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Changes Coming to Improve Safety in Little Hollywood

More than once, residents in Lockeland Springs' Little Hollywood neighborhood have been woken in the middle of the night by the sound of a car crashing into one of the guardrails that exist throughout the block. For years, this particular corner of Lockeland Springs, nestled between the golf course and the Rosepepper/Ugly Mugs/Jeni's section of Eastland Avenue, has been a set of through streets for lost service and delivery vehicles, drivers looking for some East

Nashville eatery, and late night joy riders. With no sidewalks in the neighborhood (another dangerous issue for Little Hollywood dwellers, particularly the numerous children who live in the area), the speedy and often reckless drivers who zoom around these narrow streets are endangering more than just property and guardrails.

Recently, neighbors in this area have discovered that a section of the Lakehurst Drive/Ordway "loop," previously thought of

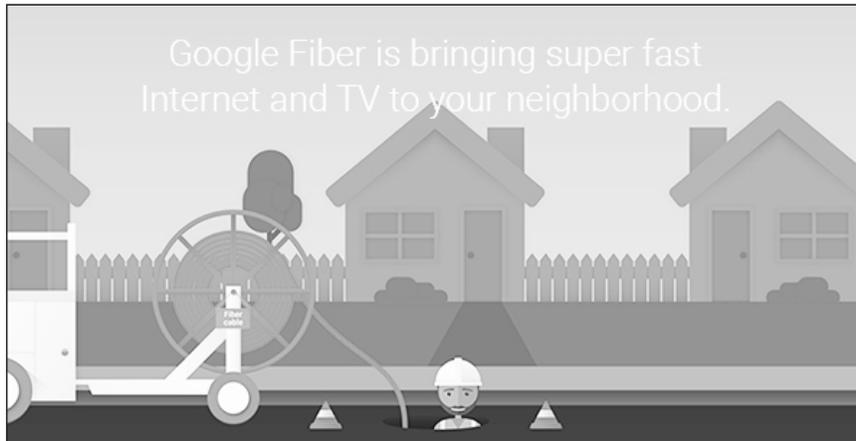
as a disconnected section of 20th Avenue, is actually private property, and not a through street at all. With more and more frequency as Nashville continues to grow, landscape maintenance and delivery vehicles as well as individual cars and trucks have been attempting to traverse down the little road that connects Lakehurst and Ordway, right next to the golf course. The tiny street is hardly wide enough for one-way traffic, and cars regularly have to veer into

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New Dead End signage has not resolved a safety issue on Lakehurst Lane, a private drive in Little Hollywood.

NEWS IN BRIEF



Google Fiber is bringing super fast Internet and TV to your neighborhood.

Google Fiber is coming to the Lockeland Springs neighborhood soon. Network construction is scheduled to begin within the next month and should last for a few weeks. Notification will be placed on doors a few days before construction begins.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call THE 24-hour support line at 877-454-6959.

Google Fiber will be at the November association meeting with representatives on hand to answer questions.

To make sure you are notified when service becomes available please check your address at google.com/fiber/nashville and enter your email address.

HOME TOUR LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Each year people volunteer to open up their homes to our neighborhood and showcase the character and beauty that makes Lockeland Springs so special. We are looking for people who may be interested in having their home on the 2017 tour! To inquire email: President@lockelandsprings.org



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The next LSNA General Meeting is:

**6:30 p.m. Thursday,
November 16th**

at

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private yards directly across from the golf course to avoid head-on collisions with oncoming traffic. Concerned neighbors reached out to our district councilman, Brett Withers, who looked into this road. Mr. Withers discovered that it was not a road at all, but a section of adjacent property owners' land and Shelby golf course's land.

