

# The Neighborhood Bridge

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Tyler Park Neighborhood Association

## DEVELOPERS PLAN HIGH RISE OVERLOOKING TYLER PARK

A group of developers from Chicago and New York plan to demolish 14 historic Tyler Park homes to make way for a ten-story condominium tower along Windsor Place and Tyler Park Drive. Asked for comment, the lead developer stated, "we chose Tyler Park because of its unparalleled beauty, its proximity to the fabulous Bardstown Road nightlife, and mainly because of the ease of sneaking something past the neighborhood association." The developers held two highly publicized forums with residents, but no one showed up to protest. Now, after the fact, most residents asked don't object so much to the out-of-character tower as much as the 200 car parking lot slated to replace the tennis court side of the park.

I thought this article would get your attention! Of course, our neighborhood association and board of directors would never allow such a project to go through. However, this is an example of our recent communication to you, our neighborhood residents, about a proposed development on Bardstown Road.

Our board solicited input from the almost 1300 residents of Tyler Park about the project. We only received about four phone calls and about five emails. Finally, during an open forum with the developers, less than twenty people from the neighborhood attended the special meeting that we urgently requested from the developers. The developers even asked, "is this all that showed up?"

The Bardstown Road corridor is exploding with new development, and this affects the property values and quality of life we enjoy here in Tyler Park. If we don't keep a close watch out for zoning hearings, property sales, and demolition notices, we could lose part of the character of our historic neighborhood. The board of directors supports quality development that enhances the neighborhood and adheres to all zoning, planning, and development codes.

Whether or not you support a particular project, we

need you to join the neighborhood association and get involved in what's happening in our great community. We need new board members to replace ones who've moved on; we need volunteers to help with the September 7 Fall Festival; we need you to help make a difference.

## ANNUAL MEETING OCT. 23

All residents, business owners, and friends of Tyler Park neighborhood are invited to the annual neighborhood meeting Thursday October 23 at 7pm. This year, the meeting will be held in the meeting room of the Highlands-Shelby Park library in Mid City Mall. Instead of a dinner at one of the local restaurants, the board decided to have a dessert night. Please bring one or two desserts to be shared with the group. The board will provide beverages and utensils. Come get to know your neighbors and hear what's going on in Tyler Park Neighborhood!

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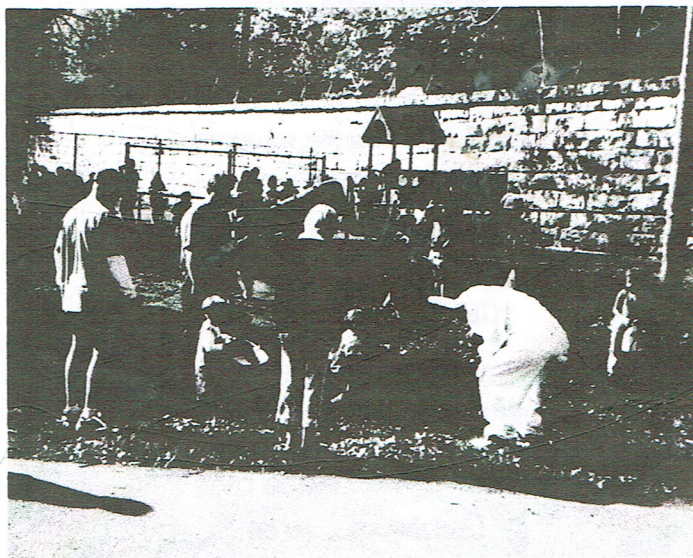
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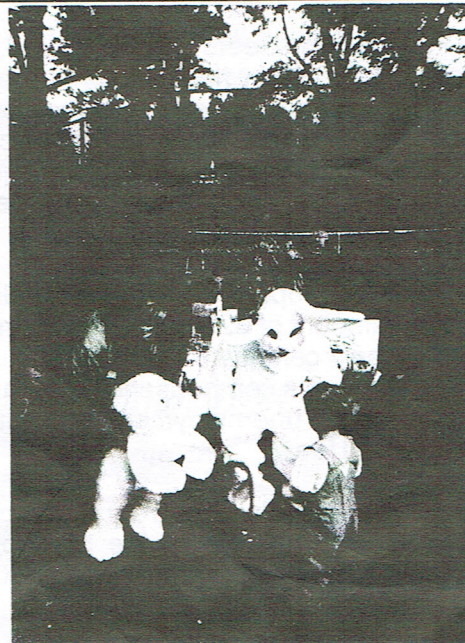
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Photos from  
the annual Tyler  
Park Easter Egg  
Hunt held on April  
19th. This year's  
special guest was  
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# A Time to Renovate Your Home Part Two

