

# City of Douglass Hills

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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE...

The 2023-2024 balanced budget is presented with cuts in nearly every category, except for the categories that are beyond the control of the city.

### ADMINISTRATION

There's an increase of \$15,029 which is largely due to upgrading and securing our technology. This increase includes website, IT and cyber security.

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

We were able to keep the general government account the same as before. This includes an extra \$5,000 in legal fees for upcoming developments and general legal work.

### PUBLIC SAFETY

There was a decrease of \$500 in the public safety category.

### ROADS

This category continues to fluctuate because of the amount of road funding received from the state to cities. The 1947 road formula continues to be unequal, even though the road structures and needs of urban vs suburban transportation simply do not work with the travels of today.

Until the Kentucky legislature also adds fees to new electric/hybrid vehicles, our allotment of funding will remain stagnant or decrease.

In order to continue to keep our roads and sidewalks up to date and safe, we have added \$68,065 to the road fund from our general fund.

We decreased our traffic signs repairs by \$15,000 considering we upgraded our stop signs to more reflective ones which was federal mandated. In total, the road category increased by \$50,065.

### SANITATION

This category was increased by \$18,000. This is to cover fuel cost and extra city services, dumpsters after storms, dumpsters for holiday wrappings, extra pickups and compost.

## PUBLIC WORKS

The largest category of the budget is for the public works. Within this category, there's an increase of \$52,910. This portion of the budget is that is still directly affected by the Covid pandemic. The building and service industries have yet to even slightly decrease the cost of goods and materials.

Even though we decreased the amounts spent in common areas (\$25,000), playground equipment (\$10,000), public works assets (\$11,000) and entrances (\$30,000), we increased our entertainment in the park by \$23,000. This amount is to pay for our entertainment director, and our 50th birthday party, as well as new seasonal events that citizens have asked for. Because of the maturity of our trees and continued maintenance in both our parks, we increased the park maintenance and improvements by \$20,000.



## MARK YOUR *Calendars*

- SEPT 4** Labor Day
- SEPT 7** Safety Committee Meeting 5:30PM  
City Council Meeting 7:00PM
- SEPT 17** Farmers Market 11:00AM-3:00PM
- SEPT 23** Whisper Walk 8:00AM

## **City of Douglass Hills Mayor, Council Members and Staff**

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*Please call City Hall for any general questions and/or concerns at (502) 245-3600 ext 2.*

## **Important Phone Numbers**

LMPD 8th Division: 574-2258  
LMPD Anonymous Tipline: 574-LMPD (5673)  
LMPD Non-emergency#: 574- 2111  
Metro Safe: 572-3460  
Metro Call: 311 or 574-5000  
Metro Animal Services: 473-7387  
Metro Codes & Regulations: 574-2508  
Metro Health & Wellness: 574-6520  
Metro Planning & Design: 574-6230  
Metro Public Works: 574-5810  
Metro Parks: 574-7275  
Metro Air Pollution Control: 574-6000  
Eastern Area Community Ministries: 426-2824  
Adult Protective Services: 595-4803  
Child Protective Services: 595-4550  
Ky. Poison Control Center: 589-8222  
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## **REACH ALERT**

For those citizens that are new in the area - Welcome! Please take advantage of the City's Reach Alert system that can keep you instantly communicated regarding events and emergencies. Please call (877) 307-9313 to register or go to [www.rechalert.com](http://www.rechalert.com) This is a feature you won't want to miss and it is free to our citizens. It will keep you in touch with your City.

## **"Branching Out" from the Douglass Hills Tree Committee**

**Japanese Zelkova** - not a common tree name that rolls off the tongue. Yet, it is an excellent tree for your Kentucky landscape. It is also known as Green Vase Zelkova which harkens to its vase-like shape formed by its upright branches.



It is a tall tree (a relative of the elm) and at maturity reaches 70 feet tall with a spread of 50 feet and can live up to 70 years. Because it is low maintenance with a noninvasive taproot system, it is ideal for street plantings void of power lines or in larger landscape settings.

