



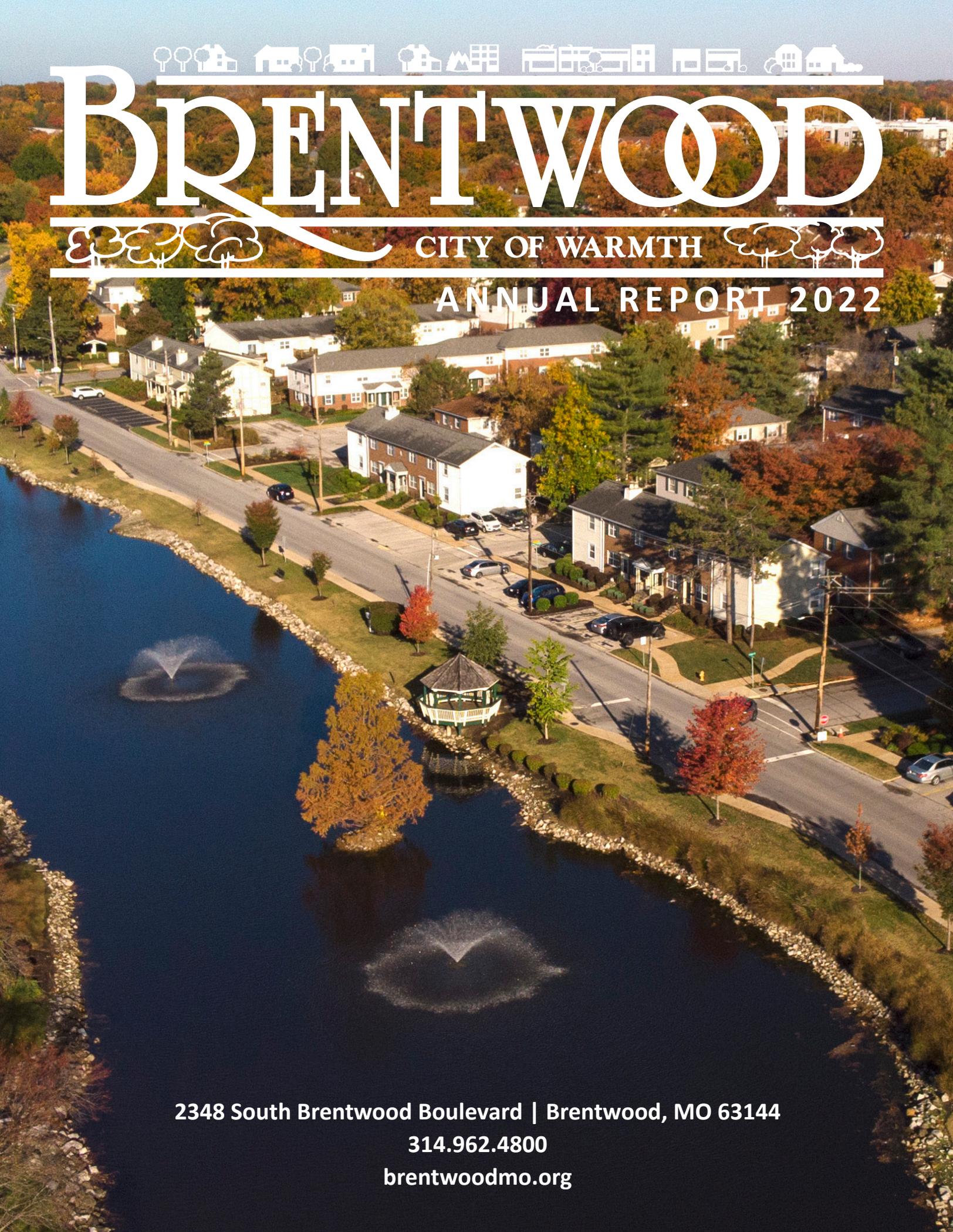
# BRENTWOOD



CITY OF WARMTH



ANNUAL REPORT 2022



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# City of Brentwood Annual Report 2022

March 2023

Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen:

I am pleased to present to you the Annual Report 2022 for the City of Brentwood, which contains a summary of the many accomplishments of each of our City departments from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. These accomplishments are a testament to the commitment of staff and the City's boards, committees and commissions under the guidance of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

### **Chapter 115, Article II. - The Annual Report:**

*The City Clerk/Administrator shall prepare and present to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen an annual report of the City's affairs, including in such report a summary of reports of department heads and such other reports as the Mayor and Board of Aldermen may require. The audited financial statements shall be presented to the Board of Aldermen on or before the sixtieth (60th) day after the close of the fiscal year. This report provides an overview of City department activities for the referenced time period. Department functions and goals are also included.*

I welcome any comments or questions regarding the information included in this report.

Sincerely,  
Bola Akande  
City Clerk/Administrator

## City of Brentwood Governance

The City of Brentwood was established on December 15, 1919. The City operates with a City Administrator form of government. A Mayor and an eight-member Board of Aldermen serve as Brentwood's legislative body. Each of the four City Wards elects two alderpersons to serve two-year staggered terms. The Mayor appoints alderpersons and/or citizens to serve on various boards and commissions.

