

The Gillham Main Newsletter

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Neighborhood Meeting

Tuesday, January 8, 7:30 p.m.
at Rockhill Manor Hotel, 4235 Locust
(Corner 43rd & Locust)

A G E N D A

What are the interests and problems of persons in our Neighborhood?

What does the Neighborhood want the Association to accomplish?

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The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of Gillham Main will meet on Wednesday, February 5 at 4061 McGee, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. All members of the Association are welcome.
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WHY THERE IS A GILLHAM MAIN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

(The Association deliberately has no statement of purpose. These are my feelings.....
Walt Wells, President, GMNA)

I like a feeling of Neighborliness - being able to walk down the streets and wave at people I know. My children meet other children and we their parents.

There are times that I have concerns-trash, traffic, deteriorating buildings, noise - that affect the area near my home, but perhaps not the city as a whole.

As an individual my voice is not loud at City Hall. Working with neighbors having the same concerns we can be heard at City Hall and perhaps at other places.

Since the formation of GMNA last Summer we have: 1) Worked with the ATA to establish a Bus Express Stop at 43rd & Main;

2) Begun discussion with the City on a Code Enforcement Program for our Neighborhood;

3) Introduced our City Councilmen and State Legislator to our membership;

4) Worked with the City to control weeds;

5) Investigated the possibility of vest pocket parks within our Neighborhood;

6) Had speakers in our Neighborhood on Crime & Traffic Enforcement, City Codes & enforcement, & the Bond Proposals.

....AND most importantly we have introduced many people to each other.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION Tuesday, January 15 VOTE

If you are concerned about taxes or the School System, the regular School Board Election to fill 5 of 9 positions on the Board will be held January 15.

The School Board administers over \$60 million of tax money in operating both the school system and the libraries - over 50% of local property taxes.

All persons living in our Neighborhood will be able to vote for two members at large. Persons living south of 43rd street will be able to vote for a 2nd District Representative as well.

CANDIDATES to SPEAK in WESTPORT

Candidates for the School Board will attend a meeting on Wednesday, January 9th at 7:30 p.m. at All Souls Church, 4500 Warwick Blvd.

Gillham Main is joining with other Westport Community Groups and PTAs to sponsor this the only evening Candidates meeting in Westport.

Another public meeting of the Candidates will be held at Penn Valley College from 3 to 5 p.m. on Thursday January 10 sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.

School Board Candidates RUNNING FOR TWO AT-LARGE SEATS

1. Ann Blond
2. Fred Havens
3. Lydia Miller
4. Alice Mullens
5. Rev. John L. Preciphs
6. Charles R. Rinehart

RUNNING FOR THE 2nd DISTRICT SEAT

1. Gary J. Brouillette
2. James H. Lyddon

JOIN GILLHAM MAIN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

All residents, property owners, business persons, and institutions between Gillham Road and Main, 39th to 45th are welcome. Dues are \$1 a year. Under 21 - 50¢ a year.

PLEASE offer a neighbor a ride to our meeting at Rockhill Manor, 4235 Locust, Tues, Jan. 8.

Do You Own A Car ?

In the Gillham Main Neighborhood there are varied viewpoints on vehicles as on many other subjects.

So, here are some of the answers- as we have been given them- for both those who own cars and those who find other people's cars a burden.

Automobiles are regulated by both Kansas City and the State of Missouri.

The only requirement of the State is that 1) There be a current year Missouri license; or 2) that the owner be a legal resident of another state and have a current year license from that state.

Kansas City also issues a "license" - a small piece of paper glued to the right front windshield of the vehicle.

This sticker is required on the vehicles of residents, temporary residents (including students & possibly vistors(over 48 hours).

Towing & Fines

Kansas City Ordinances permit police to tow or ticket a car if it is:

- 1) Not properly licensed by city or state;
- 2) Parked on the street for 48 hours without being moved;
- 3) Parked on a city street and not capable of moving under its own power;
- 4) Blocking a drive - even your own;
- 5) Abandoned and the City has permission of the property owner to remove it;
- 6) A junk car and the owner requests removal;
- 7) Having repairs or maintainence done while parked on a city street;

....AND...if you happen to own a truck - it is illegal to drive it on Warwick, Gillham, and Rockhill as well as all other Boulevards in Kansas City, Missouri.

The NEWSLETTER is available about the first of every month at J & G Market, 43rd & Oak.

In some parts of the Neighborhood the Newsletter is delivered door to door by a resident of the block.

More persons are needed to deliver the Newsletter on their blocks. Call Sharon Fink, at 531-5017, or Walt Wells, at 561-8981, to help with the Newsletter.

To receive the Newsletter by mail, cost is \$1.25 in advance to cover mailing cost.

Gillham Main thanks the Kansas City Art Institute for providing us space for our December Meeting & Election.

From the Executive Committee Meeting, Dec. 5 Special meeting of the Plan Commission at Joe Shaugnessy's with Del Karmeier - changes were made in the proposed street plans for Westport. Karmeier has given written agreement that Westport will be invited to discuss all street plans.

Walt Wells has and will continue to keep a file on "happenings", etc. in his home at 4061 McGee. As it is impossible to announce everything at the regular meetings, he is setting aside Saturday afternoon as a time when interested individuals may stop by and thumb through, take notes, etc.

Code enforcement was discussed at length.

From the General Meeting, December 11..... Annual elections were held.

Code enforcement was discussed.

The City Wide Coalition of Neighborhoods had a meeting and it was reported that the general discussion centered around the necessity of developing a list of major priorities, priorities being those complaints and needs that most member neighborhood organizations have in common. The items repeated most were mass transit, building and zoning code enforcement, mortgage and repair loans, and noise ordinance.

Councilman Joel Pelofsky gave a brief synopsis of the 14 Bond Propositions and answered questions concerning same.

The GMNA Executive Committee elected Dec. 11 PRES. Walt Wells; 4061 McGee; 561-8981

V.P. Eunice Collins; 4040 Locust; 753-3763

SEC. Sharon Fink; 4317 McGee; 531-5017

TREAS. Lis Putnam; 400 E. 43rd

REPS/WESTPORT PLAN COMMISSION

Ford Simcox; 4138 Locust

Sarah Ingram-Eiser; 503 E. 44th

REPS/BROADWAY WESTPORT COMM. DEV. CORP.

Richard Globus; 4122 Oak

Karen Benson; 206 E. 44th

REPS/CITY WIDE COALITION of NEIGHBORHOODS

Kay Ketcham; 4100 Warwick

Ilene Griffith; 4138 Warwick

REP/ WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Jim Holland; 4011 Warwick

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MEETINGS

The GMNA General Meeting is Tuesday, February 12, 7:30 p.m., Rockhill Manor, 4235 Locust. The agenda will be to set priorities of the neighborhood and determine how we, the Association, can accomplish those goals. The Environmental Protection Agency is providing a film and a speaker on noise pollution.

The GMNA Executive Committee will meet Wednesday, February 6, 7-8:30 p.m., 4061 McGee.

COMMITTEES

Transport - Tuesday, February 19, 7:30 p.m., 400 E. 43, rear basement. Nat Putnam, Chairperson, 531-7516.

Traffic & Parking - Wednesday, February 20, 7-8:30 p.m., 4138 Warwick, second floor. Ilene Griffith, Chairperson, 531-7391.

Parks & Recreation - Thursday, February 21, 7:00 p.m., 4061 McGee. Cooperative efforts in yard care, parks, GMNA Garden Club, GMNA Fair, etc. will be discussed.

All committees need more input from the members. Contact the Chairpersons if you have comments, etc.

The Westport Community Council will meet Monday, February 11, 7:30 p.m., Westport Methodist Church, 504 W. 40. Program - transportation alternatives and its effect on the Westport area.

Transportation Headaches?

531-7516 is available for any gripes, comments, suggestions concerning transportation in the Gillham Main neighborhood area as the Transportation Committee is working with several experts on a survey to determine routes, etc.

Attention Senior Citizens

Senior citizens wishing to obtain information on how they can receive tax relief under the new "Circuit Breaker" law should write to the Missouri Department of Revenue, Senior Citizens Credit Group, P.O. Box 500, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101. The law is designed to ease financial difficulties of senior citizens who have low incomes, but pay rising property taxes or rent.

The WESTPORT EXPRESS

is a community transportation service for Westport residents 60 years of age and older who for various reasons cannot use existing public and private methods of transportation.

is an individual transportation service to assist you with shopping activities, doctor's appointments, recreational and social meetings, etc.

is a group transportation service available on week-ends, evenings and special occasions.

is in operation Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Individual reservations must be made 24 hours in advance. Group reservations must be made one week in advance. To make reservations, call 753-8400.

There is no set fee for this service. A \$.25 donation may be made to help purchase feed for the horses (a 12 passenger, 1974 van with heating, air conditioning and steps for easy entrance).

GMNA welcomes the return of our vice-president, Eunice Collins, who has been away from the neighborhood for a short stay in the hospital.

If you have missed any of the past Newsletters and wish a copy, please contact Sharon Fink, 531-5017.

Volunteers Needed....

to help Caron Wells take books to the elderly so they too might enjoy or even escape the real world.

to help Ilene Griffith on the Traffic and Parking Committee. Call her at 531-7391.

to chair the Parks and Recreation Committee. Contact Walt Wells, 561-8981.

to staff two recreation/education centers for school age children. The centers will be in the Westport area. One is already in operation at the Guardian Angels School, 4232 Main; the other is to be at Broadway Baptist Church, 3931 Washington, with a projected opening date of March 25. For details, call 753-1730 and ask for Alma or Gary. Or write the Westport Cooperative Mission, Inc., 4106 Main, Kansas City, Missouri.

From the General Meeting...

The agenda was a brainstorming session itemizing the neighborhood concerns, interests and what GMNA can do to obviate, eliminate and/or mitigate these priorities.

It was moved, seconded and passed that GM be concerned with the upkeep of the Westport Branch Library and that it be open on week-ends. The library system was one of the items listed as GMNA's priorities.

Other areas of concerns:

Trash - Nat Putnam suggested that we check into the feasibility of other organizations purchasing trashcans and then GMNA could choose and place them in the most needed areas.

Bus Service - It was moved, seconded and passed that Walt Wells direct the Transportation Committee to plan a Westport Road bus route.

Money - GMNA is in sad need of funds and Nat Putnam suggested that we consider more seriously such fund-raising activities as a neighborhood fair, selling cookies, offering a flower-arranging class, etc. Steve Whitacre suggested increasing the membership and felt an informational piece with a statement of purpose would help.

From the Executive Committee Meeting...

Reports and/or descriptions of Committees and Organizations:

Broadway Westport Community Development Corporation - is a not-for-profit corporation organized to rehabilitate existing structures in Westport.

Westport Community Council - is to keep us apprised of anything that will affect our neighborhood.

City Wide Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations - is a group to represent neighborhoods to the City.

The Westport Plan Commission - reviews zoning and planning. GM is now zoned R4 and part of it is going to be zoned R2B. The Westport Plan can be obtained free from City Hall. The Westport Plan Commission has asked that anyone who knows of violations contact your neighborhood's representatives: Sarah Ingram-Eiser, 561-2159 or Ford Simcox, 561-5109.

