

# CITY OF CLAYTON CITY VIEWS

## Home Maintenance

In order to keep our community beautiful and property values strong, many decades ago the city established minimum standards for all commercial and residential structures. These property maintenance codes are from an international standard and common to most all US Cities. Our inspectors work with property owners, both proactively and in response to complaints, to ensure these basic codes are maintained for everyone, which in turn, helps all neighbors enjoy the beauty of our special neighborhoods. Our intent is always to help point out concerns that can be overlooked by even the most meticulous homeowner and work with them on a plan to get them in compliance.

Now is a good time to take a look at your property. Here is a list of the most common things we see and things that can also protect you from more costly repairs in the future:



- 1. Clean gutters and downspouts.** Clogged gutters and downspouts can cause the wood trim at the eaves to rot, and that can invite critters into your attic space. Having your gutters and downspouts cleaned early in the season can help prevent damage from heavy rains.
- 2. Reseal exterior woodwork and make repairs.** Wood decks, fences, railings, trellises, pergolas and other outdoor structures will last longer and stay in better condition if they're stained or resealed every year or two.
- 3. Check for signs of termites.** Especially during summer months, be on the lookout for these winged insects.
- 4. Inspect roof.** Start by making a simple visual inspection of your roof. Use your smartphone camera or binoculars to find problems without climbing onto your roof. If you notice anything that needs closer inspection or repair, call a roofer.
- 5. Paint exterior.** Summer and fall are good times to repaint the exterior of your home, if necessary.
- 6. Inspect driveways and paths.** Take a walk around your property to look for damage to walkways, paths and driveways, and schedule repairs as needed.
- 7. Prevent mosquitoes.** The best way to prevent mosquitos around your home is simply by getting rid of any standing water. Walk around your property to look for any area where water stands. Once located, fix it, get rid of it, or maintain it regularly.
- 8. Check screen doors and windows.** Screens are designed to let the breeze flow in and keep bugs out — but they can only do their job if they're free from holes and tears. Before setting up your screens for the months ahead, be sure to carefully check each one and repair any damage, no matter how small.



## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

### Mayor Harold J. Sanger

Among the many wonderful benefits that Clayton enjoys, safe residential and commercial areas top the list. The great work of our public safety officials is beyond compare and they do an exemplary job of keeping us safe. However, Clayton is not immune to the attempts of those who wish to prey on our community. Our entire region, including

Clayton, has been subject to an epidemic of car break-ins. The fact is that when apprehended, our officers have been told by the perpetrators that they specifically come to Clayton because so many cars are left unlocked. Between January 1 and the middle of June this year, 38 car break-ins were reported to the police. That alone is an eye-opening number, but the real headline is that of those 38, as many as 35 vehicles had been left unlocked and more than half of the cars stolen had the keys left in them.

There is one easy and simple step that we as citizens can do to reduce the success of those who have taken the criminal road. If you LOVE IT, *LOCK IT*. If the people who try to prey on unlocked cars and homes find no easy access to their targets, it will discourage them from trying, and give them no reason to visit us. In addition, if you have active video that covers the street in front of your home, sign up to participate in our Community Camera Program by calling (314) 290-8406 or visiting [www.claytonmo.gov/communitycameras](http://www.claytonmo.gov/communitycameras). If a crime is committed in your neighborhood, you might have recorded evidence important to solving the case. Signing up for the Community Camera Program does not give the Clayton Police Department access to your cameras or its recordings, but allows officers to contact you should a crime occur in or near the area where the cameras are installed.

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Construction on the three new apartment developments is just about complete and leasing is actively underway. As we anxiously await the arrival of the newest residents of Clayton, think about how you would like to be welcomed and extend that welcoming hand to people you may meet. These new residents will be great additions to our community.

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Only a few weeks remain until the Saint Louis Art Fair opens on the streets of downtown Clayton — September 8, 9, & 10. Many other activities and events are scheduled throughout the summer and fall, see [www.saintlouisartfair.com](http://www.saintlouisartfair.com) for details.

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The Board of Aldermen and I wish you and yours a safe and fun summer!



## Meetings

### Sunday at Starbucks (Ward II Coffee)

August 6 at 4 pm  
Starbucks (7645 Wydown)

### Parks and Recreation Commission

August 7 & September 11 at 7 pm  
Center of Clayton

### Planning Commission/ Architectural Review Board

August 7, 21 & September 5, 18  
at 5:30 pm – City Hall

### Ward III Coffee

August 12 at 10 am  
Starbucks (2 N. Central)

### Board of Aldermen

August 8, 22 & September 12, 26  
at 7 pm – City Hall

## Holiday Refuse Schedule

**Monday routes** will be picked up  
**Tuesday, September 5.**

**Tuesday routes** will be picked up  
**Wednesday, September 6.**

**Thursday routes** will be picked up  
**Friday, September 8.**

**Friday routes** will be picked up  
**Saturday, September 9.**

## [ CITY UPDATE ]



### Download the MyClayton App Today!

Have you tried the City of Clayton's new MyClayton App? MyClayton is free and provides you with a mobile connection to the City of Clayton.

MyClayton allows you to easily report issues such as sidewalk repairs, code enforcement, damaged street signs, garbage pickup, and much more! Once an issue has been reported, you can track the issue until it has been resolved.

MyClayton is free to download and is available from the Apple Store and Google Play by searching "MyClayton".

### Resident Parking Discount Reminder

Nearly 10,000 people have downloaded the PassportParking App. Are you one of them? As a Clayton resident, you can enjoy 50% off the hourly parking rate. Visit [claytonpermits.rmcpay.com](http://claytonpermits.rmcpay.com) today to get started! Simply create an account and upload proof of residency. Once approved, log in to Passport using the license plate number you included on the application to receive the discount. Time limits and a convenience fee will apply.