The City of Brentwood has approximately 111 full-time and 65 part-time/seasonal employees. City departments oversee various facets of community life, including economic development, planning and development, parks and recreation, public works and public safety.

# City of Brentwood Elected Officials 2022



**Mayor**  
David Dimmitt



**Ward 1  
Alderwoman**  
Nancy Parker Tice



**Ward 1  
Alderman**  
David Plufka



**Ward 2  
Alderwoman**  
Sunny Sims



**Ward 2  
Alderman**  
Brandon Wegge



**Municipal Judge**  
Patrick Dignam



**Ward 3  
Alderman**  
Jeff Gould



**Ward 3  
Alderman**  
Steve Lochmoeller



**Ward 4  
Alderman**  
Jack Shelton



**Ward 4  
Alderwoman**  
Kathy O'Neill

# City of Brentwood Key Personnel 2022

**Bola Akande**  
City Clerk/Administrator

**Ronnie Cottrell**  
Fire Chief

**Eric Gruenfelder**  
Director of Parks and Recreation/  
Assistant City Administrator

**Dan Gummersheimer**  
Director of Public Works/City Engineer

**Gina Jarvis**  
Assistant Finance Director

**Whitney Kelly**  
Director of Planning & Development

**Jason Kotz**  
Human Resources Manager

**Janet Levy**  
Communications Manager

**Christine Schwartz**  
Court Administrator

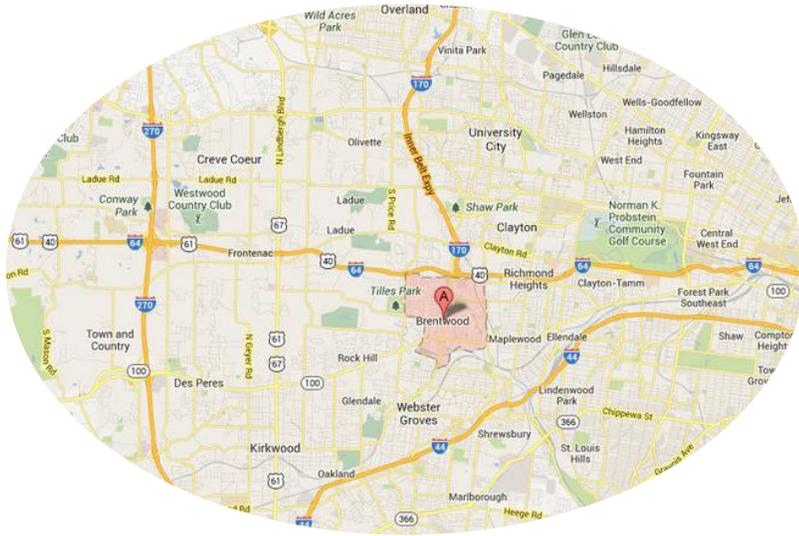
**Joseph L. Spiess, Jr.**  
Police Chief

**Kevin O'Keefe**, City Attorney

**Mike Shelton**, Prosecuting Attorney  
**Michael Daming**, Provisional Judge  
**Bryan Kaemmerer**, Public Defender

# About the City of Brentwood

The City of Brentwood, Missouri is a growing community of 8,200 residents, boasting a unique blend of quality residential neighborhoods and one of the most thriving business districts in the St. Louis metropolitan area. Located within minutes of downtown St. Louis, Brentwood is known as the “City of Warmth” because of its small-town charm and friendly atmosphere.



This city of just two square miles offers so much: high-quality housing; beautiful neighborhoods; ample parks and walking trails; top-notch city services; a vibrant business community; premium lodging, retail and dining opportunities; an exceptional school district; and a state-of-the-art Recreation Complex with meeting rooms, an indoor ice rink, sports leagues, and fitness and educational activities for all ages.

Nestled in the heart of St. Louis County, Brentwood’s living options include single-family homes, condominium developments, and apartments. The city is home to a wide array of businesses, from one-person shops to large retailers including Target and Whole Foods.

In a 2021 Niche.com ranking of the best places to live in Missouri, Brentwood was ranked number 4. Niche.com rates locations’ overall quality using several key factors, including crime rates, quality of schools, housing trends, employment statistics, and access to amenities. In 2016, *U.S. News & World Report* selected Brentwood High School as one of the Best High Schools in the country. The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education named Brentwood’s Mark Twain Elementary as a 2017 Gold Star School.

Brentwood is an outstanding community in which to live, work, shop and play.

