

HYDE PARK

OCTOBER 2019

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Letter from the Vice President



Howdy Hyde Park,

Welcome to Fall! I hope you are enjoying the transition to cooler weather and the inevitable lead-up to the holiday season. October is one of my favorite months in Houston. Football,

cooler weather and pumpkin spice cookies and cakes. What's not to love!

NO GENERAL MEETING – NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Reminder – We will not have a general meeting for October as we will be celebrating as a community on October 1st in Lamar Park for National Night Out.

Please send your ideas for future presenters to vicepresident@hydeparkhouston.org.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Our September general meeting was dedicated to hosting the candidates for City Council District C. I really enjoyed the event and hope that those of you in attendance got something valuable out of this chance to interact with the people running to lead in City government. The eight candidates in attendance each demonstrated that they are dedicated to public service and are interested in hearing directly from us.

In our meeting recap, you will find a copy of the eight questions that were posed to the candidates. We were not able to write down the candidates' responses. I attempted to prepare questions that covered a wide array of issues facing members of our community. The questions covered the lack of attention being paid to improving transportation options in and around Montrose, the rising tide of gun violence and violence linked to

white supremacy, and the management of the City's financial responsibilities were just a few of the topics we covered. The candidates were each given a question to which to respond and another question to provide a rebuttal. I think the format worked well to allow a variety of views to be expressed and show what kind of debating abilities these candidates possess. Following the round of questions, we revisited a few that were of particular interest to the residents and the candidates.

We will invite the candidates back to National Night Out so you may be able to ask them questions there as well.

HYDE PARK BOARD ELECTION

At the November association meeting, elections will be held for the 2020-2021 board of directors. Current, paid civic association members are eligible to run for election, per the association bylaws which can be found at hydeparkhouston.org. Voting is open to current, paid members as well.

If you would like to run for election or nominate a candidate, please contact Past President Macy Bodenhamer at president@hydeparkhouston.org.

VOLUNTEERS

It's not too late to volunteer for National Night Out. Please let Veronica Faubert and Cliff Jones know if you would like to volunteer. Set-up and clean-up will go much smoother if we have a lot of volunteers available.

There are more than a few Board and non-Board positions that need to be filled. Please let us know if you are interested.

See ya,

Chris Delphin, Vice President

This Month

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

OCTOBER 1ST
@LAMAR PARK
6PM



HPCA HAPPY HOUR @ THE BURGER JOINT

October 16, 6-8pm



Next Month

HPCA MEETING @ RUDZ
November 5th @ 7pm

Non-Emergency Contacts

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at advertising@hydeparkhouston.org.

September HPCA Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Ellen Pollard

The meeting of September 3, 2019 was brought to order by Vice President Chris Delphin at 7:00 pm. Chris reminded everyone that National Night Out is coming up soon and that lots of volunteers are needed to make it a success. This year NNO will be on October 1st at Lamar Park from 6-8 pm.

A representative from Sarah Davis' office informed everyone about the Propositions we will be voting on this year. For a list of these propositions, you can go to <http://tlc.texas.gov/docs/amendments/analyses19.pdf>.

Eight of the nine candidates running for City Council District C were present at our meeting. A list of the candidates in attendance, their pictures and websites is below. Chris decided the plan would be to ask a selected candidate a prepared question and then choose another candidate for rebuttal. We printed the questions that were asked to the candidates. All candidates handled their questions well. Towards the end of the meeting, the audience was asked to participate by asking their own questions. Managing Houston's homelessness crisis, infrastructure issues, property taxes and gun violence were some of the topics discussed.

Chris brought the meeting to an end by saying we hope our representative will help us in the future.

CANDIDATES IN ATTENDANCE

- **Shelley Kennedy** - <https://www.shelleykennedy.org/>
- **Mary Jane Smith** - <https://maryjanesmithforhouston.com/>
- **Amanda Wolfe** - <https://wolfehearsyou.herokuapp.com/>
- **Abbie Kamin** - <https://www.abbiekamin.com/>
- **Gregory Meyers** - <https://www.gregmeyersforhouston.com/>
- **Bob Nowak** - <https://bobnowak.org/>
- **Candelario Cervantez** - <https://www.candelarioforhouston.com/>
- **Daphne Scarbrough** - <https://www.daphnefordistrictc.com/>

DISTRICT C QUESTIONS

1. Many people refer to Hurricane Harvey as a "wake-up call" for the City. However, we experienced catastrophic flooding two years running beforehand (and severe drought for a few years before that). What steps will you take to change the mentality in Houston away from solely reacting to climate change and superstorms?
2. Gun violence has become a daily occurrence for Houstonians. The news is full of stories about violent crime happening in and around our neighborhood. Incidences of suicide and other deaths by guns are often overlooked by the media. State and national politicians appear paralyzed to take meaningful action. What role

do you see for Houston, particularly City Council, in the debate on combating the rise of gun violence?