Communications Committee - Any information for the Newsletter should be telephoned or delivered to Sharon Fink, 531-5017, Eunice Collins, 753-3763 or Walt Wells, 561-8981 by the 15th of each month.

Property - George Armstrong reported on the Noise Ordinance Hearing. "Pros" and "Cons" attended. A film was shown concerning noise and the effects on animals and people.

From the Westport Community Council...

Speakers were Ted Neuman and Ron Spradley, County Legislators. The Council took two actions: (1) endorsed the City Sign Ordinance which is an ordinance to prevent realtors from using yard signs for block-busting purposes, and (2) establish a Westport Education Committee to contain representatives of all Westport area organizations. The purpose of the WEC is to develop a unified position on education in the Westport community and then proceed to implement any recommendations made by that committee.

Gillham Main Neighborhood Association thanks Rockhill Manor for providing space for our January meeting.

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All persons within the area are invited to attend the regular monthly meetings.

The GMNA General Meeting for MARCH will be
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 7:00 p.m.
at the KANSAS CITY ART INSTITUTE
4415 Warwick Blvd.

.....A G E N D A.....
7:00 Discussion April 2 Bond Election
8:00 Discussion with the Police Dept. on
ways of making our neighborhood safer
& working with the Police Dept.

As a result of some persons having difficulty finding our meeting room during an earlier KCAI meeting...Enter through the stone gates on the East side of Warwick Blvd. just South of 44th. Proceed directly ahead entering the door off the roofed porch to your right.

Both signs and guides will be present.

If you need a ride to our meeting call 561-8981 or 753-3763.

The GMNA Executive Committee will meet
Tuesday, April 2 at 4061 McGee, 7:00 p.m.

The GMNA Transportation Committee will meet
Tuesday, March 19, 7:30 P.M. at 400 E. 43rd
entrance-rear basement.

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The GMNA Parks and Recreation Committee
will meet Thursday, March 21 at 4061 McGee.
We will discuss swimming pool, Neighborhood
Clean-up, and Arbor Day Plans. (7:30 p.m.)

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The Ad Hoc Committee on Code Enforcement
will meet Thursday, March 14, 7:30 at 4061
McGee to discuss City Codes, enforcement
procedures, general background. Residents
of the Gillham Main area are welcome.

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Our thanks to Rockhill Manor Hotel for
providing us space for our February Meeting.

The new ACTION CENTER at City Hall will be the subject of the Westport Community Council Meeting on Monday, March 11, 7:30 P.M. at Westport Methodist Church, 504 W. 40th. All residents of the Westport area are invited to attend and meet Denny Lambert who will head the Action Center.

An Open Letter To Our Neighbors:

Since August, I have been Chairperson of our Transportation Committee. My viewpoint over the past few months has changed from that of an average citizen mildly interested in how he can move through the city to an aggressive, concerned person...working not only for my own good but for the interests of our entire neighborhood and city.

Earlier this winter, the Association unanimously agreed that transportation was one of the vital concerns of our neighborhood. One important reason people choose this area to live in is centrality. But centrality is of little importance to one isolated by lack of transportation.

Our committee feels public transportation should be our main concern. We therefore attempt to represent you at every public meeting on transportation that could have an impact on our area. We have worked closely with the committees and legislature which introduced the "Westport Express" for our senior citizens. We attend all meetings to discuss month to month plans of the organizations sponsoring the rapid transit project - and we make it clear to everyone that the rapid transit services should be as well developed in our area as they will be in suburbia.

We also work closely with the ATA. We are currently requesting shelters at 43rd and Rockhill, & 40th & Main - shelters that will not only protect patrons from the elements, but will inform them of neighborhood happenings through bulletin Boards. In addition, we are looking into the possibility of new routes.

Thankyou,
Nat Putnam
Chairperson, Transportation Committee

PLEASE COMPLETE BACK SIDE AND CUT ALONG THIS LINE AND RETURN

The transportation committee needs the help of every resident of the Gillham-Main area to provide them with information which will assist in providing better public transportation. Any additional comments or suggestions will be welcome and appreciated. Please take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire on the backside and mail it back to the committee. You may also return it to the J & G Market or at the March meeting of the Gillham Main Association. Call 531-4933 if you have any questions or would like to have the completed survey picked up.

MAIL TO: Walt Wells
Gillham Main Association
4061 McGee
Kansas City, Missouri

The committee thanks you for your assistance and cooperation in this endeavor.

GMNA To Fill Two Positions

Two positions as a representative of the Gillham Main Neighborhood will be filled at the March 12th meeting of the Association.

All members of GMNA will be asked to nominate persons to fill these vacancies.

The Nominee should be a member of GMNA and must agree in writing to serve if elected.

One of the vacancies is as one of our two representatives to the Westport Community Council. This group serves the entire Westport area in much the way that Gillham Main Association serves our area. The duties would consist of attending a regular meeting on the 2nd Monday of every month to speak for Gilham Main and to convey the actions taken and proposed back to GMNA.

The second position to be filled is one of the three representatives to the City Wide Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations. CWCNO acts as an Advocate for neighborhoods in much the same way that the Chamber of Commerce acts as an Advocate for business. The duties would include attending a regular meeting on the 4th Wednesday of every month and possibly serving on a committee with one additional monthly meeting; and reporting to GMNA on actions taken and proposed.

Each of these persons would work with our other representatives to prepare a monthly report on the group they work with.

As a follow up to our January Newsletter, City Stickers are now past due on all cars in the city. If you have not purchased a City Sticker, the late fee is now an additional \$1. If a police officer gives you a ticket, the fine may run to \$25 additional. (We have a few more copies of our January Newsletter article on City & State regulations for automobiles...call 561-8981 for a copy.)

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More persons are needed to deliver the Newsletter. If you could deliver in your block...please call 561-8981.

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Summary of Executive Committee - Feb. 6th

Alternate Representatives designated.
Two new committees formed: Membership and Social Concerns added to already existing Transport; Streets, Traffic & Parking; Parks & Recreation; & Property Conservation & Noise Control

Committees will discuss City Sign Ordinance
Noise Ordinance discussed.

GMNA Priorities List completed.

Discussion: Westport Education Commission
Membership is to handle most fund raising projects.

Summary of General Meeting - Feb. 12th

Discussion of Prioities List

Ad Hoc Committee on Code Enforcement formed.

Vincent Smith/U.S. Environmental Protection Agency presented a film on Noise Pollution.
GMNA endorsed the efforts of City and State to write and pass a Noise Control ordinance.

GMNA Priorities

(These are concerns on which the Association will be acting in the coming months. If you wish to assist the Association with these goals or to add more please contact Walt Wells (561-8981) or Eunice Collins (753-3763))

- 1) Enforcement of existing building and zoning codes.
- 2) Need to improve advance knowledge of plans being made for our area by Government or private investors.
- 3) Need to improve government slowness/unwillingness to respond to individuals.
- 4) Public Safety-Street crime; breaking and entering.
- 5) Public Transit improvements.
- 6) Noise Control.
- 7) More park facilities and improved access to parks.
- 8) Schools.
- 9) Animal control/Trash. Leash law enforced.
- 10) Library.
- 11) Home purchase and repair loans.
- 12) Childcare.
- 13) Off street parking.

BOND Election-APRIL 2- VOTE!

TRANSPORTATION SURVEY (Please circle your answers)

How many times a week do you ride the bus? _____

Do you have a car? Yes No

Do you drive daily? Yes No

What is the maximum time you would be willing to wait for bus?

1 - 6 minutes 12 - 19 minutes

7 - 11 minutes 20 or more

If there were "better" service your probable use of a transit system, instead of your current mode of transportation would be:

Always Half of the time Never
Most of the time Infrequently

What form of transportation do you usually use for errands, etc.?

Own car Taxi Given a ride Bus
Walk Other _____

Circle areas to which you most frequently want to travel:

Plaza Downtown Hospital Hill
Crown Center River Quay 63rd
Westport UMKC-Memorah KU Med.
NKC-Airport NE-Independence
Other: _____

Neighborhood Cleanup

The City provides a free trash pickup for all buildings with six or fewer units. In Gillham Main this pickup is regularly on Mondays. So please put out your trash late Sunday or early Monday. Any sooner, animals tear open the bags.

For information on how bulky items may be picked up call 561-8981.

The streets in Gillham Main are cleaned by a Street sweeper regularly on Thursdays.

Trash in Gillham Main...What We Can Do!

- 1) On Sunday, April 21 beginning at 1:00 Gillham Main will sponsor a Neighborhood Cleanup. Volunteers will proceed south from 39th to 45th along all of our streets and side streets cleaning up visible litter.
- 2) Call 561-8981 or 753-3763 if you can help or would like to volunteer a neighbor.
- 3) As volunteers move along the street, they will stop to help persons place bulky items at the curb for pickup Monday, April 22nd. (If you will need help...hang a white cloth on the front of your home and someone will stop or call 561-8981 or 753-3763.)

NEIGHBORHOOD SALES

On the weekend of April 26, 27, 28 - Fri., Sat., Sun.... We invite everyone who has cleaned up and found lots of good junk to participate in a Neighborhood-wide porch & garage sale. All persons who want to participate will be asked to contribute 25¢ toward the cost of ads in the Westport Reporter and the K.C. Star & Times.

Any money left over will go to purchasing trash barrels and flowers for our neighborhood. Please call 561-8981 for more information and bring your 25¢ to the Association Meeting at Rockhill Manor on April 9 or drop it off at 4061 McGee.

PICNIC AFTERWARDS

Assuming that the weather continues warm, the Neighborhood Clean-up will be over in the late afternoon and there will be a picnic in the park - 43rd to 44th, Rockhill to Gillham - probably about 6:00.

VOTE IN THE CITY BOND ELECTION * APRIL 2 * A heavy turnout increases government interest in our neighborhood and its needs.

Gillham Main Neighborhood Association

April Meeting

Tuesday, April 9 at 7:30 p.m.
Rockhill Manor Hotel - 4235 Locust

AGENDA

7:30 HISTORICAL SLIDES of Kansas City
(Courtesy of McGilley Funeral Home)
Followed by a general meeting (including a report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Code Enforcement.)

DOOR PRIZE: A large home bible (either Catholic or Protestant) will be given to one of the persons attending this meeting by McGilley Funeral Home.

Join Gillham Main Neighborhood Association

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All persons within the area are invited to attend the regular monthly meetings.

REGARDING the NEWSLETTER:

If you do not always receive a Newsletter, it probably means we do not have anyone delivering the Newsletter regularly on your block.

WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE...Why don't you call and offer to deliver the Newsletter in your block or in your building once a month?

We now distribute 2000 copies of the Newsletter door to door and have copies available at J & G Market (43rd & Oak) and at Milgrams (40th & Main) about the 1st of every month.

Back issues are available to members.

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Contact the Gillham Main Association at 4061 McGee, K.C., Mo. 64111 or 561-8981.

BAD WEATHER DELAY?

Should there be bad weather - the clean-up, picnic, and porch/garage sales will all be one week later - the last weekend in April and the first weekend in May.

REPORT OF THE MARCH 12 MEETING...

The April 2 Bond Election was discussed, the Association took no position.

James Dawson was elected to fill a vacancy as a Gillham Main Representative to the City Wide Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations.

Announcement of Neighborhood Clean-up.