## History of Brentwood

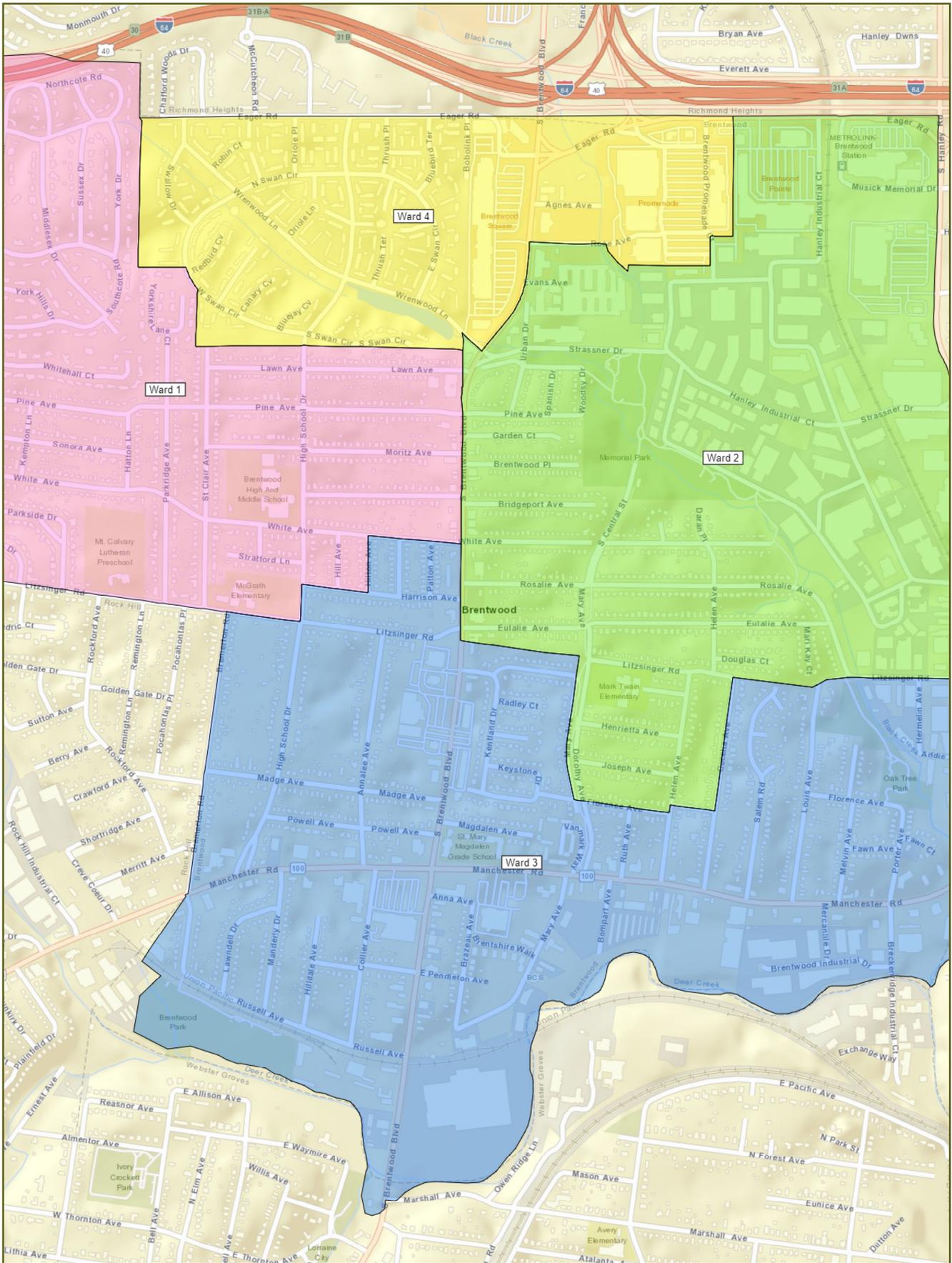
Brentwood’s rich history stretches back more than 200 years. In 1804, Louis J. Bompert arrived in the area and purchased 1,600 acres of land. Later, the Marshall family acquired property just west of that, and the Gay family bought land to the north – together completing the boundaries of what is now the City of Brentwood.

Thomas Madden arrived in the early 1870s, purchasing 100 acres within the existing boundaries to establish his farm. The area continued to grow, attracting new families to the settlement. Madden was recognized as the entrepreneur of the community as he operated a rock quarry, tavern, barbershop, grocery store and blacksmith shop. His well-known presence in the town led to its original name, Maddenville.

Maddenville served as one of the original stops along the “Manchester Trail,” a westward route regularly traveled by prairie schooners and mail coaches in the late 1800s. While some of these travelers stayed in town for a short rest between stops, others chose to remain. The community continued to prosper, especially with the advent of rail service via the Missouri Pacific and the invention of the automobile.

In 1919, Maddenville residents discovered that neighboring Maplewood was preparing to annex their town. To avoid annexation and maintain a separate identity, residents officially incorporated as a village on December 15, 1919—ultimately changing the name from Maddenville to Brentwood.

# Ward Map



# Boards, Commissions and Committees

## Mayor and Board of Aldermen

At the first meeting of the Board of Aldermen after each annual election, the Mayor appoints the Chairs and members of all standing committees based on advice and consent from the Board of Aldermen members. Only members of the Board of Aldermen are eligible to serve on the following standing committees: Public Safety, Public Works, and Ways and Means. The number of members on each committee is determined by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen at the time of appointment. Members of the Board of Aldermen and any resident of the City of Brentwood who is a qualified voter under the laws and Constitution of the state of Missouri and the City of Brentwood can serve on all other standing committees.

