City of Brentwood Completes 2020 St. Louis Green Cities Challenge

The St. Louis Green Business Challenge is a Missouri Botanical Garden program that works to advance sustainability as a business solution. In 2020, 50 businesses, nonprofits and governmental entities were recognized for their work to integrate sustainable policies and practices into daily business operations. The City of Brentwood, participating for the first time, was one of nine municipalities recognized in the Green Cities Challenge component of this program.

“The City of Brentwood is committed to a focus on sustainability, and we are thrilled to participate in the 2020 Green Cities Challenge,” said Brentwood Mayor David Dimmitt. “The Brentwood Board of Aldermen launched a sustainability initiative in 2020 to help ensure a vibrant future for the Brentwood community. Each of our City departments is working to identify and incorporate sustainable practices into our operations.”

Green Cities Challenge participants address sustainability within the range of operational requirements unique to local governments. Some of Brentwood’s 2020 sustainability accomplishments include:

- Planted 118 trees to help rebuild urban forest
- Hosted four paper shredding events and four electronics recycling drives
- Adopted 2018 International Code Council codes
- Completed sports courts project with remote-controlled LED lights
- Continued a woodland restoration project, eradicating invasive exotic plant species
- Installed two Electric Vehicle Charging Stations at Recreation Complex
- Installed three solar-powered streetlights and two solar-powered, radar-enabled speed limit signs
- Brentwood Bound, the City’s major flood mitigation project, will remove structures in the floodway that have been subject to repetitive flood damage; 12 flood-prone structures have been demolished and floodplain restoration is underway

City Operations During the COVID-19 Pandemic

The City of Brentwood continues to follow guidance provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the St. Louis County Department of Public Health to protect the well-being of the public and our employees. Visit brentwoodmo.org for updates.

HOW TO CONTACT THE CITY
Please contact the City by phone, 314.962.4800, or online through the “Report a Concern” button on the home page of the City’s website.

RESTRICTIONS TO VISITING CITY FACILITIES
Brentwood City Hall is open to the public by appointment only. Please call 314.962.4800 to make an appointment. Anyone granted entry into City Hall will be required to wear a mask.

PUBLIC MEETINGS
Board of Aldermen meetings and committee meetings continue to be held via Zoom videoconference. Zoom access information is included in the meeting agendas and the calendar listings on the City’s website. Board of Aldermen and committee meetings are recorded and available on the City’s YouTube channel, youtube.com/c/brentwoodmogovtv.
Progress continues on the three components of the Brentwood Bound Plan. These transformative initiatives are bound together in building a bright future for Brentwood.

Deer Creek Flood Mitigation
Manchester Road Improvements
Deer Creek Greenway Connector

Follow the Progress
Visit BrentwoodBound.org for project details, videos, presentations, construction updates, project timelines and other information.

Questions or input to share? Call 314.963.8673 or email brentwoodbound@brentwoodmo.org.

Watch the Progress - Live!
See live views of work on Brentwood Bound projects through the “Site Cameras” link at the top of the home page of BrentwoodBound.org. Keep track of construction through regular updates posted on the website and the City’s communication channels.
Candidate Filing for April 2021 General Municipal Election

The City of Brentwood will hold a General Municipal Election on Tuesday, April 6, 2021, for the offices of Mayor, Municipal Judge, and Board of Aldermen (one Alderman each from Wards 1, 2, 3 and 4), each elected for a two-year term.

Filing for these offices opened December 15, 2020 at 8 am and closes Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2021 at 5 pm.

Declarations of Candidacy shall be received in the Office of the Deputy City Clerk at Brentwood City Hall, 2348 S. Brentwood Blvd., Brentwood, MO 63144. Candidates are required to bring a photo ID and will be assessed a $5 filing fee.

Neighborhood Watch Information

The Brentwood Police Department invites community members to consider forming Neighborhood Watch groups.

A Neighborhood Watch is a group of people living in the same area who want to make their neighborhood safer by working together and in conjunction with local law enforcement to reduce crime and improve their quality of life.

Benefits
- Reduction in crime
- Better quality of life
- Greater sense of security, responsibility and personal control
- Building community pride and unity
- Helping others in the community
- Assist law enforcement
- Become extra “eyes and ears”

Five Steps to Building a Successful Neighborhood Watch
- Recruit and organize residents
- Schedule a meeting with community members and law enforcement officers
- Discuss community concerns and develop an action plan
- Hold regular meetings and training sessions on relevant topics, such as street safety and home security
- Implement a method of communication, such as Nextdoor.com

For more information, contact the Brentwood Police Department, 314.644.7100.

New Ordinance and City Code Update for Stormwater Control in Infill Development

In August 2020, the Board of Aldermen adopted an ordinance establishing requirements for stormwater drainage control for infill development.