In addition to the resident discount, you can also enjoy the ability to extend parking sessions without returning to your vehicle and cancel your session if you don't use the entire time.



For more information and a tutorial on how to use the app, visit [www.claytonmo.gov/parking](http://www.claytonmo.gov/parking).

### Board of Aldermen to Consider Fiscal Year 2018 Budget



During the first week of July, City Manager Craig Owens proposed the Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the City of Clayton to the Board of Aldermen. The proposed budget includes a one year operating budget plus two additional planning years for all funds as well as a five year Capital Improvement Plan. As proposed, the budget achieves a balanced General Fund budget, continuing this achievement from the prior years. The budget is guided by the principles of maintaining high service levels, responsiveness to the needs of residents and businesses, preservation of long-term financial stability through sound fiscal management, and well-planned capital investment to preserve infrastructure and public facilities.

The proposed budget is available for review online at [www.claytonmo.gov/budget](http://www.claytonmo.gov/budget).

Residents are encouraged to attend the August 22 Board of Aldermen meeting where the budget will be considered and a public hearing will be held.



## Wayfinding Signage Installed in Clayton

If you've been walking or driving around Clayton lately, you've probably noticed the new wayfinding signs. This project was identified as an initiative in the 2010 Downtown Master Plan with the goal of providing clear messaging to Downtown Clayton visitors. In 2015, a competitive project bid was awarded to Kiku Obata & Company, a design company specializing in identity and wayfinding design, particularly for public institutions, cities and urban spaces. The signage was recently installed by Color-Ad and includes both pedestrian and vehicular guide signage along with visitor kiosks throughout Downtown Clayton that will make navigation easier and highlight attractions and destinations in an appealing and informative manner.



## 2017 Citizens' Police Academy



The Clayton Police Department is again sponsoring a Citizens' Police Academy scheduled for fall of 2017. The fall class will be held every Thursday beginning on September 21 and ending on November 16. Classes will be held in the evenings at the Clayton Police Department, and will last approximately 2-3 hours.

To register for the class, please visit [www.claytonmo.gov/citizenspoliceacademy](http://www.claytonmo.gov/citizenspoliceacademy). For more information, please contact Corporal Korey Golcynski at (314) 290-8424 or [kgolcynski@claytonmo.gov](mailto:kgolcynski@claytonmo.gov).

## Shaw Park Multi-Use Facility Update

The Shaw Park Multi-Use Facility project has continued to take shape through a lengthy series of meetings with the Steering Committee, Parks and Recreation Commission, and Architectural Review Board. The design will include full year operations for the playing surface as well as operations for the tennis courts.

Additional design renderings and future meeting dates are online at [www.claytonmo.gov/parksprojects](http://www.claytonmo.gov/parksprojects).



# [ CITY UPDATE ]

## Chapman Plaza Ribbon Cutting | THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 2017 | 5:30 PM



Be among the first to enjoy the new link between Downtown Clayton and Shaw Park at the ribbon cutting ceremony for Chapman Plaza and Gardens. The event will begin at the corner of Brentwood and Forsyth at 5:30 pm with a short ceremony to thank those whose generosity made this project possible — the Clayton Century Foundation, the Chapman Family and Barry-Wehmiller. The Plaza and waterfall will officially open to the public with the cut of a ribbon and attendees will be able to enjoy a walk along the trail, enjoying the many beautiful amenities and light refreshments.



### CLAYTON 2017 9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB

Sunday, September 10

Clayton Fire Department  
7755 Forsyth Blvd

[www.claytonstairclimb.com](http://www.claytonstairclimb.com)



Saturday, Sept. 23, 1-5 pm  
[www.claytoncraftontap.com](http://www.claytoncraftontap.com)

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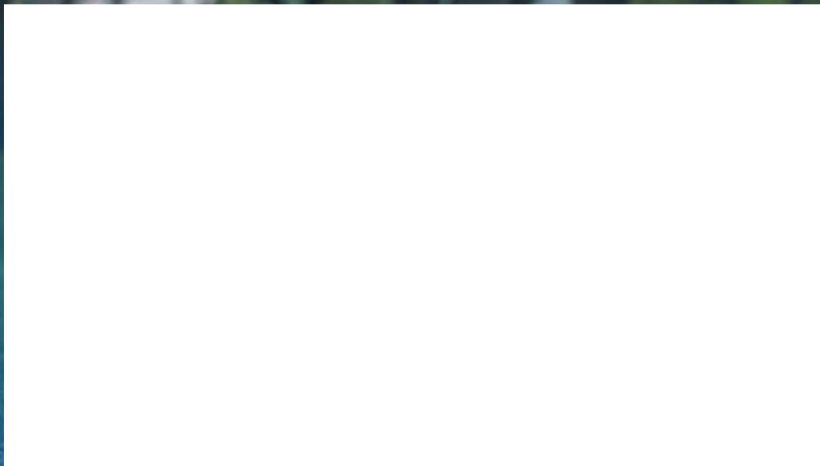
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**Statement of Accessibility to All Citizens** The City of Clayton's goal is to make programs and facilities accessible to all individuals. If you would like more information and accessibility support for those with disabilities, please call 314.290.8501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



**MUSICAL NIGHTS**  
 at Oak Knoll Park  
 5:00pm - 7:00pm

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**AUGUST 27**  
 Bottom's Up Blues Gang

**SEPTEMBER 24**  
 Griffin & the Gargoyles

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[www.saintlouisartfair.com](http://www.saintlouisartfair.com)



**BLUES HOME OPENER LUNCH**  
 Friday, October 6th, 2017 | 11am-1pm  
 Downtown Clayton  
[www.claytonmo.gov/blues](http://www.claytonmo.gov/blues)