## Public Safety Committee

Established to review all ordinances and have legislative oversight relating to the Police Department, Fire Department, public safety and fire safety.

## Public Works Committee

Established to have legislative oversight over all matters relating to sewers and sewage disposal, streets, sidewalks, parks and recreation, planning, zoning and development.

## Ways and Means Committee

Established to review all ordinances relating to licenses and occupational regulations in addition to legislative oversight over City financial affairs.

## Communications Committee

Established to provide legislative oversight over matters relating to the communication efforts of the City and review all ordinances relating to communication programs, platforms and policies.

## Sustainability Commission

Established to foster policies and programs that will create energy conservation, environmental improvement and sustainability of resources in the City of Brentwood.

## Architectural Review Board

Established to review applications for residential building permits and those applications directed by the Planning and Development Department or the Planning and Zoning Commission, to ensure compliance with architectural standards and compatibility of design with existing structures in the City.

## Board of Adjustment

Established to hear and decide appeals and requests for variances from the floodplain management requirements. When an application is denied by the Floodplain Administrator, the applicant may apply for a floodplain development permit or variance directly to the Appeal Board.

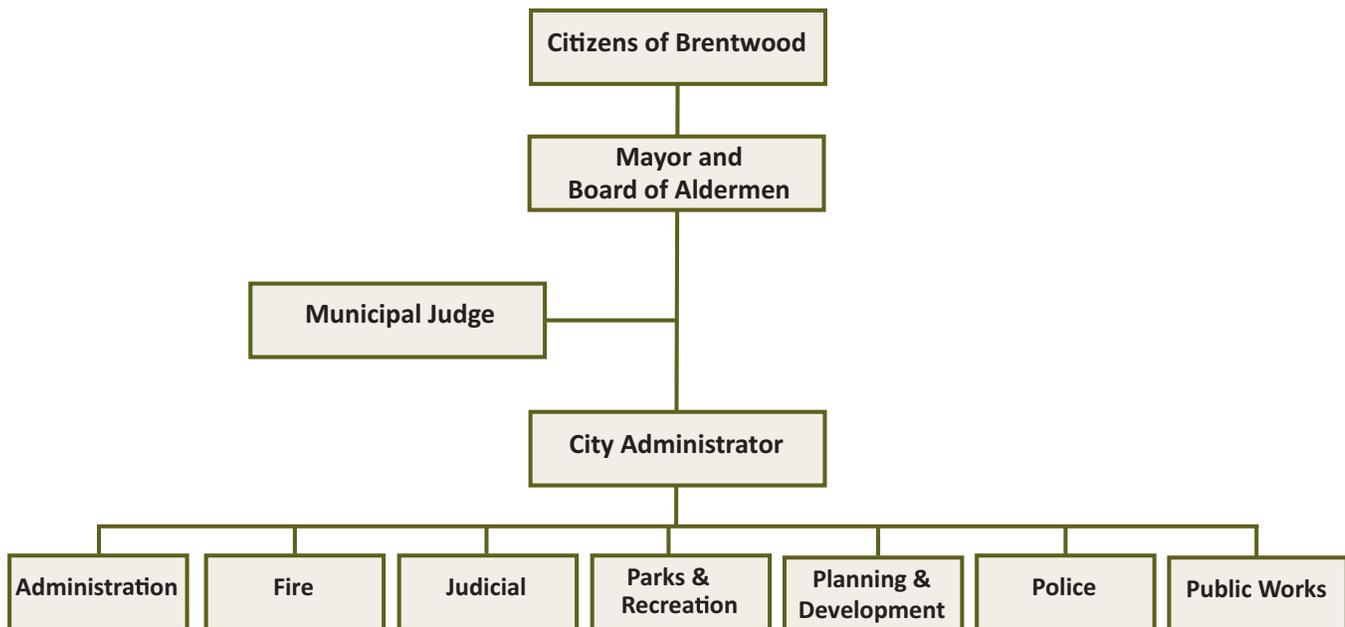
## Planning & Zoning Commission

Established to advise the Board of Aldermen on how best to preserve and protect the existing residential and business community and provide for, plan, guide and direct the development, redevelopment and growth of the City.

## Police and Firefighters' Pension Trust

Established to supplement income for Brentwood police and firefighters upon retirement from the City. The City of Brentwood Police and Firefighters' Pension Trust's Board of Trustees consists of the Mayor, Aldermen, City Treasurer, Brentwood Police Chief, Brentwood Fire Chief, a firefighter and a police officer. The Board of Trustees administers the plan and is responsible for the investment of assets funding the plan.

