



CITY OF INDIAN HILLS

**CHIP HANCOCK, MAYOR
3905 BROWNSBORO ROAD
INDIAN HILLS, KY 40207
(502) 893-1375**

New Neighbor:

Welcome to the history-filled City of Indian Hills, in Jefferson County and within the beautiful, bluegrass Commonwealth of Kentucky.

We are providing our new residents with this Welcome Packet and an invitation to attend a meeting of your City of Indian Hills Council to introduce yourself to any of our Council Members at any upcoming meeting. Beginning in January 2022, our City Council meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Louisville Boat Club (4200 River Road).

Inside this packet is information that may answer your basic questions. You may also like to visit our website (www.indianhillssky.org) to check out the latest News and Events, or click on the Police Department tab where you may sign up for a House Watch and/or for an email subscription which is utilized to disseminate recent crime information and important traffic safety issues.

In addition to the latest News and Events on our website to keep the residents up to date as much as possible, another resource used is a quarterly newsletter (with contact information on the last page) that is mailed to our residents and posted on the website as well. A copy of the most recent newsletter is enclosed.

Also provided inside this packet, for your optional use, are two Indian Hills ID stickers for your automobiles. These help our police to identify residents' vehicles.

Whether your move to our City of Indian Hills is from far away or right around the corner, we consider ourselves fortunate enough to offer a share of our great community through our residents, Council, neighborhood organizations and businesses.

Our continued success is rooted in each new resident experiencing a feeling of being fortunate too.

**Mayor Chip Hancock & City Councilmembers
City of Indian Hills**

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“GOOD TO KNOW” INFORMATION

EMERGENCY 911 or 893-2677 (COPS) for Police Dispatch

MAYOR:

Chip Hancock

CITY STAFF:

Donna M. Sinkhorn, City Clerk
Jim Graven, Code Enforcement Officer
& Public Works Director
Patty Deye, City Controller

CHIEF OF POLICE

Kelly Spratt

COUNCILMEMBERS:

Ann Dreisbach
Laura Dunbar
Lee Garlove
LuAnn George
James Giesel
John Harralson, III
Kay Matton
Gary Ulmer
Mimi Zinniel

CITY OFFICE: Hours – 10:00 am – 3:45 pm Monday through Thursday
(502) 893-1375 Please listen to options and select the one appropriate for your call.

**For more contact numbers, please visit the city’s website at: www.indianhillssky.org

POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTACTS NOT REQUIRING DISPATCH:

Administrative issues may be handled by e-mailing police@ihpd.org or calling our office at (502) 893-1375

The Indian Hills Police Department offers a House Watch Program that will have officers check your home several times a day while you are out of town. The Department also offers a Crime Alert e-mail subscription that notifies residents of important crime and traffic information for the area. Residents may register for both of these services by visiting www.indianhillssky.org/police.

Indian Hills car decals can be requested by sending an e-mail to police@ihpd.org.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTACTS NOT REQUIRING DISPATCH:

St. Matthews Fire & EMS	(502) 893-7825	www.stmatthewsfd.com
Anchorage Middletown Fire & EMS	(502) 245-7555	www.amfireandems.org

PROPERTY UPDATES, CONTAINERS & SALES:

Construction, Remodeling, Driveways, Fencing, Grade/Drainage Changes, Dumpsters, Moving/Storage Containers, Garage & Estate Sales, Etc. City of Indian Hills permits are required. Please check the Indian Hills website and contact the Public Works Director at (502) 893-1375 before undertaking any of these.

TRASH COLLECTION:

ALL PICK UPS ARE ON WEDNESDAYS

Residents are reminded to be considerate of their neighbors and mindful of the city's appearance by not putting out garbage, recycling, and yard waste containers until Tuesday night ... and retrieving them by day's end on Wednesday.

Eco-Tech does not furnish any garbage containers as part of their disposal contract. You may use a garbage bin of up to 95 gallons (maximum loaded weight of 75 pounds), but any bins larger than 32 gallons must be taken to the curb. These may be purchased at many retail outlets, or purchased or rented from Eco-Tech.

TRASH collection location for normal collection shall be at the rear of the residence or at the curb whichever the resident may choose. However, if unusual circumstances such as moving in or out, cleaning out a basement or a garage or the like, warrant additional services on occasion, these containers must be placed at the curb for pickup along with containers typically stored in the rear. This extra service does not apply to heavy articles, such as discarded appliances and should not be placed at the curb for pickup without first contacting Eco-Tech to arrange such pickup at resident's expense.

