

# The Vision

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## Don't Miss the Fall Festival!

Join us in Historic Downtown Wentzville

Fall provides the perfect time of year to gather in Historic Downtown Wentzville and celebrate our thriving community.

Wentzville's annual Fall Festival, which will be held on Friday, Sept. 17 from

6-10:30 p.m. and on Saturday, Sept. 18 from noon to 10:30 p.m., allows us to kick off the fall season in style!

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YOU'LL FIND VENDORS, MUSIC, FOOD AND MORE!

## Welcome New Businesses!

**Slash Salon & Boutique**  
15366 Veterans Memorial Pkwy.

**Generations Counseling**  
24 W. Main St., Suite 318

**Hays Food Systems, Inc**  
1521 Swantnerville Dr.

**Avila Styles**  
1126 W. Pearce Blvd., Suite 102

**NC Photography**  
407A E. Pearce Blvd.

**VIP Nails & Lashes**  
705 W. Pearce Blvd.

**Love Yourself Chiropractic**  
1082 Crosswinds Ct.

**Summit Rejuvenation**  
1125 W. Pearce Blvd.

**KAPD Properties**  
680 Parr Rd., Suite A

**Gracie Humaita Wentzville**  
1236 Continental Dr.

## Labor Day Collection Schedule and Hours

Solid waste, recycling and yard-waste collection will run one day late the week of Sept. 6. There will be no collection on Monday, Sept. 6. Monday's collection will move to Tuesday; Tuesday's collection will move to Wednesday and so forth, with Friday's collection taking place on Saturday, Sept. 11.

City offices will be closed for Labor Day on Monday, Sept. 6. However, many Parks and Recreation facilities will be open regular hours. To view Park facility hours, visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/rechours](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/rechours) and navigate to "Facilities and Parks" in the page menu.



WENTZVILLE CHIROPRACTORS: DR. NATE KINNISON AND DR. JOSH BAIRD

## Business Spotlight: Back Pain Center

**The practice places an emphasis on properly diagnosing patients and using research-backed techniques to help improve their quality of life.**

**OWNERS:** Matt Nicholson, Scott Grogan and Ryan Brinker

**WHEN DID YOU OPEN?** 2020

**WHY DID YOU LOCATE YOUR BUSINESS IN WENTZVILLE?** Our original location in O'Fallon was successful due to our progressive and functional approach to care in contrast to chiropractors in the area. With such a demand for our services, we wanted to provide this new approach to the fast-growing community of Wentzville.

**WHAT DO YOU BRING TO WENTZVILLE BY HAVING YOUR BUSINESS HERE?** We provide a new and innovative approach to chiropractic care that has helped numerous patients relieve their pain and improve their daily function. We feel that these methods are an exciting option of care that will help the entire community.

**WHAT PRODUCTS/SERVICES DOES YOUR BUSINESS OFFER?** Chiropractic adjustments, advanced rehab exercises, dry needling, cupping, trigger point therapy, sports physicals, athlete movement assessments and pain education. We also have licensed massage therapists on staff with years of experience in providing therapeutic massages.

**WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT WENTZVILLE?** The unique diversity it offers from the small-town feel in downtown Wentzville to the opportunities it has as a growing city. Wentzville provides a great environment for local business owners to support one another and grow together.

**WHAT'S NEXT FOR YOUR BUSINESS?** As we grow, we would like to establish a larger location to provide more services for improving peoples' health and overall well-being.

**WHAT DO YOU HOPE WENTZVILLE WILL EVOLVE INTO IN FIVE YEARS?** Over the next five years, we envision small businesses thriving as the community continues to grow, and the continued restoration and preservation of Historic Downtown Wentzville to maintain its history and value.

**WHAT OTHER COMMENTS, ADVICE OR NEWS WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE?** Our main goal at Back Pain Center is to create patient independence and not doctor reliance. We educate patients on strategies that prevent pain to create longer-lasting results. Stop by and see us at 905 W. Main Plaza Dr.





**Mayor Nick Guccione**

Safety is something that we sometimes take for granted. I urge you to take extra steps to protect yourselves, your vehicles and your homes.