By Stephen D. Moon

This is the second article in a series on home renovations. In the first article, we described a project in the neighborhood that was stalled for months due to the lack of a proper permit from Metro Louisville. We also looked at the merits of hiring a designer or architect as your representative before any builders or other trades begin work. Just this week another homeowner told me that their builder has disappeared from the jobsite. He is not returning their phone calls and the project is still not 100% complete. If he would only show up and finish, he could claim the outstanding monies owed to him! A proper contract signed by the owner, contractor, and architect would have given the homeowner legal recourse to get the project re-started and completed.

So, now that you have decided to build something and you have commissioned a designer or architect, here is what will be required by the Louisville Metro Dept. of Inspections, Permits, and Licenses (IPL):

(For Garage or accessory buildings less than 120 square feet, no permit is required).

- 1) A site plan drawn to scale—this drawing shows the property dimensions, existing house location, and the proposed new construction location. It also shows the property lines, building setback lines, and distances to any other structures on the property or adjoining property.
- 2) Floor plan for each floor level—A dimensioned drawing showing all doors, windows, walls, smoke detector locations, and how the spaces will be used.
- 3) Wall section—A cross sectional drawing showing how the structure will be built and labelling all materials used.
- 4) Exterior elevation—Drawings of the facades of the building and how it will appear when finished.

Drawings on sheets smaller than 8.5"x11" will not be accepted. When these drawings are complete, the permit may be applied for by the homeowner, lessee, or an authorized, identified contractor. According to IPL, the following identification is required from anyone other than the owner applying for the permit:

1. Occupational license number.
2. Liability, property damage and bodily injury insurance in the amount of \$250,000 with Metro Louisville on the policy as a certificate holder.
3. Workmen's compensation insurance.
4. Notarized unemployment affidavit.
5. Annual fee.

Metro Louisville also requests that the identified contractor, rather than the homeowner, secure the building, electrical, mechanical or plumbing permits. In

this way, Metro will be in a better position to assist the homeowner to gain compliance with codes if the work is defective or if the work has code violations. An unidentified contractor cannot obtain a permit.

Need more information?

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**A Helping Hand**--Do you give cash donations to the homeless in the neighborhood? According to our Police District Resource Officer, we should refrain from giving out cash to the homeless. Many of them are armed, dangerous, and have substance abuse problems. The police often find the same few individuals most nights intoxicated in and around our neighborhood--often sleeping in residents' backyards. The police, in cooperation with Metro Parks and the Coalition for the Homeless, are trying to clear out the homeless who have been camping in Tyler Park.

What can we do to help these individuals? Buy them a "food only" gift certificate to a local restaurant or to Winn-Dixie. These can only be redeemed for food items, not for cash or alcohol. Also, they can be referred to Highlands Community Ministries for individual assistance. Please notify police of loitering or disturbances. Their policy is to take the individual to a shelter for the night or to jail--the choice is up to the individual. Let's keep our streets and park safe for families by cooperating with these simple suggestions.



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### Other news:

The board has received a request from residents of the 1300 block of Eastern Parkway (south side) to join the Tyler Park neighborhood. It seems that this block currently is not officially within any of the adjoining neighborhoods.

### Ongoing efforts:

\*The Louisville Orchestra in Tyler Park \*The Tyler Park Fall Festival \*The Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Tyler Park \*The Publication of TPNA Newsletter \*Operating costs of TPNA \*Beautification projects \* Advocacy Issues

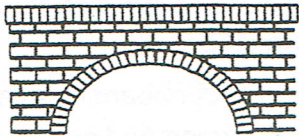
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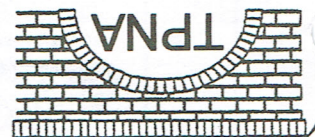
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