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Connecting Presley Heights residents

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It looks like summer is finally ending and the air is cooling down. As we look forward to what's in store, we wanted to provide a few updates about what's been going on here at Presley Heights.

Speed Hump Update

You may have noticed that our speed hump project is moving ahead. As a reminder, **our goal is to increase the safety in the neighborhood by slowing the speeding traffic along S. College Avenue**. After the affirming HOA vote in July, the proposal was submitted to, reviewed, and approved by the Bixby City Planner and the Bixby City Council. The speed humps have been obtained from a national manufacturer and we've begun the task of installation. These humps are designed to slow traffic to about 20 mph.

INSTALLATION

We have installed one hump and will install the second hump in the next couple of weeks. Four humps were approved in the proposal, so early next year the HOA Board will review and evaluate the effectiveness of the humps to determine whether the additional two speed humps are warranted.

STREET LABELING

We will be painting the word "BUMP" in white on the asphalt leading up to the speed hump to give speeding cars the opportunity to slow down before the hump – one label northbound, one label southbound, at each hump.

"Why are you painting 'BUMP' when you're calling it a 'HUMP'?"

By definition, speed **bumps** are intended to bring a moving vehicle to a near-stop, 5 mph or less. That wasn't our goal, so the product we are installing is defined as a "**hump**." Nevertheless, most drivers (and many that we've spoken with) feel that "bump" is the most used and familiar term to describe these bumps in the road. Your HOA Board discussed these facts and settled on the decision to paint "BUMP" on the road leading to the speed bump/hump ahead.

COST SAVING MEASURES

We are utilizing local resources (also known as neighborhood volunteers) to install the humps. Although strenuous and time-consuming, it is not complex, and we felt that it was a reasonable savings of the HOA resources to install these with the help of willing residents. (Stay tuned to our Facebook page for volunteers for the installation of the 2nd hump, or email info@presleyheights.com to volunteer your strength and time).

SPEEDERS

Speeding along S. College Ave. over 25 mph is against the law. If you observe repeat offenders and can identify their vehicle, you are welcome to contact the Bixby Police Department and file a complaint. As an HOA we are making efforts to slow the traffic, but we depend upon the Police Department to enforce the posted speed limit.

Neighborhood Trees



When you combine a few weeks of bitter cold and then several weeks of miserably hot weather, the past 6-9 months took a toll on some of our community trees. Our neighborhood developer, Mike Wallace, has graciously sponsored the replacement of those that had died, and we have new trees in their place. We want to thank the three neighbors who have agreed to do their best to water the trees which are adjacent to their property – this is a huge help as we strive to help these newly-planted trees get established. We did not replace one tree near the entrance of the pond when we realized that there is no irrigation directed to that location and it would not survive.



We're looking forward to a safe and fun Halloween in Presley Heights. While many have events that they will attend outside the community, many are planning to spend time here at home, opening their garages and providing a safe place for children to visit and neighbors to congregate. As part of a great neighborhood community, we encourage you to take this opportunity to consider new traditions; setting up a driveway firepit, providing goodies for our trick-or-treaters, and spending an evening developing the relationships in our community.

Presley Heights West Update

This year we've all seen the changes to the land on our west side as it has been prepared for the construction of the Presley Heights West community. The pond has been established and you can see where the main roads will be situated. In speaking with Mike Wallace, the developer, in the months ahead we should expect to see the completion of the streets and the beginning of the remaining utility installation. By early 2024, keep your eyes open for housing construction to begin along with the development of the shared amenity area for residents.

"Who is My Neighbor?"



One resident received an unexpected text at 10:25pm one recent evening. "JIM, DID YOU MEAN TO LEAVE YOUR GARAGE DOOR OPEN?" Whoops. What a simple, yet incredibly neighborly act, which was greatly appreciated. It's good to know your neighbors, if only to be able to reach out about something as small as an open garage door or a broken sprinkler head. You may access our current resident list along with the plat (map) of the neighborhood with homes and names listed here:

Presley Heights Contact List
Presley Heights Resident Map

Contacting Your HOA Board of Directors

If you'd like to reach out and contact your HOA Board of Directors, send an email to info@presleyheights.com.

Presley Heights Online Resources:

Web: www.PresleyHeights.com Email: info@presleyheights.com

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