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Noteworthy

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December 2016

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Dec. 6:** Planning & Zoning, 6 p.m.
- **Dec. 8:** Board of Adjustment, 6 p.m.
- **Dec 12:** Park Board, 6:30 p.m.
- **Dec. 13:** Filing Opens for Municipal Offices, 8 a.m.
- **Dec. 14:** Board of Aldermen, 6 p.m.
- **Dec. 27:** Downtown Committee, 6 p.m. (TBD)
- **Dec. 23 and Dec. 26:** City Offices Closed
- **Jan. 2:** City Offices Closed

All meetings/events are subject to change. Please visit www.wentzvillemo.org for the most up-to-date calendar.

Filing Opens for Municipal Offices

Beginning Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 8 a.m., candidates may begin filing for the elected municipal offices that will appear on the April 2017 ballot. Candidates will need to file at City Hall, located at 310 W. Pearce Blvd. The filing period will remain open until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2017.

Positions open for filing include one Alderman from each of the three Wards and the Municipal Judge. The Alderman positions and Municipal Judge are each two-year terms.

City ordinances state that candidates running for Alderman must be at least 18 years of age; a citizen of the United States; and an inhabitant and resident of the City for at least one year prior to the election. Candidates running for Alderman must also be a resident, at the time he/she files and during the time he/she serves, of the Ward from which he/she is elected.

City ordinances state that candidates running for Municipal Judge must be a licensed attorney, qualified to practice law in the state of Missouri, and a resident of St. Charles County at the time of his/her election. The Municipal Judge does not need to reside within Wentzville city limits. The Municipal Judge must be between 21 and 75 years of age.

If you would like more information about the duties and qualifications for serving on Wentzville's Board of Aldermen, please call the City Clerk's office at (636) 639-2010. Please note: all filing fees are $25 and must be paid when filing for the position of Municipal Judge or Alderman.

Holiday Trash Collection Schedule and Hours

Please note: This year, the Christmas and New Year's holidays will **not** affect your trash/recycling collection.

City Offices will be closed for Christmas on Friday, Dec. 23 and Monday, Dec. 26; City offices will also be closed on Monday, Jan. 2 for the New Year's holiday. Progress Park will be open on Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on New Year's Eve (Dec. 31) from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; however, Progress Park will be closed on Sunday, Jan. 1.

Shop Safely!

The holiday shopping season is upon us; please take time to ensure you have a safe and happy holiday season! These steps may help reduce your chances of falling prey to a criminal act. For more information, call the Wentzville Police Department at (636) 327-5105. When shopping, take the following precautions.

1. Be aware of your surroundings.
2. Remember where you parked your car. Take a photo of your car or a nearby landmark.
3. When shopping after dark, park in a well-lit area.
4. Shop in pairs. Take a friend shopping with you.
5. When returning to your car, keep your car keys in your hand.
6. Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Pay for purchases with checks, credit or debit cards.
7. Don't leave your phone, purse or other valuables visible in your parked car.
8. Hide your bags. Don't leave purchased merchandise in your parked car where it can be seen.

How Do I Pay My Bill?

For your convenience, Wentzville offers many ways to pay your utility bill. For more information, please visit bit.ly/wentzvillebillpay.

- **Online** at www.municipalonlinepayments.com/wentzvillemo.
- By completing an **auto draft by credit card** form.
- By completing an **auto draft by checking or savings account** form.
- **By phone** with your Visa, Mastercard, Discover or American Express; call (636) 639-2155, (636) 327-5101 or (636) 327-5102.
- **With various forms of payment** — cash, check, money order, Visa, Mastercard, Discover or American Express.
- At a **payment drop box**, located at Public Works (200 E. 4th St.) or the Utility Service Center (5 W. Pearce Blvd.).
- In the **drive-thru** at the Utility Service Center, Monday-Friday, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- In the **lobby** of City Hall (310 W. Pearce Blvd.) or Public Works; lobby service is available Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Making Memories

Sleigh Hay Rides

Book a wintertime tractor-pulled hayride through beautiful Rotary Park to tour the breath-taking Holiday Night Lights.
Rides are available, beginning Nov. 28, on Mondays and Wednesdays at 6 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 8:15 p.m. and 9 p.m. (Except Monday, Dec. 5). Sleigh Hay Rides are perfect for scouts, church groups, company parties or family/neighborhood get-togethers. Sip hot chocolate, munch on cookies and listen to holiday music while sitting around the bonfire. The hayride will hold a maximum of 25 people, including lap children. Rides are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis. You must register ahead of time. Rides are $125 for residents and $140 for nonresidents. A two-week notice is required; no refunds will be given, unless the display is closed. You can pay ahead of time for an additional lap around the park with your group for an extra $25.

Holiday Night Lights Walk-Thru

One special night a year, Wentzville Parks and Recreation presents the Holiday Night Lights Walk-Thru at Rotary Park.
This walk-thru event, which will be held on Monday, Dec. 5 from 5 to 8 p.m., allows participants to enjoy the lights at a slower, more intimate pace. On this magical night, attendees will stroll through the one-mile light display, experiencing enchanted scenes, twinkling lights and holiday-themed music. After walking the illuminated route, participants will enjoy refreshments and a photo with Santa. Cost is $3 in advance and $5 at the door, per person.

Holiday Night Lights Drive-Thru

The annual Wentzville Holiday Night Lights display at Rotary Park opens on Friday, Nov. 25 for the holiday season.
Come enjoy a one-mile light display that features large illuminated commercial scenes and tunnels of twinkling lights. This holiday display is a great way to experience the magic and joy of a winter wonderland close to home. Drive-thru admission is only $8 for vehicles holding up to six passengers; $1 per additional person after the sixth. SEE SCHEDULE BELOW.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
The display is open 6:30-9:30 p.m. on the dates in RED: NOV 25-DEC 11, the display is open Thursday through Sunday only; beginning DEC 15, the drive-thru is open nightly until Friday, DEC 30 (except DEC 25).					25 NOV	26
27	28	29	30	1 DEC	2	3
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For more information, or to register for any of these programs, please call (636) 332-9236.