Help keep our community stay safe by following the most recent St. Louis County guidelines. We urge you to follow the local response to COVID-19 at www.stlcorona.com.

Protecting Your Deliveries This Season

'Tis the Season for giving and for some, taking! Package thieves love the holidays as much as you. Mailing packages and online shopping is at a high this year. It's convenient but puts you and your purchases and/or gifts at risk. Here are a few tips to keep your deliveries safe this season:

- Limit the number of deliveries and, when possible, shop local!
- Choose ship-to-store or curbside pick up options.
- Request signature confirmations for your deliveries. This may require a trip to the post office or UPS store but your packages will be in a safe location.
- Won't be home for deliveries? Consider having packages sent to your office in-
- Frequently have items shipped to your home? Get to know your delivery drivers. If possible, arrange to have items delivered to a side door or placed in a concealed area, away from the view of passersby.

Holiday Recycling

During the holiday season, household waste increases by 25%, which can add 1 million tons of trash to our landfills.

Here's a few guick recycling tips from our hauler, Republic Services:



TRASH

Soiled Paper Plates Polystyrene Cups **Food Containers** Pizza Boxes Paper Towel Plastic Wrap



Plastic Bottles Soda Cans Plastic Cups Clean Paper Plates Cardboard Boxes Wrapping Paper



REUSE

Gift Bags **Decorations Packing Materials** Clothing and Shoes



COMPOST

Fruits Vegetables **Bread** Pasta Meats Chips

Please visit www.recyclingsimplified.com for more information on the small steps you can take to maximize our resource conservation and become a better recycler.

Connect with us!



www.claytonmo.gov/connect



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ABOUT THE COVER PHOTO:

This fall people enjoyed the extended outdoor seating area at Oceano, maintaining a safe social distance.

Share Your Voice About Clayton's Commemorative Landscape

The Mayor's Commemorative Landscape Task Force is considering the historical representation of our commemorative landscape and evaluating whether commemorative objects can be interpreted to honor bigotry, discrimination, racism and/ or slavery, and perpetuate exclusion. The Task Force will be considering additions or amendments to commemorative objects. which honor the parts of history that have been misrepresented or excluded.

To submit your feedback, please visit www.claytonmo.gov/changerequest.

Suspicious Call Activity in Clayton

Did you know? Suspicious Person calls have been identified as an area where police officers are frequently sent out with limited information, a low chance of leading to the solving or prevention of crimes, and a high risk of mistaken identity. We all want Clayton to be a safe and welcoming place for everyone. For a message from the Community Equity Commission to learn how you can help, please visit

www.claytonmo.gov/CEC.



MAYOR'S MESSAGE Mayor Michelle Harris

Dear Clayton Neighbors,

As 2020 draws to a close, I would like to respond to the many questions I receive and offer an overall update for our community.

We kicked off 2020 with ambitious plans, such as

embarking on a city-wide Comprehensive Plan, and renovating the Center of Clayton. In partnership with the Clayton Community Foundation, we secured significant private support to transform our historic Shaw Park ice rink to a year-round activity center, to be known as The Centene Commons.

These plans were impacted as the pandemic universally brought uncertainty and hardship. Our city revenue depends on sales tax generated by the travel industry and office occupancy. With the prolonged shutdown of corporate offices, restaurants, hotels and shops, that revenue stream significantly declined. Related revenue from activities that include parking, special events, and recreation programming also diminished.

As a result, the city has implemented these important measures:

- Eliminated or postponed certain capital projects not associated with grant funding.
- Postponed initiatives, such as the Comprehensive Plan, and the Bike & Walking Plan.
- Reduced staffing in areas affected by shutdowns, such as fitness classes.
- Limited wage increases for all employees, but provided enough to cover a minor increase in health insurance cost.
- Fought successfully for CARES Act funding to be allocated to small businesses and municipalities.
- Worked to help our restaurants survive by providing designated curbside pickup parking spaces, relaxing outdoor requirements, increasing dining on streets, and extra promotions.
- Considered more efficient ways to deliver city services now and in the future.

We expect the current situation to continue for much of 2021, and while we do believe that conditions will gradually improve, there is deep concern about how quickly our city can rebound.

On the bright side, we hired a new outstanding city manager, David Gipson, and we hope you get to know him. We are also pleased to report progress on other important initiatives:

In concert with the national conversation about race and equity, we are working to:

Examine city landmarks with our newly created Commemorative Landscape Task Force, and advise the Board of Aldermen about possible enhancements and additions.

- Complete the implementation of the 21st Century Policing Report recommendations.
- Evaluate recommendations provided by the Clayton Equity Commission to ensure Clayton is welcoming to everyone.

On other fronts we are:

- Updating our Complete Streets Plan and participating in the Missouri Botanical Garden's Green Cities Challenge.
- Enhancing our Downtown Design Guidelines for North Central Avenue and the surrounding areas.

