

Southmoreland *Voice*

Newsletter of the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association

Spring 2023

SNA Celebrates 50 Years

2023 marks 50 years of the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association! SNA was formed in the July of 1973 as the Gillham-Main Neighborhood Association, later changing its name to the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association. Read more at southmoreland.org/history



City Adopts New STR Ordinances

After the Kansas City Missouri Auditor's report concluding that nearly 90% of Short Term Rentals, "STR" (dwelling units that are rented for a period of 30 days or less) were not registered, Mayor Lucas and Councilman Bunch sponsored two ordinances to change the regulations of STRs. Unanimously approved by the City Council, Ordinance numbers 230267

and 230268 transfer enforcement of STRs from the Planning & Development Department to the Neighborhood Services Department. Beginning May 5, the new rules were enacted, and on June 15, enforcement, including stiffer fines for violations, under Neighborhood Services will begin. Existing and new Owner-Occupied STRs will be allowed, with permit in Resi-

dential zones. Existing permitted Non-Owner Occupied STRs will also be allowed to operate in Residential Zones. New Non-Owner STRs will no longer be permitted in Residential Zones.

The SNA Board of Directors endorsed these ordinances.

Learn more at <https://www.kcmo.gov/programs-initiatives/>

SNA Launching Block Contact Program

Are you interested in meeting neighbors, sharing information, and helping our neighborhood remain clean and safe? Contact us at sna.membership@gmail.com to be included in information about our upcoming Block Contact Program.

SNA Seeks to Include Home to Historic Register

Southmoreland neighbors have been sharing their concern for the future of 4526 Warwick Boulevard. Although it is zoned for low-rise residential, the commercial listing agent, Whitney Kerr, Sr, was marketing it for high-rise redevelopment.

In May, SNA representatives met with the owner, the owner's commercial real estate agent, and the director of the Historic Kansas City Founda-

tion, to address our concerns on the future of the home. After the meeting, it was clear to the SNA leaders that the most reasonable course of action, to meet the owner's desires as well as the neighborhood's needs is to offer the property on the residential real estate market for use as a single family residence, or as an adaptive reuse.

While the home is not within

the Southmoreland Historic District, it is of the style and age of homes within that district. After completing necessary research, and meeting with SNA Board members, a nomination for it to be included in the Kansas City Register of Historic Places was submitted by neighbors to the Kansas City Historic Preservation Commission. Demolition permits will not be issued while undergoing the application

review process.

The application was unanimously approved by the Historic Preservation Commission. The case will next be heard by the City Plan Commission. If approved there, it will be heard by City Council.

A public meeting will be held Wednesday, June 21st at 5:30 pm, at the Community Room at Midtown KC Now, 3931 Main Street.

Join Us!

The Southmoreland Neighborhood Association board of directors meets every 2nd Monday of the month at 5:30 pm in the McGraw Community Room at Midtown KC Now, 3931 Main Street. All are welcome to attend!

Sign Up for Our Email Bulletin



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SNA Safety Patrol

We have a new Security Patrol - TAPS KC and can be called at any time about suspicious activity, or to have your house checked while out of town. 7:00pm-7:00am. Thanks to our sponsors for helping us provide this service!

Contact Information:

Call: 816-569-3371

Dispatch Email: tapskc@gmail.com



Trash and Recycling Updates

Our trash and recycling pickup day is Monday, unless preempted by a holiday. Please set trash and recycling out no earlier than 3:00 pm the day before pickup, and no later than 7:00 am the day of pickup.

Bulky items may be collected by appointment only, at kcmo.gov/city-hall/trash/bulky

The City has rolled out new recycling carts in the neighborhood. It is important to keep recyclables tidy and dry, and this new receptacle is meant to help with that. All recycling bins should be stored out of sign from the street view, and not blocking the sidewalk.

We recognize that many homes in the neighborhood have steps up from the sidewalk, making these carts imprac-

tical. **Contact 311** to opt out of the rolling cart program.

Read more at kcmo.gov/city-hall/trash/recycling



SNA Members are invited to participate in our twice-yearly dumpster days. We collect trash (no tire, hazardous materials, or construction waste), organic (yard) waste, metal for recycling, and electronics for recycling. This year's Dumpster Days are **June 24** and **November 4**



Join SNA!

Our organization depends on your membership! Your membership dollars go directly to outreach, events, and our security patrol. *Join today!*



Shakespeare in the Park

June 13- July 2: The Heart of America Shakespeare Festival will begin Tuesday, June 13th at Southmoreland Park. This year's production will be The Tempest. The show will run Tuesday through Sunday and begins at 8:00 pm, gates open at 6:00 pm.

Oak Street and Warwick Boulevard around Southmoreland Park will close about 6:00 pm on performance nights.

Neighborhood Events

Saturday June 10, 8:00 am—3:00 pm

All Neighborhood Yard Sale

Tuesday June 20, 6:00 am—7:00 pm

Municipal General & Special Election, visit kceb.org for additional information.

Wednesday June 21, 5:30-6:30 pm

4526 Warwick Public Meeting, 3931 Main Street

Thursday June 22, 5:30 pm

VIP Night at Shakespeare in the Park, Southmoreland Park. RSVP @ sna.membership@gmail.com

Saturday June 24, 8:00 am—Noon

Dumpster Day, 42nd & Oak Streets

Sunday June 25, 5:30 pm

Volunteer Night at Shakespeare in the Park, Southmoreland Park. RSVP @ sna.membership@gmail.com

Saturday November 4, 8:00 am—Noon

Dumpster Day, 42nd & Oak Streets



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