A Big Thanks to Milwood's Sponsors:



What your \$15/year helps us accomplish:

Some MNA recent activities include:

- Publish info to the MNA website and email lists
- July 4th Parade & Picnic
- It's My Park Day / Dumping Concerns around area
- Batteries, Oil, Paint and Antifreeze Collection Event
- National Night Out
- General Membership Meetings
- Neighborhood Garage Sales
- Supporting Milwood Art Walk
- Milwood Improvement Projects
- Shade at Balcones Pool

- Your \$15 Yearly Membership at work! So don't forget to stay current on your dues at www.milwoodna.com Thanks!
- New, Larger Playground & Pavilion at Balcones Park
- Trail Completion & Continued Improvements
- Sidewalk/Improved Road from Amherst to Baseball Fields
- Monitor development projects & work w/city staff
- Liaison with City of Austin on zoning and planning

What Milwood NA is all about

- Building Community
 - July 4th, National Night Out, BOPA, IMPD, Garage Sales & more
- Pushing for Improved Services
 - Pool hours, Library hours, street and bridge needs, traffic issues, composting, public transportation, dumping issues
- Working to Improve Milwood & Surrounding Area
 - Walnut Creek Trail, Shared Use Path on Adelphi (Amherst to Waters Park Rd), Clean-ups of Park at It's My Park Day
 - Fighting inappropriate development and encouraging positive development, City Code Re-write
 - Dumping
 - New Playground & Pavilion

So Please Consider Joining MNA

• MNA Membership is \$15 per year, voluntary.

 High Numbers are incredibly helpful when we are going to the city and asking to be heard

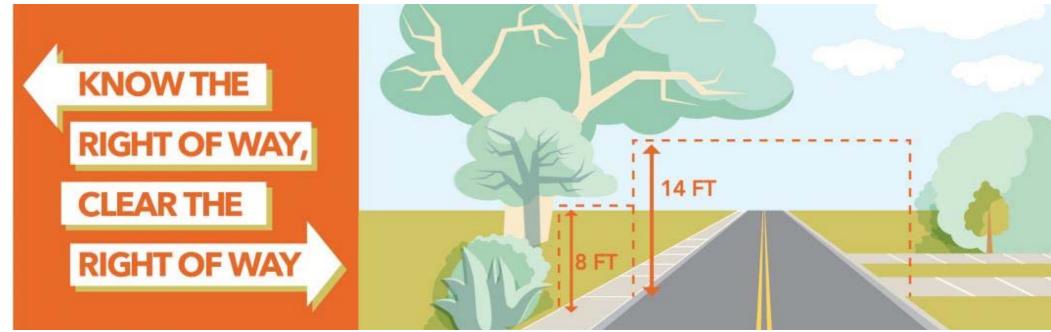
It's easy to join – <u>MilwoodNA.com/pay-dues/</u>

Let's Keep Our Neighborhood Safe & Friendly!

Please Clear the Right of Way & Don't Block the Sidewalk with Your Car.

Help those with wheelchairs, strollers or young bikers who can't risk being out in the road to go around your car bumper.

See a neighbor who isn't complying, simply give them a friendly knock and kindly mention it or let MNA know and we will happily do so.



Land Code Changes Passed in 2023 (H.O.M.E.NEXT Phase 1)

Passed Phase 1 on December 7, 2023. Here is what it did:

More Dwelling Units on Single-Family Lots: *three* dwelling units *per lot* in single-family districts SF-1, SF-2, and SF-3. This means an 11,500-square-foot lot zoned SF-2 or SF-3 can now have six units without a zoning change by resubdividing the existing lot into two 5,750-square-foot lots. If you don't know your property's current zoning designation, you can find it by entering your address <u>here</u>.

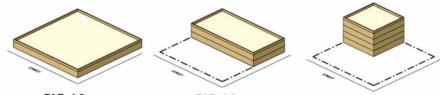
Structures Closer to the Street: structures can be located 15 feet from the street.

More Cars on Your Street: eliminated minimum parking requirements, so no onsite parking is required.

More Short-Term Rentals (STRs): One unit can be used as an STR for a duplex or a two-unit building. STRs are not restricted if there are three units

Loss of "McMansion" Protections Means Bigger Buildings: Floor area ratio (FAR) is the principal "bulk" regulation, regulating the cumulative size of structures on a site.