Film/Presentation/Discussion by the Police Department crime prevention unit. Strong emphasis on preventable crimes such as residence and auto burglary.

Extensive discussion & description of crime preventive hardware for the home.

Due to the importance of this presentation and the interest expressed by persons unable to attend this meeting, the Association will repeat this presentation later this year.

Nominations, and written acceptance by the nominee, are in order for a vacancy as one of Gillham Main's two representatives to the Westport Community Council.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS...

Install proper locks and use them.

Keep a record of all serial numbers of your property.

Apply an identifying mark on all items.

Keep your home, garages, porches, and yards well lighted both when home and away.

Be sure all screens and windows are fastened from the inside.

WATCH FOR: Broken or open windows & doors.

Anyone loitering in a parked car.

A stranger carrying appliances, household goods, or bundles from your neighbor's.

License numbers of suspicious cars.

Descriptions of suspicious persons.

REPORT ALL CRIMES AND ATTEMPTED CRIMES: This causes the Police Department to assign adequate enforcement personnel to our area.

DOG REGULATIONS

Too many animals have died on our streets.

Control your dog...leash, chain, or fence...

Or give it to someone who will care for it.

If you have a dog...the City requires all dogs to receive a rabies vaccination and the owner to purchase a city license for it.

The city will pick up all dogs running loose and take them to the city animal shelter at 4400 Raytown Road.

If your dog is missing or if there is a dog creating a problem call 861-0123.

TRANSPORTATION ? ?

Please return the transportation questionnaire which was attached to the March Newsletter.

Would anyone who has not received a transportation questionnaire please contact Gillham Main at 531-4933, 531-7516, or 561-8981 to get your copy.

COMMITTEES

.....Participate in Gillham Main.....

(This is where YOU can have your greatest input)

MEMBERSHIP: 1st Wednesday, 7:30, monthly

4040 Locust, Apt. 3.

TRANSPORTATION: 3rd Tuesday, 7:30, monthly

400 E. 43rd, rear basement.

PARKS & RECREATION: 4th Thursday, 7:30

monthly - Rockhill Manor, 4235 Locust.

SOCIAL CONCERNS: 4th Tuesday, 7:30, monthly

location variable. Call 561-8981.

STREETS, TRAFFIC & PARKING:

No meetings scheduled.

PROPERTY CONSERVATION & NOISE POLLUTION:

No meetings scheduled.

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON CODE ENFORCEMENT: will

meet Thursday, April 4 at 7:30 p.m. at

404 E. 43rd-3 West (Use rear entrance)

The committee will prepare a report to be presented to the Association meeting on April 9th at Rockhill Manor.

The Gillham Main EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE will meet at 4061 McGee 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 2 & Tuesday, May 7.

All members of the Association are welcome to attend & participate.

The Executive Committee also has weekly work sessions 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesday afternoons at 4040 Locust.

Do you have a problem in dealings with the city? Call the new Action Center at 274-2222 to have your requests for action handled.

ANY OLD BARRELS?

Would any persons in the Gillham Main Neighborhood have an old metal trash barrel or two they would donate to the Association?

The barrels would be cleaned up and painted and then be placed at transit stops and on corners for litter.

Please call 561-8981 if you would have one or more barrels. Thankyou.

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May Meeting

Tuesday, May 14, 7:30 p.m.
Rockhill Manor Hotel, 4235 Locust

A G E N D A

Discussion of implementation of
CODE ENFORCEMENT Program

Code Enforcement Voted

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association has voted to request the City to work with the Neighborhood to implement a Systematic Property Maintenance Code Enforcement Program in the Gillham Main area.

Meeting at the Rockhill Manor Retirement Hotel on April 9 the Association heard the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Code Enforcement, formed by the membership on February 12, and voted to accept it.

The Code Enforcement program to be requested in our area is an exterior inspection with the occupant of each dwelling unit being able to request (in writing) an inspection of the interior of their unit. The emphasis of the inspection will be on health and safety with a goal of a desirable residential neighborhood free from blight.

In addition to the city providing an inspection program the Association will develop programs of its own. Among programs currently being considered are: a workshop for minor home & apartment repairs; an assistance program for minor home & apartment repairs; and a volunteer labor program for larger rehabilitation projects where the home owner is physically/financially unable to carry out needed repairs on their own.

Further details and further development of these programs will be discussed at the May 14 meeting of the Association.

What happened at the GM General Meeting.....

Program: Historic slides of K.C.

Transport Committee reported that it has endorsed Test System 106 of MARC which indicates that express and local busses are more feasible than rapid transit at the present time. It also endorsed reurbanization as opposed to urban sprawl.

Moved, seconded, and passed that: (1) a letter be written to the City asking for 3 new traffic lights to be installed at 40 & Warwick, 41 & Gillham, and 41 & Main. (2) a letter be written to Mayor Wheeler recommending that Lyle Kennedy be appointed to the Board of Zoning Adjustment and Larry Downs be appointed to the City Planning Commission. (3) GM support MARC's recommendation of an area wide 911 emergency number for police, ambulance, and fire. (4) GM support St. Mary's Hospital's plan to remain at its present location and develop additional facilities and services.

Both the Westport Community Council and the Westport Plan Commission representatives reported that McDonald's proposed parking lot at 38 & Central was in violation of the Westport Plan and the BZA has allowed it to become a non-conforming commercial use. The decision is being appealed. Discussion followed.

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The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association is now providing transportation to our meetings for members who wish a ride.

Please call 753-3763 (Eunice Collins) at least 24 hours in advance of the meetings so we can schedule a car to pick you up.

WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL meets Monday, May 13 at Westport Methodist Church, 504 W. 40th.

Please Complete Back side, Cut Along This Line & Return

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association is attempting to take actions in response to concerns of the Gillham Main Neighborhood.

In the March Newsletter the Association published a tentative list of priorities.

We have acted to some extent on all of these and a report will be made at the May 14 meeting at Rockhill Manor.

We are interested in the opinions of all members & potential members toward these concerns.

Please return the questionnaire at the May meeting or drop it off in the Questionnaire Return Box at J & G Market, 43 & Oak, or Mail it to

If you should have any questions please call 561-8981 or 753-3763. THANKYOU.

Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn.
c/o Walt Wells
4061 McGee
K.C., Mo. 64111

COMMITTEES

...Participate in Gillham Main...

(This is where YOU can have your greatest input.)

EXECUTIVE: First Tuesday of every month, May 7, 7:00 p.m., 4040 Locust, #3, 753-3763. (Executive Committee also has working sessions every Tuesday, 5:00-6:00 p.m., 4040 Locust, #3, 753-3763.)

MEMBERSHIP: First Wednesday of every month, May 1, 7:30 p.m., 4040 Locust, #3, 753-3763.

PARKS AND RECREATION: Fourth Thursday of every month, May 23, 7:30 p.m., Rockhill Manor, 4235 Locust.

SOCIAL CONCERNS: Fourth Tuesday of every month, May 28, 7:30 p.m., 4061 McGee, 561-8981.

TRANSPORTATION: Third Tuesday of every month, May 21, 7:30 p.m., 400 E. 43, 531-7516.

CITY WIDE COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS meets regularly the fourth Wednesday of every month at the Catholic Chnncery, 300 E. 36, 7:30 p.m. This month's meeting is May 22.

HEALTH EXPO '74

Come and become informed of your community health services!!

Saturday, May 18, 1974
10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Linwood Multi-purpose Center
3201 Flora, 924-6900

Saturday, May 25, 1974
10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
St. Teresa Church
5814 Euclid, 444-5406

DANGER

To report a dangerous consumer product, call toll free 800 638-2666, Consumer Products Safety Commission.

FRIENDS OF WESTPORT LIBRARY

An organization meeting and reception for Harold Jenkins, new Director of K.C. Public Libraries, is planned for May 19, 2:00-5:00 p.m., Westport Branch Library, 118 Westport Road. The purpose of the meeting is to consolidate efforts of volunteers for the library, share concerns and facilitate communication. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend and meet our new Director.

OFFICERS OF GM

President: Walt Wells, 4061 McGee, 561-8981
Vice-President: Eunice Collins, 4040 Locust, #3, 753-3763.
Secretary: Sharon Fink, 4317 McGee, B, 531-5017
Treasurer: Liz Putnam, 400 E. 43, Basement, 531-7516

If you have any questions and/or problems concerning Gillham Main Neighborhood Association and/or the GM area, please do not hesitate to contact any one of the above named individuals.

LIKE TO PLAY SOFTBALL?

GM is joining with other area neighborhood groups to form a summer mixed softball league. "Mixed" is defined as: there must be a minimum of four of either sex on each ten person team. If you are between the ages of 13-50 and interested, contact Walt or Caron Wells, 4061 McGee, 561-8981. And if you think you are too old, have you considered coaching, umpiring, etc.?

WANT TO TAKE A COURSE IN BABY-SITTING?

Red Cross will be offering a two hour training course for neighborhood instructors and an eight hour training course for young people who wish to earn a certificate. Graduates may be listed in neighborhood newsletters by age, address and phone number. Call Caron Wells, 561-8981, if you wish to take either course.

BARRELS?

GM is still in need of at least ten more old metal trash barrels. If you have one or know of someone who does, call 561-8981. A donation would be appreciated. The barrels will be cleaned, painted and strategically placed for collection of litter.

OVER 18, HAVE AN EVENING FREE AND WANT TO GET EDUCATED?

Ride along with a patrolman on beat in our area for a maximum of 2 1/2 hours on any Thursday, Friday or Saturday night between 5:00-12:00 p.m. Call 842-6525, Ext. 471 at least 5 days in advance to make arrangements.

Gillham Main will sponsor a 4th of July Picnic in Gillham Park. Watch for further details in the June Newsletter.

After looking over this list of concerns & possibly adding some of your own, please number from 1 to 5 those you feel most important. (#1-most important to #5 the less important of your choices.

- Childcare.
Enforcement of existing building & zoning codes.
Home purchase & repair loans.
Advance knowledge of plans - governmental & private - being made for our area.
Off street parking.
Improve government response to individuals.
Schools.
Public Safety - street crime; breaking & entering.
Library.
More park facilities & improved access to parks
Noise control.
Animal Control/leash law.
enforcement.
Public Transit improvements.
OTHER: PLEASE LIST.

Please check appropriate circles:
Member? Non-Member?
Wish to become a member?
Wish to serve on a committee? Which one?
Wish to stay a non-member?
Name:
Address:

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Gillham Main Neighborhood Association
JUNE MEETING

Tuesday, June 11 7:30 p.m.
Rockhill Manor Hotel 4235 Locust
A G E N D A

Finalization of our Code Enforcement Program request.

MEETINGS

(All at 7:30 unless shown otherwise.)

- June 4..Executive Comm..4061 McGee..7p.m.
- June 5..Wed..Membership..4040 Locust
- June 6..Thur..Ad Hoc Committee on Code Enforcement..4061 McGee..(If you are unable to attend please send your thoughts to: Gillham Main Neighborhood Association, c/o 4061 McGee, K.C., Mo. 64111.)
- June 11..general meeting..Rockhill Manor
- June 18..Tues..Transport..400 E.43..Rear
- June 25..Social Concerns..4061 McGee
- June 27..Thur..Parks & Recreation..4061 McGee
- July 2..Tues..Exec.Com..4061 McGee..7p.m.
- July 3..Wed..Membership..4040 Locust

4th of JULY PICNIC!