3. Many commentators criticize the City of Houston's lack of budget discipline to provide promised city services and fund its pension obligations. The Mayor has pointed to the 2004 revenue cap as the reason recurring expenses outstrip revenues. As a member of City Council you will confront another financial problem: a \$2.4 billion unfunded liability for retiree health care costs. Beyond balanced budgets, what will you propose to enact true reform for how Houston manages its financial responsibilities?
4. Our City faces a homelessness crisis. This neighborhood is ground zero to an LGBTQ population that suffers chronic housing insecurity. Other areas of District C experience similar, if not so particular, types of homelessness. What kinds of City programs or public-private partnerships will you push to assist local efforts to make our neighborhood a safe place for all residents?
5. Treatment strategies for those living with HIV lags in Houston. After learning they have the disease, Houstonians face serious hurdles to getting care. A lack of public transportation makes going to the doctor more difficult. The cost of medications can be prohibitive, especially in Texas, which has the highest uninsured rate in the nation. What would you propose to help the City address these inequities and rise to the ranks of San Francisco and New York City in deftly managing the disease's impact for the poor and marginalized?
6. As the City debates the costs and benefits for the reconstruction of I-45, and METRO pushes forward plans for a light rail system to Hobby Airport, little attention is being paid to address the growing needs of improved transportation options in and around Montrose. What kind of advocacy will you bring to City Hall to address the issues of a dilapidating infrastructure and congestion?
7. Since 2017, more than 230 incidents of hateful propaganda have been reported in communities across Texas. It would be naïve to believe that Houston is immune to the rising tide of violence linked to white supremacy and homophobia. How will you represent the diversity of Hyde Park to push against the divisive language exhibited in our national discourse?
8. Hyde Park is undergoing massive changes. The neighborhood was once a community of bungalows dotted by small business. The neighborhood's population growth has fueled an increased tax revenue basis, but the City only seems marginally committed to improving the quality of life for that growing population. What would you do as a member of City Council to reverse the trend of low investment in parks and other forms of community infrastructure?

HYDE PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS ON NOVEMBER 5TH

At the November association meeting, elections will be held for the Board of Directors. The following positions are on the slate with the nominated candidates' names.

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DIRECTOR 1 – President (Open)

DIRECTOR 3 – Secretary

Nominated Candidate: Ellen Pollard

DIRECTOR 7 – Deed Restrictions Committee (Open)

DIRECTOR 9 – At large Board Member

Nominated Candidate: Ashley Dellagiacomma

submitted by Macy Bodenhamer



Big Audacious Goals

Submitted by Mary Ellen Whitworth

OUR COUNTRY'S ANIMAL SHELTERS WILL BE NO-KILL BY 2025

2000 dogs and cats are killed in shelters every day in the US. Best Friends Animal Sanctuary is working to save those animals. The group is active in Houston and working with Harris County Animal Shelter. You can be a part of that solution by adopting, fostering or donating time or money. Visit their web site to see how you can help www.bestfriends.org or work with any other local shelter.

ELIMINATE PLASTIC WASTE BY 2030

Every year 8 million tons of microplastics wind up in our oceans, that's one garbage truck load per minute. These plastics are ingested by marine life and are affecting growth and reproduction. The World Wildlife Foundation is working with governments and industries to develop better management systems for plastic waste. You can help by reducing your use of single plastic items. It is estimated we may be ingesting 5 grams of microplastic a week. www.wwfus.org

30 X 30, PROTECT 30% OF LANDSCAPES AND SEASCAPES BY 2030

There is a global movement to protect at least 30% of landscapes and oceans from development. This goal would ensure most species would survive and help reduce the effects of climate change. These lands can be used for multiple purposes including recreation and would also allow private lands to be voluntarily put into conservation. You can help by planting native species in your yard and supporting organizations focused on conservation.

