between houses on your block are not obstructed, equipment can access the park through the right of way.

Construction of New Homes: If you are building a new home in Lake Vista, please install construction fencing around the *critical root zone* of all trees in conflict with your construction work. If you are a Lake Vista resident and you see demolition starting at a construction site that has a street tree or a lane or park tree in conflict with the construction that does not have construction fencing to protect it, please contact me at 388-9972. See attached diagram for construction fencing.



Entergy's Electric Buildings: Beautification of the Entergy's electric buildings cannot be *successfully* accomplished by hiding them behind various trees and shrubs because of lack of funding. If we had a healthy source of long term money, then hedges around electric buildings could possibly be considered on a master plan and perhaps implemented. In the meantime, it costs more money than available, to plan a landscape hedge planting, to implement the plan, to provide hedge maintenance for future years, which includes among other things... watering as necessary, pruning, spraying, mulching, edging and weed whacking, picking up litter that accumulates between the hedge and the buildings.

Attempts have been tried and many of those plants died from lack of water before the growers' tags were removed. Plants that require the sun were planted under the shade of an oak tree or the oaks grew and shaded the sun loving plants, etc. In using a landscape hedge, when a tree or shrub dies, it creates a snaggle tooth effect, which is more distracting than seeing a well maintained painted electric building. Even well-meaning neighbors that might want to donate plants for an initial hedge planting can't provide for all the future maintenance requirements. We all should realize by now that a struggling sun loving oleander planted under an oak tree is not camouflaging an electric building.

The LMA has the responsibility of the grounds around the electric buildings. They struggle to respond to emergencies and the removal of volunteer trees that have been allowed to grow around the electric building roof and other maintenance issues that have been ignored for fifteen years.



Plantings around electric buildings cannot be considered a viable option at this time.

Right of Ways or ROW's from streets to parks and lanes must be kept open for utilities companies to have access to parks and lanes. The oaks in the parks are mature and large equipment cannot navigate the parks freely. If you have claimed the ROW by planting a hedge, tree, shrub, fence, patio, etc. I suggest that you consider relocating those possessions, if you want to preserve them, for future use, on your property. LMA has told me that they plan to move forward with clearing the ROW's. The first ROW's to be cleared will be from the streets to the parks. If you bought your property where the previous owners encroached on the ROW, it is now your responsibility to clear the ROW or it will be cleared by LMA. You cannot install a fence or hedge and think that the property will become your property after a certain amount of time. I have been advised that acquisitive prescription does not run against the State of Louisiana.

Reforestation: We are happy to be planting two Live Oaks and one Natchez Crape Myrtle. Roger and Lisa Fullmer, the Peter Perez family and Hope Young and family participated this year. We were very appreciative of the offers for donations from Tiffany and Rob Mouton, LVPOA and Garden Club but this year we were not able to successfully locate viable placements for Live Oaks in the parks. There were several places that could have benefitted from oaks but we were unable to work out a water source. This program is not just for planting large scale public trees. Our neighborhood could benefit from ornamental trees and shrubs in yards and street trees. Please give that idea some thought for next year's program.

From the desk of **COUNCILMEMBER JARED C. BROSSETT**

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As we start this new year, I want to share some positive impacts and legislative updates with you. As your District D representative, I will continue to work tirelessly to improve quality of life issues. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office with any concerns or issues you have.

INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATES

The lake communities are a hotbed for road construction with major reconstruction projects in Lakeshore, Lake Vista, and Lake Oaks. Lakeshore's portion of Canal Boulevard is receiving a full depth reconstruction. The \$4.5 million Canal Boulevard Roadwork project is expected to wrap up this spring. The majority of the sidewalks are poured, final sewer connections are wrapping up, and striping was scheduled to be completed in February.

There are five separate roadwork projects slated for Lake Vista. Collectively, these projects will bring repairs to every street in the neighborhood.

The City broke ground in June on Lake Vista Group A. The \$2.8 million project bring repairs to 12 street in Lake Vista. The contractor, Roubion Roads & Streets LLC., is currently adding water lines on Killdeer, S. Lark, Snipe, and Bluebird Streets before moving on to road repairs. Lake Vista Group A is slated for completion this Summer.