It's significant to note that commercial development in Clayton continues to be robust! Clarendale Senior Living (located at Clayton Rd and Hanley Rd) should be completed in summer of 2021, and the Forsyth Pointe office complex (located at Forsyth and Brentwood Blvd) is well underway with completion anticipated in late 2022. A new Marriott Residence Inn will begin construction soon on the Forsyth curve (near the intersection of Forsyth and Parkside), Bemiston Place (located at Maryland Ave and Central Ave) is beginning the approval process and there is potential for new residential at the site of the former World Trade Center (located at Bonhomme and S. Meramec). Investment in existing properties is strong, with the opening of the Le Meridien Hotel (located on Bonhomme) and exciting renovations at the Ritz. The opening of Tony's restaurant on the Centene Campus will further Clayton's place as an incomparable dining destination.

We are so fortunate to have dedicated elected officials and talented staff to accomplish these multiple initiatives and help to guide development going forward. I also want to express appreciation for all of you, the Clayton community. YOU are a key part of the planning process. YOUR thoughtful input and insights are valued as we continue to grow in the region. Even in these challenging times, we have maintained a tradition of civil and respectful discourse. With our engaged citizenry to bring forward ideas and diverse perspectives and give generously of their time, I am confident that our future will be bright.

Because most city communications are now by email, please make sure you receive the city updates and newsletters by signing up at **www.claytonmo.gov/connect**.

Wishing you a happy and healthy holiday season,

Michelle Harris Mayor

ABOUT THE BACKGROUND PHOTO:

Residents and visitors may notice masks on sculptures and art pieces around Clayton as part of Mask Up STL. Mask Up STL was created by the St. Louis Arts Chamber of Commerce to bring to attention to residences of the city the importance of wearing a mask in public.

[CITY UPDATE]



All meetings of Boards and Commissions are being held via video conferencing. For meeting notices and details on how to participate remotely, please subscribe to our Agendas and Minutes eNotifications at **www.claytonmo.gov/meetingnotices**.

Board of Adjustment

December 3 & January 7 at 5 PM

Parks & Recreation Commission

December 7, 21 & January 5, 18 at 7 PM

Planning Commission/ Architectural Review Board

December 7, 21 & January 5, 18 at 5:30 PM

Board of Aldermen

December 8, 22 & January 12, 26 at 7 PM

Community Equity Commission

December 10 & January 14 at 5:30 PM

Mayor's Commemorative Landscape Task Force

December 23 & January 27 at 12 PM



Holiday Refuse Collection

WEEK OF DECEMBER 25th

- Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday routes will not be affected.
- Friday routes will be picked up on Saturday, December 26th.

WEEK OF JANUARY 1st

- Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday routes will not be affected.
- Friday routes will be picked up on **Saturday**, **January 2**nd.

2021 Municipal Election Information

In accordance with the state law and the Charter of the City of Clayton, notice is given that a general municipal election shall be held in the City of Clayton, Missouri on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 for the duly qualified electors of the City to select three Aldermen, one from each ward, for a three-year term of office.

Requirements for position of Alderman (Charter, Article II, Section 3):

Section 3. An alderman shall be at least twenty-five years of age, a qualified voter of the State of Missouri, and a resident of the City of Clayton for at least two years immediately prior to his election. Aldermen elected by wards shall be residents of the wards from which they are elected. Aldermen shall hold no other remunerative position in the city government during their terms. If an alderman shall cease to be a resident of the City of Clayton or of the ward by which he was elected or shall otherwise cease to possess these qualifications, or shall be convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude, his office shall immediately become vacant.

Filing for said offices shall open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 15, 2020, at which time the City Clerk shall receive Declarations of Candidacy, 10 N. Bemiston Avenue, Clayton, Missouri.

Thereafter, declarations will be received by the City Clerk or her designee from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday, (excluding holidays when City Hall is officially closed) until filing closes at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 19, 2021. Names of candidates shall be listed on the ballot in the order in which they are filed.

For more information, please contact City Clerk June Frazier at (314)290-8469.

City Office Closures

City offices will be closed on Thursday, December 24th and Friday, December 25th. Offices will reopen at 8 am on Monday, December 28th.

City offices will be closed on Friday, January 1st.

Offices will reopen at 8 am on Monday, January 4th.

City offices will be closed on Monday, January 18th.

Offices will reopen at 8 am on Tuesday, January 19th.

[CITY UPDATE]

Fall Leaf Collection

Listed are the weeks and days of collection for each street and subdivision in Clayton.

Due to the pandemic and precautions to keep staff safe, necessary changes have been made to the leaf collection schedule. We appreciate your patience as we work to ensure that resources are in place to support city services and programs.

As a reminder, residents can place leaves and other yard waste in collection bags for pickup on your scheduled yard waste day.

Please visit **www.claytonmo.gov/collection** for more details on yard waste collection.