This is a fast-growing tree that thrives in full sunlight. Because it tolerates most soil types (except sand) it is fairly easy to grow. Additionally the trees withstand most drought conditions and are wind tolerant when properly pruned (which should occur in later winter after all extreme winter weather ends.) It is fairly disease resistant and worth your further investigation if you are looking for a unique tree. Young trees are susceptible to frost, so spring is an ideal time for planting.

As far as its appearance, you can expect summer shade and beautiful fall copper hues with this low maintenance tree.

*Learn more: Wallitsch Garden Center or Arbor Day Foundation*

# Upcoming Events

September

17

## **Seasonal Market: Fall**

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

The farmers market returns to Warren Walker Park. Join us for live music, food & kids activities! Farmer Steve will be back with us!

September

23

## **Movie in the Park**

*Jurassic Park: Rated PG-13*

Join us in Warren Walker Park to watch a family favorite on the big screen. Show time is approximately 8:15pm. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs. Light concessions available.

October

7

## **50th Anniversary Party**

The Party in the Park promises to be a fantastic event for all ages, with live music, kids activities, lawn games, food trucks, and community vendors. It's a chance for everyone to come together and celebrate this important milestone in Douglass Hills history. Warren Walker Park, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm.

November

25

## **Christmas in the Gazebo**

Planning is still underway, but you don't want to miss this fun community event! We will have free professional holiday photos, cookies, Christmas Carolers and fun with Santa! Warren Walker Park, 3:00pm - 6:00 pm. (Watch Facebook for updates as details may change.)



Want to get involved? Join the DH event planning committee! Send an email to Jennie Norfleet for more information:

[douglasshillsevents@gmail.com](mailto:douglasshillsevents@gmail.com)

More information coming on our Facebook Page!

[www.cityofdouglasshills.com](http://www.cityofdouglasshills.com)

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**ORDINANCE NO. 5 , SERIES 2023**  
**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET**  
**AND ALLOCATING FUNDS FOR JULY 1, 2023**  
**THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, and in the interest of sound fiscal planning, the City of Douglass Hills is empowered to adopt an operating budget;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOUGLASS HILLS, KENTUCKY:**

Section 1: That the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024 is hereby adopted as follows:

	<u>GENERAL</u> <u>FUND</u>	<u>LGEA</u> <u>FUND</u>	<u>MRAP</u> <u>FUND</u>	<u>POOL</u> <u>FUND</u>	<u>ARPA</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b><u>Resources Available:</u></b>						
Balance Forward	1,269,157	-	110,869	81,957		1,461,983
ARPA funds					500,000	500,000
Property Taxes	1,143,042	-	-	-		1,143,042
Road Funds	-	-	113,000	-		113,000
Gen Funds Surplus to Road			80,000			
Insurance Tax	400,000	-	-	-		400,000
Rental Income	12,000	-	-	-		12,000
Cable TV	25,000	-	-	-		25,000
Earned Interest	14,000	-	65	-		12,043
Liquor Licenses	7,270	-	-	-		7,270
Building Approvals	600	-	-	-		600
Tax Interest-Penalty	2,500	-	-	-		2,500
Pool Income	-	-	-	146,000		146,000
Gen Fund Surplus to Pool						-
Bank Deposit Tax	37,123					37,123
Mineral & LGE Fran Tax	187,000					187,000
Mineral Tax	383	-	-	-		383
Grant Income	-	-				-
Newsletter Advertisement Rev	1,000					1,000
Miscellaneous	600	-	-	-		600
Total resources available for appropriation	3,099,675	\$0	\$303,934	\$227,957	500,000	4,131,566
<b><u>Appropriations:</u></b>						
Administration	393,619	-	-	-		393,619
ARPA Projects					500,000	500,000
General Government	177,350	-	-	-		177,350