Any individual who conducts activity that disturbs one acre or more must:
- obtain a site disturbance permit from both the State of Missouri and the City of Brentwood
- submit a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan to the State and the City
- obtain a permit from Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District (MSD), following MSD’s Rules and Regulations and Engineering Design for Sanitary Sewer and Stormwater Drainage Facilities

A new section in the City’s Municipal Code (Chapter 500, Article XVII) addresses the requirements for stormwater management and for infill development.

The Best Management Practices for Stormwater Control manual serves as a supplement to the new City ordinance for stormwater management. This document can be found on the City’s website, brentwoodmo.org. The manual will assist Brentwood property owners in the selection and installation of appropriate stormwater management measures.

Stormwater management technology alternatives referenced in the manual include the use of dry wells, rain barrels, modified French drains, permeable pavement, bioswales, vegetated filter strips, rain gardens, amended soils and providing credit for existing trees.

These stormwater management measures will foster the creation of an eco-friendly environment for present and future generations, which is a community-wide goal for the City of Brentwood.

For more information, contact Planning & Development, 314.963.8602.

Online Business License Renewal

All businesses operating in Brentwood are required to obtain an annual business license. In 2019, the City of Brentwood transitioned to business license renewal online instead of via mail. Business license fees are due by February 15, 2021. Late fees will accrue after this date.

The library offers curbside service only from 12 pm to 6 pm Monday through Friday and Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm. Staff can copy, fax and print your documents for free. Call 314.963.8630 or text 314.252.0616 when you arrive. Visit the library website, brentwoodlibrarymo.org for information and updates.

The library offers free WiFi access from the library parking lot. When the library is open, patrons can check out a laptop to use in their vehicle in the parking lot.

**BRENTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**CITY SERVICES**

**UPDATES DURING COVID-19**

Please check the City’s website, brentwoodmo.org, or call 314.962.4800 to confirm the status of City services and operations.

**CodeRED Emergency Notification**

Sign up to receive notifications of impending emergencies or critical community alerts via phone, email or text. Click the CodeRED button on the home page of brentwoodmo.org or call 314.962.4800 to sign up. Download the CodeRED Mobile Alert by Onsolve LLC mobile app for real-time, location-specific alerts.

**Knox HomeBox Loan Program**

The Brentwood Fire Department offers a 90-day Knox HomeBox loan program for residents who have a temporary special need or physical disability preventing them from opening their front door to Brentwood fire and medical personnel in event of an emergency. Call 314.963.8612.

**MAGIC Bus**

This free service is designed to transport Brentwood residents age 60 and older or adults with disabilities to destinations within Brentwood and surrounding communities. To learn more, including current restrictions, call 314.963.8685.

**Medication Disposal**

Deposit acceptable items directly into the medication disposal drop box located inside the Brentwood Police Department lobby. Medication drop-off hours are 8 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday.

**Notary**

Please call 314.962.4800 to make an arrangement for Notary of the Public services.

**CodeRED Notification System: Weather Warning Alert Option**

In Fall 2020, Brentwood updated its CodeRED Community Notification System to include CodeRED Weather Warning, in order to provide residents and businesses with automated severe weather alerts. Those who choose to opt in to this service will receive flash flood, tornado and severe thunderstorm warnings just moments after an alert has been issued by the National Weather Service.

Residents and businesses who have already signed up for Brentwood CodeRED notifications and wish to activate the Weather Warning Alert options will need to register for CodeRED again. To activate these severe weather warnings, click on the “Brentwood CodeRED” icon on the home page of brentwoodmo.org or text WARNME to 99411 from your mobile phone. **There is no charge to residents or businesses for this service.**

Residents and businesses who have not previously signed up for CodeRED notifications may do so at any time by clicking on the “Brentwood CodeRED” icon on the home page of brentwoodmo.org.

We will continue to send other public safety notifications, such as road closures or specific emergency situations, through the CodeRED system. The City of Brentwood CodeRED Assistance Line is 314.963.6710. Please leave your name and phone number, and a staff member will return your call as soon as possible.

**Report a Concern, Make a Request**

Make requests (such as vacation checks or household item pick-ups) or submit concerns through the MyGov request-tracking system via the home page of brentwoodmo.org.

Click on the “Report a Concern” button, choose a category and submit your request. You’ll receive feedback when the request is received and also will receive updates as the request is investigated by City staff.

**Stay Informed on Nextdoor.com**

City staff members regularly share information on Nextdoor. Staff can see your replies to our posts but are not able to see what you and your neighbors are posting. If you have concerns or comments for City staff to address, please respond to City posts or send a private message, call 314.962.4800, or submit the information via “Report a Concern” on the City’s website, brentwoodmo.org.
Farewells, Congrats and Welcomes at the Fire Department

The year 2020 brought changes to the Brentwood Fire Department: two retirements, two promotions, two new hires.

Retirements

Tim Zeier and Matt Stoverink retired from Brentwood Fire Department service in 2020.

