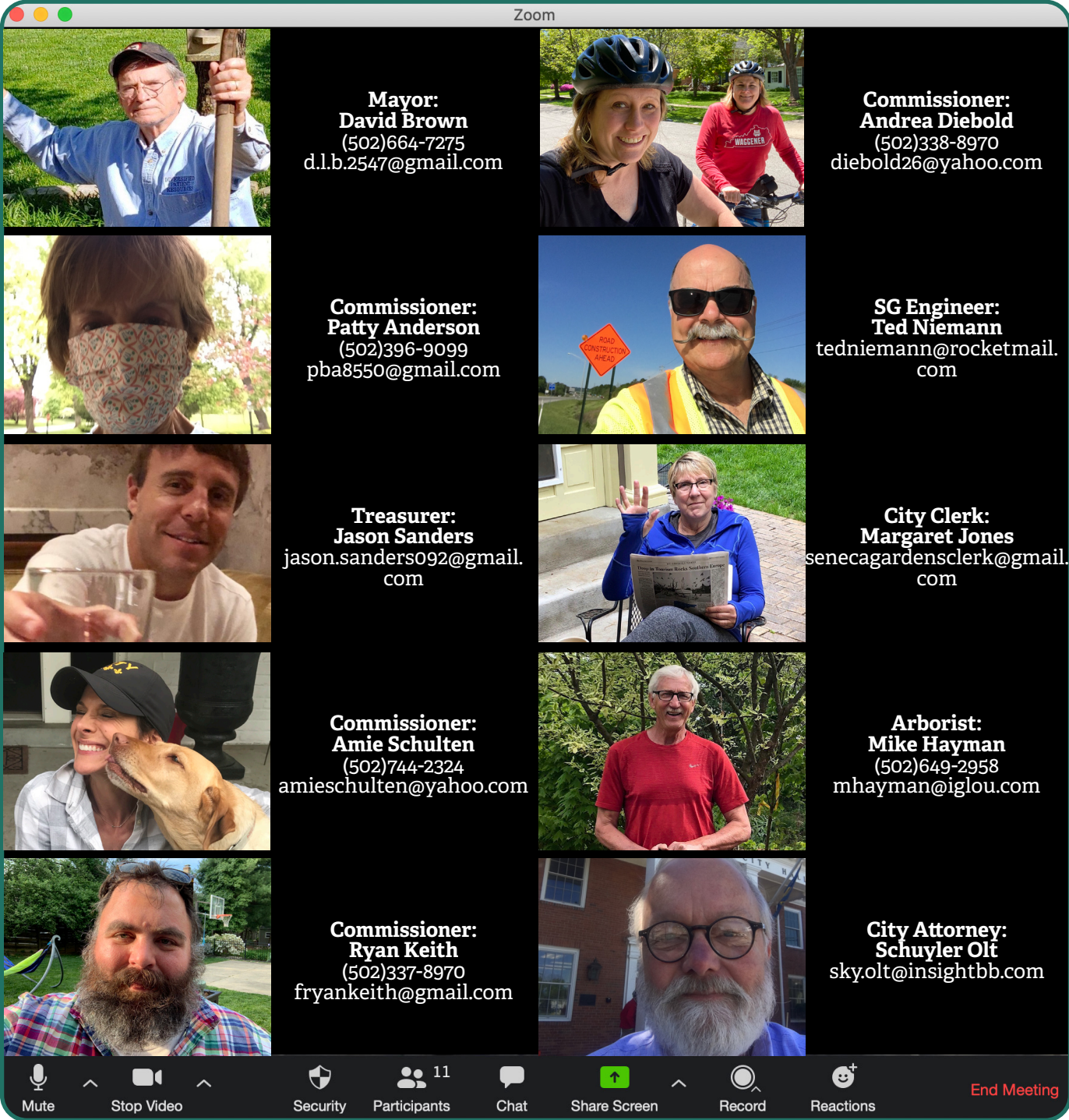


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May, 2020

Join a Zoom call with the SG mayor, commissioners & key people

Every third Monday at 6:30 pm. Sign up for REACH Alert to get the Zoom link.



If you have changes to your contact information, as it appears on the mailing label, notify us at info@senecagardens.com

REACH Alert makes it quicker to receive important notifications

We understand the importance of keeping you in the loop regarding events affecting the City of Seneca Gardens. As a result, we are pleased to announce a new notification service called **REACH Alert**.

This new service will allow us to immediately share important information regarding a number of items, including waterline breaks/boil water advisories, power outages, road closures/delays due to construction or accidents, hazmat situations, AMBER/Silver alerts, police actions, and civic events.

As good as this service is, if you don't register, we can't share important information with you. Each household can register up to four phone numbers and four email addresses. All you need to do is:

1. Go to www.reachalert.com and click on **MY ACCOUNT**.
2. Select **CREATE ACCOUNT**.
3. Follow the prompts and enter your preferred contact information.
4. Network Name: type **Seneca Gardens** (click on our name when it appears).
5. Select **Resident**
6. Enter your address and click on it when it appears in the drop-down list.



