



Summer and Fall  
2016

# The Planning and GIS Department Newsletter

WELCOME TO THE INSIDERS LOOK AT OUR ENDEAVORS

IN THIS ISSUE

## Joseph Minicozzi Comes to Lebanon

The City of Lebanon contracted the firm Urban3, a private real estate economics firm based in Asheville, North Carolina, to map and analyze the financial aspects of our community. Their team, consisting of Joseph Minicozzi and Joshua McCarty, initially came in July to do a site visit and work with our GIS Department to get mapping information. Aside from being a “City” project, they opened up the opportunity to develop relationships with Historic Lebanon, Wilson County officials, City Council, the Planning Commission and the Staff.

This October, Joseph Minicozzi came and presented his land use revenue study and mappings that

contained Job Density, Transit investments, and Tax Value per acre and as well as mapping Infrastructure.



He communicated through his illustrations of the land use economics of Lebanon before the City Council, the Planning Commission, and the Board of Zoning Appeals members as well as Historic Lebanon, The Developers Task Force Team and the Visioning Committee.

The full presentation and other links can be found on the City of Lebanon’s Website on the Visioning Committee’s page at <http://www.lebanontn.org/Visioning-Committee>.

### **HOW WE VALUE THE CITY**

*Mapping the Dollars and  
Sense of Land Use Patterns*





*Mayor Phillip Craighead and  
Principal Pam Sampson*

The City of Lebanon and the Lebanon Special School District have completed the Safe Routes to School Program (funded by Tennessee Department of Transportation) for the Walter J Baird Middle School.

The Safe Routes to School Program's Educational Event was the third and final phase. It was held on Friday, May 6, 2016, when 600 students, teachers, and volunteers walked and bicycled from the Walter J Baird Middle School to the Don Fox Park to engage in activities that promoted walking safety, bicycling instruction, traffic relief, environmental awareness, fun and, physical education.

The first phase had added two pedestrian crossing signals on North Cumberland at West Forrest and another crossing signal at North Cumberland and Coles Ferry Pike.

The second phase had included sidewalk connections on West Forrest from North Cumberland to North Greenwood Ext. and from the

existing sidewalk on Coles Ferry Pike through the Coles Ferry Elementary School Campus connecting to the sidewalk at West Forrest and North Greenwood Extension making it easier and safer for students to make their way to and from school.

**SAFE ROUTES  
TO SCHOOL  
FINISHES  
WITH A FUN  
WALK TO THE  
DON FOX  
PARK**



The Walter J Baird Middle School's Safety Resource Officer, Patrick Seay, demonstrated to the students the importance of bicycle safety. Students were taught the hazards of the road whether they were walking or biking and some of the demonstrations included the importance of using hand signals to inform motorists, basic bicycle safety and proper bike etiquette.

The majority of the course material Mr. Seay taught was supported by National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

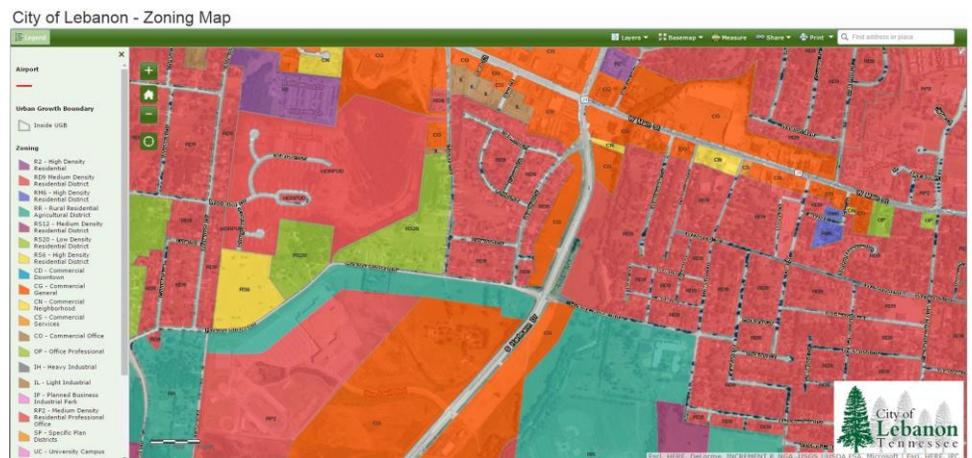
More information concerning the Safe Routes to School can be found at <http://www.saferoutesinfo.org/>

# WHAT IS GIS AND WHAT DOES GIS MEAN TO ME?

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) centrally manages, shares and analyzes information about locations through specialized mapping technology. This information increases transparency, improves many City technology applications and provides critical data to decision makers and the public.

What does the GIS team do?

- Administers and operates geospatial and Global Positioning System
- Creates, manages and maintains over 125+ layers of geospatial data sets.
- Creates, manages and maintains web applications that utilize geospatial data for analysis and decision-making
- Creates, manages and maintains software services that enrich other city systems with geospatial data
- Produces digital maps of City information.



GIS has made copious amounts of interactive maps for any citizen to use from Chipper Service, Annexations, to Sanitation Pickup, Snow Routes and more.