# City of Brentwood Organizational Structure



## City of Brentwood Goals and Objectives

- > Provide leadership.
- > Treat City employees with respect, recognize their special talents and training, and listen to their advice.
- > Continue to be proactive in economic development and focus on how to continue to have a vibrant commercial and industrial sector.
- > Recognize that high quality City services are to a large extent dependent on a strong business community.
- > Provide and further enhance a strong economic base by encouraging revenue-producing, high quality, “clean” retail, commercial and industrial development that is compatible with an atmosphere of a community of homes.
- > Provide the highest quality municipal services, consistent with the resources available to us.
- > Allocate such resources fairly to meet the needs of the community as a whole, while recognizing the needs of various segments within the City.
- > Deliver a pleasing community atmosphere and a level of maintenance of public streets, public rights-of-way and other public facilities that is consistent with the level of maintenance our citizens provide to their private property.
- > Recognize and promote individual property rights while ensuring that the rights of others are not infringed upon.
- > Offer quality parks, recreation opportunities, library and other information services, and senior and youth programs to our citizens.
- > Promote a positive community spirit and pride in the community.
- > Provide quality control systems for the efficient movement of traffic.
- > Provide for the alternative transportation needs of all segments of the community.
- > Assume that residents will be safe in their homes and neighborhoods.
- > Prepare for disasters and provide for the protection of life and property in such event.
- > Protect, maintain and enhance the City’s public infrastructure.
- > Anticipate the long-term needs of the infrastructure and take prudent steps to provide for those needs.
- > Provide high quality public safety for all the citizens of Brentwood and our guests.

# Department Overview

## ADMINISTRATION

The Administration Department works directly with the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen and is responsible for general superintending control, administration and management of the City on a day-to-day basis. This office includes the divisions of Communication, Finance, Human Resources, and Information Technology. The Communication division is responsible for external and internal communication; media relations; management of City communication channels including the website, newsletters and social media; event marketing and support; customer service and community engagement. The Finance division is responsible for coordinating and monitoring all fiscal matters including purchasing; collecting revenues and paying expenditures; analyzing and monitoring City's investments; developing annual operating budget; providing elected officials and City Administrator with financial forecasts and advice regarding City's financial affairs; coordinating efforts with public accountants to accomplish an annual certified audit of the City's operation; overseeing all accounts receivable. The Human Resources division is responsible for all aspects of the employee populace from prior to hire to post departure including recruitment, onboarding, employee discipline, annual reviews, benefits administration, workers compensation, employee file maintenance, compensation administration, training, government reporting, employee relations, labor relations, and employee engagement. The Information Technology division maintains and supports all technology and computer hardware, software and related initiatives.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department has served the City of Brentwood and surrounding communities since 1935. The Fire Department's mission is providing excellence through service. The department conducts in-service fire inspections for all commercial businesses and large condominium and apartment properties within the City of Brentwood.

## JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT/MUNICIPAL DIVISION COURT

The Municipal Division Court of the City of Brentwood is the judicial branch of the city government and is a Division of the 21st Judicial Circuit Court of the State of Missouri. The Municipal Judge and Clerk of the Court (Court Administrator) are empowered to collect court fines and costs, take oaths, sign and issue subpoenas, establish and operate the Traffic Violations Bureau, and perform all other duties provided for by the Municipal Code, ordinance and state law. The Court prepares, maintains, and safeguards records, reports and documents relating to Court activities in the required manner and within time frames established by law.

## PARKS & RECREATION

The Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for the development and administration of a comprehensive parks and recreation system. Primary responsibilities involve managing the parks, trails, ice rink and Community Center. The department is also responsible for park and facility maintenance; program development, implementation and evaluation; management of the City's urban forest; operation of the MAGIC Bus. Parks and Recreation strives to offer quality spaces and programs, both indoors and outdoors, which provide residents and visitors the opportunity to enhance their lives through rest, relaxation and recreation. Quality parks and access to recreation facilities improve property values, provide citizens the opportunity to come together socially and are a great source of pride for the community.

## PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

The Planning and Development Department serves the citizens of Brentwood through traditional planning and economic development, as well as zoning and land use administration, code enforcement, building permit and business license functions. The department is responsible for monitoring new construction as well as inspecting existing housing to ensure code compliance. Building codes are listed in chapter 500 of the Brentwood City Code. Land use is determined by the regulations covered in Chapter 400 of the Brentwood City Code.

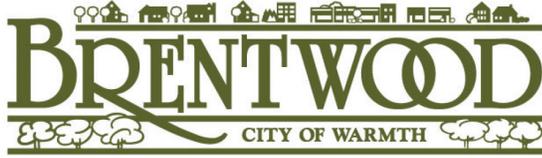
## POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Brentwood Police Department, in partnership with the community, is committed to the delivery of the highest quality public safety services with respect, fairness and compassion to all we serve. The department includes the divisions of community policing and detective bureau.

## PUBLIC WORKS

The Public Works Department is responsible for fleet maintenance for all city vehicles except fire department vehicles; street maintenance for over 44 lane miles; sewer lateral program; sign maintenance and compliance; snow plowing and salting streets; trash, recycling, yard waste and household item collection service; building maintenance; construction; event logistics; equipment maintenance; emergency response for storms, floods and traffic hazards.

# Sustainability: St. Louis Green Cities Challenge



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## Accomplishments

- Brentwood Board of Aldermen adopted Electric Vehicle Readiness and Solar-Ready ordinances and a Green Dining ordinance.
- Began work on a City of Brentwood Sustainability Plan.
- Coordinated a city-wide residential composting program, distributing composters and compost pails and encouraging residents to compost at home.
- Collaborated with neighboring municipalities in a Mid-County Sustainability Consortium.
- Recommitted for 2023 municipal sponsorship of the group-buy initiative Grow Solar St. Louis.
- Hosted four residential paper shredding and electronics recycling events.
- Educated residents about recycling and sustainable practices through social media, newsletters, and website.