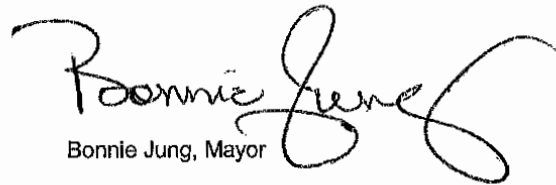
Public Safety	170,130	-	-	-	170,130
Roads		-	193,065	-	193,065
Gen Fund Surplus to road	80,000				
Sanitation	314,400		-	-	314,400
Public Works	602,771		-	-	602,771
Landlord Expense	55,000		-	-	55,000
Recreation Facility	0		-	-	-
Gen Fund Surplus to pool					
Pool Expense		-	-	178,236	178,236
Projected Contingency	<u>1,306,405</u>	-	<u>110,869</u>	<u>49,721</u>	<u>1,546,995</u>
Balance (includes July-Oct. Operating reserve)					
Total appropriations	\$3,099,675	\$0	\$303,934	\$227,957	\$500,000 \$4,131,566

Section 2: Not more than \$3,000 of funds appropriated to "Contingency" may be expended by the Mayor without a prior affirmative vote of a majority of the Council at a legally convened meeting.

Section 3: Any city expenditure approved by the City Council that results in a department exceeding the budgeted amount will be taken from the City's "Contingency".

Section 4: This ordinance shall take effect on July 1, 2023 and after publication as required by law.

Enacted this 22nd day of JUNE, 2023.

  
Bonnie Jung, Mayor

Attest:

  
Clay T. Porter, City Clerk

# DOUGLASS HILLS SWIM AWARDS 2023

AGE GROUP	MOST DEDICATED	MOST IMPROVED	COACHES AWARD
6u Girls	Ava Hall	Jenna Casconi Nora Burt	Clara Blalock
6u Boys	Maddox Joseph William Godthaab	Caleb Brown	Finn Neubauer
8u Girls	Lainey Craft Elliott Smith	Anna Reiss	Norah Grigsby
8u Boys	Charlie Casconi	Laim Blanford	Livien Thomas
10u Girls	Eve Brown Adelynn McFarland	Nora Gill	Adelynn Knight Delaney Venable
10u Boys	Finn Norfleet Xavier Gilmour	Ezra Cole Brayden Boyd	Wyatt Ruley
12u Girls	Stella Chrisman	Caroline Jewell Julia Kersting	Vera Gilmour
12u Boys	Jeromy Hofmeister Garrett Sandefur	Michael Graham Nic Castro	Silas Nelson
14u Girls	Alex Koehler Anna Starbuck	Olivia Peppers	Cora Akridge Kristian Schoen
14u Boys	Rylan Olges Levi Weiss	Nathan Lackner	Reece Gilmour
18u Girls	Allie Ludwick Alexis Cole	Imani Embers	Sara Keefe
18u Boys	Ethan Pinnick Matthew Smith	Arlan Straub	Jonathan Evans

## BBB SCAM ALERT: Fraudulent QR codes continue to be used in a variety of scams

By Better Business Bureau. August 9, 2023

The use of QR codes presents an opportunity for businesses to direct current or potential customers to their websites. Consumer reports to BBB and warnings issued by police departments detail how some QR codes direct users to phishing websites, fraudulent payment portals, and downloads that infect devices with viruses or malware.

Here are some recent ways scammers are using QR codes:

Parking meter payment. Fraudulent QR codes are placed backs of parking meters, leading victims to pay for parking through the QR code. Con artists create a QR codes for free online, which they print on stickers and place where it makes sense.

Cryptocurrency wallets and romance scams. Recently, BBB has become aware of scammers who spend months building a romantic relationship with their victim, which ultimately results in them asking for financial assistance

through a cryptocurrency exchange or 'advising' the victim on cryptocurrency investment.

Phishing scams. The design of QR codes makes it impossible for the user to know where the code will direct them after scanning, allowing scammers to send victims to phishing websites or downloads that will infect devices with malware.

Utility and government impostors. Many consumers report their utility company contacts them, the Social Security Administration, or the IRS regarding an outstanding debt they must immediately pay in full. The payment portal the victim is directed to often mimics the real portal down to the finest detail, providing a false sense of security that it is legitimate.