Gillham Main is having a neighborhood picnic on the 4th of July in Gillham Park at 41st & Gillham Road...3:00 until dark.

The adjacent Hyde Park Neighborhood and the Valentine Neighborhood have been invited to attend our picnic and give us all a chance to meet our Westport neighbors.

We are also inviting our political representatives to attend the picnic..perhaps you would like a chance to talk with some of the men and women who represent you.

The Gillham Main & Hyde Park softball teams are scheduled to play in the afternoon, so come to the game & stay for the picnic.

Bring your own food and meet your friends and neighbors around the baseball diamond, the wading pool or just sitting on the benches.

Gillham Main would like everyone to return the May Newsletter "Priorities Questionnaire". If you didn't receive a copy..Call 561-8981.

GILLHAM MAIN OFFICERS:

- PRES...Walt Wells.....4061 McGee...561-8981
- V.P....Eunice Collins..4040 Locust..753-3763
- SEC....Sharon Fink.....4317 McGee...531-5017
- TREAS..Liz Putnam.....400 E. 43rd..531-7516

VOTE - JUNE 11!

There will be two items on the Special Election ballot June 11...A School Levy increase of \$1.25 and a Library Levy increase of 15¢.

Please vot..support or oppose..but vote. Help us to show the rest of the city and our elected officials that we care enough to get to the polls.

For information on where you vote contact the Board of Election Commissioners, 1331 Locust, 842-4820.

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

A heavy voter turnout in every election is one of the ways in which a neighborhood gets government to be concerned about it. It is not always how people vote, but that they vote.

The Gillham Main area does not have a particularly good record for turning out voters at elections.

Non-registration of potential voters is another important factor.

Gillham Main will provide transportation in late June & early July to persons who want to register to vote.

Saturday, June 22 & Monday, June 24 there will be a mobile registration unit at 101 E. Armour from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 29 & July 1, 2, 3, Mon-Wed, there will be voter registration at the Fire Station, 4936 Main from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

There will be a primary in August for National, State, & County office holders, a regular election in November and City primary and regular elections next spring.

REGISTER NOW SO YOU CAN VOTE THEN.

Gillham Main has a new mailbox at 40th & McGee. Our thanks to Mrs. Procter, 3949 McGee for circulating the petition. NOW LETS ALL USE IT!

ARE YOU A GARDENER? DO YOU PLAY SOFTBALL?...

Future meetings of the Parks & Recreation Committee will be at 4061 McGee. Next meeting June 27 at 7:30. Come and share YOUR ideas...

Ours include: a plant swap; sharing of tools; softball team; 4th of July picnic; possible uses of vacant lots; neighborhood cleanup.

The SOFTBALL team needs more players. Must be high school freshman to age 60 plus. Call 561-8981. We play at Westport Roanoke Community Center, Mon., Tues., or Thurs. at 6 p.m.

The WESTPORT EXPRESS:Transportation for persons sixty years of age & over. Call 753-8400 24 hours in advance for reservations.

TENTATIVE OUTLINE OF PROPOSED EXTERIOR CODE ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

The major goal of the proposed Code Enforcement program is to make Gillham Main a desirable neighborhood free from blight where people want to live.

The emphasis of the inspection will be on Health & Safety with a concern for halting further deterioration of existing structures.

A CODE ENFORCEMENT SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE is proposed to oversee the inspections and to arbitrate on a neighborhood level any problems which arise during the program.

The Committee would be composed of 5 to 10 persons with the committee choosing its own chairperson. Included in this committee:

- A resident home owner;
- A resident apartment owner;
- An absentee landlord;
- A tenant of an apartment building;
- A tenant of a house converted to multiple unit; AND

More persons to fill out the committee. METHOD OF FORMING THE COMMITTEE: The Executive Committee of the Association would nominate persons for each position with additional nominations from the floor. The Association membership would vote on these persons at a regular Association meeting.

The committee would be dissolved and a new committee elected at the first meeting following the annual election of officers.

2/3 of the committee would be a quorum. A majority vote of the total committee would be necessary to take any action.

The Committee shall meet at least monthly. Any committee member not attending meetings for a two month period is automatically removed & regular nomination procedure followed.

The goal of a good neighborhood to live in should be achieved through maintenance and rehabilitation of the existing structures without any demolition occurring unless it is approved by a majority vote of the committee and a majority vote of the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association membership.

Any decision of the committee would be referred to the full membership of the Association at the next following membership meeting on request of any committee member.

For information on trash or to arrange pickup of large items call 274-1811. For dead animal pickup Call 274-2463..24 hour/ 7 days a week.

DO YOU NEED A PERMIT??

It has come to the attention of our Association that many property owners and residents are unaware of city regulations relating to the use of property, number of units in buildings, and city requirements to have permits before making most repairs and modifications.

Failure to get the proper permits could have legal repercussions including: inspections & having to redo to city codes; fines; imprisonment; non-occupancy posting of buildings & removal of unsafe modifications.

If complaints are made to the city during the time repairs or modifications are underway, the city will send out inspectors and require conformity to city code standards.

Before YOU get caught in a bind, find out what the specific city requirements are, if any, for your proposed changes. Call the Permits Section, Public Works Dept. 274-1564 or visit the 18th Floor of City Hall.

TENTATIVE TIMETABLE for CODE ENFORCEMENT:

- July 11, 1973..Herb Dumotier explained the Westport Plan & proposed rezoning.
- July/August..Property Committee formed
- Oct.10..Tom Daniels & Pat Halloran explained Code Enforcement programs.
- Nov./Dec.. Property Committee recommended Code Enforcement.
- Feb.12,1974..Membership votes to explore Code Enforcement programs elsewhere.
- April 9..Ad Hoc Committee recommends Code Enforcement. Membership approves.
- May 14..Code Enforcement procedure discussed.
- FUTURE: June 11 Ad Hoc Committee to submit an outline for Code Enforcement.
- June/July/etc..Negotiate with City Hall
- August 1974..earliest possible date to begin Code Enforcement in Gillham Main.

Gillham Main has approved this list of items to be among those inspected:

Roof	Guttering	Retaining Walls
Stairs	Down Spouts	Fences
Risers	Yard Drainage	Foundation Walls
Porches	Trash	Fire Escapes
Garages	Garbage	Chimneys
Sheds	Rats	Driveways
Siding	Weeds	Junk Cars
Paint	Eaves	Appliances
Screens	Exposed Wood Surfaces	
Windows	Trees - Dead/dangerous	

Sidewalks & stair railings were also discussed as possible items to be included.

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT IS FAMILY NIGHT AT WESTPORT ROANOKE COMMUNITY CENTER * 3601 ROANOKE RD.

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All persons within the area are invited to regular monthly meetings--the 2nd Tuesday of each month. You need not be a member to come.

July Meeting

Tuesday, July 9th 7:30 p.m.
Rockhill Manor Hotel - 4235 Locust

A G E N D A

Business Meeting - Committee Reports
Election of Code Enforcement Supervisory Committee.

P R O G R A M

James G. Baker - State Representative
from Gillham Main area
Speaking on Missouri State Government
Question and Answer period to follow.

MEETINGS

- July 4..3:00 Picnic - 41st & Gillham Road
July 9...7:30 GMNA General Meeting
4235 Locust
July 10..Friends of Westport Library 7:00
118 Westport Road
July 11..7:30 GMNA Transport Committee
400 E. 43rd - Rear basement
July 18..7:30 GMNA Membership Committee
4040 Locust
July 21..2:30 Westport Community Council
Political Picnic; 3601 Roanoke Road
July 22..7:30 Westport Plan Commission
Penn Valley College
July 23..7:30 GMNA Social Concerns Committee
4061 McGee
July 24..7:30 City Wide Coalition of Neighbor-
hood Organizations; 300 E. 36th.
July 25..GMNA Parks & Recreation Committee
7:30 4061 McGee - Rear
August 6..GMNA Executive Committee
7:00 4061 McGee

THE GILLHAM MAIN SOFTBALL TEAM still has need for more players. The next five games are:
July 4...3:00 vs Hyde Park at 41st & Gillham
July 8...6:00 vs Valentine at 3601 Roanoke Rd.
July 16..6:00 vs SWAG at 3601 Roanoke Road
July 22..6:00 vs Volker at 3601 Roanoke Road
August 1..6:00 vs Roanoke at 3601 Roanoke Road

WHISTLESTOP

WHISTLESTOP is a program using whistles to signal in time of any emergency.

In response to the May Newsletter Questionnaire with the returns showing Public Safety to be the number one concern of persons living in this area GMNA is sponsoring a number of crime prevention programs.

The first of these to be in full operation is the WHISTLESTOP program. A person having a whistle blows it in time of any emergency. Some examples would be: Fire; Auto wreck; Physical illness or injury; street crime or assault; or burglary.

Whistles are available in local stores. **OF MAJOR IMPORTANCE:** Whether you buy a whistle from Gillham Main or someone else or already have one....

1. Use it only in an emergency;
2. When wearing a whistle around your neck...
Wear it on a string that WILL BREAK!
(A leather thong, a chain, an UNbreakable cord of any kind may be used as a weapon against you - to choke you.)

The second program that Gillham Main is starting is called PROJECT IDENTIFICATION by the Police Department.

This involves the use of an electric pencil engraver to identify all personal property within someone's home. Usually a person inscribes their name and social security number.

Gillham Main has purchased an electric pencil engraver for the use of persons within the area. To pay for its purchase there is a nominal rental fee & a deposit while it is used.

- Rental to members - 25¢ for 24 hours; 25¢ for each additional 24 hours.
Rental to non-members - 75¢ for 24 hours; 25¢ for each additional 24 hours.

Arrangements for rental of the engraver may be made by calling 561-8981.

Gillham Main will sponsor a garage sale in September to raise money for the activities of the Association.

Beginning the first week in August donations will be collected.

Watch for further details in the August NEWSLETTER.

WESTPORT GOES TO COURT

The Westport Community Council is supporting a legal suit that has been submitted to the Jackson County Circuit Court. This appeal is expected to cost about \$3000.

At issue in the case is whether the Board of Zoning Adjustment of Kansas City is correct in permitting a commercial parking lot in a residentially zoned area.

A proposed McDonalds Restaurant on Broadway just north of 38th Street needs more parking space than is available on the commercially zoned Broadway property.

McDonalds has therefore purchased the adjacent residentially zoned property on Central Street and submitted a plan to the city that would use this property as a parking lot with exits onto Central and 38th Streets.

According to the figures submitted by the city traffic department these streets already have a traffic flow in excess of that desirable on a residential street - although it is possible to handle the traffic.

Additional problems include a business operating late at night, traffic flow late at night, noise, and generally a deteriorating influence on a very narrow residential neighborhood.

The ordinance which permits this parking lot use and an additional ordinance allowing parking lots in R-4 zoned areas within 800 feet of commercially zoned areas are of great concern to the Westport Community Council and the Westport Plan Commission.

The Board of Zoning Adjustment under the two ordinances may permit parking lots in over 80% of the land between Gillham Road and Southwest Trafficway/Summit.