## Innovations

- Continued progress on Brentwood Bound, the major flood mitigation project that will restore floodplain, add trails and greenspaces, and link multiple parks in a highly visible location.
- Broke ground on Deer Creek Greenway Connector, in partnership with Great Rivers Greenway.
- Completed Brentwood Park event pavilion, featuring solar panels, high efficiency mechanical equipment, use of natural/regional materials, and a rain garden for stormwater management.
- Purchased over six acres of floodplain land to create an educational wetland arboretum. A \$50,000 contribution from Open Space Council helped to purchase this land.
- Purchased four acres of greenspace to retain as a park.



## 2022 ST. LOUIS Green Business Challenge



*The City of Brentwood remains committed to ensuring a sustainable and vibrant future for the members of our community. Our elected officials have passed legislation in support of these efforts. Our citizen-led Sustainability Commission continues its work year-round. City staff members set goals and objectives related to sustainability. As a Green Cities Challenge participant, we strive to keep learning and incorporating green practices whenever possible.*

David Dimmitt  
Mayor



is a program of:



# ADMINISTRATION

**MISSION:** To provide leadership, management, financial planning, information and policy implementation to elected officials so they have confidence in our financial stewardship and can make informed decisions; maintain a fiscally sound organization that conforms to legal requirements and to generally accepted financial management principles; support City departments so they can efficiently and effectively deliver services. Department services provided include communications, debt management and capital financing, advisory support, accounting and financial reporting, procurement of materials and services, treasury services, risk and inventory management, tax and licensing, acquisition and management of real property; and support of citizens so they can live, work, and play in a progressive community known as the “City of Warmth” for its small town charm, sense of community, low property taxes, high quality services, and high quality of life.

## 2023 Goals and Objectives

- > Be responsive in an expedient manner to our citizens.
- > Provide ethical reporting and advisory services to the Board of Aldermen and departments in their decision-making process.
- > Keep the Board of Aldermen informed of important community issues.
- > Ensure quality services are delivered to the citizens of Brentwood by recruiting, developing and retaining a skilled and effective workforce.
- > Communicate the importance of safety to all employees and attain a zero preventable accident/injury rate.
- > Provide support in these areas: legislative, policy implementation, budget development, strategic planning, economic development, communication, information technology, public safety, and legal service.
- > Continue to influence development patterns that will result in increased efficient delivery of core services, use of energy and resources, and demand for infrastructure.
- > Continue to monitor controls that have been established to eliminate the possibility of fraud.
- > Encourage and promote citywide professional development and training.
- > Optimize the technology infrastructure and capabilities to provide a reliable, agile and secure environment to ensure continuous improvement and readiness for future change.
- > Align technology initiatives to effectively integrate applications and technical solutions into organizational processes.
- > Educate Brentwood constituents on sustainability; complete and implement the City of Brentwood Sustainability Plan.

# Key Accomplishments

## ADMINISTRATION

- Continued to monitor and report on all legislative initiatives at the State and Federal level.
- Processed 115 Freedom of Information Act requests.
- Notarized documents for 148 citizens.
- Continued to oversee and develop strategy for implementation of the Brentwood Bound projects.

## COMMUNICATION

- Launched City’s new mobile app.
- Compiled and published City’s weekly e-newsletter.
- Managed City’s website and regularly updated content and site organization.
- Managed City’s social media accounts, regularly sharing content and responding to comments and questions.
- Managed City’s YouTube channel.
- Worked with media representatives to provide accurate and timely information to the public.
- Coordinated informational communications and disseminated updates throughout the Manchester Road closure to keep residents and community members aware and informed.
- Produced City’s 2021 Annual Report.
- Published four *Brentwood Bulletin* newsletters.
- Led City of Brentwood’s participation in the 2022 Green Cities Challenge.
- Planned, promoted and coordinated execution of Brentwood Days Community Parade.
- Compiled weekly news clips and event information to keep elected officials and management team members updated.
- Regularly responded and sought answers to inquiries from community members.
- Facilitated event for Deer Creek Greenway Connector groundbreaking, partnering with Great Rivers Greenway.
- Facilitated event for Brentwood Park Destination Playground groundbreaking, coordinating with Parks & Recreation Department.
- Coordinated four electronics recycling events and four paper shredding events for community members.

## Key Accomplishments

### FINANCE

- Prepared the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget.
- Completed the Annual Financial Report/ Audit for 2020 and 2021 Fiscal Years.
- Completed monthly financial reports.
- Completed timely publication of the semi-annual statements per RSMo § 79.160.
- Completed timely publication of Municipal Court and Revenues per RSMo § 479.359, 360, 362.
- Completed filing of TIF Annual Reports per RSMo § 99.865.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

- Oversaw the concurrent hiring processes for Police and Fire departments, hiring an officer and firefighter/paramedic.
- Continued 100% compliance of City COVID-19 vaccine mandate.
- Updated employee handbook.
- Oversaw compensation survey and implementation, along with slight restructuring of Police Department and addition of Engineer classification to Fire Department.
- Continued training efforts for all personnel.