False sense of security. Reports to Better Business Bureau and additional screenshots, emails, and texts detail how scammers include a legitimate QR code for the company or entity they claim to represent to give victims a false sense of security.

## Mayor Greenberg appoints JACQUELYN GWINN-VILLAROEL as the Permanent Chief of Police for the LMPD

Mayor Craig Greenberg announced he has chosen Jacquelyn Gwinn-Villaroel as Louisville's Chief of Police. Gwinn-Villaroel currently serves as interim chief and will now be the permanent leader of LMPD.

Gwinn-Villaroel was selected following a thorough nationwide search, which resulted in 20 candidates from across the U.S. "Over the past six months, Chief Gwinn-Villaroel has shown our city that she has exactly what I'm looking for in a chief and exactly what our community is looking for in a leader," said Mayor Greenberg. "She has extensive experience in law enforcement leadership and a record of reform. She is also a magnificent community leader and pastor who cares about the people she serves. Chief Gwinn-Villaroel has my trust, and I look forward to continuing to serve with her in this new role."

Gwinn-Villaroel spent 24 years with the Atlanta PD, beginning in 1997 as a patrol officer and serving in numerous capacities including detective, sergeant, lieutenant and captain. In 2020, she was promoted to commander of the Atlanta PD's Training Academy before joining LMPD as deputy chief in 2021. In seven months as interim chief, she launched the department's first nonfatal shooting unit, expanded the successful Crisis Call Diversion Program and opened the new LMPD Officer Wellness Center. She also created the new narcotics tip line and worked with the Office of Inspector General on an agreement to promote transparency and accountability in OIG investigations. "Louisville has welcomed me with open arms, and I am honored to be the leader of our police department," Gwinn-Villaroel said. "My team and I are dedicated to building trust between LMPD and the people of this city through community policing, transparency and accountability. And to the LMPD officers who dedicate their lives to public service every day: Thank you for your hard work and sacrifice. I look forward to working with all of you to make LMPD the best police department in America."

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From August 17-27, the State Fair will offer many of its beloved attractions like AgLand, delicious fried food, and a wide array of entertainment options that cater to all fairgoers.

Organizers also announced BEERFEST, a new experience happening Saturday, August 19. This event will invite fairgoers to sample beer from up to 20 different craft breweries that call Kentucky home. BEERFEST will require an additional wristband purchase.

Along with new attractions, the Kentucky State Fair announced the return of the Texas Roadhouse Concert Series. The concerts are included with Fair admission, and this year will feature acts including Chris Janson with special guest Alex Miller on August 17, Morris Day and the Time with special guest Tag Team on August 18, and the Happy Together Tour on August 22. More acts joining the lineup will be announced.

# KENTUCKY SCHOOL BUS STOP LAW





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ITEMS MUST BE SEPARATED INTO CATEGORIES FOR EASY OFF-LOADING.

ACCEPTED

 <p><b>LARGE HOUSEHOLD ITEMS</b> Furniture, mattresses, toilet, rolled carpet, etc.</p>	 <p><b>ELECTRONICS</b> Limit 3. Go to <a href="http://Louisvilleky.gov/Electronics">Louisvilleky.gov/Electronics</a> for a list of accepted items</p>	 <p><b>METAL &amp; APPLIANCES</b> No refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers or other items containing Freon.</p>	 <p><b>HOUSEHOLD RECYCLABLES</b> Paper, plastic, metal, glass containers</p>
 <p><b>PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION DISPOSAL</b></p>	 <p><b>YARD WASTE</b> Less than 2 inch diameter and 4 feet long, bundled or in containers or paper bags. Wooden pallets also accepted. NO PLASTIC BAGS</p>	 <p><b>ON-SITE PAPER SHREDDING</b> Containers must be taken back by resident.</p>	 <p><b>PASSENGER TIRES</b> On or off rim. Limit 4</p>

NOT ACCEPTED

- Garbage or loose debris
- Paint
- Concrete, bricks, rocks
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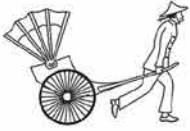
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