



## City to Move Forward with Plans for a Multigenerational Recreation Facility

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Wentzville’s Mayor and Board of Aldermen are excited to announce that they will soon take the next step toward making the City’s multigenerational recreation facility a reality. The proposed facility would become part of an 80-acre-mixed-use development along Wentzville Parkway.

“The Parks Master Plan and our recently completed feasibility study, coupled with input from several public meetings, all emphasize a strong desire for a facility like this. This new amenity will greatly improve the quality-of-life of our growing and aging community,” said Parks and Recreation Director Mike Lueck.

The mixed-use development, which will be known as “The Bend,” will extend along the Parkway from the new City Hall to William Dierberg Drive. In addition to the City’s multigenerational recreation facility, the project will include park and green spaces, new retail, pedestrian trails and some residential development. While the retail spaces and residences will be completed in a shorter timeline, the multigenerational recreation facility is projected to be operational by fall 2022.

This transformative project will be funded through sales taxes from the new retail space and an additional one-cent sales tax along a portion of Wentzville Parkway. Utilization of an additional one-cent sales tax ensures that the project can move forward immediately, while not requiring the use of any City-issued bonds or reserve funds. The funds generated by the tax will go toward construction and operational costs for the facility.

Wentzville’s elected officials are passionate about bringing a high-quality multigenerational recreational facility to the Wentzville community.

“This will be an exciting new resource for our residents and will allow us to provide services which have been needed for some time. The Board and I have made this project a priority, recognizing the distinct needs of our residents – varying from indoor recreational opportunities to senior citizen amenities,” said Mayor Nick Guccione.

This project expands the City’s current municipal campus, which includes both the Law Enforcement Center and City Hall. The City’s proactive approach to developing and maintaining high-quality, cost-effective community facilities, infrastructure and services will ensure a cohesive and connected community for years to come.

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