The remaining four roadwork projects for Lake Vista, Groups B through E, are scheduled to start sometime between April and September of this year.

Meanwhile, in Lake Oaks, there is full depth reconstruction underway on Killdeer, Oriole and Jay streets. The \$5.8 million Lake Terrace & Oaks Group D project is slated for completion this summer. The contractor, Boh Bros Construction, completed drainage line installation in December and is now working on water line replacements.

The City is continuing to make progress on the Gentilly Resilience District. The District is comprised of 12 separate projects that will ensure the sustainability and resiliency of District D and the City of New Orleans.

Phase I of the Pontilly Neighborhood Stormwater Network project is nearly complete. The \$15 million project brings green infrastructure improvements to the Pontchartrain Park and Gentilly Woods neighborhoods. Bioswales, stormwater lots, and permeable paving installations will work together to reduce stormwater runoff and beautify the neighborhoods' greenspaces.

Phase II of the Pontilly project will transform the Dwyer Canal from France Road to the Peoples Avenue Canal into an active park. The \$3.4 million project will bring recreational and social spaces to the canal. These improvements will enhance the green infrastructure and drainage improvements already installed during Phase I.

The Dillards Wetland project will revamp 27 acres of dense woodland along the western side of the London Avenue Canal. Once completed, the project will provide stormwater management, support ecosystem restoration, and incorporate community, recreational, and educational space making. It is currently at 30 percent design completion. Construction is expected to begin later this year.

CRIME PREVENTION UPDATES

I approved a five-year extension of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) between the City of New Orleans and the Lake Vista Crime Prevention District (LVCPD) at the Council's January 28th meeting. The CEA allows LVCPD continued use of city light poles for their video surveillance cameras. These cameras are linked to the City's Real Time Crime Center and provide valuable real time feedback for first responders.

COVID RESPONSE UPDATES

As Chair of the City Council's Budget Committee, I recently appropriated \$11.6 million in federal grant funding to the Emergency Rental Assistance Program run by the Office of Community Development.

The Emergency Rental Assistance Program will provide rental assistance to households impacted by COVID-19 and earning 60% or less of the area median income (AMI). Priority will be given to households experiencing unemployment at the time of application, that earn 50% AMI and/or are in danger of eviction. Any awarded rental payments may be used to pay up to twelve months of back due rent.

Either a renter or a landlord on their renter's behalf can submit an application. Program rules prohibit applications for the same household from both the landlord and the renter. One household, one application.

The pandemic has impacted not only our renters but also our landlords. I am glad that this allocation recognizes that fact and allows landlords to apply directly for funding.

For more information on the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, please contact my office or visit www.ready.nola.gov.

I convened a March 2 meeting of the City Council's Emergency Preparedness and Cybersecurity Special Committee, which I created last year in an effort to provide transparency with the City's emergency response efforts. The meeting provided an opportunity for the City's Homeland Security personnel to speak directly with the Council and the public on its efforts to protect and save lives during the COVID-19 pandemic.

One of the subjects discussed at the meeting that I want to highlight is the NOLA Ready Volunteer Corps. The New Orleans Office for Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness is recruiting volunteers to support vaccine sites, the 311-call center, and assist with community canvassing efforts related to COVID-19. The NOLA Ready Volunteer Corps contributed over 3,000 hours at testing sites in 2020 and have logged over 2,000 hours in COVID-19 response related activities so far this year.

For more information or to sign-up, visit www.Ready.Nola.gov. No prior medical training is required. If you are a medical professional who is interested in volunteering, you can join the New Orleans Medical Reserve Corps by visiting www.ready.nola.gov/volunteer/joinmrc/

The second presentation at the meeting came from LCMC Health. LCMC opened the first mass vaccination site in Orleans Parish on March 3. The site, located at the Morial Convention Center, is the first federally funded mass vaccination site in Louisiana. The event will continue as long as supplies and funding allow.

