The mission of Clayton city government is to foster a vital, balanced community composed of outstanding neighborhoods, quality businesses, commercial and government centers, premier educational institutions and a healthy natural environment through an open, accessible and fiscally responsible government.

Board of Aldermen Approve Fiscal Year 2016 Budget

In July, City Manager Craig Owens proposed the Fiscal Year 2016 budget for the City of Clayton. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen held several work sessions, meetings, and public hearings to review the proposed budget plan and make adjustments prior to final adoption. The budget is guided by the principals of maintaining high levels of service, responsiveness to the needs of residents and businesses, and preserving long-term financial stability through sound fiscal management. The approved budget plan achieves a balanced General Fund budget and ensures a continuation of all City services delivered in the previous year.

The Board of Aldermen also approved an ordinance setting the property tax rate for 2015. The 2015 tax rate for residential properties was set at \$0.865, a decrease of \$0.033 from the 2014 rate. For a home valued at \$600,000, it is expected that the homeowner would pay approximately \$986 in property taxes to the City. Based on last year's rate, the same homeowner would have paid \$1,024 in property taxes to the City.

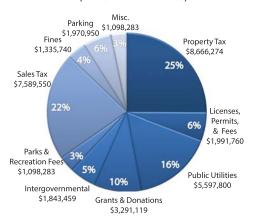
The Capital **Improvements** adopted with this budget will allocate over \$10 million into improving the City's infrastructure. The largest projects included in this fiscal year's capital plan



October 2015

WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM

(ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS)

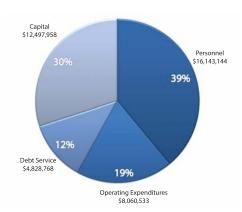


are street resurfacing projects in the residential subdivisions of Clayshire, Hillcrest, Country Club Place, Parkside and Clayton Gardens; alley repairs in various locations; the modernization of the elevators in the police building; wayfinding signage; the Taylor Park playground replacement; and the Chapman Plaza (Shaw Park North) project.

Information about the Fiscal Year 2016 budget and supporting detail can be found at www.claytonmo.gov/budget.

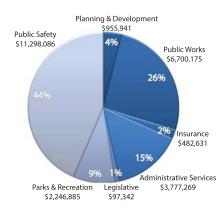
WHERE THE MONEY GOES

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GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

(BY DEPARTMENT)



EVERY \$1 PAID IN RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAX IS SPLIT BETWEEN:

Clayton School District: 52¢

Special School District: 16¢

City of Clayton: 12¢

St. Louis County: 9¢ Metropolitan Zoo, STL Community College, Metro. Sewer District, State of Missouri: 11¢







October/November **Meetings**

Parks & Recreation Oct 5 Commission Center of Clayton - 7 p.m.

Oct 13 **Board of Aldermen** City Hall - 7 p.m.

Plan Commission/ARB Oct 19 City Hall - 5:30 p.m.

Oct 22 Sustainability City Hall - 5 p.m.

Oct 27 **Board of Aldermen** City Hall - 7 p.m.

Century Foundation Oct 28 10 S. Brentwood - 7 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Nov 2 Commission Center of Clayton - 7 p.m.

Nov 10 **Board of Aldermen** City Hall - 7 p.m.

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CRSWC Nov 20 Center of Clayton - 8 a.m.

Board of Aldermen Nov 24 City Hall - 7 p.m.

first of October brings the City of Clayton to the start of a new fiscal year.

Over the course of several months, your elected officials have spent substantial time reviewing, debating and amending

the proposed budget brought to us by the City Manager and his staff. The budget becomes a "living" document both in terms of the responsibility of each department to "live" within their budget and for your elected officials to review "actual vs. budgeted" results throughout the fiscal year.

One issue that we (and most other municipalities) face each year is the unyielding rise in the costs of doing business. Health and liability insurance, maintenance of facilities and infrastructure, and retirement fund obligations are among many of the expenses that only go up. In addition, due to Missouri's Hancock Amendment, increases in property tax revenues are restricted to increases in the Consumer Price Index (which is very minimal these days) and taxes generated by new construction. The other challenge we have in Clayton is that the service and amenities bar is set very high and we are not willing to compromise our standards. It all makes for an interesting and challenging process.

The Board of Aldermen and I are pleased to inform you that we have once again approved a balanced budget for the upcoming fiscal year, October 1, 2015 -September 30, 2016. The General Fund, or operating budget, has anticipated revenue of \$25,780,333 and anticipated expenses of \$25,774,004. As always, we will monitor the actual numbers throughout the year and make adjustments as necessary.