HYDE PARK IS CONSIDERED TO BE THE BEST NEIGHBORHOOD TO LIVE IN THE US

This neighborhood has everything going for it: it is litter free, there are safe walkways on every street, the bicycle paths are safe and clearly marked, cars drive at the speed limit, neighbors help neighbors, every street has something interesting and beautiful to look at and it and the civic association is active and every meeting is filled with superior beings. You know what you need to do to make this goal a reality, let's make it happen in 2020.



Got a big idea?

Newsletter content and story ideas are welcome from Hyde Park residents. In 2019 the deadline will always be the 15th of the month for publication the following month. Reach out to newsletter@hydeparkhouston.org.

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Hyde Park Civic Association – 2019 Monthly Meeting Schedule

Submitted by Past President Macy Bodenhamer

Monthly meetings are open to the public and held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm, with the exceptions of holidays and others noted below. Rudyard's British Pub generously donates their upstairs space to host our meetings. Come early or stay late to enjoy their delicious food and beverages!

Volunteers work to secure guest speakers of general interest to the community each month. If you have a topic that you'd like to learn more about or want to suggest a guest speaker, contact president@hydeparkhouston.org.

- October – National Night Out
- November 5
- December – HPCA Holiday Party TBD

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- print this newsletter
- help maintain Lamar Park
- manage deed restrictions
- subsidize activities

Help us maintain National Night Out, the Christmas Party, Christmas Caroling, Happy Hours, and exciting new events planned for 2019.

We need your support and welcome your involvement!

Mail form and check to:

Hyde Park Civic Association

PO Box 66422

Houston, TX 77266-6422

Or just pay online

at www.hydeparkhouston.org.

Hyde Park Civic Association Annual Membership

Yes, I would like to support my local neighborhood association

Name 1:

Name 2:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

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☐ New

☐ Individual (\$30)

☐ Renewal

☐ Couple (\$60)

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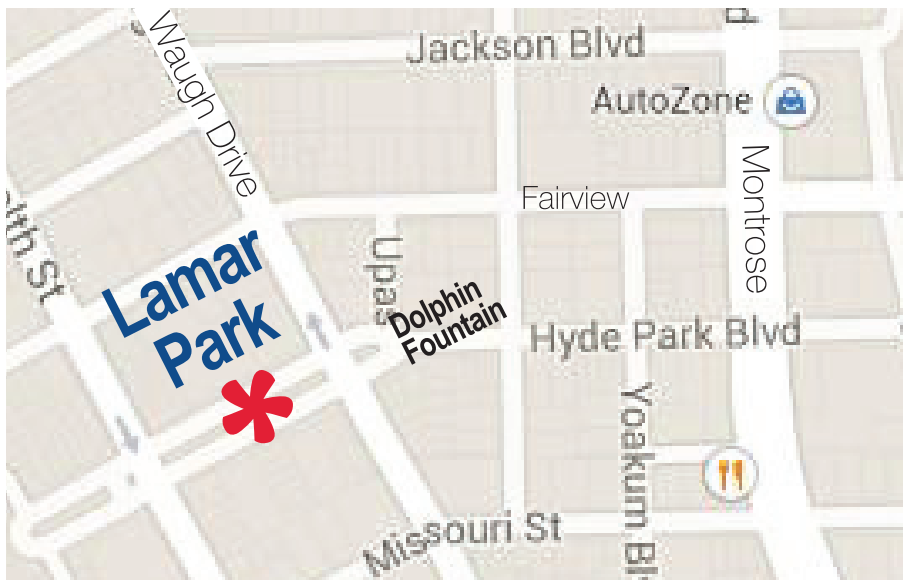
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Our Thanks to the Restaurants, Businesses, Churches and Clinics that Support this Annual Event with their Donations and Volunteers

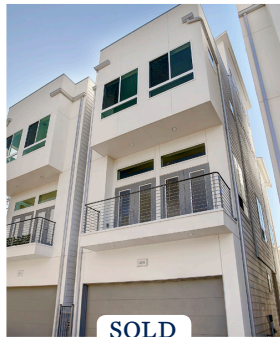
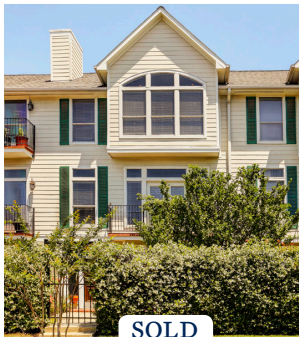


Location: Lamar Park is located on Hyde Park Boulevard between Waugh & Commonwealth.