#### **SAFETY FIRST!**

Thousands of transactions facilitated by the multitude of buy-sell-trade sites online occur in our community every day. Sometimes, these meetings can be unsafe. To elevate the safety of these transactions, the Wentzville Police Department (WPD) has designated parking spots at the Law Enforcement Center entrance. By allowing transactions to take place on our property, we hope to reduce the possibility of fraud, robbery and assaults. The WPD is located at

## **Message from the Mayor:** Don't Take Safety for Granted

1019 Schroeder Creek Blvd., in Wentzville, and is open 24/7.

#### **PREVENT VEHICLE BREAK-INS**

The City of Wentzville is a great community, but we are not immune to crime. WPD conducts proactive patrol during the day and overnight hours, but that patrol can't be everywhere all the time. Protect your property with these reminders.

- Please lock your vehicles. EVERY. SINGLE. TIME.
- Remove valuables from sight — this includes laptops, purses, wallets, money, etc.
- Remove firearms from unattended vehicles — even if you have hidden them — or invest in a gun safe for your vehicle.
- Never, ever leave your keys/key fobs in your vehicle.

Criminals are actively looking for unlocked cars. Secure your items and remove the opportunity for criminals to break in. To report suspicious activity, call the WPD non-emergency line at (636) 327-5105.

#### **EXTRA PATROL AND VACATION CHECKS**

Are you leaving town for a few days? The WPD provides Extra Patrol and Vacation Checks free of charge to residents within Wentzville city limits. To take advantage of this great service, complete the forms at [www.wentzvillemo.gov/vacationcheck](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/vacationcheck).

#### **CRIME TIPS**

Have a crime tip to share? The WPD has a new, easy way to share crime tips. To report a tip, please visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/crimetips](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/crimetips) or call (636) 639-2180. All calls are confidential. This new option provides an additional way for you to be connected to our Police Department and help us solve crimes. 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.

If you have questions or need more information about any of these programs, please call the Wentzville Police Department at (636) 639-2107 or visit the Department's webpage at [www.wentzvillemo.gov/pd](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/pd).

## **2021 Photo Contest Winners**

In early July, residents were invited to submit photographs capturing the beauty of Wentzville. This year, we received almost 60 submissions (almost double last year's number of entries!) and more than 670 people cast a vote for their top-three favorites. To view all of this year's entries, please visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/2021photos](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/2021photos). Thank you to all of our participants, you truly captured the essence and the beautiful, unique qualities of Wentzville! If you didn't get your photo submitted in time, don't worry! The 2022 photo contest will be back bigger and better than ever. Look for details in late spring.



**First-Place:** Theresa Cordonier



**Second-Place:** Kelly Sibley



**Third-Place:** Steve Jett



# Wentzville Rec Center Update

Sometimes, there's no better way to say it than with a picture. If you've driven by the facility at 500 Great Oaks Blvd., just off Wentzville Parkway, you've likely noticed the progress that's been made. Here's a look at the Wentzville Rec Center (WREC) since mid-summer. The indoor renderings below provide a sneak peek inside the WREC's eSports and Creative Studio. To view floor plans and additional project details, be sure to visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/wrec](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/wrec). For more frequent project updates, connect with the City on social media @wentzvillemo, or watch the live stream at [www.wentzvillemo.gov/wreclivefeed](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/wreclivefeed).







SATURDAY, OCT. 30 • 9-11:30 A.M. • HOLT HIGH SCHOOL

## Electronics Recycling and Document Shredding Event

Do you have electronic waste — old phones, broken laptops, worn-out power tools? You can recycle them all during the City's next Electronics Recycling and Personal Document Shredding event. Aside from keeping electronic waste out of our landfills, electronics recycling helps conserve our natural resources and save money. Help us keep our local landfills free of electronic waste and join us for this electronics recycling event.

**WHEN:** Saturday, Oct. 30 — This FREE\* drive-thru and drop-off event will run from 9-11:30 a.m.

**WHERE:** This year's event will be held again at Holt High School, located at 600 Campus Dr. The event will take place at the back of the school (behind the tennis courts). Please enter off of Northview Avenue and Support Service Drive.