Appointments are required for any mass vaccination event. To receive an appointment, you should join the City's vaccine waitlist by calling 311 or 504-658-2299.





THE LAKE VISTA WOMAN'S CLUB

KEEPS PHILANTHROPIC WHEELS TURNING

Vigilance has been the watchword of this past pandemic year, but the Lake Vista Woman's Club has not missed a beat in terms of its mission to support those in need. The club's March meeting featured the latest beneficiary of our support, the **YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROJECT**.

Founded by three juvenile justice advocates to help formerly incarcerated young people ease back into society, **YEP** has expanded since 2004 to engage youth who are impoverished, out of school or work, or have experienced trauma. The only project of its kind in Louisiana, **YEP** provides mentoring, advocacy, high school equivalency preparation, job and career readiness services, and programming for kids outside of school hours. The nonprofit organization focuses on building relationships with its young clients and building on their trust to help them navigate a path toward a purposeful and meaningful adult life.

If you would like to support **YEP's** work in the community, here are a few ways in which you can help:

- Patronize **YEP's** full-service bike shop and thrift store, located on Oretha Castle Haley Boulevard in Central City. These shops provide young people with work-based learning opportunities while offering essential retail services.
- Consider partnering with **YEP** to help provide the resources they need. Each year, local businesses and individuals sponsor some of the organization's crucial services and events.
- Log on to **youthempowermentproject.org** to make a financial donation online. **YEP** also loves to receive gift cards that clients can use in shopping for essentials. And unused event tickets are also welcome as they can provide young people with entertainment opportunities they would not otherwise enjoy.
- Volunteer. While volunteer activities are currently suspended due to the pandemic, **YEP** invites those who would like to help at a later date to complete an application, which is available on the website.

During its April meeting, the Woman's Club will hear from another of our selected beneficiaries, the Service and Hospitality Family Assistance Program, a project of the Greater New Orleans Foundation. This program provides direct help to workers and their families who are among those hit hardest by the pandemic and the near shutdown of the local tourism and hospitality industries.

The Woman's Club board has met regularly via Zoom, between club meetings, to keep the philanthropic wheels turning and work on returning the club to in-person meetings at the earliest possible time. President Diana Mann and the other board members look forward to announcing progress toward this goal very soon.





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We are here for you and will help you thoughtfully plan your goodbye to take away the stress and create a lasting memory. Whether the need is immediate or to memorialize wishes, we will help you navigate the intricate details of beliefs, family and wishes to create a fitting celebration.

We are here for you as a resource when needed whether to answer



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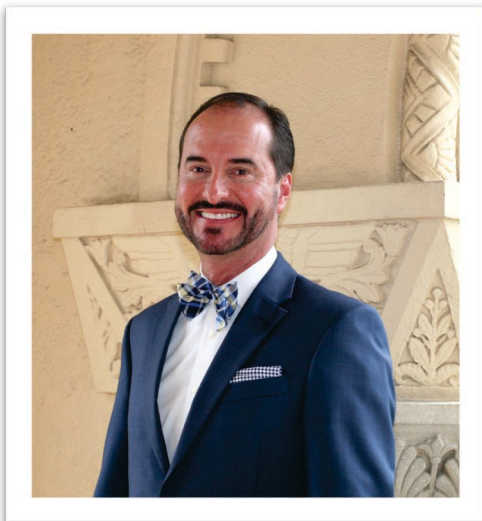
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From my family to yours, I invite you to come see the new, bright and airy space, discuss what innovative options are now available for memorial and learn more about how we can help you or a loved one realize their wishes to be remembered and celebrated. Please stop by or give me a call at (504) 605-0341 and I will personally arrange a tour for you.

And as always, if you ever have a question, please do not hesitate to ask.