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- Continued quarterly cybersecurity awareness training for all City employees.
- Enforced Multifactor Authentication for all external access to City services.
- Added surveillance cameras on the east side of firehouse, all external sides of police station and front door of Public Works building.
- Deployed badge access, surveillance system and Wifi for new Brentwood Park project.

### SUSTAINABILITY

- Completed City of Brentwood Sustainability Plan.
- Recommended EV Readiness Ordinance to Public Works Committee.
- Recommended Green Dining Alliance Ordinance to Public Works Committee.
- Recommended Solar-Ready Ordinance to Public Works Committee.
- Hosted a Grow Solar Power Hour.

## Brentwood Celebrates U.S. Women's Hockey Champ Alex Cavallini



Mayor David Dimmitt proclaimed April 4, 2022, “Alex Cavallini Day” in the City of Brentwood and presented the U.S. Women’s Hockey goaltender with the key to the city.

Alex, a Brentwood resident and Olympic hockey star, has represented the USA at two Olympic Winter Games. She was a member of the silver medal-winning U.S. Women’s Hockey team in 2022 and the gold medal-winning team in 2018. She has won multiple world championships, played in professional women’s hockey leagues, and was an All-American player at the University of Wisconsin.

As a member of the U.S. Women’s National Team, she earned a spot on seven international Ice Hockey Federation Women’s World Championship teams, played in six Four Nations Cups, and has represented the United States in various other international events.

With the Calgary Inferno, she helped the team win the Clarkson Cup and was named Canadian Women’s Hockey League goaltender of the year in 2018-2019. She was the first woman ever to be drafted in the United States Hockey League.

On April 10, Brentwood Parks and Recreation hosted an “Alex Cavallini Day Celebration” at the Brentwood Ice Rink. Alex also served as Grand Marshal of the 2022 Brentwood Days Parade.

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

**MISSION:** Providing excellence through service

**VISION:** The vision of the Brentwood Fire Department is to be THE leader in public safety through excellence in delivery and responsiveness for everyone.

## 2023 Goals and Objectives



- > Continue improving health and wellness of fire department employees with implementation of a physical fitness policy, enhance cancer screening and prevention, provide mental health awareness and support, and annual medical screenings from SSM Health.
- > Continue improving technical rescue capabilities for identified hazards within local response area through equipment acquisition and training.
- > Enhance operational decision support through robust data analytics.
- > Improve ambulance fees revenue through improved documentation and administrative procedures.
- > Begin participation in Missouri Firefighter Critical Illness Pool.
- > Acquire off-road utility vehicle capable of transporting ill and/or injured patients throughout the community's trail system and planned developments.
- > Continue professional development and training opportunities for staff, including state certifications for department fire marshal and credentialing of fire officers.
- > Create professional development opportunities/career path matrix for each position within the department, including engineer position.
- > Continue processes to improve the Verisk ISO rating from class 3 to class 2.
- > Refresh department web page and strengthen social media presence.

## Key Accomplishments

- Increased authorized positions by one to include a full-time Fire Marshal, who completed fire safety inspections on all commercial occupancies within city.
- Implemented strategic plan with mission-specific goals and objectives.
- Updated department's mission statement to reflect the values and vision of staff and expectation of stakeholders.
- Improved technical rescue capabilities for ice rescue operations through equipment acquisition and training.
- Completed preassessment field work and policy and standard operating guideline review for Verisk ISO.
- Purchased additional technical rescue equipment to address identified and projected needs.
- Replaced firefighting helmets, cardiac monitor, and CPR assist device.
- Continued to enhance operational decision support through robust data analysis.
- Entered into an agreement with West County EMS and Fire Protection District for use of training facility to conduct live fire scenarios for shared training group, Central Core Training Division.



*Brentwood firefighters participated in story time at the Brentwood Public Library in September.*

# MUNICIPAL DIVISION COURT

**MISSION:** The Brentwood Municipal Division Court and Violations Bureau is committed to providing the independent and equitable administration of justice in an atmosphere focused on respect, community safety, and offender accountability.

## 2023 Goals and Objectives

- > Preserve a professional and courteous environment.
- > Provide responsive, timely, and pertinent information to all stakeholders.
- > Promote staff training and professional development.
- > Closely monitor all financial accounts and records.
- > Maintain compliance with orders from the Missouri Supreme Court.
- > Follow directives from the Office of the State Court Administrator.
- > Maintain compliance with orders of the Presiding Judge of St. Louis County Circuit Court.
- > Continue to streamline the Violations Bureau and court room practices and procedures to achieve the most efficiency for both staff and citizens.
- > Continue to monitor and update the Judicial Department's Policy and Procedures Manual.