Loss of Occupancy Limits: Local housing occupancy limits are removed, overriding previous rules limiting occupants to four unrelated people or fewer.



FAR=1.0 10,000 sq. ft. building covering 100% of lot

FAR=1.0 10,000 sq. ft. building covering 50% of lot

FAR=1.0 10,000 sq. ft. building covering 25% of lot

HOME – City Code Changes

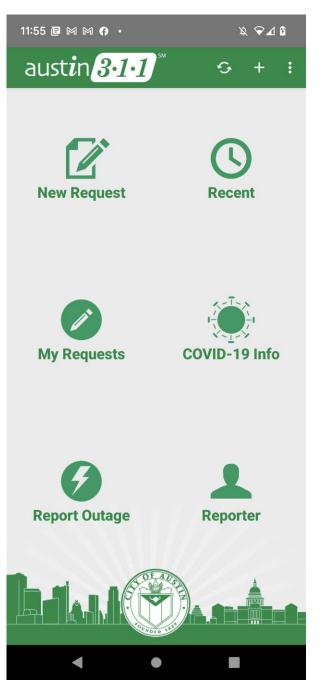
Land Development Code Changes and Course of Action:

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- MNA will reach out to Attorney and we will ask for a consult meeting
- First goal will be to get question of... Are our restrictive covenants enforceable still? If not how can we make them or if so how can we maintain them?
- Then go to residents and inquire about their desire to have them in place

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City Pool Maintenance	
City Pools & Lifeguard Issues	
Commercial Use of Parkland	
Parks Building A/C & Heating Issues	3

Crime

- MNA Needs Block Captains! It's Easy! Volunteer Today!
- Get your mail daily! Let's Talk Mailbox Break-ins...
- Crime Prevention Tips on MNA's website
- Know Your Five Neighbors
- Lights, Lock & Empty your Car Prevent Crime of Opportunity
- See Something Suspicious. Report it ASAP to 911
- Call 311 when... it is not happening/has already happened.
- Be Friendly to Strangers.
- Mow a Neighbor-in-need's Lawn. A well kept neighborhood is not inviting.
- Always let someone knocking know that you are home.
- Replace your door screws from the standard ones to 3+inch. Larger Strike Plate.
- Sign-up for MNA's News on website or milwoodna1@gmail.com
- Crime Resources:
 - <u>www.austintexas.gov/GIS/crimeviewer/CrimeReportSearch.html</u>
 - <u>www.SpotCrime.com</u> & <u>www.KrimeLabb.com</u>
 - <u>www.Nextdoor.com</u>

Replace Crime Watch Signs

 Looking for a volunteer to help get poorly worded and old signs replaced throughout the neighborhood as well as some hard to read street signs.

Spring and Summer Milwood Events

- Garage Sale: Sat. April 6 Sign Up Now
- Milwood Library Block Party: Sat. April 6
- Batteries, Oil, Paint, Antifreeze Collection Event: Sat. April 13
- July 4th Parade & Picnic Thurs, July 4th
- Milwood Art Day moved to Fall 2024



MILWOOD BLOCK PARTY

Saturday, April 6, 2024 10 am - 2 pm Milwood Branch, 12500 Amherst Dr.

Join us for Milwood Branch's annual Block Party!



-Planetarium -Slime Station -Mini Pot Gardening -Outdoor Games -Snacks -And More!





The City of Austin and the Austin Public Library are committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. For assistance and accommodations please call 512-974-7400. Art Walk in Walnut Crossing Sat. April 6 from 10am to 2pm

- Multiple Artists
- Two locations:
 - 12105 Scribe
 - 3200 Peddle Path

Stop by for some fun!





Austin Aquatics at Balcones' Pool

Check back for our Annual Pool Party!

