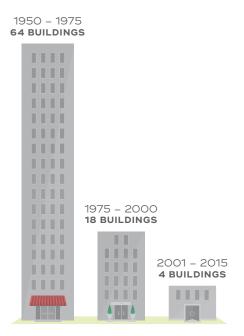
Clayton Businesses Help Build Our Community

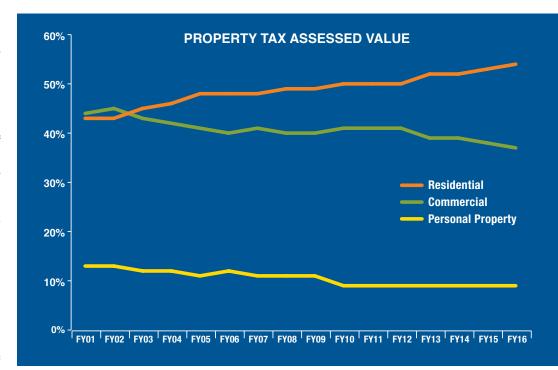
As the county seat and home to world-class institutions, Clayton's size and unique character are recognized locally and nationally. Clayton's picturesque neighborhoods, exceptional downtown business district, and leading education institutions, create a vibrant destination for visitors and businesses alike. Each of these components are mutually supportive of each other, and help our community continue to thrive and grow.

The composition of our versatile business district is attributed to Clayton's forward-thinking leaders who increased building height restrictions during the 1960s, while other suburbs lowered their restrictions. It is the reason so many of our iconic tall buildings were constructed during this time. As a result, Clayton is now a flourishing suburban community with a dynamic business district – truly unlike any other city in the St. Louis region.

CLAYTON'S DEVELOPMENT HISTORY

A TIMELINE





In the past, the property tax assessed value of commercial properties had slightly greater value than residential properties resulting in both residential and commercial properties contributing almost equally to the services provided by the City. However, the balance between residential and commercial property tax assessed value has shifted over the years. Future commercial growth and property development will help renew the value of the commercial load and narrow the gap over time.

After the economic recession, Clayton faced many difficulties including balancing its budget. To recover, the City of Clayton decided it would adopt a strong economic development strategy focused on growth and economic resilience. As a result, Clayton has managed to balance its budget for two consecutive years through fiscal responsibility and economic development efforts.

Today, we are in an up cycle and the growth offers an opportunity to rebalance and renew our development model. People are interested in building and expanding in Clayton, which brings the 2010 Downtown Master Plan to life. Within the next two years, private companies will invest more than \$867 million in Clayton. Each new development must meet very high standards of quality to complement the existing investments and will bring amenities and attractions that will further enhance the downtown Clayton experience. But most importantly, it will help secure Clayton's sustainable economic future.

The City of Clayton hopes this model will continue to better serve our residents, protect the Clayton taxpayers, and help our community prosper for generations to come.



MAYOR'S MESSAGE Mayor Harold J. Sanger

One of the privileges I have as Mayor is to be involved with the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (MYAC). MYAC is currently recruiting sophomores and juniors for the 2017-18 school year, and participation is based on an application process.

The intent of MYAC is to expose high school students to the workings of local government, and, during the school year, they are exposed to many city departments including tours of the fire and police departments, public works, the City Manager's office and our judicial system. To say they are amazed at what it takes to run our city is an understatement, and they all leave with a healthy appreciation of our government at work.

Every year the MYAC class has a civic project to complete, something that is discussed early in the year and agreed upon by the entire group. This year, they are doing a "scavenger hunt" with a walking map of some of the great landmarks around our town. They are both learning much about the history of Clayton and providing something for the entire community to enjoy. You can view their project as well as the application for next year's group at www.claytonmyac.com.

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED THROUGH MAY 31

Eligibility: Any current high school sophomore or junior attending Clayton High School or any Clayton resident attending another high school.

As this terrific group of bright, young men and women make their way through their college career, their view of wherever they live will forever include the knowledge of how local government operates. Like many of the young adults who preceded them, we hope that one day they will return to Clayton and again become a part of our community.

MYAC is very efficiently guided by Cheryl Redohl as community advisor and Chris Livingston, Clayton High School faculty member. This program would never happen without their dedication and support - thank you!

FAREWELL April means we will reluctantly say goodbye to a key member of our Board of Aldermen. Cynthia Garnholz has termed out after having served as a Ward 2 Alderman for the past 9 years. Cynthia brought a unique and thoughtful approach to the Board and has served as a great mentor and advisor to me. To say that we and the citizens of Ward 2 will miss her is a great understatement, and we look forward to her continued participation in our community as a Clayton citizen. Cynthia – thank you for your many years of dedicated service to our community!



Sunday at Starbucks (Ward II Coffee) April 2 & May 7 at 4 pm Starbucks (7645 Wydown)

Parks and Recreation Commission April 3 & May 1 at 7 pm Center of Clayton

Planning Commission/ Architectural Review Board April 3, 17 & May 1, 15 at 5:30 pm City Hall

Ward III Coffee April 8 & May 13 at 10 am Starbucks (2 N. Central)

Board of Aldermen April 4, 25 & May 9, 23 at 7 pm City Hall

Election Day-April 4 Polling places open at 6 AM and close at 7 PM. Visit www.govotemissouri.com or call the St. Louis County Election Authority at 314-615-1800 to confirm your polling location.

Memorial Day City offices will be closed Monday, May 29 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. Offices will reopen at 8:00 am on Tuesday, May 30.