**WHO:** The event is open to individuals and families; no businesses, please.

**WHAT:** Almost anything with a plug is accepted FREE\* at this event. To review a list of accepted/not accepted items, please visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/acceptedelectronics](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/acceptedelectronics).

**SHREDDING LIMITS:** Personal shredding is limited to six "Bankers Boxes" (or the same size) OR three 13-gallon (kitchen-sized)

garbage bags, per vehicle. Please only shred items with personally identifiable information. Items that DO NOT contain personally identifiable information should be recycled at a drop-off site or in your FIBER recycling cart.

**ITEMS WITH A FEE:** While the majority of items are accepted FREE, some items (including TVs and items containing Freon) will incur a fee. \*Fee-based items include:

- CRT (Cathode Ray Tube) TVs 26" or less: \$30
- CRT (Cathode Ray Tube) TVs 27" or greater (This includes Console TVs, True Big Screen TVs and Projection TVs): \$50
- Flat Screen TVs - All sizes (LED, LCD, and Plasma): \$20
- Freon Containing Items (Freezers, Refrigerators, AC Units, Dehumidifiers, etc.): \$10
- Tanning beds with lamps: \$150
- CRT Monitors: \$5



## Fall Festival: Sept. 17-18

This family-friendly event includes live entertainment, kids' activities, food, art and craft vendors, and much more! The Fall Festival is a free two-day celebration that will take place on Friday, Sept. 17 from 6-10:30 p.m. and on Saturday, Sept. 18 from noon-10:30 p.m. on the streets of Historic Downtown Wentzville.

Also on Saturday, Sept. 18 — from noon-5 p.m. — the Wentzville Rotary Club will host its Beer, Wine and Food Festival. Tickets must be purchased for this portion of the event.

For questions about sponsorship opportunities or to volunteer, please call (636) 639-2085 or email Daniel.Lewandowski@wentzvillemo.gov.

To learn more about the event, please visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/fallfestival](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/fallfestival).

### 🎵 Music Line Up 🎵

#### Friday, Sept. 17

- 6-8 p.m. — BOOM
- 8:30-10:30 p.m. — Trilogy

#### Saturday, Sept. 18

- Noon - 2 p.m. — No Diggity
- 3-5 p.m. — A.D.D.
- 5:30-7:30 p.m. — Bullseye Womprats
- 8:30-10:30 p.m. — Wildfire



# Board Update: Meet the Board

## WARD 1

**Bryan Harr • Bryan.Harr@wentzvillemo.gov**



**How long have you lived in Wentzville?** 11 years

**What drives you to serve as a Wentzville Alderman?**

I enjoy representing my fellow residents, and driving my city in a positive direction.

**What is your favorite thing about Wentzville?** We have great people and great services!

**Where do you see Wentzville in five years?** I think we will have grown significantly, and will still be a desired place to raise a family.

**Additional Comments?** It is an honor to serve the citizens of Wentzville.

**Robert Hussey • Robert.Hussey@wentzvillemo.gov**



**How long have you lived in Wentzville?** 10 years

**What drives you to serve as a Wentzville Alderman?**

To serve the community.

**What is your favorite thing about Wentzville?** It is family centered.

**Where do you see Wentzville in five years?** It will still be a thriving community of caring neighbors.

## WARD 2

**Jeff Ottenlips • Jeffrey.Ottenlips@wentzvillemo.gov**



**How long have you lived in Wentzville?** 7 years

**What drives you to serve as a Wentzville Alderman?**

A desire to be involved in our community and to have an understanding of how City business is conducted.

**What is your favorite thing about Wentzville?** The people, Historic Downtown, and the parks and recreational areas.

**Where do you see Wentzville in five years?** Continuing to be the number one city to live in St. Charles County.

**Additional Comments?** I continue to learn from residents, City staff and other Board members. It's been a honor to serve Ward 2 and the City of Wentzville.

**Tricia Byrnes • Tricia.Byrnes@wentzvillemo.gov**



**How long have you lived in Wentzville?** 16 years

**What drives you to serve as a Wentzville Alderman?**

Wentzville residents are longing for creative, smart development. We encourage small business growth, we desire preservation of green space, we demand high quality education and prioritize connectivity.

