

Friday, September 15, 2023

Good Friday afternoon, team!

Starting with a few things from yesterday's **Leadership Team meeting—Purchasing** shared instructions for **purchasing card holders** to receive email notifications when they have an outstanding purchasing card transaction. The attached form has the few steps needed from the cardholder to turn on the notifications. Cardholders in Finance and Purchasing have used the emails as they are received to go ahead and code, add backup, and approve the transaction for manager approval. The emails have helped us have transactions complete before the end of the cycle. We announced the date for the Christmas Breakfast which will be December 20th. The Leadership Team is also planning a retreat for later in the year. We did a final review of the BOMA agenda for 9/26.

Several members of our City Team attended a **Career Speed Networking Program (CNSP)** at the Factory yesterday. The event paired local high school students with professionals in the community for a type of speed interviewing session. The purpose is to expose students to entrepreneurship, leaders, collegiate leaders, and career-ready opportunities to explore college/career options and assist in breaking the cycle of poverty. The program is put on by the **Educational Equal Opportunity Group Inc.** HR Director **Kevin Townsel** is the chairperson for the CSNP experience.





Planning for a new City Hall continues! Draft exterior elevation drawings and other information is being displayed in the main corridor of City Hall. Updated interior floor plans are coming soon. Stop by to see the progress!

Employee engagement update: One of the suggestions from the survey was more comfortable shirts for our public works team members. Sanitation got their new shirts in last week! The new shirts are more comfortable and have a more breathable fabric, especially for the summer months. Thanks for the suggestion! Also, early next week, all COF staff will receive a brief follow-up survey from Energage, our employee survey provider. It should take about 10 minutes to complete, and as with the original survey, responses are completely confidential. Please respond and share your feedback!

Franklin Tomorrow announced the winners and runners-up for the recent "I Voted" sticker design contest. The City's Public Arts Commission joined them in sponsoring the contest, as well as the Williamson County Election Commission, which will use the sticker designs during the October election cycle for both early voting (October 4-19) and on Election Day, October 24th. Thank you to all our participants for their incredible submissions!



Welcome to the following new City team members:



Mike Atwood, Firefighter, Fire Department

Mike lives in Murfreesboro but relocated from Salt Lake City in 2021. He is married with five children and one Grandbaby.

Mike studied Fire Science at Utah Valley University and previously worked for Murfreesboro Fire Department.

Robert Williams, Utility Service Worker, Water Management Department

Robert is from Nolensville. He has three children. Robert previously worked for Honeywell as a Field Service Technician.

Michael Eash, Utilities Locator, Water Management Department

Michael is from Columbia. He is married and has one daughter. Michael enjoys hanging out with his family and cheering for the Tennessee Titans. Michael previously worked for Utiliquest for 12 years.

Taylor Jolley, Utility Service Worker, Water Management Department

Taylor is from Unionville. He is the proud owner of 2 English Shepherds. Taylor enjoys hunting and fishing. Taylor previously worked for Jolley Boyz Construction.

Welcome to the City!!

From the Planning Department:



REMINDER! Planning is having an open house style community meeting on **September 19**th. This will be an opportunity to learn about the **Public Draft of the Envision Franklin Update**. You can see the draft at <u>Draft Envision</u> <u>Franklin Comprehensive Update</u> also the <u>Housing Strategy</u> <u>Public Draft</u> or find the links on the <u>Envision Franklin Update</u> Webpage

The meetings will take place at: Franklin City Hall, Main Corridor, September 19th, 2023, 11AM – 1 PM (lunch included) OR 5- 6:30 PM HR Department News:

The City will be hosting **flu shot clinics** again this year for all full-time employees and their dependents, and part-time employees. These will **be free of charge and will be offered on-site at City Hall on September 19**th **(6-9 a.m. in the City Hall Training Room) and at the Health & Safety Fair on October 26**th. We will also be offering biometric screenings for employees at the Health & Safety Fair. The Health & Safety Fair will be held at Rolling Hills Community Church on Columbia Ave. More information to come!

That's it for now. Have a great weekend. Thank you for *all* you do!







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