

# Hillview event group seeks new haunt

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HILLVIEW — A Hillview resident continues his attempt to scare up an available facility for a local community event.

Cam Bullock created the Scareview Haunt location last year, a Halloween-themed event that took place in the vacant area of the Eadens Resource Center on Hillview Boulevard. Permission was granted by the city with proceeds distributed to Hillview's Operation Santa program.

Following last year's event, Hillview entered into an agreement with the Bullitt County Health Department to revert the vacant space into a satellite location that would mesh with other resources already available at the center.

With the space under contract, the city could no longer offer the location to Bullock. Therefore, he and his team have been seeking a new location to continue providing the local event.

Bullock previously discussed the issue with Hillview officials, but said other city venues would not be available. A primary issue was that Bullock would need a month to host plus time for setup and breakdown. He said the city could not commit that time due to various rental schedules.

According to Bullock, event organizers hoped to stay local in Bullitt County. Seeking a new host location, Bullock recently spoke with the Mount Washington City Council regarding ideas for a haunted forest event at Frank Cornell Park.

Bullock and his partner, Mount Washington resident Jason Hendrix, discussed logistics with and addressed

concerns from city officials. The council agreed to investigate and discuss the possibility further at a future meeting.

Despite the potential venue availability, Bullock again approached the Hillview council, seeking further idea options. He reminded that Scareview Haunt, partnering with the city's recreation department, hosted about 3,000 visitors to the only event of its kind in the county.

Bullock said he recently checked the location again and noticed the area remained unoccupied.

"I wanted to express my interest in the building again," he said. "If it is available, I would like to work something out."

Mayor Jim Eadens said the area was still unoccupied. However, the city already entered into contract with the health department, adding that he planned to introduce a lease agreement to the council as early as the city's next meeting.

Eadens mentioned that Bullock's event was a great success and that the city received overall positive feedback.

Bullock mentioned speaking with Mount Washington's council, adding that the idea could work, but he would prefer remaining indoors if possible.

"You did a fantastic job and we all appreciate what you did," Eadens said. "We will continue to look for a location for you."

Bullock's Scarview Haunt idea originated in Hillview years ago thanks to his great-grandfather, Ralph Douglas, at the family's Hillview Boulevard residence. When Bullock was young, he recalled his grandmother, Karen Douglas, decorating for the holidays.

Bullock took over the family tradition

about a decade ago, continuing to add items each year. For the past few years he has attended the annual TransWorld Halloween & Attraction Show in St. Louis, a conference for individuals who host such events.

In past years Bullock charged individuals an admission price of one canned-good item to walk through his yard, donating the proceeds to the Dare-to-Care Food Bank. Beginning there and working with Operation Santa, he hoped to continue providing a charitable community service through the event.

In other business: Deputy city clerk Kristy Denton presented a proclamation from the mayor's office declaring June 13 as "Cruzin' for Cancer Car & Bike Show Day" in the city.

The proclamation recognized the annual fundraising event which donates proceeds to the Brown Cancer Center.

Event organizer Richard Luce thanked the mayor, mentioning that the event had provided 150 free mammogram screenings since 2019.

"(The proclamation) is pretty important to our organization," Luce said. "We haven't grown as much as other events but we've accomplished a lot."

Cruzin' for Cancer is scheduled this year for June 13 at the Hillview Community Center, rain or shine, from 11 am to 4 pm. For more information go to [cruzinforcancer.net](http://cruzinforcancer.net).

The next Hillview City Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, Apr. 20, 7 pm, at the Hillview Government Center. The public is invited to attend.

# HOUSING

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living at the facility.

Hill said that it was a matter of providing an opportunity for those who need a chance. Many have completed treatment programs but do not have a place to live.

Residents who spoke against the rezoning request had a variety of concerns.

Dana Brown has a business next door and she has already experienced flooding issues. She was also concerned about her safety when she is the only one in the building.

Linda Holder said that there was no problem with the current building but she was concerned with the sober living transitional program.

She was also concerned with occupants having alcohol issues and there are places to purchase liquor nearby.

Lindsey Hammonds operates the Brooks Ball Park and she was concerned with having children so close to Hill's property.

She also mentioned the proximity of alcohol to the facility and the lack of oversight and supervision.

Johnny King developed a large residential subdivision down Griffis Lane and he was required to do a traffic study and submit plans prior to getting approval. He didn't understand why Hill wasn't required to do likewise.

He said there had been some improvements but it was still not in good shape.

King said that it wasn't the right place for such a facility.

Todd Johnson said that truck traffic is bad along Highway 1020 and there are no sidewalks. There have been fatal accidents in the area over the years.

He didn't want his children to be that close to the recovering individuals.

And, he also didn't think Hillview should be in the area. He wanted Brooks to form their own city.

Hill said he would comply with any restrictions, including the construction of a sidewalk along Highway 1020.

"I'm just giving them an opportunity," said Hill.

He said he would also agree to any requests for additional lighting on the buildings.

Commissioner Paul Kulmer said the request should be denied as there is no other R-3 zoning in the area and it doesn't meet the comprehensive plan.

Attorney Tammy Baker said that the city of Hillview had approved a text amendment dealing with transitional housing, which is federally allowed in any residential zone. However, she said a body can consider issues, such as infrastructure needs, when making a decision.

A public hearing would be held by the city and the public would again have the opportunity to attend and voice any concerns.

Commissioner Steve Small said he understood both sides of the argument. While he knows the facilities are needed, he also understands the concerns of surrounding residents.

He would like to see a final site plan and felt that the residents would feel better if they knew exactly what was going to be done.

The matter will now go to the Hillview City Council. To overturn the unfavorable recommendation, four councilmembers would have to vote in favor of the zoning.

The legal notice advertising the public hearing date will be published in The Pioneer News.

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something for the observance.

Personally, Wiley had never run before. His challenge was to become a runner and it has pushed him to complete 5K events.

"We encourage all the local posts to do something to celebrate the 250th anniversary," said Wiley.

Those activities could be

as simple as opening up the local post to the community. It would be an opportunity to educate the community on the many good things the post and its members do on a regular basis.

Cortney Burden, a representative with Post 157, told Wiley about the recent work being done. Remodeling the facility on Cedar Grove Road has been undertaken. She added that over 74 Vietnam veterans from the county and the region were recently

honored during a second annual parade in Shepherdsville.

The top mission of the national American Legion is to bring awareness to the biggest crisis for veterans – suicide.

"We've all been touched," said Wiley.

Training is available to help individuals learn how to talk with veterans who are having issues. The [BetheOne.org](http://BetheOne.org) website has information on the issue.

He also reminded people to know the 988 hotline deals with those having thoughts of suicide.

Burden said that the Active Heroes organization is a prime group that is tackling that specific issue of suicide.

Wiley thanked the individuals for their work.

His final word of advice is that each post must find its niche in the community. If a post fails to find its place, Wiley warned that it won't exist.

# VOTING

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The election allows any registered voter to go to any polling location for both the early voting and the May 19 voting.

"We're pretty well ready to go," said Mooney.

He's not sure how the outside noise about the security of the elections will affect turnout this May.

Mooney likes the idea that each state has its own election regulations. That eliminates the possibility of having a single vendor across the country.

In Bullitt County, within seconds of a person casting

a vote on one location, he or she would be automatically shut out of trying to vote in another site.

He is confident that the voting locations will be able to handle the volume.

Anyone with questions about seeking absentee ballots, wanting to know if they are registered or any other election matter is

encouraged to call the clerk's office early at 502-543-2513 ext. 5 or go to its website.

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