Filing Opens for Municipal Offices

Beginning Tuesday, Dec. 16, at 8 a.m., candidates may begin filing for the elected municipal offices that will appear on the April 2015 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. 20, 2015.

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

City ordinances state that candidates running for Alderman must be at least 21 years old, a citizen of the United States, a resident of the City of Wentzville for at least one year prior to the election, and reside in the Ward for which they are filing.

According to City ordinances, candidates running for Municipal Judge must be a licensed attorney, qualified to practice law within 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 the City of Wentzville.

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.

Holiday Trash Collection Schedule

The week of Dec. 22, trash collection will be as follows: Trash collection will remain the same on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Trash collection on Thursday, Dec. 25, and Friday, Dec. 26, will run a day late. Thursday’s collection will move to Friday and Friday’s collection will take place on Saturday, Dec. 27.

Trash collection for the week of Dec. 29 will be as follows: Trash collection will remain the same on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Trash collection on Thursday, Jan. 1, and Friday, Jan. 2, will run a day late. Thursday’s collection will move to Friday, and Friday’s collection will take place on Saturday, Jan. 3.

Beginning on Jan. 5, trash collection will go back to its normal schedule. If you have questions about holiday collection schedule changes, please call the Public Works Department at (636) 639-2049, Monday through Friday, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

A Helping Hand for Our Community

Maintaining our neighborhoods and helping our residents are top priorities for the City of Wentzville. Community Development Block Grants (CDBGs) are instrumental in helping us achieve these goals.

CDBG funding comes from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the purpose of helping low- and moderate-income households. CDBG funding covers several programs, ranging from helping to maintain a home, buy a home, or receiving rides to reach essential services. Below is a brief summary of the programs available:

- **Home Improvement Program** — This program provides 0% interest, five-year forgivable $5,000 loans to income-qualifying households for home improvement projects. The current deadline for this program is Dec. 1.
- **Emergency Repair Program** — This program will provide 0% interest, five-year forgivable $5,000 loans to income-qualifying households for emergency repairs.

Various restrictions apply for each of these programs, including income verification. Applications are now available at bit.ly/Wentzville_CDBG; deadlines may apply. Questions regarding any of these programs can be directed to Brandi McDowell at (636) 477-6600, ext. 1365, or to William White, Wentzville building commissioner, at William.White@wentzvillemo.org or (636) 639-2040.

Learn more at bit.ly/Wentzville_CDBG
Wentzville Chooses Site for New City Hall

The City of Wentzville has chosen a site for its new City Hall. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen have selected a site adjacent to the City’s Law Enforcement Complex on Wentzville Parkway. This decision followed an extensive analysis over the last four years of more than a dozen potential sites.

Key factors that led to the site decision were:
• No land acquisition costs — the site chosen is on City-owned land. Other sites considered had land-acquisition costs ranging from $2 to $6 million;
• Availability of utilities and road systems;
• Ease of access — Schroeder Creek Boulevard will soon be extended from Wentzville Parkway to Pearce Boulevard, thus offering easy access to all parts of the community;
• Proximity to the Law Enforcement Center, which houses the Wentzville Police Department and Municipal Court;
• And, finally, the proposed site is centrally located at the approximate geographic center of the City.

This project is one of the Board-approved strategic plan initiatives, which were instituted earlier this year. The adopted Capital Improvement Plan allocates $15 million for the development of a new City Hall, which is scheduled for construction during the next two years.

With completion of this new building, all City departments and administrative offices will be consolidated, leading to more efficiency. The new structure will be designed to offer a more customer-service oriented environment, with adequate parking, technologically designed meeting facilities and one-stop service for resident. The building will also be designed with security features incorporated for resident and employee safety. Residents will be able to address any department, sign up for service, pay bills, go to court or attend City meetings — all at one complex.

The new City Hall will be a major point of pride for the community and reflect the status that Wentzville has as one of the fastest growing cities in the region. The building will meet the needs of the City for the next 30 years.

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*These events will be held at City Hall (310 W. Pearce Blvd.). All meetings are subject to change. Please check the Calendar of Events at www.wentzvillemo.org for the most up-to-date information.