Patrick M. Schoen

Patrick M. Schoen, Managing Partner





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DATE	ADDRESS	TYPE	CONDITION	LIST \$	SALE \$	SQ FT	BED/BATH (Full/Half)
1/24/20	41 STILT ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	625,000	610,000	3100	4/3
3/3/20	35 WARBLER ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	1,125,000	1,100,000	4501	5/3
3/6/20	6 WARBLER ST	RESIDENTIAL	AVERAGE	450,000	354,484	1901	3/2
3/19/20	37 LARK ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	1,100,000	950,000	4763	4/3.5
3/23/20	41 EGRET ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	550,000	515,000	2225	3/2
4/1/20	80 N WREN ST	RESIDENTIAL	VERY GOOD	799,000	774,000	3217	5/3.5
4/20/20	4 TERN ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	750,000	725,000	2471	3/2.5
5/7/20	61 THRASHER	VACANT LAND		365,000	358,000		
6/1/20	11 RAIL ST	RESIDENTIAL	VERY GOOD	599,000	510,000	2555	3/2.5
6/24/20	25 RAIL ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	699,000	672,000	2600	3/3
7/1/20	20 WARBLER ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	475,000	468,000	1770	3/2
8/14/20	37 GULL ST	RESIDENTIAL	FAIR	350,000	315,000	1822	4/2
8/21/20	53 CRANE ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	850,000	830,000	3651	4/3.5
8/28/20	45 SNIPE ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	495,000	475,000	1665	3/2
9/16/20	38 FINCH ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	635,000	650,000	1958	3/2.5
9/14/20	34 CRANE ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	625,000	600,000	3412	4/2.5
10/2/20	56 SPANISH FORT	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	1,195,000	991,000	4471	4/4.5
10/25/20	13 EGRET ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	1,125,000	1,048,750	4002	4/4.5
11/9/20	27 FLAMINGO ST	RESIDENTIAL	VERY GOOD	499,900	454,000	2032	3/2
12/14/20	98 EGRET ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	539,000	530,000	2635	3/2
12/14/20	1033 ROBERT E. LEE	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	1,500,000	1,350,000	3477	5 4/2
12/16/20	103 LARK ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	699,000	650,000	2598	4/2
12/28/20	105 LARK ST	RESIDENTIAL	AVERAGE	499,000	499,000	2093	3 1/1
12/29/20	15 STILT ST	RESIDENTIAL	VERY GOOD	499,000	500,000	2398	3 2/1
1/27/21	20 LARK ST	RESIDENTIAL	VERY GOOD	949,000	872,375	4715	4 3/2
1/15/21	85 S WREN ST	RESIDENTIAL	NA	NA	1,025,000	2971	NA
2/3/21	7 SWAN ST	RESIDENTIAL	AVERAGE	905,000	900,000	3628	4 4/1
2/15/21	10 STILT ST	RESIDENTIAL	VERY GOOD	749,000	812,000	2857	4/3
3/1/21	9 SNIPE ST	RESIDENTIAL	AVERAGE	550,000	480,000	2362	3/2
3/5/21	25 THRASHER ST	VACANT LAND		475,000	466,900		
3/15	30 TERN ST	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	2,100,000	2,100,000	5670	4 3/2
3/16/21	77 SPANISH FORT	RESIDENTIAL	EXCELLENT	775,000	770,000	2846	4 3/1
3/17/21	65 SPANISH FORT	RESIDENTIAL	VERY GOOD	669,000	609,000	3041	5/5



SPRING MARKET MADNESS



By Connie Quave

So we've been dealing with Coronavirus for a year now...we are spending more time at home, and enjoying our outdoor spaces more than ever! We just got past the freezing temps and everyone is out in their yards again. People have settled into working from home and many of us love it! Add to that a year of historic low interest rates allowing more people than ever before to buy - but where is the inventory??? It's REALLY low.

When a nice property comes on the market today and is reasonably priced, it's not going to last, often having multiple offers right off the bat. This is certainly a problem for buyers, but a sweet spot for sellers. If you are considering selling your house, there is no better time than NOW!. Here's my advice to get under contract in record time and keep your sanity during the Spring Market Madness, already underway!

OUTDOOR SPACES!

More than ever, the exterior spaces need to be clean (don't forget your walkways, lanes, and driveways). Pressure wash what you can and remember to clean those windows and screens. Think fresh neutral paint, pops of color, maybe on your front door, surrounded by a lovely, well-maintained yard. Be sure to get rid of the dead stuff and weeds. Solar lights and candles add to the evening ambiance and create a romantic atmosphere.