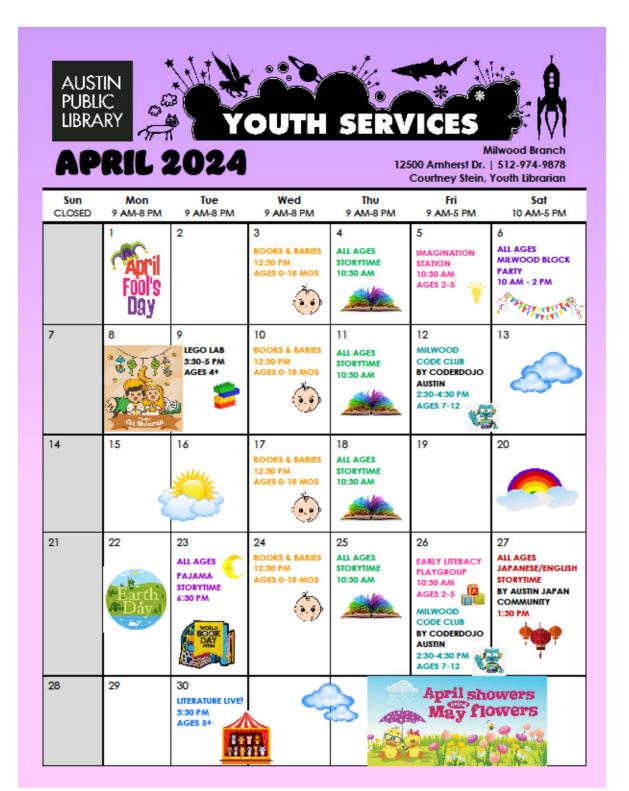
Swim Lessons and Swim Team Registration Opens on April 1st!

Swim Lessons

- The Aquatics Division offers instructional programs for all ages. A wide variety of swim lessons are available for students 6 months to adult. Program registration for Summer 2024 opens April 01 2024 at 8:00AM for residents and 10AM for non-residents.
- Summer 2024 Program Guide <u>English | Spanish</u>
- To register for all Austin Parks and Rec programs, please visit <u>www.austintexas.gov/parksonline</u>

Swim Team

- The recreational Swim Team Program is organized to develop the potential and serve the recreational needs of boys and girls who are interested in learning about competitive swimming. <u>Swim Team Information</u>
- To register for all Austin Parks and Rec programs, please visit <u>www.austintexas.gov/parksonline</u>
- Scholarships Available!



Help our Summitt Eagles Soar!

Become a mentor at

Summitt Elementary!

Summitt Elementary Counseling Team + Watchdogs + PTA + Community Members

Mentor Info Zoom Sessions

Background check by Austin Partners in Education at https://austinpartners.org/volunteer/

Email Lisa Adams at lisa.a.adams@austinisd.org for more info.

It's My Park Day

A Great Success!

Thanks Erik Harris and volunteers!

Pavilion Improvements

Not reservable. First Come, First Serve.

MNA working to make repairs to drainage. Fundraising during Amplify Austin raised \$3,500 and then was matched for a total of more than \$7,890. <u>Austin Parks Foundation:</u>

If you are interested in donating to Park improvements go here:

balconespark.org/improvement-project



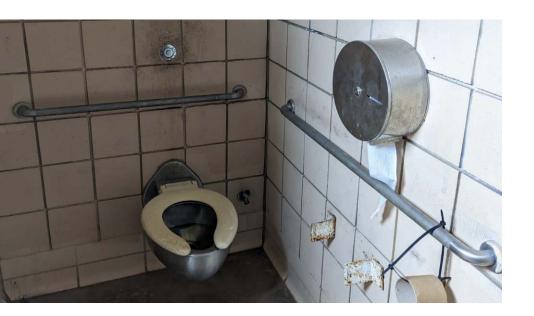
Balcones Park Improvement Projects

- Basketball Court Improvements:
 - Add New 2 Kid sized Basketball Goals: completed
 - Replace Basketball Goals: to be completed soon
 - Repair Court Surface & Resurface: to be completed in 3 mnths
 - Add Pickleball Lines