Prescription Drug Take Back Saturday, April 29, 2017, 10:00am-2:00pm, the Center of Clayton, 50 Gay Ave, Clayton, MO 63105



By Judy Goodman

As you're walking, biking or driving down Wydown, have you ever wondered where the street got its name? The Clayton Century Foundation has just launched Throw Back Thursdays on its Facebook page. That means, every Thursday you will learn a fun fact or interesting news nugget about the community in which you live and work.





@ClaytonCentury

For more information, please visit the Clayton Heritage Center or visit the Heritage section at www.claytoncenturyfoundation.org.

Memorial Holiday Refuse Schedule

Monday routes

picked up Tuesday, May 30th

Tuesday routes

picked up Wednesday, May 31st

Thursday routes

picked up Friday, June 2nd

Friday routes

picked up Saturday, June 3rd

Street Sweeping Reminder The Public Works Department sweeps residential streets on the first week of each month. On-street parking restriction signs posted for the street sweeping program are intended to provide the street sweeper access to the gutter to collect typical road dirt and debris. It is not intended for collection of yard waste placed at the curb. Residents are discouraged from placing yard waste and debris into the streets as this blocks the storm water drains and causes flooding. For more information, visit www.claytonmo.gov/streetsweeping.

[CITY UPDATE]



Upcoming Public Works Projects

Public Works will be working on multiple construction projects this year.

- Residential Resurfacing will take place in Hillcrest, Wydown Forest, and the Moorlands. Work is planned to begin in April/ May and paving will likely begin in the summer in these areas after separate work by Missouri American Water and MSD is complete.
- Sidewalk repairs at various locations throughout the City are expected to begin in early spring.
- Crack sealing of roadways west of Hanley is expected to take place February-April.

Further communication will follow for those impacted by these projects. The best source for project information and updates throughout the projects is **www.claytonmo.gov/projects**.



April 3, 2017, 7:00 PM - The latest information about the multiuse facility that will be built in Shaw Park will be presented at the April Parks and Recreation Commission meeting at the Center of Clayton.

April 27, 2017, 6:00 PM – The City of Clayton is considering options for the future use of the property located to the west of the Center of Clayton. Residents are invited to provide their input at a Public Forum at The Center of Clayton.

If you are unable to attend these meetings, please feel free to contact the Director of Parks & Recreation, Patty DeForrest, at **pdeforrest@claytonmo.gov** to provide your input.



Have you used PassportParking for easy parking? The app allows you to pay for parking and extend parking sessions without returning to your vehicle. You also have the ability to cancel your session if you don't use the entire time. A convenience fee will apply.

As a Clayton resident, you can enjoy 50% off the hourly rate when using the app. The application is simple – visit claytonpermits.rmcpay.com, create an account and upload proof of residency. Once approved, log into Passport using the license plate number you included on the application to receive the discount. Time limits and a convenience fee will apply.

For more information and a tutorial on how to use the app, visit www.claytonmo.gov/parking.

Luxury Mixed-Use Development Proposed Across from Shaw Park

The Downtown Master Plan vision is closer to reality. Clayton officials negotiated a \$1.1 million sale with Flaherty & Collins Properties to sell the city-owned parking lot at 8049 Forsyth for a proposed top-of-the-market luxury building at the corners of Brentwood and Forsyth. The project is fully taxable and will not receive tax incentives.

The location was identified as one of the top areas for redevelopment by Clayton residents during the 2010 Downtown Master Plan process. Currently, the parking lot doesn't contribute any revenue to our school district or city services. The proposed project contributes \$1.1 million to fund other city needs, replaces or expands retail and restaurant parking, brings in a luxury residential tower and retail, and adds dramatically to the city and school tax base.

The conceptual plan includes a 24-story building with 250 luxury apartment homes with penthouse suites and 10,000 square feet of street-level retail. Amenities include a rooftop pool, outdoor courtyard, fitness center, pet wash, and other attractive features for park-side living in downtown Clayton. A preliminary traffic study conducted by a third party engineer suggests that the project will not have any significant impact to roadway infrastructure or drive times.

The conceptual plan was presented to the Planning Commission/Architectural Review Board on February 21. For more information and to stay updated on the project, please visit www.clayton.mo.gov/developmentnews. Submit your comments to development@claytonmo.gov.





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Statement of Accessibility to All Citizens The City of Clayton's goal is to make programs and facilities accessible to all individuals. If you would like more information and accessibility support for those with disabilities, please call 314.290.8501(V). Sign language interpreters may be scheduled upon request. Suggestions for future programs are welcomed.



SPRING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER, so get out and enjoy some live music!

Every Friday in May, local bands will play at various restaurants throughout Clayton from 4:30 – 6:30 PM.

Visit **www.musicinclayton.com** for the lineup.



Join area police and fire departments for a BBQ competition to raise money for Backstoppers and Responder Rescue on **May 13th from 5 – 9 PM.**

Tickets are \$20 each and include BBQ samples, side dishes and soft drinks. Entertainment will be provided by Whiskey Morning.

Visit www.claytonbbq.com to purchase tickets.



DO YOU LOVE MUSIC AND WINE?

Join us for the 3rd annual Music & Wine Festival at Carondelet Plaza on June 10th from 5 – 10 PM.

The event will feature music by Gaslight Squares, Sarah Jane and the Blue Notes, and Miss Jubilee and the Humdingers. Local wine vendors will

be on site selling your favorite wines and the Shoppes at the Crescent will also be open late with specials.



Tuesday, April 18 • 8:30 AM to 10 AM City Coffeehouse and Creperie 36 N. Brentwood Blvd.

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.

For future times and locations, visit www.claytonmo.gov/calendar.