There's never been a better time to add outdoor living space in your yard or patio with outdoor furniture and landscaping. Insert a little color with an outdoor rug and pretty Spring flowers. Perhaps a little corner of the yard could be transformed into an intimate private garden. Set the mood! The key is to make your home look inviting, a place where anyone would love spending their time.

INSIDE SPACES: DECLUTTER, CLEAN...REPEAT!

Nobody wants to envision themselves in someone else's mess and clutter. Hire a professional organizer to help if you need it. Deep clean the kitchen and bathroom spaces, too - appliances on the outside and the inside, toilet bowls & tanks, and clean or regrout tile if needed. Windowsills, door frames, baseboards are often overlooked and may need to be spruced up. Paint a fresh neutral shade on the walls for an inexpensive and transformative update. Get those windows sparkling clean so you can really bring the outdoors in - and no neighborhood does that better than Lake Vista.

DON'T GO IT ALONE!

This may be the most important part of the equation when it comes to a satisfying home sale. Get some referrals from friends and neighbors you know and trust who have had great experiences with their Realtors. Interview a few - one size does not fit all! You want to work with someone who has the knowledge and experience to navigate multiple showings, multiple offers, multiple legal documents, backup offers, contingent offers, cash vs financed offers & terms, deal with lenders, inspection issues, appraisals, title issues, what is trending and what is not ...and so much more. Good solid advice in this market is crucial, and you want to do it right the first time! There is SO much more to deal with beyond just putting out a sign and showing your house. A great Realtor is worth every penny to get your house priced properly, offer sound professional advice and guide you through the entire process...It's a win win!.



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The LAKE VISTA GARDEN CLUB'S

Spring BBQ and Easter Egg Hunt



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Special Thanks to Delia Perez, GC President | Jimmy & Yvonne McCulla, Our Hosts | Susan Coco, Committee Chair and last but no least, Charlene Baudier, The Easter Bunny! Thanks to the many volunteers who made this a huge success!

TREE PROTECTION

By Patricia Fullmer

Our neighborhood association and clubs plant Live Oak trees, nurture them, appreciate them and leave them to be enjoyed for future generations. Frequently, our valuable trees are threatened by various forces, including weather, disease, utility work, construction projects, and even the preferences of some residents and builders. We never condone cutting a healthy mature Live Oak tree because they are treasured for their beauty and benefits too numerous to memorialize in this article.

Lake Vista's parks, lanes and street Live Oaks contribute to making this neighborhood unique with property values higher than the other three lakefront neighborhoods. The beautiful tree canopy and shaded lots are an important factor in families moving to Lake Vista, staying in Lake Vista, raising children in Lake Vista where many of those children return and raise their own families.



TREE PROTECTION PROGRESS IN THE LMA BUILDING PERMIT PROCESS

On March 24, 2021, I spoke with Bob Romero, Chairman of the Lakefront Management Authority's Subdivision/ Recreation Committee, regarding the Committee's new directive. In an effort to clarify any misunderstanding regarding Letters of No Objection issued for building plans, Bob said future LNO will state the following:

1. Plans must be built according to the plans as submitted and approved by LMA. (Note: during the process of building a home, there are frequent change-orders. These changes must be within the approved plans.)
2. Construction site must have a Port-o-let or Porta Potty.
3. Construction site must have tree protection fencing around all legacy trees.

This directive will go a long way to protect Lake Vista's valuable tree canopy. Properly placed tree protective fencing should extend out from the trunk to the drip line, to protect the tree's Critical Root Zone (radius = 1 foot per inch of trunk diameter).