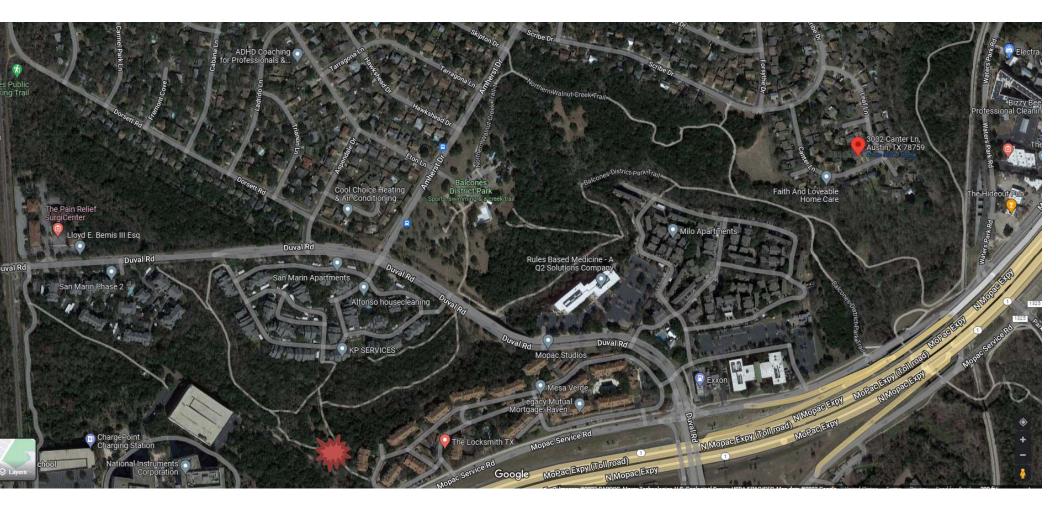
More Balcones Park Improvement Projects

- Gutters to be added to Pavilion to help erosion
- Working on Sand Volleyball Court Improvements
- Working on Bathroom Improvements specifically lighting and sinks. Both Park and Pool side.
- Add Sidewalk into the park down the driveway

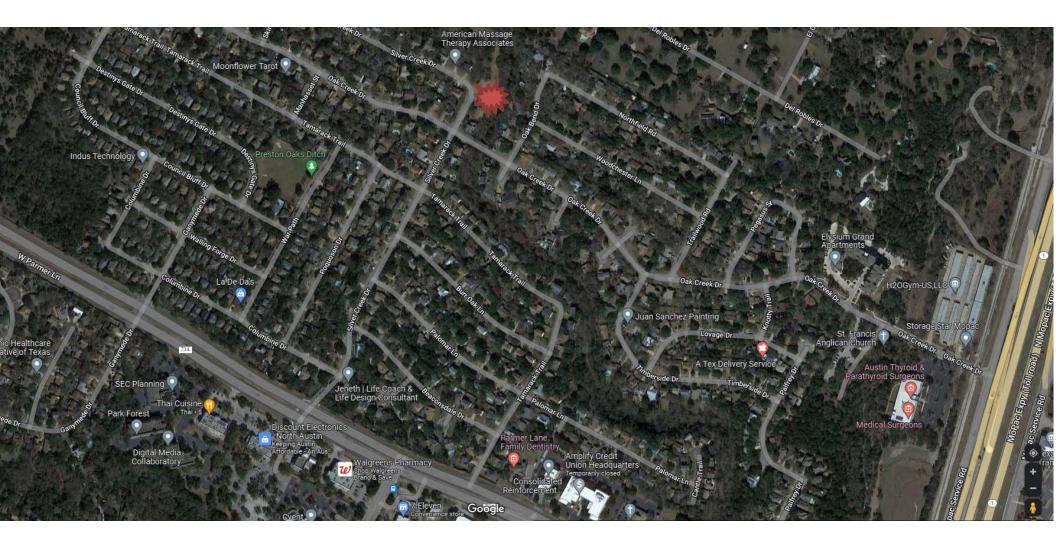




New PARD Purchase



Additional New PARD Purchase



MNA's Website

- Calendar of Upcoming Events
- Easy Way to Pay Dues
- Businesses in Our Backyard

Other Tidbits

- Like Us at "Milwood Neighborhood Association" Facebook Page
- 311 Phone App & Austin Police Dept App

Join the MNA Board

President: Meg Davis Vice President: Tanner Callais **Treasurer/Membership:** Carolyn Scherrer Secretary: Kristin Harper Parks/Greenbelt: Erik Harris **Communications/Social: Johanna Hedges & Sarah Romo De Vivar-Whalen Block Captain Coordinator:** Website: **At Large: Bethany Metzger At Large: Michael Lewis** We are happy to tailor a position for

interested parties!

Resident's Concerns or Questions

Milwood Baptist Church

- Spots available for Summer Camps
- Spots available for all ages for next year's
 - Tues and Thurs: 9 to 2pm