**What is your favorite thing about Wentzville?** The people. We have so many talented and welcoming people in our community. It's a great place to call home.

**Where do you see Wentzville in five years?** Wentzville will lead St. Charles County in recreational development. These projects will include pedestrian trails, canoe and kayak projects, passive parks, eSports arenas and the continued development of ball fields. These amenities will attract and retain the people and businesses that are the heart of Wentzville.

**Additional Comments?** I am honored to represent Ward 2. Wentzville is an amazing place to live, work, learn and worship. Communication with constituents is important to me. If I can help you in any way, please reach out by calling or texting me at (636) 639-0777.

## WARD 3

**Michael Hays • Michael.Hays@wentzvillemo.gov**



**How long have you lived in Wentzville?** 32 years

**What drives you to serve as a Wentzville Alderman?**

I believe in giving back. I also believe in building a better Wentzville for our children and their children.

**What is your favorite thing about Wentzville?** The small-town charm with the amenities of a large city.

**Where do you see Wentzville in five years?** We'll be enjoying our brand-new recreation/senior center, improvements to Highway Z and the continued construction of David Hoekel Parkway.

**Additional Comments?** It has been a honor to serve both as an Alderman and a Planning and Zoning Commissioner. I am grateful for all of the experiences that I have been granted.

**Michael Lovell • Michael.Lovell@wentzvillemo.gov**



**How long have you lived in Wentzville?** 12 years

**What drives you to serve as a Wentzville Alderman?**

I have a deep commitment to Wentzville and my community. I'm a people person who is always ready to listen. I want to build a stronger City, one we can be proud to call our hometown, and one in which we can safely raise our families.

**What is your favorite thing about Wentzville?** The people and local businesses that give Wentzville its hometown feeling.

**Where do you see Wentzville in five years?** Geographically, it will be in the same place. I honestly don't see us picking up and moving the town. Seriously though, there is plenty of work to be done to continue making the Crossroads of the Nation a destination spot, as well as our Hometown. I see our community events growing and expanding, our local businesses thriving, and our citizens actively supporting the City they love.

**Additional Comments?** I encourage you to get involved in the community or with a community organization. I know your time is valuable. You can even start small with opportunities to volunteer only once a year. There are plenty of different ways to help out. When you give back, you meet wonderful people and accomplish great things.

The Board has 88 years of combined Wentzville residency.

These short Q&A sessions will help you learn more about your elected officials.

Not sure which ward you live in? Please visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/wardmap](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/wardmap).





## Cleaning Out and Cleaning Up!

### FALL CITYWIDE YARD SALE

Whether you're looking for bargains or cleaning out your home, Wentzville's Fall Citywide Yard Sale is for you! Join us Friday and Saturday, Sept. 24 and 25 to rid your home of any unwanted items by listing your sale for \$10. The deadline to list a sale is Sunday, Sept. 19.

Beginning Wednesday, Sept. 22, treasure hunters may purchase a booklet at City Hall or Progress Park for only \$5 listing all of the area sales. Customers that purchase a booklet will also receive a digital copy via email. To learn more, please call the Wentzville Parks and Recreation Department at (636) 332-9236.

### LARGE-ITEM PICKUP

Twice each year, the City offers free large-item pickup events for Wentzville's residential trash customers. This fall, Wentzville residents can dispose of old furniture and appliances by placing unwanted items at the curb between Sept. 27-Oct. 1.

To participate in the Fall Large-Item Pickup, residents are asked to:

- Place items out by 6 a.m. on your regularly scheduled collection day.
- Limit **FOUR ITEMS** per household. Houses that exceed this limit will not have their large items collected.

Please note: This service is available to Wentzville residential trash customers **ONLY**. To view a complete list of accepted (and not accepted) items or to learn more, visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/largeitempickup](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/largeitempickup) or call (636) 327-5101.

### TREE LIMB COLLECTION

Fall tree-limb collection is provided to Wentzville residents through the Chipper Program. To view program details, please visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/treelimbpickup](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/treelimbpickup). The fall tree-limb collection will take place — by ward — over a three-week period. To determine which Wentzville ward you live in, please visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/wardmap](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/wardmap).