In the Gillham Main area these ordinances have been used to create parking lots at 43rd & Walnut and at 39th & Walnut. It is possible that any land West of McGee & North of 40th, & all land zoned R-4 within 800 feet of 43rd & Oak may be used as a parking lot of the approval of the Board of Zoning Adjustment be given to the applicant.

GILLHAM MAIN SUPPORTS WESTPORT

The Executive Committee of the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association has voted to support an appeal to the Jackson County Circuit Court by the Westport Community Council.

The Executive Committee further voted to support the appeal opposing a commercial parking lot in a residential neighborhood with a \$5.00 contribution to the Westport Community Council Neighborhood Preservation Fund.

In addition the Executive Committee

ATTENTION: PROPERTY OWNERS & RESIDENTS ALONG WARWICK BOULEVARD

The City Public Works Department is doing a preliminary study on bringing Warwick up to Boulevard standards.

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association has been concerned about Warwick for some time. Despite extra Boulevard taxes paid by the property owners it has not been maintained.

Being considered in this study are:

1. Complete new street surface;
2. New curbing & gutters;
3. Repairs to the Parkway (between street and sidewalk);
4. Attention to damaged sidewalk;
5. Method of financing...i.e. City, Special Assessment; revenue sharing, etc.

Gillham Main has been informally notified that a public hearing will be held regarding Warwick Boulevard in about 6 to 10 weeks. This hearing will take place at City Hall & all property owners along Warwick will receive a notice from the city.

In addition the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association has requested that prior to the legal hearing at City Hall an informal hearing be held in the Gillham Main area. Tentatively this has been agreed to and the location, date, & time will be announced in the August NEWSLETTER.

To vote in the August Primary Election you must register by July 10.

Prior to the November General Election Gillham Main will co-sponsor a voter registration location within or adjacent to our area.

GMNA is working with the Election Board to arrange a specific day, place, & times. The details will be in an upcoming NEWSLETTER.

recomends that a collection be taken at the upcoming meetings of the Association from persons who also support this appeal.

Persons supporting this case may make out a check to the "Westport Community Council for the Neighborhood Preservation Fund.

If you are unable to attend a meeting of the Neighborhood Association or the Westport Community Council, donations may be mailed to Westport Community Council, c/o 4061 McGee, K.C., Mo. 64111.

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All persons within the area are invited to regular monthly meetings - the 2nd Tuesday of each month. You need not be a member to come.

Gillham Main Neighborhood Association
AUGUST MEETING
 Tuesday, August 13 7:30 p.m.
 St. Paul's Episcopal Church 40th & Main
 (Enter from the Main St. parking lot.)

PROGRAM: Crime Prevention - The Kansas City Police Department

BABYSITTING at the Church
 COFFEE, LEMONADE, & AIR CONDITIONING

MEETINGS

Gillham Main offers residents rides to our meetings. Call 753-3763 or 561-8981.

- Aug. 1 6:30 Membership Committee; 4040 Locust
 7:30 Information Hearing on Warwick RLDS Church - 44th & Warwick
- Aug. 8 7:00 GMNA Exec. Committee; 4040 Locust
- Aug. 13 7:30 General Meeting; St. Paul's Church - 40th & Main
- Aug. 15 7:30 Transport Committee; 400 E. 43rd
- Aug. 27 7:30 Social Concerns; 4061 McGee
- Sept. 3 7:00 GMNA Exec. Committee
- Sept. 10 7:30 General Meeting; 4235 Locust

PRIORITIES QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS...

In the May Newsletter we ran a questionnaire to find the most important concerns of people in the area. Results (most important first):

- 1) Public Safety - Street crime; breaking & entering;
- 2) Animal control/Leash Law enforcement;
- 3) Enforcement of existing building & zoning codes;
- 4) Noise control;
- 5) Home repair & purchase loans;
- 6) (TIE) Schools; and
 Advance knowledge of plans - governmental & private - being made for our area;
- 8) Improve government response to individuals;
- 9) Public Transit improvements.

FREE. The Woody Herman Band at Brush Creek on the Plaza. Sunday, August 4 at 7:00 p.m.

INFORMATIONAL MEETING on

Warwick Boulevard

Thursday, August 1 7:30 p.m.
 at R.L.D.S. Church 44th & Warwick
 (Enter from 44th Street or rear parking lot.)

ALL PROPERTY OWNERS and residents on Warwick
 Please come - Ask questions & get answers.

A PUBLIC HEARING will be at City Hall on Tuesday, August 6 and it is possible to make a written statement. Please contact Gillham Main or the Public Works Department.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

A Code Enforcement Program for the Gillham Main area was approved by the City Council on July 11. Details of this program will be negotiated by the GMNA Code Enforcement Supervisory Committee elected at the July 9th Meeting.

Committee members are: Julie Cooper; Jim Dawson; Maurine Douthat; Ilene Griffith; Dan Mick; Dorothy Hale; Nina Proctor; Ford Simcox.
 1 vacancy for resident of a converted house.

ARE YOU LEGAL ?

We Repeat: Gillham Main is zoned R-4 & R-2. Any construction or major remodeling is illegal when done without a city permit.

ALSO anyone operating a business must check with City Hall to be sure it is legal in a residential neighborhood - MANY ARE!

If you are parking your VEHICLE on a City street you are required to have a city sticker without tickets are issued & fines levied.

TRASH

Trash is a problem in Gillham Main. Try to help.

- 1) Put trash out late Sunday or early Monday.
- 2) Keep your dogs in or on a chain.
- 3) Call 861-0123 if troubled by dogs.
- 4) Call 274-1811 to arrange special pickup of large items. (The city does not pick up used building materials or car parts.)
- 5) Bundle brush (less than 4 foot lengths).
- 6) Call 274-2521 to report trash in yards.

VOTE

August 6th is primary Election Day. Participate!

CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS...

COME to the August 13th program at St. Paul's Church, 40th & Main and have the Kansas City Police Department:

- 1) Show you how to make your house or apartment safer;
- 2) Tell you how to be safer on the street;
- 3) Explain the ride-along program.

WHISTLESTOP

WHISTLESTOP is a program using whistles to signal in time of any emergency.

WHISTLES are sold for 75¢ at:

J & G Market	43rd & Oak
Main Street Pharmacy	43rd & Main
Bell Restaurant	Main at Westport
Fish Shop	Main at Westport
Corby's Shoes	Main at Westport
Three Sisters	Main at Westport
Love Records	Main at 39th
SHE	Main at 39th
Beacon Cafe	39th at Main
Genuine Article	39th at Main
Pizza Place	37th & Main
Westport Library	118 Westport Road

Electric Engraver

Items with clearly visible identification marks are a deterrent to home burglaries.

The Kansas City Police Department calls this "Operation Identification" and provides a window sticker to participants as a further deterrent.

Gillham Main has acquired an electric pencil engraver for use in our area. This is very easy to use and anyone who borrows the engraver will be shown how to use it.

Rental to members - 25¢ for 24 hours.
Deposit - \$2. Call 561-8981 for rental.

PORCH LIGHTS

Exterior lights discourage prowlers. A 60 watt light bulb costs about 2¢ a night to operate.

For two lights - 1 front, 1 rear - cost would be about \$1.20 a month. The cost of the average home burglary is about \$150.00. COMPARE!

Participate in crime prevention programs. They make YOUR neighborhood safer for you.

ATTENTION MEMBERS: A new member of the Association - Dave Frances, owner of the Main Street Pharmacy - believes the Association is good for the neighborhood. So he is offering all members of the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association a 15% discount on Prescriptions & 10% off on over-the-counter items. At the Main Street Pharmacy - 43rd & Main. Please show your membership card.

GARAGE SALE

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association will sponsor a garage sale September 6,7,8 from 10 to 7 at 4322 Warwick in the garage at the rear. Proceeds to go to the Association.

Every Saturday afternoon in August (Noon to 6) someone will be present at 4322 Warwick to take in donations.

Please contribute & then come to the sale. It's more fun to support the Association this way than to increase the dues.

The Gillham Main 4th of July Picnic was attended by about 50 persons. Several of our elected representatives and candidates came: Elaine & David West; Ron Spradley; Carl Wilson; Ted Newman; Harry Wiggins; Dick Berkley; Joe Shaugnessy. We are happy our members had a chance to meet these people.

Gillham Main & the Boy Scouts are looking for people in this area who are interested in helping with either Cub Scouts or Boy Scouts. Please, if you are interested, call Walt Wells at 561-8981 or Jim Williams at 842-4322. We need adults interested so we will have programs for our youth.

Softball every Monday night at 6:00 at 3601 Roanoke Road. If you want to play - male or female, over 12 - COME!

To the Association: What information do you need? What should be in the Newsletter?

All members of the Association are entitled to have a copy of the By-Laws. If anyone has not received their copy, please call any officer.

Would persons holding membership cards 10 thru 30 please check with the Treasurer to assure we have your correct name & address.

Gillham Main Officers:
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While other libraries have been showing a drop in circulation, the Westport Branch, 118 Westport Road, has increased its circulation over the last year by 10,000 plus.

The increased circulation and community support is resulting in more books and the current installation of air conditioning.

The next meeting of the Association will be Tuesday, September 10, 7:30 at 4235 Locust.
PROGRAM: Animals & Animal control.



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You asked for it & now here it is...The GMNA general meeting this month will be information about animals: Care; mistreatment; and how to solve your animal problems. (Priority # 2)

Gillham Main Neighborhood Association

This Month's Meeting

Tuesday, September 10 7:30 p.m.
at Rockhill Manor Hotel - 4235 Locust
PROGRAM

Animals: Control & Prevention with FILM
& SPEAKERS: Sarah Lucito-President of the
"Friend of the Animals of the Greater
Kansas City Animal Shelters"; Robert
Mohart-Supervisor, K.C.Mo. Animal Shelter;
& Janice Martin-from Lost Dog Registry.

TRAFFIC STUDY

In response to Gillham Main requests for Traffic Lights the City Transportation Dept. will run a series of use studies over the next 90 days in the Gillham Main area.

An early response to the request for a traffic signal at 41st & Main is that the City would possibly be interested in removing the existing signal from 40th & Main to 41st & Main. Traffic lights are expensive and even when needed wait until money is provided.

NEEDED: Persons with any interest in government who will join with people from other neighborhoods to monitor government meetings. Call Ilene Griffith at 531-7391. Time commitment would be about 4 hours - daytime, once a week.

The regular Gillham Main Executive Committee meetings will now be held on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:30.

Dan Mick has been appointed to serve from GMNA to a CityWide Regional Development Corporation.

There will be a Neighborhood Leadership Training Workshop on September 26 from 6:30 to 10:00 sponsored by the City Wide Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations and The University of Missouri-Columbia. Information - 561-8981.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Exterior Code Enforcement is scheduled by the City to begin here on Monday, September 23.

There will be a meeting with City and inspection team representatives at Rockhill Manor Hotel on Thursday, September 19 - 7:30.

Please attend if you still have any unanswered questions about enforcement procedure. It is possible to arrange for an inspection to be carried out at a time convenient to owners or residents possibly including evenings or weekends.

Please refer back to your June Newsletter for a list of items that the City will be concentrating on in the inspections.

NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION PAINT - UP PROJECT

The City is making money available for Neighborhood Beautification city-wide.