If you opted to receive text alerts, **Reach Alert** will send a text message to your cell phone immediately upon completion of your registration. Please enter the 4-digit number on the registration screen and then click the word **VALIDATE**. If you do not receive this message, please call Reach Alert.

If you do not have access to a computer or if you experience any difficulty registering, please contact REACH Alert at (877) 307-9313.

If you don't register, you won't receive our messages.

Infrastructure improvements

Seneca Gardens contracted repairs to be done on sections of sidewalks deemed a hazard to our residents. Repairs were made at a number of locations - Valletta Road (5), Meadow Road (4), Broadmeade Road (2).

Two water main breaks on Valletta Road and a sunken drain hazard at the corner of Valletta Road and Trevilian Way were repaired. If you notice problems, please call the appropriate agency or someone on the Seneca Gardens Board.



One of the many neighborhood improvements that have recently been made to SG's sidewalks

Filing deadlines approaching

November will be here before you know it. In addition to national, state and local offices, it will be time for electing (and re-electing) board members.

If you are interested in joining us on the Seneca Gardens Board, we welcome your participation. But first, you must register with the Jefferson County Board of Elections before June 2nd. Please call Mayor Brown at 502-664-7275 for more info.

City-wide tag sale postponed

Typically, the City of Seneca Gardens Tag Sale is held on the 1st Saturday in June, to coincide with Strathmoor Village and other neighboring cities' sales. Due to social distancing guidelines, we will be postponing the event to later in the year or possibly even 2021.

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Cul-de-sac island re-designs

Two areas that have been overlooked for way too long are the islands located in the cul-de-sacs at Wood Creek Road and Seneca Valley Road.

The SG Board has met with the neighbors living around these circles and asked for their input on how they would like us to proceed with this beautification project. The neighbors on both streets wanted to keep the circles and remodel them to the best of our ability. We will keep the neighbors informed on the start date once the plans are approved.



Wood Creek Road



Seneca Valley Road

A little gift for new residents...

New residents are being welcomed with a set of six cork coasters with the Seneca Gardens logo, a newsletter, and a note from Mayor Brown. So, if you know there's a new neighbor on your street, please let us know so we can all welcome them to SG!



The Mayor's corner - keeping our spirits high during COVID-19

All I can say is, "It's been a wonderful time to live in Seneca Gardens." *Stay at Home Mandates* seem to have kids, parents, and grandparents walking, biking, and jogging our streets more than ever before. Our neighborhood is in full bloom, including Mike Hayman's 30+ years of tree planting. Neighbors have more time to produce colorful chalk drawings at the end of their driveways. Messages of hope, gratitude and appreciation of living are all around our beautiful city. Seneca Gardens' residents have responded to COVID-19 prevention guidelines very well.

Having been involved with Mayor Fischer's, "Mayor to Home Rule Mayors (almost weekly) Conference Call," my advice would be, continue to pay attention to the science around it all. Wearing a mask, especially now and during future flu seasons should be a trend to consider. While these changes have not been fun or comfortable or any of us, following these guidelines will help us all get through these challenges times. I am hoping we all keep up the good work! Thanks to everyone for the continuing efforts.

Planning a home improvement? Make sure you have your permits

Any alteration to the exterior of a home must be reviewed by the City Architect before a building permit may be granted. This is a separate building permit from the permit requested with Louisville Metro.

Prior to Starting a Project

To apply for a permit in the City of Seneca Gardens, residents must submit the following items to the City of Seneca Gardens Board which is reviewed by the City Architect:

- Certificate of Compliance Application (found on the City website)
- Photos of all sides of the home that will be affected
- Two (2) copies of architectural drawings prepared by a professional draftsman/architect
- Plat of Survey to scale
- \$500 Deposit

During the Project

Once a permit is approved, a resident must begin work within 6 months of the approval date, or the permit will become invalid. The work shall be completed within 6 months from construction start.

Post Project Completion

The resident is responsible for submitting final pictures of the project for review by the City Architect. The purpose is to confirm the project is consistent to the drawings approved and within city ordinance standards.

A few words on parking

It's come to our attention how many cars are parked in the streets. While we understand many of you have more family home due to the pandemic, we also realize several residences have space in their driveways for additional parking. Reasons why excessive street parking is a concern:

- Neighbors constantly park cars in front of other homes - opposite side is a fire lane.
- Residents may have difficulty backing out or pulling in to their driveways.

Currently, the parking ordinance states "no vehicle may be parked on the street for more than 24 hours." The board feels it's time to review best practices of our surrounding neighborhoods to inquire how they handle street parking. We may send out a survey to the neighborhood so we can better understand how to move forward. We will utilize REACH ALERT to notify you how to complete it.

We appreciate your attention in this matter.

SAFETY HAZARDS/INCONVENIENCES

- Emergency and law enforcement vehicles may not be able to get around parked cars.
- Drivers might be forced into oncoming traffic.
- Difficulty seeing children in our neighborhood running, biking, skating, scooting, etc.
- Our close proximity to the park means we have many bikers, runners, and walkers.