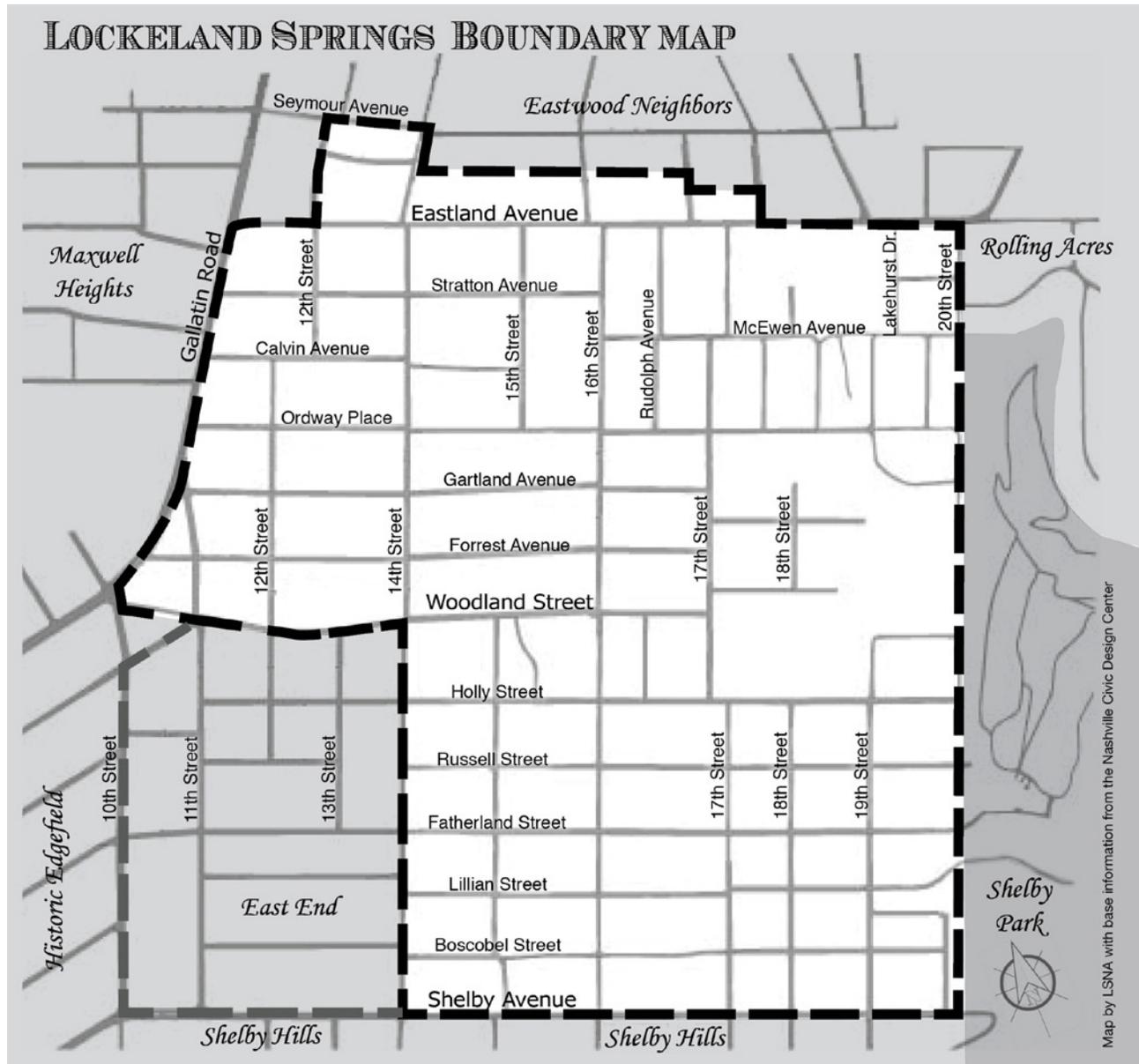
Consistent with this discovery, "Dead End" signage has been installed to divert traffic from coming into the area, and a few

neighbors purchased "Private Drive" signage to install on the section of road beside the golf course. However, there will soon be a barrier placed on that section of private property as well that will serve to block automobiles, yet still allow pedestrian and bicycle traffic use.

Recently Mr. Withers requested a stop sign at the corner of Lakehurst and McEwen, which Public Works has installed. That uncontrolled intersection was another source of concern, as drivers frequently took the

steep corner much too quickly and careened into one of the neighboring home's yards. Mr. Withers has indicated that he may request Public Works to install "No Trucks" signage in the area (which would not apply to delivery trucks).

Changing the traffic pattern to reflect private property lines and installing appropriate signage could be exactly what Little Hollywood needs to protect its residents, which is certainly the hope of all its Lockeland Springs neighbors.



Map by LSNA with base information from the Nashville Civic Design Center

DEVELOPMENT NEWS

PUBLIC INPUT MEETING!

OCTOBER 26TH

6 TO 8 PM

EAST LIBRARY BASEMENT

Come join your fellow Lockeland Springs Neighbors at a public input meet on October 26th from 6 to 8 pm at the East Library.

The developer and local architect, John Root are seeking

feedback and input on the plans for a new mixed-use development on the site of the now vacant used car lot at the corner of Main Street and Forrest Avenue. The project is in the early planning and design stages and the development team wants your input.

According to Metro GIS, the property currently resides within the MDHA 5 Points Redevelopment District as well as the Lockeland Springs Conservation Overlay.

Within these districts the developer can build a three story mixed use building; however, they are seeking for input on reducing the size of the building at the street to allow a taller building set back. Approval is

required from MDHA to change the guidelines, which now only allow three stories, and the developer and architect would like your input on the scale and appropriateness.

An overview of the project, massing models and graphic images will be presented.



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Neighbor to Neighbor: Derek Hoke

Where are you from originally?

I was born in Brunswick, GA, but grew up in Florence, SC. A pretty small town about an hour or so from the beach. It's where I-20 and I-95 intersect. Lots of gas stations and truck stops.

What brought you to Nashville and why did you chose Lockeland Springs?



Derek Hoke

In 1997, I visited a friend that had just moved to Nashville. While driving home, I had it in my head that I wanted to live there. I loved it. So, in 1999, I moved into a tiny apartment near Hillsboro Village. My very first gig was at the original Radio Cafe in East Nashville. I also started hanging out at The Slow Bar a lot, too (now 3 Crow Bar). I just loved the vibe of the neighborhood. In 2004, I moved to the East Side.