SUBDIVISION	DAY(S) OF The Week	WEEKS OF
Bemiston Subdivision (Old Town)	Thursdays	Dec. 10 & Jan. 14
Carrswold Subdivision	Fridays	Dec. 18 & Jan. 22
Claverach Park Subdivision	Wednesdays	Dec. 16 & Jan. 20
Clayshire Subdivision	Fridays	Dec. 11 & Jan. 15
Clayshire Ridge Subdivision	Fridays	Dec. 11 & Jan. 15
Clayton Gardens Subdivision	Mondays	Dec. 7 & Jan. 11
Country Club Court	Tuesdays	Dec. 8 & Jan. 12
Davis Place Subdivision	Wednesdays	Dec. 9 & Jan. 13
DeMun / Hi-Pointe Subdivision*	Tuesdays & Thursdays	Dec. 1 & 3 & Jan. 5 & 7
E. Brentmoor Subdivision	Thursdays	Dec. 17 & Jan. 21
Ellenwood Subdivision	Mondays	Nov. 30 & Jan. 4
Forest Court*	Mondays & Fridays	Dec. 14 & 18 & Jan. 18 & 22
Forest Ridge Subdivision	Thursdays	Dec. 3 & Jan. 7
Forsyth (6300/6400 Blks)	Thursdays	Dec. 3 & Jan. 7
Hanley Place Subdivision (7500/7600 Blks Westmoreland)	Thursdays	Dec. 10 & Jan. 14
Hillcrest Subdivision	Mondays	Nov. 30 & Jan. 4
Maryland Terrace Subdivision (7400 Blk Maryland)	Thursdays	Dec. 10 & Jan. 14
Moorlands Subdivision (7400 Blk)	Mondays	Dec. 14 & Jan. 18
Moorlands Subdivision* (7500 Blk)	Mondays & Fridays	Dec. 14 & 18 & Jan. 18 & Jan. 22
Northmoor Subdivision (Bland Ave.)	Tuesdays	Dec. 15 & Jan. 19
Parkside Subdivision (10 Blks Brighton & Topton Way)	Mondays	Dec. 7 & Jan. 11

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SUBDIVISION	DAY(S) OF The Week	WEEKS OF	
Polo Subdivision	Tuesdays	Dec. 8 & Jan. 12	
Shirley Drive (7700 Blk)	Tuesdays	Dec. 8 & Jan. 12	
Skinker Heights Subdivision	Wednesdays	Dec. 2 & Jan. 6	
Southmoor Subdivision	Tuesdays	Dec. 15 & Jan. 19	
Stratford (8100 Blk)	Mondays	Dec. 7 & Jan. 11	
Tuscany Park Subdivision	Tuesdays	Dec. 1 & Jan. 5	
W. Brentmoor Subdivision	Tuesdays	Dec. 15 & Jan. 19	
Walinca Terrace (7700 Blk)	Tuesdays	Dec. 8 & Jan. 12	
Wenneker & Louwen Drives	Fridays	Dec. 11 & Jan. 15	
Wydown Forest Subdivision	Thursdays	Dec. 17 & Jan. 21	
Wydown Terrace Subdivision	Wednesdays	Dec. 2 & Jan. 6	

REMINDER: Please be sure to obey the street sweeping signs on the scheduled leaf collection day.

*Denotes restricted parking for street cleaning, follow signs for your side of street.

Christmas Tree Collection

Christmas trees will be collected at no charge throughout the month of January. The tree must be free of all decorations including tinsel, garland, ornaments, and lights. After January, the tree must be cut into pieces shorter than four feet in length, and bundled or containerized for pickup as a regular yard waste pickup.

Questions? Call (636)947-5959.

Cinter & Holiday Safety tips





- Read the manufacturer's instruction manual for the number of light strands to connect.
- The top 3 days for home candle fires are Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.
- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that burns.

- Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet from any heat source. If using a space heater, place it on a steady surface and make sure to turn it off when you go to bed or leave the room.
- * 1 of every 32 reported home Christmas tree fires resulted in death.
- Get rid of your tree after Christmas or when it is dry.
- Keep portable generators outside, away from windows, and as far away as possible from your home.
- Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container and keep it outside at least 10 feet from your home and any nearby building.



Have questions or concerns?



For fire safety programs, fire codes, or general questions related to the operations of the City of Clayton Fire Department, please contact Public Information Officer Ryan Harrell at (314)290-8485.

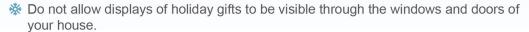
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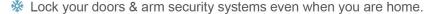
- Remove all valuables from your vehicles.
- Never leave keys or garage door openers in your vehicle.
- Shop during daylight hours whenever possible. If you must shop at night, park in a well-lit area and as close to your destination as possible.



Do not leave packages or valuables on the seat of your car. Lock it in the trunk or put it out of sight.

- If leaving for an extended holiday vacation, call the Clayton Police Department to schedule a vacation check at (314) 290-8403.
- Make sure a trusted neighbor knows your destination & return information. Have them retrieve your mail and deliveries.







- * Keep an eye on bank statements & report fraudulent activity.
- Only use secure websites when shopping online.
- Do not provide any payment information over the phone or by email.



Have questions or concerns?

For questions or concerns about personal safety and the tips above, please contact Public Information Officer Cpl. Jenny Schwartz at (314)290-8424.



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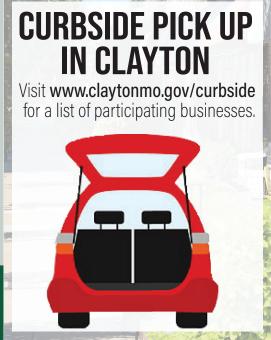
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