The fall 2021 collection schedule is as follows:

- Ward 1: Week of Oct. 4
- Ward 2: Week of Oct. 11
- Ward 3: Week of Oct. 18

Please stack your tree limbs at the curb by 6 a.m. on Monday of your scheduled week. Tree-limb pickup is **NOT** associated with your regular solid waste/recycling collection day or the City's contracted solid waste hauler. Tree limbs must be less than eight inches in diameter and should not be bundled or placed in bags. Leaves, root balls, decorative grass or grass clippings are not included in this collection.

## Utility Billing Options

Did you know that Wentzville utility customers can view balances and make payments on their utility bills 24/7, 365 days a year? With the City's many billing options, Wentzville utility customers have access to quick, easy and contactless payments anywhere at any time. Here's how:

### Autopay

The City of Wentzville now offers autopay for worry-free utility payments. With this paperless option you can completely go green!

Forget the stress of bill payment when you sign up for quick, contactless utility billing autopay. Visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/utilityautopay](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/utilityautopay) to sign up or simply scan the QR code on the back of your utility bill.

### Text-2-Pay

The City of Wentzville now offers Text-2-Pay for quick, easy, contactless payments! Just call (833) 326-7020 and select option 4 to set up your Text-2-Pay account. To learn more about this and other utility billing options, please call (636) 639-2155 or visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/utilitybilling](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/utilitybilling).

### 24/7/365 Payments

Wentzville utility customers can pay bills on their own time — with no waiting. Access your account instantly through the secure, automated system to get real-time balances, payment amounts and due dates. It's easy! Just call (833) 326-7020.



**ECRWSS  
Postal Customer**

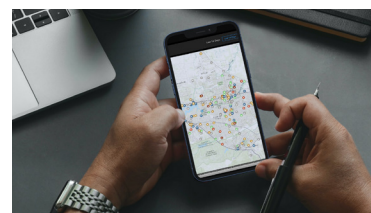
## Transportation Improvement Plan Open for Public Comments

Want to help improve Wentzville roads? This is your chance to help the City secure funding for important transportation improvements in the Wentzville area! Between Sept. 10 and Oct. 11, Wentzville residents can submit public comments for East-West Gateway's draft 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Of particular interest to many in Wentzville will be the funding of the Mexico Road project. Residents must submit comments directly to East-West Gateway via email at [tip@ewgateway.org](mailto:tip@ewgateway.org). An online comment form is also available online at [www.ewgateway.org](http://www.ewgateway.org).

The Transportation Improvement Plan is part of a larger regional transportation planning process that also includes the long-range transportation plan. East-West Gateway modifies the TIP annually. To learn more about the TIP and its included plans, please visit [www.ewgateway.org](http://www.ewgateway.org).

## Wentzville Police Department Crime Mapping

WPD works hard to keep our community safe. Part of that effort is Crime Mapping, which is the process of logging crimes by location and type to track the frequency of certain crimes in certain areas. In conjunction with St. Charles County Regional Law Enforcement Agencies, WPD actively provides data to the St. Charles County Regional Crime Map. This map allows residents to check for offenses reported within the county and/or participating cities. New data is uploaded weekly. Users can view offenses within the last 14 or 30 days, or view year-to-date offenses. Reports can be filtered by type of offense or by agency/city. To view the SCC Regional Crime Map, please visit [www.wentzvillemo.gov/crimemap](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/crimemap).



## Citizen of the Year Nominations

Do you know someone who makes a difference in Wentzville? Nominate them for Wentzville's Citizen of the Year Award! The Citizen Recognition Program acknowledges outstanding individuals and groups that make a significant contribution, a positive impact or an improvement to the quality of life for citizens in our community. Nominations are open year-round, but time is running out to nominate someone for the 2021 award. Recognition categories include service, community spirit, volunteerism and more. Nomination forms and eligibility requirements are available at [www.wentzvillemo.gov/COTY](http://www.wentzvillemo.gov/COTY). The Board of Aldermen will present the 2021 Citizen of the Year Award during a Board meeting in January 2022.

***Pictured: The City's 2020 Citizen of the Year, Barbara Love, with Wentzville Mayor Nick Guccione.***