The Board of Aldermen and I, along with our very dedicated city staff, wish you and your family a wonderful fall season.

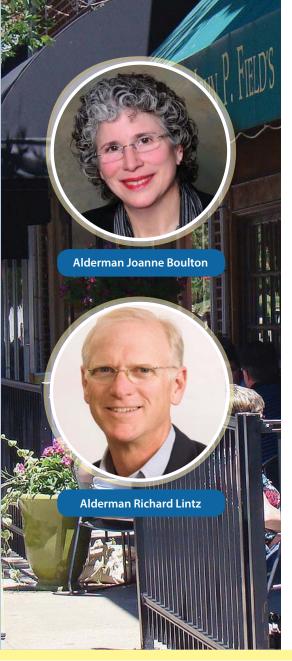
2016 Municipal Election

Tuesday, April 5, 2016 is Municipal Election Day in Clayton for the office of Mayor. The Mayor's term is three years.

Persons interested in running for the office of Mayor are required to file a Declaration of Candidacy form which may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office at Clayton City Hall, 10 N. Bemiston Avenue. The first day for filing the forms for the April 5, 2016 election is Tuesday, December 15, 2015, beginning at 8:00 a.m. The last day for filing will be Tuesday, January 19, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

Candidates must be at least 25 years of age, registered to vote, and have lived in Clayton for at least two years prior to the election date.

For more information, contact City Clerk June Frazier at 314.290.8469.



What a great area of the city we live in! Certainly all of Clayton is beautiful, livable, and charming. But Ward 1 —which we have unofficially renamed "Ward Fun"—has a unique personality, a vibe, a 'je ne sais quoi.'

The pleasant summer weather provided ample opportunity to walk the neighborhoods where we admire the legacy left us by notables such as Thomas Skinker, Henry Wright, Julius Pitzman, and the architecture team of Raymond Maritz & William Young. Strolling along any of our streets we are intrigued by the mingling of architectural styles, the creative personalization of color and landscaping each residence portrays, and how there seems to be a relationship of one to another that makes it a neighborhood, not just a pretty place to live. Sit at Kaldi's any morning and savor the warmth of our local coffee shop. You see groups of friends who have been meeting there for years; parents walking a child to Captain, then treating the younger sibling to a muffin and juice; entrepreneurs holding meetings; students studying; and neighbors just catching up with each other.

Wander over to Sasha's for a late afternoon wine and you get a similarly friendly experience, albeit with a somewhat more cosmopolitan crowd. Jimmy's on the Park has been a great walk-to-dinner spot since 1994 and, like the DeMun Oyster Bar, attracts locals and "tourists" from around the region. Our newest food stop, Seedz Cafe, offers a deliciously natural experience –a very Ward 1 kind of place!

And don't forget to get up to Clayton Road. Carl's Deli still makes the best –and biggest- darn sandwiches around. Katie's serves up real, made-from-scratch gourmet pizza in a comfortably eclectic environment. A block further down, the former BreadCo location will soon be undergoing a significant transformation into a new Qdoba, a fast casual Fresh Mex restaurant.

Fall is a beautiful time to get out, walk, meet your neighbors, and enjoy all "Ward Fun" has to offer!

Warm regards,

Joanne Boulton jboulton@claytonmo.gov

Rich Lintz rlintz@claytonmo.gov

Cash Back Rebates Available for Smart Energy Choices

Contemplating a complete remodel or maybe a kitchen makeover? Ameren Missouri is offering cash back rebates to both residents and businesses who make smart energy choices. More information about the rebate program can be found by visiting AmerenMissouri.com/ActOnEnergy.



Refrigerator & Freezer Recycling

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Heating & Cooling

• \$75 rebate on an Ameren Missouri efficiency analysis at the time of your system tune-up through a

- participating contractor
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- Visit AmerenMissouri.com/HVAC for a list of participating contractors, or call 1.877.215.5752 for program questions



Lighting

- Shop online at AmerenMissouri. com/ProductInfo for instant rebates and free shipping on the following ENERGY STAR® light bulbs:
- TCP 10w BR30 LED 4-pack \$15.95
- Phillips 10.5w BR30 4-pack \$23.95

News from the Clayton Century Foundation

By Judy Goodman



A fabulous fall signals an occasion to celebrate the current year. Clayton Century Foundation (CCF) is involved with a number of exciting

projects in partnership with the City.