Your current house was on the Home Tour last year - tell us a little bit about the house and the work you did to it.

It's in the Little Hollywood enclave. I'm lucky to live here. It was almost torn down to split the lot up and put two townhouses on it. Thankfully, the neighborhood protested and that deal fell through. I made an offer and promised that the exterior would remain the same, but inside I had big plans. Knocked out the ceiling. Took out some walls. Now it's like a loft with the upstairs exposed. Updated the kitchen. Blended new flooring in with the existing beechwood. Updated bathrooms. It took about 10 months to do, but I couldn't be happier. (And the neighbors love it, too)

Tell us a little bit about yourself professionally. What are you working on these days?

Like a lot of folks in Nashville, I play music. I make records and hit the road from time to time. Had some songs on the show NASHVILLE and have written a few tunes for other artists. I

also own some commercial real estate in SC. It keeps me connected to my family there.

For the uninitiated, what is \$2 Tuesday? How did you get started doing that?

\$2 Tuesday is a show I put on every week at The 5 Spot here in East Nashville. It's like a little variety show. I book the musical acts, emcee the night, and play a set as well. Usually 5 acts each week of varying styles. My friend Tim Hibbs spins records in between acts. Been doing it for 7 years now and have had everyone from

Jason Isbell to Peter Buck of REM play it. It's all just word of mouth. A great "neighborhood" night to hear new music and hang out with some cool people.

What do you like about the neighborhood? Where do you like to take out of town visitors?

When I moved over here, it was really just 5 Points. A few bars, Margo, a hardware store, a gas station, and a coffee shop. Now it's crazy! I love that it still has the same feeling as when I moved over here. Just a new paint job. Good people. Good music. Diversity. I'll usually take visitors to the Walden area. Jenni's, Ugly Mugs, Rosepepper. I wish Alley Cat was still around. That was my go-to.

Anything else you'd like the neighborhood to know?

I live right next to golf course. So, if you want some free golf balls, I've got buckets of 'em!



LSNA GRANT SPOTLIGHT

Thank You from Fannie Battle

Dear Lockeland Springs Neighborhood Association Members:

Thank you for supporting our children and teachers through your community grant. Funds from your organization were used to support our Fannie Battle vegetable garden. Led by our school-age teachers and program administrators, this project provided our students with the opportunity to grow and produce vegetables all summer long. A large majority of our children do not have access to safe outdoor spaces, much less an area where they can dig, grow, and learn. Your support made it possible for many children to experience for their first time what it means to grow your own food.

Children engaged in activities that included choosing which vegetables to grow, what each plant required, and when to harvest. This involved researching, reading, and working together in small groups. Our students took the lead in making decisions about the garden and it was exciting to watch them as they began to grow plants and produce vegetables. They were so excited, as noted in some of the pictures, that we had many harvests of green tomatoes because they just couldn't wait. We are all so excited about our project that we are continuing to grow fall greens and lettuces!

The only change to our original proposal was that we did not move the garden to the front of the school. This area is not fenced in and on a busy street and the price for fencing did not justify moving the garden when we had a safer spot available on our natural playscape. This also allowed the children more access to the garden and some independence in choosing when they would work. It also allowed our younger children to participate in the garden project.

Again, thank you for your investment in our community—a community we all share. When we can provide experiences like this one to our children who are living at-risk, we are expanding horizons, imaginations, and dreams. We are so appreciative of your support and partnership. We would like to invite you to visit and volunteer with us sometime, as well!

Thank you,



Katherine Massey
Grant Manager



Students at Fannie Battle growing and harvesting their vegetables.

SIDEWALKS UPDATE

Chapel/Eastland Avenue

The new traffic signal with crosswalk and intersection improvements at Chapel/Eastland from Walden to Rosepepper is scheduled for installation during the Fall/Winter of this year. The project has been in the design phase requiring redesign to incorporate additional feedback from neighbors. The improved design has added nearly \$100,000 in cost to the project but will be even more pedestrian friendly when completed.

Eastland Avenue from 16th Street

New sidewalks to be installed on the south side of Eastland from N 16th Street to a place opposite Setliff Place are in design phase and are presently scheduled to be installed during the second half of 2018. This would complete the sidewalk network from N 16th across and past the N 17th Street crosswalk. Councilman Withers is working with Public Works to explore adding a "flashing light" pedestrian crossing button or similar to the design. For now, this sidewalk connection cannot be continued all the way to Walden because it crosses over the decade-old Walden Specific Plan, which includes a requirement to connect N 18th Street to Eastland, and also crosses over a bridge that

is not wide enough to accommodate a sidewalk. Public Works and the contractor will attend a LSNA meeting at some point to review the designs and project schedule.

Ordway and Gartland

There are no current plans to construct new sidewalks on Ordway. Sidewalk improvements for Ordway were included on the Capital Improvements Budget "wish list" this year as seen on the website below (see Amendment 11) and Gartland (see Amendment 12) http://www.nashville.gov/mc/pdfs/miscellaneous/bl2017_736_amendments.pdf. However, placing an item on the Capital Improvements Budget does not mean that it is funded or even scheduled for design or construction.



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