One of the parts of this is the Paint Up Program. In this program areas of up to 10 blocks may apply for exterior paint for residential buildings. The area or the property owners will have to provide labor.

Gillham Main submitted six applications covering the entire Gillham Main area prior to the submission deadline of September 3.

We encourage all persons in this area to fill out the forms which have been distributed if you need paint or wish to help with the project. (IF BY SOME CHANCE YOU DID NOT RECEIVE AN APPLICATION, call 561-8981 and the project coordinator in your area will bring one to you.) Thankyou.

FREE K.C. PHILHARMONIC CONCERTS, ATTEND.

Sunday, September 8 7:00 The Philharmonic will play at Brush Creek on the Plaza.

Sunday, September 15 3:00 The Philharmonic will play at the Nelson Art Gallery.

Enjoy our location in Kansas City's Cultural Center. (Admission to the Nelson is FREE Saturday & Sunday and only 50¢ Tuesday thru Friday.)

(Please Detach Here)

Gillham main Neighborhood Association dues are payable now for the 1974-1975 membership year through September 30, 1975.

The Annual Election of Officers will be October 8.

Annual dues are \$1. They may be paid at any meeting or fill out this form and mail with \$1 to the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association, c/o 4040 Locust, K.C., Mo. 64110.

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

All residents, property owners, business persons, and institutions between 39th & 45th Streets from Main to Gillham Road are encouraged to become members.

This organization represents our area and its members in dealings with the city, other neighborhoods, and other governmental and private organizations.

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN MEETINGS. PLEASE ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE.

GARAGE SALE

Come to our Garage Sale Friday, Saturday, and Sunday - September 6, 7, & 8 from 10 to 7 at 4322 Warwick. This is a good way to support the Neighborhood Association.

PUBLIC SAFETY -the # 1 priority of the Gillham Main area was the topic of the program at the August Gillham Main meeting.

Officers Perry & Wright and Detective Asa Steen made a very informative presentation.

To reduce crime - DO THESE THINGS - and tell your neighbor you are doing them and so should they.

1) Participate in WHISTLESTOP. Have a whistle and blow it when you have an emergency or observe someone else involved in an emergency situation. Dont be afraid to blow your whistle...a false alarm is better than no alarm.

2) Engrave your name & social security number on all metal, plastic, & wood items. Labeled OPERATION IDENTIFICATION by the Police, you then fill out a card provided by the police listing your name, address, and identifying #. The Police on receipt of this card will send you decals to show your participation on front & rear doors. The purpose is to discourage entry by showing that all your property is easily traceable. This has worked very well elsewhere.

3) Gillham Main has an ELECTRIC PENCIL ENGRAVER which can be loaned to any member for 25¢ for 24 hours & a small deposit.

4) Call for a FREE HOME SECURITY CHECK of your home for adequate locks, doors, & windows. 842-6525 Ask for CRIME PREVENTION UNIT. This is no guarantee against professionals but you can discourage amateurs.

5) Leave your PORCH LIGHTS on all night. Exterior lights discourage prowlers. Two lights (front & rear) will cost about \$1.20 a month. Compare this to a \$150 burglary.

6) RIDE ALONG in a patrol car. Call patrolman Stovall at 842-6525 ext. 471 after 5:00 p.m. to arrange for a 2½ hour ride on Thursday, Friday, or Saturday night between 5:00 and midnight.

As an item of continuing interest, the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association has not been informed by the Public Works Department of any actions taken or any decision being made regarding Warwick Blvd.

The Superintendent of Schools - Dr. Robert Medcalf will speak on "the FUTURE OF WESTPORT SCHOOLS" on Monday, September 9 at 7:30 p.m. at Roanoke Presbyterian Church at 1617 W.42, ATTEND if you are concerned about children, education or Westport. (priority # 6)
This is the September meeting of the Westport Community Council. If you haven't been ever or for a while - come.

NEW SWIMMING POOL

The City Parks & Recreation Department has allocated money for a new swimming pool to replace the existing pool at 41st & Gillham. Construction is tentatively scheduled to start in March & be ready for summer use.

If you need help with repairs or maintenance of your home or yard, Kansas City Art Institute students are available.

Call 1 week early if possible to the Office of the Dean of Students 561-4852 x.78.

Many of these students have experience in repairs, painting, yard care, etc.

MEETINGS

- Sept. 3...Exec. Committee 4040 Locust
- Sept. 5 Code Enforcement Committee
- Sept. 6, 7, 8 Garage Sale 4322 Warwick 10 to 7
- Sept. 9...Westport Comm. Council -see above
- Sept. 10...GMNA General Meeting
- Sept. 12...GMNA Transport Committee
- Sept. 19 Code Enforcement Meeting at Rockhill Manor - 4235 Locust.
- Sept. 24...Exec. Committee Meeting
- Sept. 26...Leadership Training Seminar
- OCTOBER IS TRANSPORTATION MONTH
- Oct. 8...Annual election and program on Transportation (Priority # 9)

An Auditing Committee has been appointed to inspect the Association's financial records and report at the October meeting. Eunice Collins, Ilene Griffith & 1 or 2 others they choose will serve on the Committee.

During October Gillham Main will focus on Transportation in conjunction with the ATA. Watch for our joint packet on your door.

There will be bus schedules for our area, a QUESTIONNAIRE, information on the experimental trans-bus to be in use on the Country Club Line and our Newsletter.

The October Meeting (After Elections) will be on Mass Transit & the ATA. Please attend.

(please return at the September 10 Meeting or Mail to the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association) (c/o 4040 Locust, K.C., Mo. 64110 Attn. Membership Committee)

G.M.N.A. NOMINATING FORM

(Please list name & address of all nominees.)

- Pesident:
- Vice President:
- Secretary:
- Treasurer:
- Representatives to:
 - City Wide Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations
 - 1)
 - 2)
 - 3)
- Westport Community Council
- 1)
- 2)

- Westport Plan Commission
- 1)
- 2)
- Westport Education Commission
- 1)
- Broadway Westport Community Development Corporation
- 1)
- 2)

The Membership & Communications Committee Chaired by Eunice Collins has been designated by the membership to serve as the Nominating Committee.

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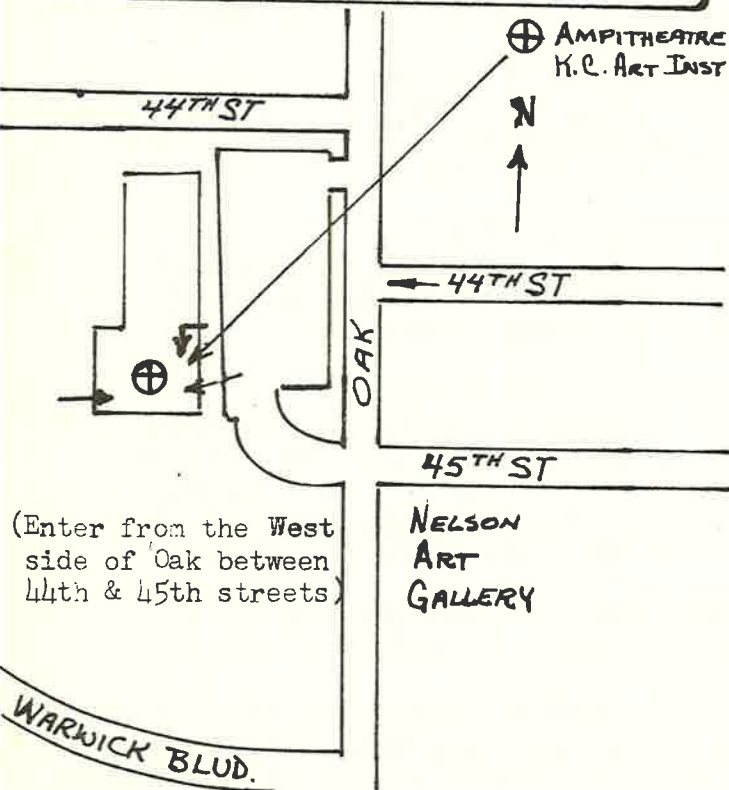
Annual Meeting

including

ELECTION of OFFICERS

Tuesday, October 8, 1974 7:30 p.m.
at the Ampitheater of
The Kansas City Art Institute
at 44th & Oak

Following will be a session on Gillham
Main concerns & possible solutions.



GARAGE SALE

Gillham Main had a very successful garage sale on September 6, 7, & 8. Thankyou to everyone for your participation & donations.

GMNA received \$295.61.

Out of this, \$7 was for whistles, and memberships, \$13.05 from the sale of books, etc. was donated to support Westport library.

The net received was \$262.86.

The Westport Branch Library is now open 9 til 9 Monday & Wednesday; Til 6 onuesday; & 9 till 5:30 on Thursday, Friday, & Saturday.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

By the time you read this Newsletter the first inspections that are a part of the Concentrated Code Enforcement Program will have been carried out through most of the Gillham Main Neighborhood.

Owners of property either have received or will receive shortly letters giving them 30 days to make or to begin repairs.

The Code Enforcement Committee has now had three meetings with the project supervisor regarding problems or possible problems. In addition individual members of the Committee have had several contacts with individuals and with inspectors.

If anyone has additional questions about the program in general or about specific properties, contact the member of the Code Enforcement Supervisory Committee who lives nearest you.

CO-CHAIRPERSONS:

Jim Dawson.....(4322 Warwick).....531-4933
Dan Mick.....404 E. 43rd.....561-4253

MEMBERS:

Maurine Douthat.....410 E. 41st.....531-1486
Ilene Griffith.....4138 Warwick.....531-7391
Ford Simcox.....4138 Locust.....561-5109
Julie Cooper.....4341 Locust.....753-1776
Dorothy Hale.....4101 Locust.....931-4643

Do you need assistance with maintenance or repairs around your yard or home?

Kansas City Art Institute students need part time and/or temporary jobs to help pay for school.

Many of these students have experience in repairs, painting, yard care, etc.

To reach these students please call - one week early, if possible - the office of the Dean of Students - 561-4852 extension 78.

MEETINGS

- Tues.Oct. 8..GMNA Annual Meeting
- Mon..Oct.14..Westport Community Council
- Mon..Oct.21..GMNA Exec Committee
- Wed..Oct.23..CWCNO Annual Meeting
- Mon..Nov.11..Westport Community Council
- Tues.Nov.12..GMNA General Meeting

The October Transportation has been delayed until January or later.

JOIN WITH US NOW

Should you be a part of the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association?

The Association is made up of tenants, property owners—both resident and absentee, and persons who work in the area.

Meetings are open to all - members or not- and the regular meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at locations within the neighborhood.

Please attend our meetings and other GMNA functions whether or not you are a member.

GMNA would like to know the thoughts of everyone concerned with the area.

YOU live here, or own property here, or work here so you're welcome

For more information: write the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association c/o 4061 McGee, K.C., Mo. 64111; or Call 561-8981.

Annual Dues, payable October 1st...\$1.

RED TAPE CUTTING

Do you ever have problems when dealing with government? One of the purposes of the Association is to give us a way to band together and take action on problems of mutual concern. Please attend GMNA meetings and ask support for your concerns.

Other ways to get action:

For City problems: Call the Action Center at 274-2222; or write or visit Action Center 1st Floor City Hall, 414 E 12th, 64106.