- A recent gift from the Eric P. and Evelyn F. Newman Foundation is refreshing the 1.6 acre, oval-shaped green space adjacent to Shaw Park and in front of Clayton High School and the District's administrative building. The gift was made in honor of the Newman's 75th wedding anniversary in 2014. It is with great sadness that we mourn the recent passing of Evelyn, who is widely recognized for her ideas, energy and cultural contributions throughout the metropolitan area.
- The opportunity to create the Clayton Heritage Center could be yours! Clayton has never had a physical space devoted to our community history, and this archive, display and research center will create a legacy for future generations. To be located in the lobby of the Center of Clayton, historical exhibits will be displayed for everyone to appreciate. You can showcase your own family, remember the Parkmoor and the Depot,



Clayton Heritage Center





Conceptual design of the Clayton Heritage Center

and see images of rural Clayton before the age of corporate skyscrapers. CCF is actively fundraising for this resource and contributions are encouraged.

• Chapman Plaza is moving forward, following three public engagement sessions. The Plaza will provide a northern pedestrian entry to Shaw Park and a stunning, inviting place for people to gather. Currently, SWT Design is busy incorporating citizen input and developing the schematic design. Thanks to the extraordinary

commitment and financial contribution of the Bob Chapman family and Barry-Wehmiller, the Chapman Plaza will be a wonderful new asset for our community.

• Lastly, CCF is seeking volunteers to assist with events and help to further interests in Arts, Parks, History and Sustainability. CCF is for everyone, so please let us know if you would like to get involved. Contact Sarah Umlauf at 290-8553 or sumlauf@claytonmo.gov.

Tips from the Clayton Police Department for a Safe and Fun Halloween

"Unhaunting" Your House and Neighborhood

- Welcome trick-or-treaters at home by turning on your exterior lights.
- Drive slowly all evening—you never know what creature may suddenly cross your path.
- Report any suspicious or criminal activity by calling 911.

Making Safe Costumes

- Be sure costumes are flame-retardant to avoid danger near candles, jack-o'-lanterns and other fire hazards.
- Keep costumes short to prevent trips, falls, and other bumps in the night.
- Try using make-up instead of a mask. Masks can obstruct a child's vision.
- Have trick-or-treaters wear light colors or put reflective tape on their costumes.

Preparing Ghosts and Goblins for their Tricks and Treats

- Adults should accompany youngsters. Older children should go out with friends.
- Set a time limit for children to trick-or-treat.
- Remind kids not to enter a stranger's house or car.
- Try to get kids to trick-or-treat before dark. After dark, have them carry a flashlight.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

Safeguarding Halloween Treats

- Remind kids not to eat their treats until they get home.
- · Check all treats at home.
- Only eat unopened treats in original wrappers.

Fall Leaf Collection Schedule

If the scheduled collection day is on a holiday, unless otherwise indicated in RED, leaves will be picked up the day before or the following non-holiday work day.

Week of:

October 19 – 23, November 16 – 20, November 2 – 6, December 7 – 11, December 21 – 25**

Monday

Bemiston Subdivision (Old Town) 7400 Blocks Moorlands Subdivision 7500 Blocks Moorlands Subdivision* Forest Court*

Tuesday

Maryland Terrace Subdivision (7400 Block Maryland)
Hanley Place Subdivision (7500/7600 Blks Westmoreland)
Parkside Subdivision (10 Blocks Brighton & Topton Way)
Northmoor Subdivision (Bland Ave.)
Wydown Terrace Subdivision
DeMun / Hi-Pointe Subdivision*

Wednesday

Claverach Park Subdivision Clayshire Subdivision Clayshire Ridge Subdivision Wenneker & Louwen Drives

Thursday

Wydown Forest Subdivision
DeMun and Hi-Pointe Subdivision*
6300/6400 Blocks Forsyth

Friday

Carrswold Subdivision
7500 Blks Moorlands Subdivision*
Forest Court*
(December 25th holiday collection to be January 8th** due to parking restriction)

Do's and Don'ts

- Obey the street sweeping signs on the scheduled leaf collection day.
- All streets will be collected on the scheduled day or the following workday, rain or shine.
- When a collection day falls on a holiday, leaves will be collected the day before or the next non-holiday work day.
- Rake leaves into curb-line. Please, no plastic bags, limbs or brush.
- In case of inclement weather (heavy rain, snow or ice), the leaf collection schedule will be modified or reduced. Please call Public Works at 314-290-8540 for a revised schedule or view it at www.claytonmo.gov/leaf.
- Leaves from islands, parkways and common areas will be picked up as time permits. These areas may be skipped to keep with the schedule of leaf collection in front of residential properties.
- Please do not rake the leaves onto islands, parkways or common areas.
- Alley pickup is not available.