RECYCLING/YARD WASTE COLLECTION:

RECYCLING - Bins are provided by Eco-Tech and **the recycling bin is to be placed curbside.** Be sure to use the lids provided to keep paper from scattering.

YARD WASTE - Yard waste collection season begins March 1st and ends December 31st. Yard Waste collection is provided on an INDIVIDUAL SUBSCRIPTION BASIS only. Subscribers will be invoiced directly by Eco-Tech. Pro-rated billing for partial year's service is not available. Eco-Tech is the only authorized residential sanitation company to operate in the City. This does not prevent you from having a landscaping service or yard service company. Eco-Tech provides for disposal only.

Eco-Tech will provide each subscription customer with a green, 95-gallon waste wheeler (trash can on wheels). Green containers are for yard waste only. Thirty-two (32) gallon cans or less, plastic, CLEARLY MARKED yard waste or biodegradable bags are acceptable. **Yard waste containers are to be placed curbside.** Twigs that do not fit into the green can may be cut and bundled, not to exceed fifty (50) pounds. Cut twigs should be no longer than four (4) feet in length and three (3) inches in diameter. Branches and tree stumps are not acceptable.

HOLIDAYS - Eco-Tech observes six holidays a year for residential customers: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. If a regular scheduled collection day falls on or after a holiday, all collection days for the remainder of that week will be moved back one day.

WEATHER DELAYS – In the event that inclement weather delays Eco-Tech's normal pick-up, notice to that effect will be placed on the Indian Hills website Bulletin Board.

TRASH/WASTE PROBLEMS or to subscribe for YARD WASTE COLLECTION - Call ECO-TECH at 935-1130, identify yourself as a resident of the City of Indian Hills.

UTILITY CONTACT NUMBERS:

LG&E	589-1444
(to report down powerline or streetlight outage)	
Louisville Water Company	583-6610
MSD Customer Service	587-0603 or Email MSD:

CustomerRelations@LouisvilleMSD.org



CITY OF INDIAN HILLS KENTUCKY

PERMITS & REGISTRATIONS REQUIRED BY ORDINANCE

For detailed information on permit requirements and restrictions, please review the referenced ordinances on our website (www.indianhillsky.org). If you are in need of additional help, or want to apply for a permit, please contact Jim Graven, Public Works Director, Permits Issuance & Code Enforcement at 502-552-4250.

CONSTRUCTION

Building/Addition/Remodeling/Demolition
Driveway/Parking Area
Excavations
Fence
Lighting, Outdoor
Portable Storage Containers
Swimming Pools

ORDINANCE

15.08.030
12.16.020
12.12.010
15.12.040
12.20.030
10.30.040
15.20.020

OTHER

Alarm System, Registration 8.04.020
Firearm Discharge Exception 9.04.030
Trees-Trim, Cut, Remove or Damage on Public Ways 8.20.030
Trees-Trim, Cut, Remove or Damage on Public Ways 12.29.030
Vehicle on Sidewalk Other than at Driveway 10.12.040 A
Vehicle Weight Over 21,000 lbs. 10.24.010



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*TIME TRAVEL BACK and THROUGH a BIT of HISTORY - SPECIFIC TO OUR CITY of INDIAN HILLS**

If you were able to pass back in time and to glimpse this area in the late 1700's, you might come to know a surveyor from Ulster, Ireland-John Veech, who with his wife, Agnes, came to The Falls of the Ohio by flatboat and soon acquired 502 acres or Indian Hill Farm...

Only a fort along the Ohio marks what your future travels through time would find to be named Louisville. And, the Veeches, well, you would likely be meeting six generations of them over 118 years.

And, yes, you probably guessed, an encampment of 300 "Indians" likely gave the farm its name; and, the acquisition of land gave the Veeches a reputation as Indian fighters, as history notes.

In the late 1800s, you would meet grandson, Richard Veech, and be entertained as one of many businessmen or horse breeders from the East, readying for the annual Lexington Trot Meet. He likely let you tour his famous, large, trotting horse barn, with 50-60 brood mares, situated about where Rolling Lane crosses Pennington, in Rolling Fields.

A few years later, you might be rolling into Indian Hill Farm in a new "automobile", finding the rich land appropriately converted, from horse breeding, to potato farming... and, yes, you might be headed around the corner, to invest in one of the largest potato markets - the St. Matthews Produce Exchange.

Before you head off into the 20th century, stop into the Louisville's Courier Journal's office of John Duncan, on December 14, 1877, as he reports:

“Indian Hill Farm is a fine tract of rich, rolling land, with springs of the purest and best water bubbling up in the most convenient places on every part of it. The whole of it is down in grass, which is mostly bluegrass, though orchard grass is deemed worthy of no little attention...”