Membership Special:

Joining the Hyde Park Civic Association during National Night Out includes the last three months of this year and all of 2019. Paying your \$30 membership dues at this annual event also allows you to vote in our November election and attend our holiday party. Pay your dues by cash, check or credit card at National Night Out and you'll also receive three extra raffle tickets for the drawings to be held at the event.

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HPD Crime Reports for August 2019

Submitted by Jim Pollard

Crime	Date	Location
Aggravated Assault	8/27/2019 19:00	2200 Block WAUGH DR
Counterfeiting, forgery	8/23/2019 9:00	2500 Block MONTROSE BLVD
Destruction, damage, vandalism	8/14/2019 22:00	2500 Block MONTROSE BLVD
Destruction, damage, vandalism	8/25/2019 15:00	1100 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Destruction, damage, vandalism	8/25/2019 19:00	1000 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Destruction, damage, vandalism	8/30/2019 8:00	1300 Block MISSOURI ST
Drug, narcotic violations	8/5/2019 16:00	900 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Motor vehicle theft	8/2/2019 20:00	1200 Block JACKSON BLVD
Motor vehicle theft	8/22/2019 15:00	1100 Block JACKSON BLVD
Shoplifting	8/20/2019 13:00	1300 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Simple assault	8/19/2019 10:00	1400 Block CALIFORNIA ST
Simple assault	8/19/2019 10:00	1400 Block CALIFORNIA ST
Simple assault	8/19/2019 15:00	1400 Block HYDE PARK BLVD
Simple assault	8/30/2019 23:00	1700 Block COMMONWEALTH ST
Stolen property offenses	8/20/2019 23:00	1300 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Theft from motor vehicle	8/6/2019 20:00	1400 Block HADDON ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/9/2019 22:00	1500 Block CALIFORNIA ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/11/2019 23:00	1400 Block NEVADA ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/14/2019 20:00	2500 Block VAN BUREN
Theft from motor vehicle	8/15/2019 13:00	2700 Block MONTROSE BLVD
Theft from motor vehicle	8/15/2019 19:00	1300 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Theft from motor vehicle	8/15/2019 21:00	1500 Block CALIFORNIA ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/15/2019 22:00	1300 Block CALIFORNIA ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/17/2019 20:00	1000 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Theft from motor vehicle	8/17/2019 21:00	1500 Block CALIFORNIA ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/19/2019 16:00	1100 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Theft from motor vehicle	8/20/2019 0:00	1300 Block WELCH ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/22/2019 20:00	2000 Block WAUGH DR
Theft from motor vehicle	8/23/2019 11:00	1000 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Theft from motor vehicle	8/24/2019 17:00	1500 Block CALIFORNIA ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/26/2019 21:00	1000 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Theft from motor vehicle	8/28/2019 8:00	1500 Block MISSOURI ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/29/2019 21:00	1300 Block WESTHEIMER RD
Theft from motor vehicle	8/29/2019 21:00	1500 Block MICHIGAN ST
Theft from motor vehicle	8/30/2019 19:00	1400 Block MISSOURI ST

CITIZEN'S PATROL

August 2019

23.6 Hours patrolled by car 85.1 Hours patrolled on foot

Thanks to all the patrollers who kept an eye out for the safety of our neighbors and community.

Submitted by Cliff Jones

Did You Know?

Submitted by Chris Delphin

Did You Know? – "Pumpkin Spice" is a mixture of nutmeg, cinnamon, ginger and cloves—all spices that humans have enjoyed in their food for 3,500 years. One of the earliest references to this type of blend as "pumpkin spice" is in a recipe for "Pumpkin spice cakes" posted in the Washington Post in 1936. Back then, a pumpkin spice dessert always contained pumpkin. Once McCormick started bundling common spices used in pumpkin pie as "pumpkin spice" in the 1960s, cooks began using it to flavor all kinds of dishes normally spiced similarly to pumpkin pie, such as a "Cream of Sweet Potato Soup" published in The Orlando Sentinel in 1995. The first reference to pumpkin spice coffee was in 1996 with Home Roast Coffee near Tampa, Florida brewing up "pumpkin spice" beans.

Join Kindred for a Pet Blessing

Submitted by Pastor Ashley Dellagiacoma

Our animals are important to us and they are a source of blessing in our lives. Join us in the park to offer a brief prayer of thanks and care for them. Bring your precious critter (or a picture of them) and receive a gift to remember this blessing. All kinds of animals and all kinds of people are welcome.

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OF THE ANIMALS

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