



*Friday, June 23, 2017*

**Information Technology Department Director Fred Banner** has announced he is retiring in January of 2018. Fred has served in this position since July 2002 when the IT Director position was created. He has truly built the IT Department from the ground up and has been instrumental in many projects over the years including the 800 MHz radio system, IT security, disaster recovery capability, and numerous software program implementations that are essential components of how the City conducts business today. Fred has been in the information technology field for more than 40 years and he will truly be missed as part of our City team. The City recently conducted an internal search for its new IT Director and I am happy to announce **Dr. Jordan Shaw will be our new Information Technology Director beginning July 2**. Fred will stay on through January and assist with the transition and continue work on various projects. Jordan has his Doctor of Business Administration in Computer Information Systems from Argosy University, and a Master of Information Systems in Computer Information System from the University of Phoenix. He has served in the U.S. Army and Tennessee Army National Guard where he won numerous leadership awards. Jordan came to work for the City in 2015 as the Assistant Director of Information Technology, he previously worked for the City from 2009-2013 as Database/Information Systems Division Manager. Prior to his work with the City, Jordan has worked in various IT positions (including IT Director) in the corporate world. Congratulations to both Fred and Jordan as they take these next important steps in their careers.



On June 26<sup>th</sup>, the **Franklin Police Department** will host a town hall style meeting for law enforcement professionals. The **International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)** selected Franklin as one of several departments across the country to host these meetings

for law enforcement professionals to discuss important issues within the law enforcement profession. It is an honor for Franklin to host this event.

Last week, 16 teenagers from Franklin completed **our third annual Teen Citizens' Police Academy**. The group got to learn about and experience various components of professional law enforcement as taught by our **Franklin Police Department team**. Check out this video created by our Police Department about the teen

experience. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RG9OnuE5Rbl>

Next week, the **Franklin Fire Department** will be offering **car seat safety checks** at Fire Station 6 at 1061 Cool Springs Blvd. They will be doing the checks from 1-3pm.

Franklin will soon operate as a **Qualified Local Program (QLP)** for our stormwater regulation. Being a QLP means that the City will be able to implement stormwater regulation and approvals directly with applicants on behalf of the State of Tennessee. This will add efficiency to our process and eliminate the need for state review of development applications. **Staff will provide a briefing to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen at the June 27 work session at 5:00 pm regarding this new status.**





Our Pet Friendly City launch was a whole lot of fun on Friday and Saturday. **Congressman Marsha Blackburn, Tennessee House Speaker Beth Harwell, Representatives Sam Whitson and Glen Casada joined Mayor Moore and County Mayor Rogers Anderson along with Mars CEO Mark Johnson** at the event. Many City employees joined in the fun and brought their dogs to the event. In all we had about 5,000 humans and 1,000 dogs attend the events on Friday and Saturday. More than 90 downtown businesses participated and are now welcoming pets inside or on the patio. Thank you to all the departments who assisted with this great event.

The **Franklin Parks Department** will be hosting the women's and men's softball tournaments of the **Tennessee Senior Olympics** Saturday and Sunday, weather allowing. The event will take place at **Fieldstone Park**. Several other competitions in the state finals are happening across Williamson County, June 23-29. The 37th annual Tennessee Senior Olympics State Finals is a sports competition for athletes 50 and older that combines a wide range of competitive activities. Residents from 10 District/Metropolitan areas across the state will be competing. The mission of the Senior Olympics is to promote healthy lifestyles for seniors aged 50 and up, through fitness, sports, and an active involvement in life. Their programs contribute to the vision of healthy, active, and vital senior adults. To learn more go to <http://www.tnseniorolympics.com/>

Thanks for *all* you do!

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