GIS Manager: RT Baldwin      Email: [richard.baldwin@lebanontn.org](mailto:richard.baldwin@lebanontn.org)      615-443-2805 Ext. 2318

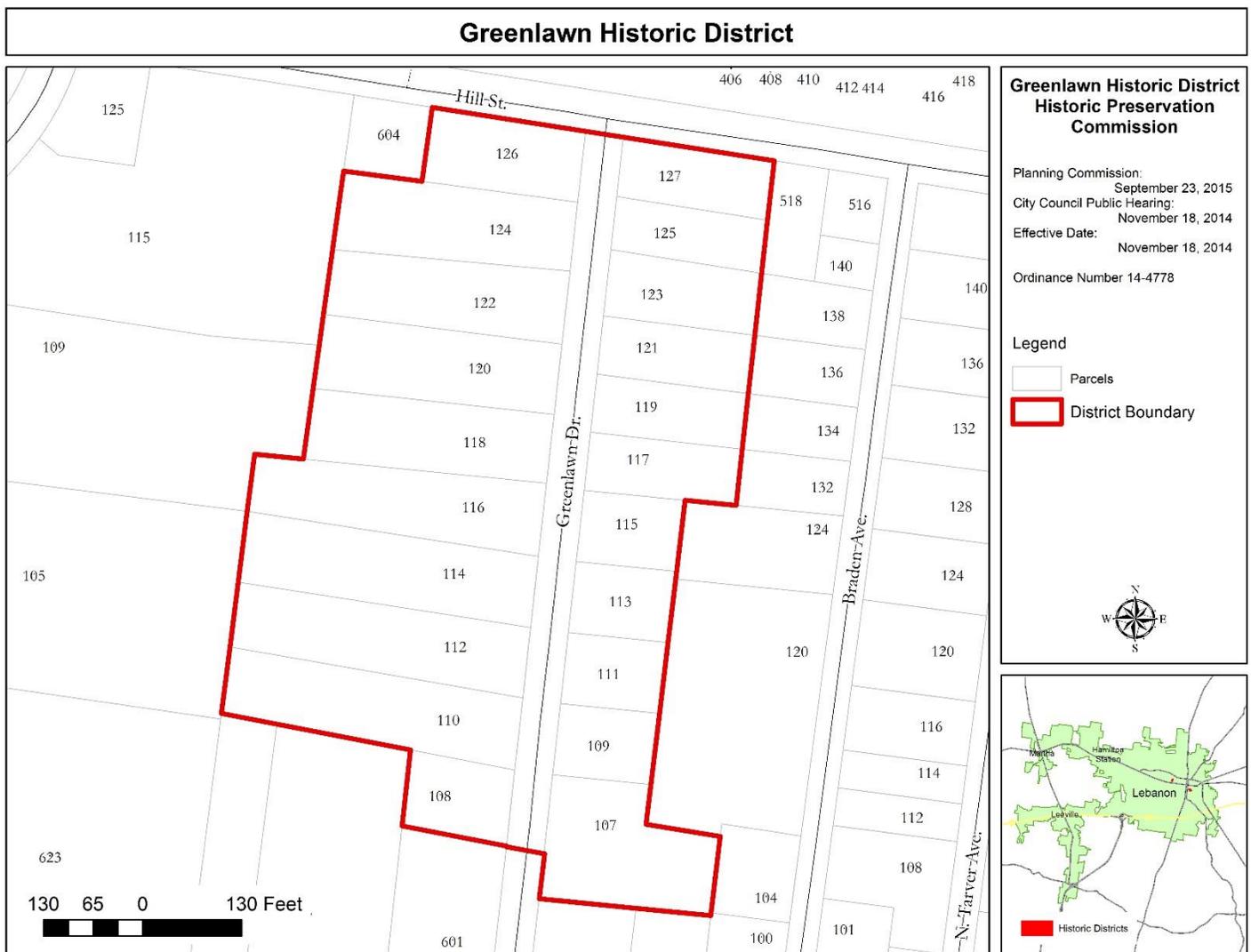
GIS Tech II: John Petty      Email: [john.petty@lebanontn.org](mailto:john.petty@lebanontn.org)      615-443-2805 Ext. 2312

GIS Tech II: Kevin Cross      Email: [kevin.cross@lebanontn.org](mailto:kevin.cross@lebanontn.org)      615-443-2805 Ext. 2313

Visit the GIS Department Here!      <http://www.lebanontn.org/185/GIS-Department>

# The Greenlawn Street Historic District

Did you know that Lebanon is concerned with preserving history? The City of Lebanon established its first Historic District with the creation of the Historic Greenlawn District with the purpose of preserving the special historic value and style that is representative of the City of Lebanon. Consisting of twenty-one houses, it encompasses mostly Colonial Revival style and Tudor Revival style dwellings. The most famous is the two-story Colonial Style Bone House. Although the Bone house was built in 1956, it contains remnants salvaged from other famous buildings in Lebanon, most notably the stone slabs from the Caruthers Hall Law Building from Cumberland University.



To find out more check out our website at <http://www.lebanontn.org/212/Neighborhood>