## NOTEWORTHY

#### City of Wentzville News, Information, Important Dates and More!

#### **Snow Plow Reminders**

We ask residents to please be patient with City snowplows. Snow routes are preassigned and plow trucks work as quickly as is safely possible. Did you know, there are many streets in and around Wentzville that are not plowed by the City? These roads are maintained by MoDOT and are not normally cleared by City crews unless otherwise approved under a mutual-aid request or as authorized by the City Administrator. These roads include:

- Highways 70 and 40/61
- Highway 70/North Service Road/South Service Road
- Lettered Highways, including Highway A, Highway N and Highway Z
- Continental Drive
- Linn Cemetery Hill

#### **Recycle Your Real Christmas Tree**

- **CURBSIDE:** Curbside collection of real Christmas trees is available for Wentzville residents with trash collection service. Trees, which must be free of decorations, lights, tinsel, garland, etc., and cut into less than four-foot sections, may be placed at the curb on your regular collection day between Jan. 3 and Jan. 21. For questions, please call (636) 639-2049.
- **DROP OFF:** Trees that are free of decorations, stands, coverings, lights, etc., may be dropped off between Dec. 26\* and Jan. 16 at one of these City parks (during regular park hours): Progress Park at 968 Meyer Rd, Heartland Park at 100 William Dierberg Dr. or Rotary Park at 2577 W. Meyer Rd. (\*Jan. 10-16).

#### **Snow Removal Tips**

With snow and ice season upon us, Wentzville Public Works is gearing up to keep City roads clear and safe. Below are a few winter tips from the Public Works Department. Questions? Call Public Works at (636) 327-5102, or to submit a snow concern, please email **snowconcern@wentzvillemo.gov**.

**Fire Hydrants**: Residents should clear fire hydrants of snow buildup to ensure that firefighters can quickly access the fire hydrant in the event of a fire.

**Observe Winter Parking Restrictions**: It is always a good idea to remove parked cars from the roadway during a snow event greater than two inches. Parking is prohibited on City streets when a snowfall forecast of five or more inches results in a declaration of a City Snow Emergency.

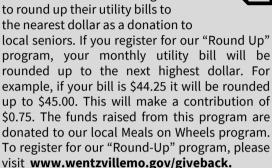
**Mailboxes**: Occasionally, mailboxes are bumped by snow removal equipment or snow dropping off of the face of the plow. When notified of the problem, the City will erect a temporary mailbox until weather conditions allow for repairs. If replacement is needed, the City will reimburse \$50 for a new mailbox, which meets the minimum requirements of the USPS.

**Landscaping**: The City permits low bushes, ground cover and flowers to be planted in the right-of-way, but does not compensate residents for private plantings in the right-of-way that are damaged due to snow-removal operations. If sod is damaged, the City will restore that area at the earliest availability of sod material.

**Mail Delivery/Solid-Waste Collection**: Snow fighters clear snow as close to the curb line as practical to provide access to the mailboxes and solid-waste collection. Final clearing is the responsibility of each resident in order to receive solid-waste collection service and delivery of mail by the USPS.

#### **Round Up to Give Back**

Sign up to give back to your community this holiday season. Wentzville residents can register to round up their utility bills to the nearest dollar as a donation to



### Understanding Winter Weather Alerts

As winter settles in, it's important to be prepared for inclement weather. Understand more about what weather alerts mean by learning the difference between a winter weather watch, advisory and warning. You can get more weather tips from the National Weather Service at www.weather.gov.

**Watch**: Conditions are favorable for a winter storm event, but the occurrence, location and/or timing are still uncertain. Watches are typically issued at least 24 hours in advance of a storm.

**Advisory**: Conditions pose a significant inconvenience and, if caution is not exercised, could threaten life or property. Advisories are typically issued in conditions that might produce three to five inches of snow within 12 hours.

**Warning**: Conditions pose a threat to life or property, and travel will become difficult to impossible. Warnings are typically issued under conditions that might produce six inches of snow.



#### **Crime-Tip Hotline**

Residents can help keep our community safe with the Wentzville Police Department's crime-tip hotline. If you see something, say something, and report crime sightings or suspicious activity to the WPD.

To easily report a crime tip, please visit **www.wentzvillemo.gov/crimetips** or call (636) 639-2180. All calls are confidential. This easy-to-use option provides an additional way for you to get connected to our Police Department and help us fight crime.

Please don't hesitate to contact the emergency number 911 or the non-emergency number (636) 327-5105 to report a crime or suspicious activity.

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#### **Attend a City Meeting**

Attending City meetings is a great way to stay informed about Wentzville happenings. Physical distancing is in place for those who choose to attend meetings in person. Residents can also attend virtually through live-stream viewing. To view upcoming City meeting dates and access live coverage of a City meeting, please visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/agendas.

Please note: Residents who attend a meeting via live-stream viewing will not be able to make public comments. To learn about how to speak virtually at a Board of Aldermen meeting, please visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/openforum.

#### Sign up for W.I.N.D

Sign up to receive emergency notifications from the City of Wentzville! By signing up for the W.I.N.D. program (or Wentzville Information Notification Delivery), residents and business owners can receive City-related emergency alerts and City announcements, including snow emergencies and other weather-related alerts.

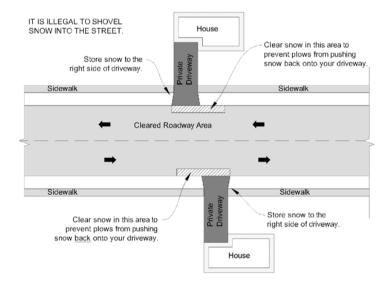
Get alerts the way you want to receive them. Residents can receive W.I.N.D notifications by phone, by text message and/or by email. To sign up for W.I.N.D., please visit www.wentzvillemo.gov/signupforWIND.

#### **New Routes for Some Wentzville Residents**

To increase efficiency and maintain high-quality service for our growing Wentzville community, some collection day schedule changes will be taking place starting the week of Jan. 3. Residents affected by this change have received a postcard with more details and their new collection day.

This will affect the trash, recycling and yard-waste pickup schedule for notified residents only. This change will allow us to spread out routes more evenly, creating a more efficient collection process. For those who are impacted, we appreciate your understanding and patience as we start this **NEW ROUTE** in the **NEW YEAR!** 





#### The "Right" Way to Store Your Snow

With winter upon us, we ask Wentzville residents to help our City snowplow drivers. Use the following tips when shoveling your driveway to ensure that City snowplows don't push snow and slush back in front of your driveway. Please note: It is always illegal to shovel snow into the street.

As you stand facing the street, it's best for snow to be stored in the grass on the RIGHT side of your driveway. For best results, remove snow from the street in front of and to the left of your driveway. Snow remaining on the street in front of and to the left of your driveway drops in front of your driveway when the City snowplow comes by. View the diagram to the left.

Residents are welcome to submit a snow concern by emailing **snowconcern@wentzvillemo.gov** or by calling Wentzville Public Works at (636) 327-5102.



**UPCOMING HOLIDAY REMINDERS:** The City of Wentzville will be closed on Monday, Jan. 17 to observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day. However, the Progress Park Recreation Center will be open regular hours. To view Wentzville Ice Arena hours, visit www.wentzvilleicearena.com.

NOTE: This holiday will NOT affect your solid waste collection.