Tim Zeier began his career at the BFD in May 1992. He was previously a paramedic with Christian Hospital serving north St. Louis County. Tim retired on March 28 after serving the citizens of Brentwood for 28 years.

Matt Stoverink, a longtime Brentwood resident, was affectionally known as “Matty-boy” at the firehouse. Matt joined the BFD in 1991 from the Hazelwood Fire Department. He retired on June 30 after serving in Brentwood for 29 years.

Tim and Matt, thank you for your hard work and commitment to the Brentwood community.

Promotions

John Youngblood and Marcus Herman were promoted in 2020.

John Youngblood has been in the Fire and EMS service for 13 years, first as a young volunteer firefighter in Eureka, then as a full-time paramedic working for the Meramec Ambulance District in Pacific. John has been with the BFD since 2013. He was promoted to Lieutenant on March 28.

Marcus Herman is the department’s newest Lieutenant and Medical Officer, promoted on July 4. He is one of the area’s most knowledgeable and capable paramedics and has been with the BFD for seven years. He was also part of Missouri Task Force 1 – FEMA Urban Search and Rescue Team.

John and Marcus, thank you for your commitment.

New Hires

Jordan Selsor and Kathryn St. George joined the Brentwood Fire Department in 2020.

Jordan Selsor joined the BFD on September 26. Previously, he was a paramedic with the Joachim-Plattin Ambulance District serving the southeast portion of Jefferson County, where he was regularly challenged with longer response times and transports, sometimes with very critical patients.

Kathryn St. George joined the BFD on September 28. Kathryn is a 2020 St. Louis County Fire Academy graduate. She previously worked for Osage County Ambulance District in Linn, Mo., as a paramedic. She’s a former college athlete and a current certified professional trainer.

Welcome to Brentwood, Jordan and Kathryn!
Let’s Cook! Healthy Snacks for Kids - Wednesdays, Jan. 13-27
5:30-6:30 pm at Brentwood Community Center
Tired of eating unhealthy snacks but don’t know where to start? Join us as we make and take home tasty after-school snacks that you can create all on your own throughout this three-week class! Some snacks may contain nuts.
Resident $26; Non-Resident $29

National Skate Month Skate - January 23
12:30-3:30 pm at Brentwood Ice Rink
Come join the Brentwood Parks and Recreation Department and the St. Louis Skating Club for an afternoon of fun and skating. We will have on-ice group skating lessons, puck scavenger hunt, crafts and skating. For more information, please call the Brentwood Ice Rink, 314.963.8680.
Resident $3.50; Non-Resident $5; Skate Rental $2

Sweetheart Dance - February 5
6:30-8:30 pm at THE HEIGHTS in Richmond Heights
Grab your dancing shoes and get ready to dance the night away with your little sweethearts. The family-friendly evening will include entertainment, a delightful dinner and a photo to capture the night.
Resident $15/person; Non-Resident $20/person

Family Night Out: Minute to Win It - February 26
6-8 pm at The HEIGHTS in Richmond Heights
Looking for a fun event for the whole family? Enjoy a night out playing classic Minute to Win It games! We’ll have games and activities for everyone. Pizza dinner included. Priced for a family of up to five members, all ages.
Resident $25; Non-Resident $28

St. Paddy’s Day Bash - March 17
6-7 pm at THE HEIGHTS in Richmond Heights
Wear some green and be part of a St. Patrick’s Day Celebration! We are calling all lads and lasses for this fun night of games, crafts and activities. Come join the fun and make sure to bring your Irish spirit. Parent participation is required.
Resident $8; Non-Resident $10

Movie Night at the Park - March 25
7:30 pm at Brentwood Park
Sit back, relax and enjoy watching Frozen 2. This event is great for the entire family. Please bring chairs and thick blankets to sit on. No registration is needed. All you need to do is show up and have fun! Free

Room Rentals
Looking for a place to hold your next meeting or family event? Brentwood Parks and Recreation has a spot for you indoors at our Recreation Complex. Kitchens and free WiFi available. Call 314.963.8689 for details.

Brentwood Recreation Complex & Brentwood Ice Rink
2505 S. Brentwood Blvd., Brentwood, MO 63144
Community Center: 314.963.8689 | Ice Rink: 314.963.8680
www.brentwoodmo.org/parks | www.brentwoodmo.org/ice
BrentwoodParksandRec

Parks and Recreation operations and programs are adjusted based on guidance from St. Louis County Dept. of Public Health. Visit brentwoodmo.org/parks or call 314.963.8689 for current restrictions and safety protocols.
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CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP: WEDNESDAYS IN JANUARY

Public Works crews will pick up residents’ once-live Christmas trees for disposal on Wednesdays in January. This is the same day as yard waste pickup. Please remove all lights and ornaments before placing the tree at the curb. Holiday lights can be recycled at several locations; see brentwoodmo.org for more information.