Come into town, in 1911, with the famous landscape architects, Frederick, Jr., and John Charles Olmsted to meet with Dr. Annie Veech and her brother, James Nichols Veech... to begin design development plans for their family’s vast farm. [The legacy of the Olmsted’s father, Frederick Law Olmsted, preceded these sons, as the “Father of American Landscape Architecture”, including the development of Louisville’s Olmsted Park System, as his final project before retiring in 1895 - by the way his career starting project was Central Park in New York City!] Unfortunately, World War I waylaid any plans between the Veeches and the Frederick Law Olmsted landscape firm.

By the 1920’s, your return visit would be seeing the magic of the Frederick Law Olmsted firm and the brothers enmeshed in 18 parks, campus of University of Louisville and both seminaries, many private estates and several neighborhoods.

It was noted that the Olmsted brothers strictly adhered to their father’s principle that the landscape IS the art and results in design respecting and leveraging the natural topography, emphasizing the hills, valleys and streams that are characteristic throughout our community.

Dr. Veech sold 200 acres for the development of the Louisville Country Club and brother, James, sold 300 acres to a syndicate including names such as Axton, Reynolds, and Semonin, to develop Indian Hills. “The Home Community Adjoining The Louisville Country Club”, all to incorporate the design features of Olmsted.

“... sweeping, curvilinear streets and gently rounded intersections, following the natural contours of the hilly terrain... efforts were made to save existing trees, ... preserve natural beauty, ... suggesting, too, to plant more native trees and shrubs to strengthen the romantic character ... leaving green spaces, to promote a sense of community.”

*Which lands you here in the present – inclusive of neighboring mergers to expand this sense of the **City of Indian Hills** community: Indian Hills-Cherokee Section (1955), Robinswood (1965) and Winding Falls (1977). This 1999 expansion gave sense of security to our community as a 4th Class City (n/k/a as a “Home Rule City”)- one enjoying greater control over local zoning and servicing...*

*... you find yourself in this **City of Indian Hills**, one greatly expanded and further developed, but still working to respect the Olmsted principles of natural design and promotion of community...*

... in fact, you are right in time, as we consider initiatives to replant, focusing on those same native species of hardwood, shrubs and other plantings.

*Yes, we are setting our sights on securing another 100 years of the Olmsted Legacy for your futuristic travels – and excellence of sense of community of **City of Indian Hills**.*

Prepared by former City of Indian Hills Councilwoman, Sandy Hyland Carroll (2018)

**Much of this time travel scenario was accumulated from previous research, including (1) Olmsted Residential Friends’ Article, with research, noted to have been pulled from US Dept. of the Interior, Courier Journal, and other Sources and Indian Hills: An Olmsted Legacy document and even Wikipedia – Indian Hills, Kentucky*



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INDIAN HILLS: AN OLMSTED LEGACY

The residents of Indian Hills are justly proud of the beauty of the landscape lining our roadways and populating our green spaces. Our Indian Hills landscape reflects the legacy of the great Frederick Law Olmsted, the “Father of American Landscape Architecture”, who not only designed Central Park in New York (his “starter project”!) but many other public park projects across the country, including his final project before retiring, Louisville’s own Olmsted Park System. After his retirement in 1895, Mr. Olmsted was succeeded by his long-standing partners, his two sons, Frederick Jr. and John Charles Olmsted, who followed in their father’s footsteps to extend the Olmsted magic throughout Louisville, ultimately resulting in 18 parks, the campuses of U of L and of both seminaries, many private estates, and several neighborhoods, including the original Indian Hills, designed in the 1920s.

The Olmsted Brothers’ strict adherence to their father’s principle that the landscape IS the art resulted in design that respects and leverages the natural topography, emphasizing the hills, valleys and streams that are characteristic throughout our community. You’ve noticed the curvilinear streets, the majestic native hardwood trees, the frequent shade-then-light effect that makes every curve a delightful discovery of a new vista. This is the best of Mother Nature, with the assistance of subtle manipulation of the land and flora to create landscape that truly IS art!

The boundaries of Indian Hills have expanded greatly since the ‘20s, well beyond the original Olmsted plan. And as the neighborhood ages, the original plantings have died of old age, disease, or damage caused by nature or humans. Yet we continue to respect the Olmsted principles of design insofar as possible. Currently there are community-driven initiatives to replant, focusing on native species of hardwood, shrubs and other plantings. Yes, we are justly proud of our Olmsted legacy, and hope to see it continue another 100 years!

*Provided by City of Indian Hills
Councilwoman Mimi Zinniel*