

March 18, 2019

Dear Lakeside Park Resident,

As you may know, over the past year, we have been exploring the possibility of constructing a new City Building in Lakeside Park.

For nearly fifty years, the single-family dwelling at the corner of Buttermilk Pike and Dixie Highway has served as the City Offices, including the Council Chambers and the Public Works department in the basement. A year ago, a Building Committee was formed consisting of two Council Members along with the Public Works Director, Recreation Director, Deputy City Clerk, City Engineer, and myself to review our options.

We are concerned in that the existing building does not meet ADA requirements. Fire codes also require approved emergency egress from the building. In checking with the Department of Justice, we were informed that any public governmental facility must meet ADA requirements. Even though it is an old building and we are a small City, we are not exempt from the requirements. The building was surveyed by experts, and their reports revealed it would cost \$435,000.00 to bring the old building up to code. In addition to the ADA and fire code deficiencies, the building currently needs a new roof and the basement floor and foundation need to be dug up to replace the sanitary sewer line that backs up into the restroom and Council chambers in the basement.

The Building Committee has been working with the Engineers and Architects to design a one story on slab, brick veneer structure totaling approximately 2,700 square feet. The building would be located on the empty lot at the corner of Buttermilk and Dixie. The lot was deeded to the City by the Commonwealth of KY when Buttermilk Pike was widened. The lot must remain the property of the city or it reverts back to the State. The existing building would be torn down to increase the parking lot. The entrance off Buttermilk Pike would be widened to also become the exit thereby moving the exit further away from the intersection of Buttermilk and Dixie.

**For the past ten years we have not had a tax rate increase in the City of Lakeside Park and there is no intention of raising the tax rate or borrowing money to build a new City Building.** A lot of work has been done to our City streets over the past several years and they are in great condition. We will continue to maintain them going forward. None of our City services will take a back seat to the construction of a new building.

We are excited to announce that we are hosting two informational meetings for our residents. The first will be on Thursday evening April 4, 2019 from 6:00PM – 8:00PM at the Lakeside Park City Building. For any residents who cannot easily access our current building, the second informational meeting will be held on Saturday morning, April 6, 2019 from 9:00AM –

11:00AM at the Fort Mitchell City Building in the Council Chambers located on the north side of the building. If possible, please attempt to attend one of the two meetings. We would love to hear your thoughts or concerns.

Architectural drawings will be on display and people will be on hand to answer any questions.

If you have any questions and/or are unable to attend one of the two meetings, the drawings will be posted on the city website. [www.cityoflakesidepark.com](http://www.cityoflakesidepark.com).

You may also email me at [djansing@cityoflakesidepark.com](mailto:djansing@cityoflakesidepark.com)

Sincerely,

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Mayor