

# City eBrief



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## Commercial Building Fire Inspections Ongoing



Perhaps the most important task that the [Sevierville Fire Department](#) performs throughout the year is fire prevention. One aspect of fire prevention is inspection of commercial and public buildings.

The SFD is currently focusing fire prevention efforts on commercial buildings to ensure that all businesses are operating within the fire code for the safety of the public and their respective employees.

(Photo: SFD Fire Inspector Lee Wilson (L), and Fire Marshal J.C. Green.)

Inspectors will be looking for compliance with Life Safety Code violations and target fire hazards such as blocked fire exits, improperly working or uninspected fire extinguishers, emergency lights, exit signs and fire sprinkler systems. They will also watch for certain items that are common causes of fires both locally and nationally, including extension cords, improperly stored items or cluttered storage areas. Recent pictures of fires in our city caused by these items are available on the City website Fire Department pages ([www.seviervilletn.org](http://www.seviervilletn.org)).

Inspectors will be enforcing code requirements when violations are present.

Read [more](#).

## Officer Certified as Drug Recognition Expert

[Sevierville Police Department](#) Officer Justin Armstrong recently graduated from [Drug Recognition Expert](#) school. A drug recognition expert (DRE) is a police officer trained to recognize impairment in drivers under the influence of drugs other than, or in addition to, alcohol.

Officers trained as DREs are frequently called upon to differentiate between drug influence and medical and/or mental disorders. Their highly-specialized training provides an extremely valuable tool for combating the adverse impact of drug and alcohol impaired driving in our communities.



"The DRE training is very demanding and graduating is quite an accomplishment," said SPD Captain Matt

Ayers. "Officer Armstrong is a tremendous asset to our department and community in our efforts to combat impaired driving." Officer Armstrong is the agency's first DRE, and one of only a few in our county.

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## Traffic Advisory: North Parkway Bridge



TDOT contractors have scheduled gas pipeline inspections and repairs on the North Parkway bridge near downtown Sevierville next week.

The right southbound travel lane on the North Parkway (Ultraflow) bridge, between Burrig Drive and Main Street, will be closed from approximately 8:30AM-6PM on May 7, 8 and 9.

Motorists should expect delays and consider an alternate route. Work is conditional based upon weather.

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## Traffic System Improvement Work Continues



The [City of Sevierville](#) and contractors are continuing their traffic signal retiming work as the City moves towards implementation of a traffic responsive system, wherein traffic signals communicate in real-time to respond to traffic levels, resulting in increased traffic flow efficiency. Motorists should be alert for changes in timing and signal phases.

The project is 100% federally-funded and includes the entire Highway 66 corridor, Dolly Parton Parkway, Main Street, the Parkway into Pigeon Forge, and Veterans Boulevard into Pigeon Forge.

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## Get to Know Sevierville Walking Tour Scheduled

Have you ever wanted to know more about our great hometown? Now is your chance! *Get to Know Sevierville* Walking Tours will get you on your feet and provide you with just about everything there is to know about our wonderful city and how your local government serves you.

The next free tour is on Wednesday, May 16 @ 10AM. Tours will include visits to City buildings and facilities, as well as information on [City services](#), recreational opportunities, and City history. Lunch is on us! Walkers will want to bring a water bottle, camera (or smart phone) and wear comfortable walking shoes. To register or learn more, contact Kelly DeBord at 865-868-0953 or [kdebord@seviervilletn.org](mailto:kdebord@seviervilletn.org).



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## Upcoming BMA Meetings & Budget Workshops



The next regular meeting of the [Board of Mayor and Aldermen](#) will be Monday, May 7 @ 6PM.

There are three budget workshops scheduled to discuss the FY2019 budget: May 7 (3PM), May 21 and June 4.

All meetings will be held at the Sevierville Civic Center. Click [here](#) to view BMA Meeting and Workshop agendas and minutes.



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