RECENT SUCCESS STORY: SAVING A YOUNG OAK

A volunteer Live Oak was growing beautifully next to the Tulip Lane sign in Foliage Park. The experts working with us on the "Honoring the Oaks – Now and Beyond" project said the oak could not stay next to the sign. Choices were proposed. As luck would have it, I met two talented welders, who agreed to move the sign away from the oak. LMA gave their permission. LVPOA and the Garden Club agreed to split the cost of moving the sign. On a recent Saturday morning, the work was done. Neighbors came out to question what was going on and then applaud the work. Several neighbors asked the welders to their homes for estimates on work they needed to have done. It was a win, win!!! The signage needed replacing. Our talented Graphic Designer/Editor and LVPOA Board Member, Paul Caboche, will produce the new signage that the Garden Club will happily pay for.





LAKE VISTA COMMUNITY CENTER

The Lake Vista Community Center is situated in the center of the neighborhood at 6500 Spanish Fort Blvd. It is owned and operated by the Orleans Levee District. It serves as a Orleans Parish Voting location, designated as an Early Voting Site; Voting is located on 2nd floor. The second floor serves as meeting space for the Lake Vista Property Owners Association. We have 2 public member meetings per year in April and October.

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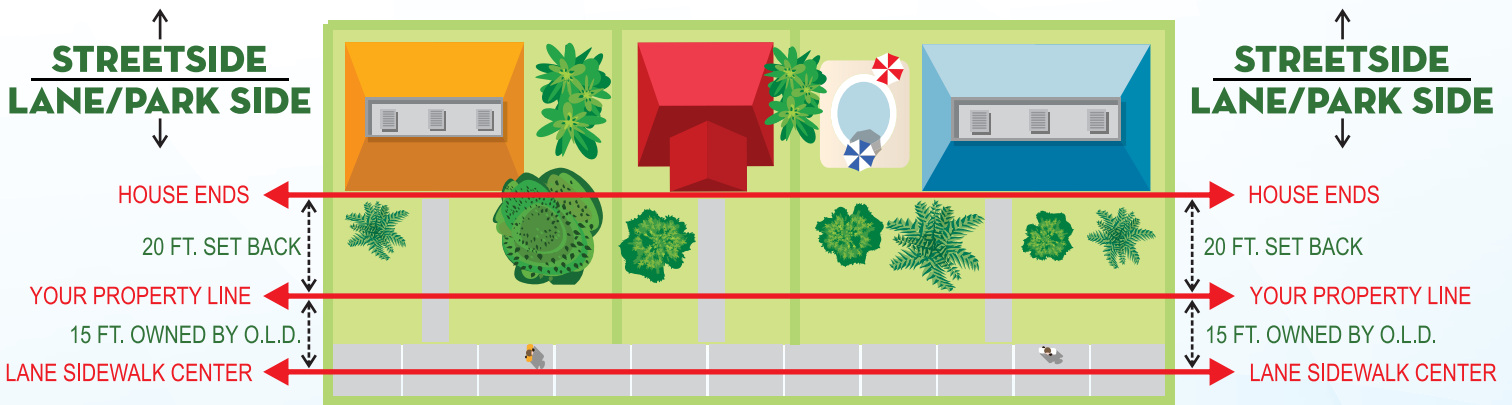
PROFIT AND LOSS

THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2021

	JANUARY - FEBRUARY, 2021	JANUARY - FEBRUARY, 2020	2021 FY BUDGET
Income			
Advertising Income	\$ 11,697.41	\$ 12,630	\$ 13,531
Association Dues 2020		\$ 21,225	
Association Dues 2021	\$ 21,222		\$ 22,725
Total Association Dues	\$ 21,222	\$ 22,650	\$ 22,725
Donations	\$ 670	\$ 700	\$ -
Fund Raising Income	\$ -	\$ 207	\$ -
Guest Fee	\$ -	\$ 25	\$ -
Interest Income	\$ 2.85	\$.45	\$ 10
Total Income	\$ 33,592.26	\$ 34,762.45	\$ 39,791
Expenses			
Bank Charges			
Beautification Expense	20.52	54.25	\$ 720
LV Garden Club			\$ 11,185
Total Beautification Expense	20.52	\$ 54.25	\$ 11,905
Fees			\$ -
Fund Raising Expense			
Insurance--D&O Liability			\$ 3,981
Lake Vista Newsletter	0.00	3,063.51	\$ 13,166
Lake Vista Website	20.00	0.00	\$ 1,837
Meeting Expense	0.00	100.00	\$ 300
Neighborhood Events			
Music in the Park			\$ 2,000
King Cake Party/Mardi Gras Kids Parade	0.00	791.83	\$ 800
Community Clean-Up			\$ -
Back to School			\$ 500
Archi Talk			\$ 1,000
Halloween Party			\$ -
Neighborhood Events - Other			\$ -
Wine and Cheese Party			\$ 1,200
Yoga Event			\$ -
Total Neighborhood Events	-	\$ 791.83	\$ 5,500
Office Expense	50.00	0.00	\$ 300
Postage Expense			
Postage Expense			\$ -
Box rental			\$ 259
Total Postage Expense	-	\$ -	\$ 259
Printing Expense	188.25	0.00	\$ 365
Professional Fees			
Accounting			\$ 800
Legal			\$ 200
Total Professional Fees	-	\$ -	\$ 1,000
Taxes			
IncomeTax			\$ 500
Total Taxes	-	\$ -	\$ 500
Transaction Fees	436.92	176.73	\$ 438
Unapplied Cash Bill Payment Expense			
Utilities-Electric Expense	59.08	19.99	\$ 240
Total Expenses	\$ 774.77	\$ 4,206.31	\$ 39,791
Net Income			
Net Operating Income	\$ 32,817.49	\$ 30,556.14	\$ -
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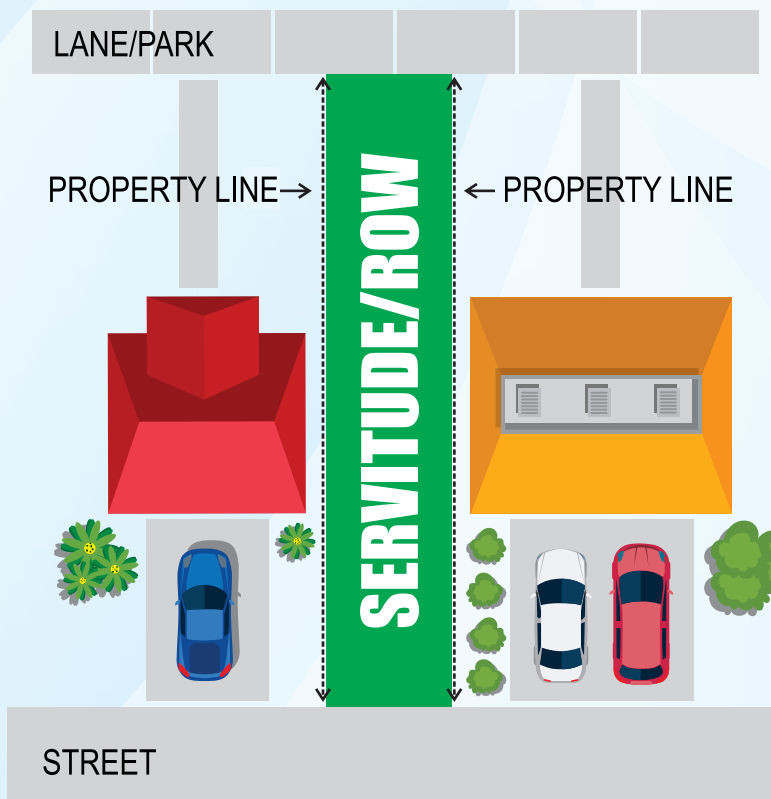
FRONT YARD: LANE/PARK SIDE PLANTING & FENCING



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SERVITUDES or ROWS (RIGHTS OF WAY)

SERVITUDES OR ROWS EXIST ON ALL STREETS IN LAKE VISTA

Most streets have 3, one on each side of the street accessing the lanes, one in each cul-de-sac accessing the parks. Some larger streets have more, some smaller have less. Servitudes are **6'-10'** parcels of land in between properties.

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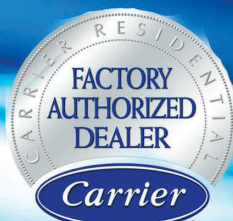
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