

**Stray Cats,
\$50 million
in bonds,
and county
budget
discussed at
commission**

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The Knox County Commission voted 10-1 last week to approve a change in the animal control ordinance to authorize a trap, neuter and return policy for stray cats. Approved by the Knoxville City Council recently, the city's policy would be extended to county if passed on final reading.

The policy change, from trapping and euthanizing undesirable cats, is being promoted by Young-Williams Animal Shelter as a way to reduce the number of strays. The new policy

Corryton Senior Center Welcomes Mayor Glenn Jacobs

By Amy Ben Fellbacher

Upon entering the 13-year-old Corryton Senior Center, you not only step onto their walking track, but also into a place of warm, welcoming smiles from staff and community members. This was especially true at the Open House for Mayor Glenn Jacobs held last Thursday except the air was additionally filled with the smell of turkey and dressing and music played by the Corryton Jam members. The center opened its doors to more than 50 seniors with a potluck lunch and a cave for the mayor, alongside a staff excited to show off its growth and amenities.

Kathy Romines, a regular senior at the center, said, "It's great to have the mayor make this visit. When you come here, you see those, even older than me, enjoying life. I'm so glad we have this. This center is a lot like a church. It's so good for seniors to get out and to have this. And another thing, it's great if you can get here, then there is something for everyone."

From a card-making class to gardening to yoga to service projects to travel, opportunities abound for those citizens 50 years old and older. In March, the center's house



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Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs visits with Corryton seniors to listen to their concerns during last Thursday's open house at the senior center there.

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