Week of:

October 26 – 29, November 23 – 26**, November 9 – 12, December 14 – 17, December 28 – 31

Monday

Clayton Gardens Subdivision
Polo Subdivision
Country Club Court
7700 Block Walinca Terrace
7700 Block Shirley Drive

Tuesday

8100 Block Stratford Hillcrest Subdivision Ellenwood Subdivision Skinker Heights Subdivision Tuscany Park Subdivision

Wednesday

Davis Place Subdivision Southmoor Subdivision

Thursday

E. Brentmoor Subdivision W. Brentmoor Subdivision Forest Ridge Subdivision

*Denotes restricted parking for street cleaning. **Denotes a week with a holiday, see alternate collection day.



Visit claytonmo.gov/leaf to view the fall leaf collection schedule.

Police Department Recognized

The Clayton Police Department has earned reaccreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) for the 6th time since 2000. The Department was recently recognized on July 25 at the CALEA National Conference in Colorado Springs, CO.

In keeping with its tradition as a leader, the department was among the first law enforcement agencies in the State of Missouri to successfully achieve accreditation through CALEA.

The process of CALEA Accreditation begins with a rigorous self-assessment, requiring a review of policies, practices and processes against internationally accepted safety standards. This is followed with an assessment by independent assessors with significant public safety expertise. Additionally, public feedback is received to promote community trust and engagement, and structured interviews are conducted with select agency personnel and others to assess the agency's effectiveness and overall service delivery capacities. The decision to accredit is rendered by a governing body of twenty-one commissioners following a public hearing and review of all reporting documentation.

Reaccreditation represents significant professional achievement and confirms that the Clayton Police Department practices are consistent with progressive professional standards.



Mayor Harold Sanger & Police **Chief Kevin Murphy**

Public Works Update

Department is responsible for maintaining over 100 lane miles of roadway and alley pavement in an area of only 2.48 square miles. This figure does not include private streets or Clayton Road, Hanley Road and Big Bend, which are County roads maintained by St. Louis County Department of Transportation. To ensure City roads receive appropriate preventative maintenance and are protected from deterioration caused by weather and daily traffic, the Public Works Department established Pavement Management Program (PMP) in 2000 to address maintenance needs for roadway and alley pavements. A PMP is a systematic approach which uses a series of preventative maintenance treatments at scheduled intervals to extend the life of the pavement.

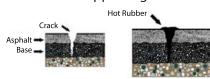
In April of 2014, Clayton voters approved a \$15 million bond issue that dedicated funds for street resurfacing projects, alley replacement, and updates to street lighting. These funds will ensure that the PMP will continue to operate and provide maintenance as detailed in the plan to maximize the City's investment in its pavement. Individual treatments can improve



Street Resurfacing

Come and Enjoy Coffee and Conversation with the Clayton PD

The City of Clayton Public Works the quality of the asphalt pavement surface and extend the life of the pavement base materials, but the true cost and quality benefits of pavement maintenance are realized when there is a consistent schedule for performing preventative maintenance. 20 year maintenance plan for city streets involves three components: micro-surfacing, cracksealing, and resurfacing of the roadway pavement. Approximately half of the City's streets are cracksealed each year (even years - east of Hanley, odd years - west of Hanley), which keeps water from getting into cracks and in the pavement base material and supporting soils.



Cracksealing

The City's streets are generally micro-surfaced at seven fourteen years after paving which seals the pavement and prevents degradation of the roadway surface. Finally, after twenty years, it is time for the asphalt to be resurfaced.



Microsurfacing

Pavement Management Program and details about projects scheduled through 2017 can be found at claytonmo.gov/projects.



The City of Clayton Police Department will host its first 'Coffee with a Cop' on Tuesday, October 13, from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Wydown Starbucks. Join your neighbors and a Clayton Police Officer for coffee and conversation. This is a great opportunity to ask questions about policing, voice concerns, and get

to know the officers who keep Clayton safe.

'Coffee with a Cop' will take place quarterly at various locations throughout the City. www.claytonmo.gov/police for future times and locations.



Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer **Awareness BBO**

Wednesday, October 7 Clayton Fire Station, 7755 Forsyth 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Fire Department will host its fifth annual BBQ. The menu includes five delicious BBQ meals which range in price from \$7 to \$9. Each meal comes with two sides and a drink. Look for the pink fire truck in front of the Clayton Fire Station. For more information, visit claytonmo.gov/fire or call Kathy at 314.290.8485 or e-mail Bryan Brielmaier at bbrielmaier@claytonmo.gov.

Party in the Patch

Friday, October 16 **Enterprise Holdings Pavilion at Shaw** Park 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Celebrate fall with a candy hunt, hay rides, inflatables and crafts! Hot dog dinner included in child's registration. Adults may purchase additional hot dog meals at concessions. Call or visit the Center of Clayton to register (290-8500). Kids 14 and under: \$7. Day of the event: \$10

Haunted High Tea Saturday, October 24

Hanley House

Join us for a special afternoon tea at the historic Hanley House. All are welcome to enjoy ghoulish treats and spirited fun at this haunted tea service. Call or visit the Center of Clayton to register (290-8500). The program fee is \$10 for residents and \$12 for non-residents.

Halloween at City Hall Friday, October 30 City Hall, 10 N. Bemiston

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The Clayton Fire Department will be grilling and giving away free hot dogs! There will be a DJ, fun games & free kettle corn! Don't miss your chance at dressing up for our costume contest! Winners will receive a gift card to their favorite restaurant or retail shop – First Place: \$100, Second Place: \$75, Third Place: \$50. costume contest begins at 12:30 p.m.

Saint Louis Track Club Half Marathon

Sunday, November 1 The Center of Clayton

For fifteen years, the Clayton Police Department, the St. Louis Track Club and Special Olympics Missouri have cosponsored the 5K Run/Walk and Half Mile Youth Run that benefits the Special Olympics. To increase participation, eight years ago the St. Louis Track Club combined its half marathon run with the 5K run/walk. The half marathon has been an institution in St. Louis running circles for the last thirty-five years and is sanctioned by the USA Track Federation. To register, go to www.stlouistrackclub.com.

CCF Speaker Series: Hanley House and Campbell House Lecture

Wednesday, November 18 St. Michael St. George Church

Andy Hahn, Director of the Campbell House Museum, and Sarah Umlauf, from the Historic Hanley House, will

come together to present "The 19th Century Table." The presentation will explore a shared topic regarding the unique experiences for the Campbell family in the City of St. Louis versus the Hanley family on their farmstead in St. Louis County. This presentation will look at each family's special relationship with food. The presentation will highlight recipes and examine dining experiences and how they differed in both households. This is a unique opportunity to sample recipes from both families. program is free and open to the public.

Clayton's Small Business Saturday

Saturday, November 28 Participating locations

Visit Clayton's small businesses to get started on your holiday shopping, as many specials will be offered. Free carriage rides depart from the St. Louis County Library on N. Central, DeMun and Carondelet Ave. Get your picture taken with a real life reindeer on Maryland Ave. in front of Happy Up.

Snowman Skate

Friday, December 4 **Shaw Park Ice Rink** 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Kick off the start of winter with Frosty the Snowman! Enjoy hot chocolate and discounted \$3 admission which includes skate rental.

Clayton Receives Certificate of Excellence



Clayton's performance management efforts were recently recognized with a Certificate of Excellence by the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Center for Performance Analytics.

"The certificate program recognizes principles of performance the

management," said Randall H. Reid, ICMA Director of Performance Initiatives. "Jurisdictions meeting the qualifications have demonstrated leadership in continuous

improvement and community engagement, and they serve as examples for other governments to follow."

ICMA assesses a local government's performance management program and encourages analysis of results by comparing to peers and gauging performance over time. Performance management aids in cost reduction, program prioritization, and quality improvement. It also encourages accountability and transparency. Certificates are awarded at the levels of Achievement, Distinction, and Excellence. Clayton is among 33 jurisdictions receiving the Certificate of Excellence – the highest level awarded.

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Statement of Accessibility to All Citizens

It is the City of Clayton's goal to make programs and facilities accessible to all individuals. If you or someone you know has a disabling condition and would like more information and support for accessibility of all programs and facilities, please contact us at 314.290.8501(V). Sign language interpreters may be scheduled upon request. Suggestions for future programs are welcomed.



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