For County problems: Call the Ombudsman at 881-3670 or visit the Jackson County Courthouse at 415 E. 12th.

For State problems: write William Phelps, Lt. Governor, Jefferson City, Mo.

At the September meeting we had an interesting presentation dealing with animals.

Robert Mohart, Supervisor of the K.C., Mo. animal shelter explained the City's animal programs. For more information about the shelter; to inquire about adopting a pet; or finding a missing pet call 861-0123 or visit 4400 Raytown Road.

Janice Martin of the Lost Dog Registry explained how persons may call 333-0020 to report that they have found a dog or that they are missing the family pet.

Sarah Lucito, President of The Friends of the Animals... explained some of the organizational & political activities that are going to lead to better care of animals.

PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS WHICH MAKE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD A SAFER PLACE.

WHISTLE STOP

Use whistles in time of emergency to signal for help. Whistles sold at local stores.

PORCH LIGHTS

Exterior lights discourage prowlers. Two lights front and back cost not over \$1.20 @ month.

OPERATION IDENTIFICATION

Mark your Social Security number or some other mark on all your personal property. Then put up decals supplied by the police to discourage potential break-ins. For more information call or write the Gillham Main Association.

ELECTRIC PENCIL ENGRAVER

Gillham Main has an electric pencil engraver for the use of members. 24 hour rental charge of 25¢ along with a small deposit.

RIDE ALONG

Want to observe a patrolman on a Thursday, Friday, or Saturday night? Call VI2-6525 extension 471 & make arrangements.

FREE HOME SECURITY CHECK

The K.C., Mo. Police Department will carry out a free inspection of your home (at your request) and advise you on ways of making your home more burglar proof. Call 842-6525 and ask for the CRIME PREVENTION UNIT.

Participate in these programs and help make Gillham Main a safe place as well as a great place to live.

The Executive Committee, meeting on September 24th, voted to continue support of the Campaign Finance Reform Amendment which is Proposition # 1 on the November 5th ballot. Additional information will be distributed with next month's Newsletter.

The Executive Committee also voted to go ahead with the acquisition of plat maps which show the Gillham Main area.

Remember that your membership card in the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association brings you a 15% discount on prescriptions and a 10% discount on over the counter items at the Main Street Pharmacy - 43rd & Main.

November Meeting will be Tuesday, November 12

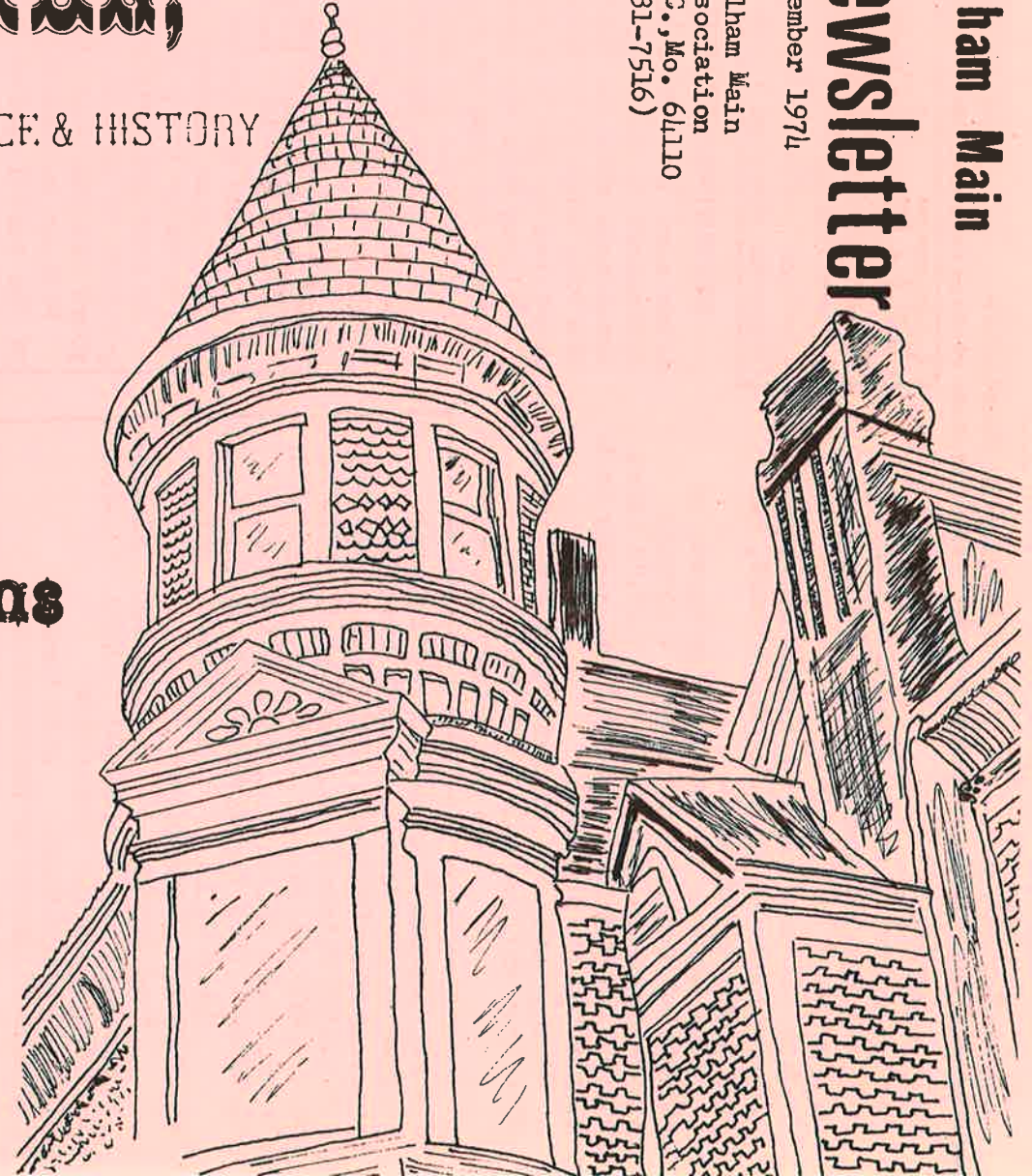
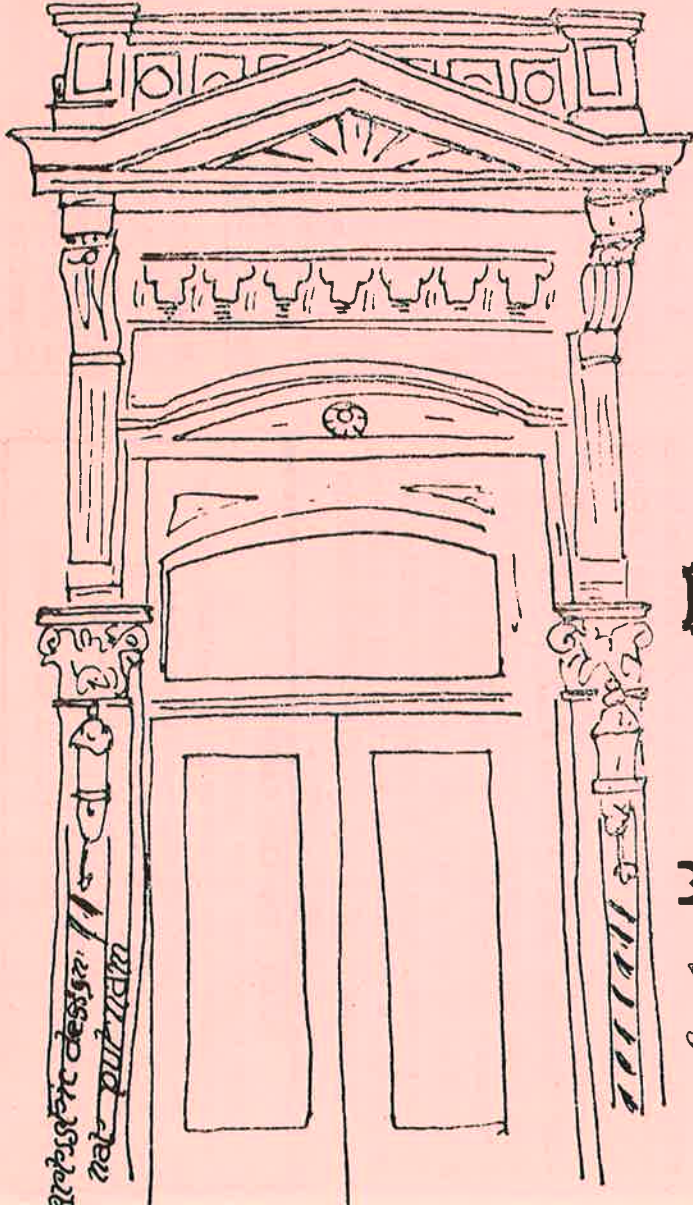
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Dear Neighbors,

For quite some time the Executive Committee has been talking about the kind of neighborhood we want to live in.

With the program for November 12 we will begin a look at the past, the present, and the future of our area.

James Ryan of the Kansas City Museum of Science & History will present a special slide lecture on Mulkey Square, K.C.'s first suburb. In addition there will be slides on & discussion of our area.

We hope everyone interested in the Gillham Main area will be able to attend.

The Executive Committee

VOTE November 5!

& when you vote consider PROPOSITION # 1.

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn. by unanimous vote at the October 8th meeting supports campaign finance reform in Missouri.

REZONING SUBMISSION

After more than two years of preparation the ordinances to rezone parts of Westport in accordance with the Westport Plan (passed by the City Council in August 1972) will be submitted to the City Council in November.

Gillham Main has previously discussed & endorsed the changes in our area.

More details including a map will appear in the December Newsletter.

The City Plan Commission will hold public hearings on these - hopefully at night in the Westport area.

Electric Engraver

If your home was broken into could you identify your possessions if they were recovered by the police?

To have property returned by the Police you have to be able to prove that an item is yours not one just like yours.

Without an identification number, a record of the serial number or a photograph there is no way you can identify your property.

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn. has an Electric Pencil Engraver to mark your property. Rental is 25¢ for 24 hours for members & a \$2 deposit. Call 561-8981 to arrange.

The new Gillham Main Executive Committee elected at the October 8, 1974 meeting:

Pres...Eunice Collins...4040 Locust..753-3763
 V.P....Nat Putnam.....400 E.43rd...531-7516
 Sec....Walt Wells.....4061 McGee...561-8981
 Treas..Norma Rickel.....315 E. 43rd..561-8075

REPRESENTATIVES TO: WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL
 Caron Wells 4061 McGee 561-8981

WESTPORT PLAN COMMISSION:
 Ford Simcox 4138 Locust 561-5109
 (appointed)Nat Putnam 400 E. 43rd 531-7516

WESTPORT EDUCATION COMMISSION:
 Carla McDowell 4130 Warwick

CITYWIDE COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOODS:
 1. Jim Dawson 1121 Manheim 531-4933
 2. Dan Mick 404 E. 43rd 561-4253

Contact the appropriate members of the Exec. Committee whenever you have questions.

