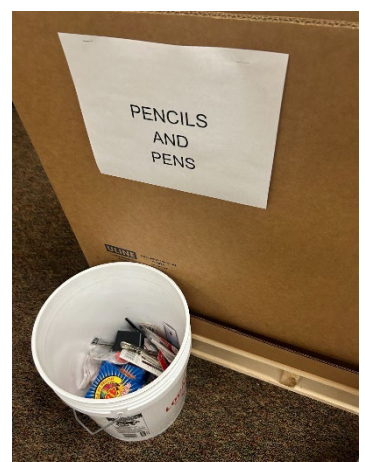
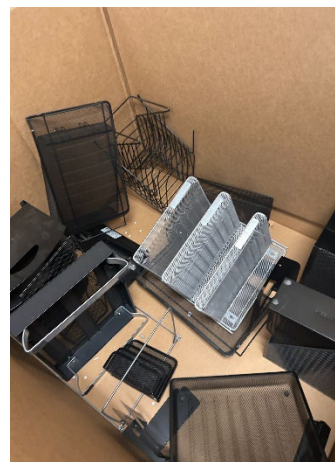




Friday, August 23, 2024



In **FIVE** months, we'll begin the transition of moving to an Interim City Hall at the **First Bank building(s) on Columbia Ave.** The space will be smaller in the new building, so now is a good time to decide what personal items will fit in your interim workspace like family photos. We have set a date of November 1 to take home personal items you will not take to the interim space. **Facilities manager Brad Wilson** has purchased packing items available to all City Hall departments. Contact Brad for boxes, bubble wrap, tape etc. **There will also be trash containers in the big hallway for those throwing out items and if you haven't looked in the training room there are boxes for office supply recycle/donations.** The new building is fully furnished with storage, which you will see soon. Assistant City Administrator Vernon Gerth has set up a date to **visit the new building on September 4th, at 5PM.** All are invited! Please get with your department director to let them know if you can attend. Another date will be scheduled in the future for those who cannot make the Sept. 4th date.



Last Friday, our traffic unit was the proud recipient of some major awards at the **THSO (Tennessee Office of Highway Safety) Law Enforcement Challenge** luncheon and awards ceremony. **FPD won:**



-The Law Enforcement Challenge Overall Winner Award

-The Law Enforcement Challenge Middle Tennessee Award

-The Law Enforcement Challenge 101-200 Officers Category

The program provides law enforcement agencies with an opportunity to demonstrate how they promote traffic safety initiatives in the communities they serve. They are judged on Policies and Guidelines, THSO Activities, Incentives and Recognition, and Public Information and Education. You can learn more here: <https://tntrafficsafety.org/lec-2024>, **Pictured From L-R: Lt. Aaron Compton, Officer Brad Brandon, Officer Joe LeCates, Officer Kevin Spry, Officer Robert Gibson, Sgt. Sam Greer, Officer Domenico Buffa, Officer Sullivan Tuck, and Officer Jared Anderson.**

Great job FPD Traffic Team! Thank you for all you do to keep the community safe on the roads!



The **Parks Department** is pleased to announce the promotion of **Wade Holt to Urban Forestry Technician II**. Wade joined the Parks Department's Urban Forestry division in 2021 as an Urban Forestry Technician I. Since then, he has consistently demonstrated high levels of professionalism, leadership, hard work, and a willingness to help his fellow team members. The Parks Department is confident that Wade will continue to have a positive impact in his new role. Congratulations!

Mark your calendars for the Franklin Fire Department's open house on Saturday, September 7, at Franklin Fire Station 2, 907 Murfreesboro Rd., from 10 AM to noon. This free, family-friendly event will feature tours of the station, emergency vehicle and equipment demonstrations, and much more.

Event Highlights:

- **10:00 AM:** Join us for a brief 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony featuring a combined Franklin Fire Department, Franklin Police Department, and Williamson County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard presentation of the flags, bagpipes, and a musical performance by the Legacy Middle School Band.
- **10:30 AM:** Watch a side-by-side fire sprinkler live burn demonstration by the National Fire Sprinkler Association, showcasing the impact of fire sprinklers in action.
- **11:00 AM:** Participate in the Wetdown Ceremony for the new Engine 2. Kids and kids at heart are invited to join in the fun!



Enjoy grilled hot dogs courtesy of Atmos Energy, and sweet treats from the Friends' Treat Truck, and be sure to pick up special giveaways for both kids and adults. Overflow parking will be available at Show Hope, 903 Murfreesboro Rd.

We received a nice thank you note for several in our Engineering Department, **Paul Holzen, Jimmy Wiseman, Ellen Moore, and Jeff Willoughby** who presented to a group of HOAs. **Great work by our Engineering/Stormwater team!**

Paul, You and your team did an amazing job with your information and its presentation at our FAHOA3 Meeting last night. Your team prepared well, the complex information was presented in an easy to understand and thoughtful manner. The handout booklet not only impressed our members but helped all to understand the subject better. Also appreciated was the thoughtful willingness to work with our member communities on stormwater issues they might have. Thank you for your hard work and continued partnership with our alliance and its members.

-Rich Buckner, Director, Franklin Alliance of HOA's - Ward 3 (FAHOA3)

Welcome to our new team member this week.

Eric Ricketts. Forestry Technician I, Parks Department

Eric is from Elkhart, Indiana and has lived in the area for four years. Eric is studying Agricultural Business at MTSU. Prior to working at the City, Eric worked for Home Depot. Welcome to the City!



Upcoming events from the **Human Resources Department!**

- **08/26 - EAP Refresher/Updates for employees virtual via Teams**
- **08/30-COF Fall Football Kickoff, wear football attire, see flyer!**
- **09/10 - EAP Refresher for Supervisors via Teams**

That's all for this week! Thanks for *all* you do. Enjoy your weekend.

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