FROM THE EXEC. COMMITTEE MEETING 10/21/74:

The SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE recomends it be dissolved as no one will chair it.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Due to the current very active program it was voted to hold elections for the Committee in December. (At the December general meeting the Exec. Committee will submit the names of 9 persons to serve on the Committee for the next year. Additional nominations may be made from the floor. The Committee must include: 1 absentee landlord; 1 resident landlord; 1 resident home owner; 2 tenants (1 from an Apt. bldg. & 1 from a converted bldg.)

THE WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL has determined a major priority to be maintenance of residential neighborhoods. Supporting this a NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION FUND has been set up to pay such expenses as legal services, publicity & postage. Please send contributions to Westport Community Council, c/o 4061 McGee, K.C., Mo. 64111.

The BROADWAY WESTPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP. has now been granted \$103,000 to deal w with Code Enforcement, housing rehabilitation & housing information for the Westport area.

A portion of this will be a revolving fund for the purchase, rehab., & resale of residential property. A staff is currently being selected.

The payment of 1974-75 MEMBERSHIP DUES in C.W.C.N.O. was authorized - \$15.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Reinspections are now underway.

For assistance or information contact either of the Code Enforcement Chairpersons:

Dan Mick 404 E. 43rd 561-4253 or
 Jim Dawson (1121 Manheim) 531-4933.

Volunteers are needed now and in the Spring to assist some persons with minor repairs and painting.

The G.M.N.A. Executive Committee will meet Monday, November 18 at 7:30 at 400 E. 43rd.

BY-LAW CHANGES:

Three By-laws changes were made at the annual meeting. New parts underlined:

Sec.3 C. The President shall:
 (5) appoint delegates & alternates, as required, subject to ratification at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

Sec.4 The Executive Committee: C. A quorum shall be a simple majority of the Executive Committee.

Sec.5 D. A Quorum shall be 1/3 of the membership or 15 persons whichever is less to transact any business.

FRIENDS OF THE GALLERY GROUNDS

A new volunteer group to provide garden type maintenance of the Nelson Art Gallery grounds is being formed in conjunction with the City's Office of Volunteers.

To be called the Friends of the Gallery Grounds, these persons will meet at the Nelson Art Gallery on Friday, Saturday, and/or Sunday weekly from 10 to 12.

The first weekend of work will be November 15, 16, & 17. If you're interested - appear at 10 a.m. on any of the 3 days. Each person is requested to bring one hand tool.

For further information call: Bob Flynn at Bennett Schneider Bookstore - 561-7788.

Copies of the By-Laws & past newsletters are available at Association meetings.

The December 10 General Meeting will include a discussion of ways the city might spend Community Revenue Sharing money - some \$17 million - including specifically ways that would benefit the Gillham Main area.

Gillham Main Neighborhood Association

This Month's Meeting

Tuesday, December 10 7:30 p.m.
at Rockhill Manor Hotel-4235 Locust
PROGRAM

Councilman Joseph Shaughnessy, Jr. will discuss the Community Development Act and other items of concern.

Keith Zeff - City Planner - will discuss the Westport Plan in general and answer specific questions on the Gillham Main area.

If we haven't seen you at a Gillham Main meeting for a while, this would be a good meeting for you to attend ...and bring a friend.

If you haven't paid your dues in the last 60 days, check your membership cards. Several persons who were members last year do not appear on the list of current dues paid members.

The Executive Committee is proposing to the membership that through the newly formed Community & business committee the residents of Gillham Main begin to consider what businesses we would like to have in our area. Suggested to date are a children's clothing store, a delicatessen, and a family theatre.

Additionally Gillham Main is working with other community groups to encourage business in the Westport area and hopefully to bring business into some of the vacant areas.

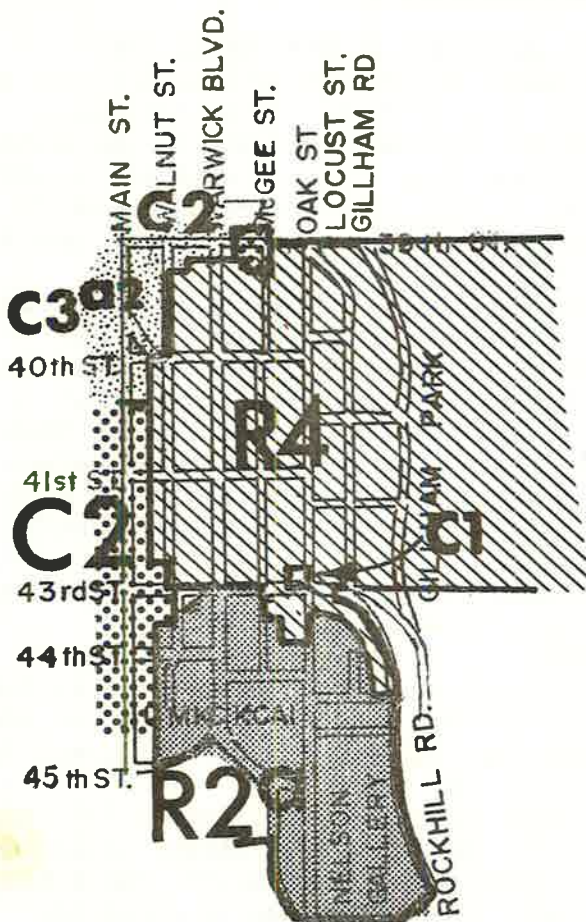
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Regular meetings are held at 7:30 on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

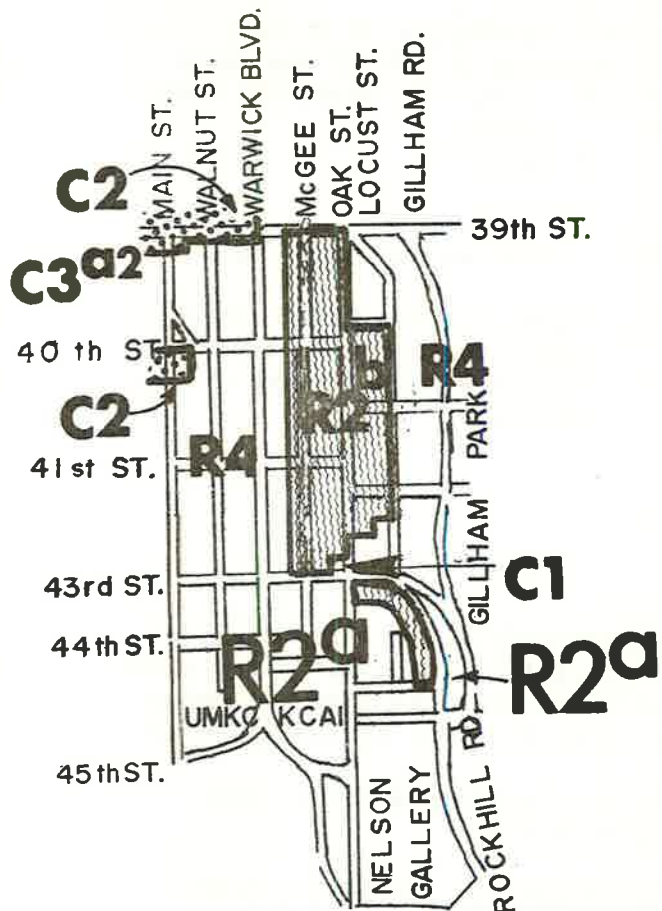
If you would like to know more about the Association please write, call or attend a meeting.

PRES. Eunice Collins 4040 Locust
753-3763

WHERE ARE YOU ?



EXISTING ZONING



**PROPOSED ZONING
ONLY PATTERNED
AREAS ARE AFFECTED**

THE WESTPORT PLAN

The Westport Plan is a document assembled by residents of Westport working together for about three years to try to plan the future of our Westport.

In August 1972 the City Council approved the Westport Plan as a guide for the future of Westport.

Since that time planning has gone on towards implementing the ideas and goals contained in the plan.

Currently there are 21 ordinances before the City Plan Commission dealing with the rezoning of parts of Westport to bring the zoning into conformity with current and projected future use.

THE CITY PLAN COMMISSION WILL MEET AT NIGHT IN WESTPORT. Plan to attend.

THIS IS AN OFFICIAL CITY HEARING AND IS A CHANCE FOR YOU TO MAKE YOUR COMMENTS DIRECTLY TO THE PEOPLE WHO WILL MAKE THE DECISION.

At the request of the Westport Community Co Council and other persons & groups the Plan Commission has continued its hearings to Wednesday, December 11, at 7:30 at Westminster Congregational Church, 3600 Walnut.

This hearing held at night will allow persons unable to attend a daytime meeting to attend and make their comments.

A Guide to Westport Rezoning

These are the requirements under R2b:

USES PERMITTED:

Single family dwellings
Two-family dwellings
Lodging and/or board for not more than 4 persons in a dwelling unit occupied as a private residence.

R2b

(No other uses are permitted except that all uses permitted at the time an area is rezoned will be permitted to continue as "legal non-conforming uses".)

HEIGHT: Maximum 2½ stories or 35 feet.

FRONT YARDS: minimum of 25% of the depth of the lot but...need not exceed 25 feet.

SIDE YARDS: -same-
as under R4

REAR YARDS: -same as now under R4 -

LOT WIDTH: -same as under R4 except that only single family & two family structures may be built-

LOT AREA:

In district R-2b no building shall be erected or altered on a lot which makes provision for less than the following number of square feet in the lot area.

- (1) For one-family dwellings, 5000 square feet.
- (2) For two-family dwellings, 3000

PARKING REGULATIONS:

-the same as in R-4-

These are current zoning requirements:

USES PERMITTED:

Single family dwellings
two family dwellings
Apartments, row houses, converted dwellings
Boarding Houses & Children's Boarding Homes for more than 4 children
Lodging Houses (300 sq. ft. per lodger)
Clinics for people (Doctors etc.)...
Convalescent Homes...
Convents, private clubs, fraternal orders...
Office buildings to be used exclusively for administrative functions of a single organization...

R4

HEIGHT: maximum 3 stories or 45 feet

FRONT YARDS: minimum of 15% (but need not be more than 20 feet) of the lot depth.

SIDE YARDS: not less than 10% of the width; not less than 4 feet & need not be more than 8 feet. (For a structure over 35 feet the side yard shall not be less than 6 feet.)

REAR YARDS: minimum of 25% of the lot depth but need not be more than 25 feet.

LOT WIDTH: "The minimum mean width of a lot shall be 50 feet, EXCEPT that where a lot has a mean width of less than 50 feet and is in separate ownership on or before January 1, 1954, this regulation will not prohibit the erection of a one-family dwelling.

Duplexes & multiple dwellings hereafter erected require....50 feet."

LOT AREA:

- No building shall be erected or altered on a lot which makes provision for less than the following number of square feet of the lot area:
- a) For one-family dwellings - 5000 sq.ft.
 - b) For two-family dwellings, including conversions, 3000 sq.ft. per family.
 - c) For over 2 families in converted dwellings but not including apartments or row houses, 3000 sq.ft. for the first 2 families & 1500 sq.ft. for each additional family over 2.
 - d) For apartments or row houses having 3 or more dwellings, 1500 sq.ft per family.

PARKING REGULATIONS:

1 space per dwelling or Apartment unit. (Buildings with roomers or boarder - 1 space per each two roomers or boarders)