## Key Accomplishments

- Met all state-mandated reporting deadlines.
- Held 21 court sessions with 625 defendants coming in front of the judge; processed 2,285 new citations, managed 3,102 cases (pending, disposed, probation, warrants); answered 42 Sunshine record requests and notarized documents for 77 citizens.
- Court personnel averaged 45 hours of continuing education through Missouri State University Office of Access and Outreach.
- Voluntarily participated in the Urban League Amnesty Days Program, which helps individuals lift their arrest warrants at a reduced or no bond amount as ordered by the Judge to resolve outstanding citations.
- Maintained certification in the Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) through the Regional Justice Information Systems (REJIS) and Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP).
- Court Administrator serving a two-year term on the executive board of the Metropolitan St. Louis Association for Court Administration (MSLACA) as Treasurer.
- Deputy Court Administrator serving a two-year term on the executive board of the Metropolitan St. Louis Association for Court Administration (MSLACA) as Historian and Website Coordinator.
- Continued to migrate cases from REJIS IMDSPlus docketing system to State of Missouri's ShowMeCourt software, as mandated by Missouri Supreme Court and Presiding Judge of St. Louis County.
- Continued to provide links via City of Brentwood website to Case.net and Municourt.net for court cases as well as up-to-date information, forms and contacts.

# PARKS & RECREATION

**MISSION:** Provide exceptional spaces and opportunities for a sustainable future that best serves the evolving needs of our community.

## 2023 Goals and Objectives



- > Celebrate the opening of Brentwood Park.
- > Complete Parks Master Plan.
- > Enhance the aesthetics of the Brentwood Park System.
- > Investigate and implement sustainable practices to benefit both the department and the Brentwood community.
- > Increase fees/charges revenue throughout the department.

## Key Accomplishments

- Added more than six acres of park land with acquisition of green space behind Mt. Calvary Church and wetland property south of Bi-State Development Agency to create an educational wetland area.
- Department featured in news stories about Brentwood Park amenities and programs such as goat yoga.
- Completed construction of new event pavilion and West Community Credit Union Event Lawn in the new Brentwood Park.
- Secured more than \$1 million in grants and naming rights opportunities to assist with funding of amenities in Brentwood Park.
- Coordinated debris removal throughout Brentwood Park System after two historic rain events.
- Hosted Alex Cavallini Day at Brentwood Ice Rink, celebrating the two-time Olympian and Brentwood resident.
- Began construction on destination playground in Brentwood Park.
- Purchased department's first electric lawn mower and electric gator.
- Introduced Galactic Glow at Ice Rink; more than 1,000 skaters participated in this unique public session.
- Expanded senior program offerings, including trips, lunches and seminars; participation increased 10% over 2021.
- Processed over \$200,000 in revenue through department's online registration platform.
- "Ascending Perspectives" sculpture installed in Hanley Park.
- 4th Annual Brentwood Ice Festival raised \$2,736 for Backstoppers.
- Increased room rental revenue by 152% over 2021.



*The popular goat yoga program held in Memorial Park was featured in local news stories.*

# West Community Credit Union Partners with City of Brentwood

## West Community Credit Union Event Lawn is First Named Feature in Brentwood Park

The City of Brentwood announced in September that West Community Credit Union has secured naming rights for the event lawn in the new Brentwood Park. West Community is the first sponsor of an amenity in this park.

Brentwood Park is expected to open to the public in spring or summer 2023. Located off South Brentwood Boulevard near Russell Avenue, the park will be the jewel of the Brentwood parks system and a premier park in the metro area.

The West Community Credit Union Event Lawn is a large green space that will be used for open play as well as special events for up to 900 people. The lawn is adjacent to a pavilion and a food truck area.



The park is a component of the City’s Brentwood Bound Plan, which includes three projects bound together to build a brighter future for Brentwood: Deer Creek Flood Mitigation, Manchester Road Improvements, and the Deer Creek Greenway Connector.

“West Community Credit Union is honored to be included in the Brentwood Bound development and to support the community we have called home for over 85 years. This partnership will help provide the families of Brentwood and the surrounding communities a beautiful gathering place for many years to come,” said Jason Peach, CEO of West Community Credit Union.

West Community Credit Union began as Brentwood Mutual Credit Union in 1936, founded by 15 businesses and civic leaders with \$150 in capital. In 1986, the organization changed its name to West Community Credit Union, with 7,300 members and almost \$9 million in loans. Today West Community has become a progressive financial organization with nearly \$400 million in assets, 27,500 members and over \$350 million in loans.

“The City of Brentwood is thrilled to welcome West Community Credit Union as our first partner and sponsor of Brentwood Park. West Community’s investment in and commitment to the Brentwood community will continue to have a lasting impact,” said Bola Akande, Brentwood’s city administrator.

# PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

**MISSION:** Deliver excellent customer service to Brentwood residents, businesses, the development community and other City departments by providing a one-stop shop for community development, land use planning, zoning, building code administration, code enforcement, floodplain management, and economic development services. Efficient execution of these services assists the City's overall effort to maintain an exceptional quality of life for residents, attract commercial development, and protect private investment within the City.

## 2023 Goals and Objectives

- > Provide superior development application processing and permitting and inspection services.
- > Enhance the MyGov permit tracking and reporting system to improve customer service by allowing direct online access to permit and code enforcement updates.
- > Manage building permit, architectural review, development applications and site plan review services in an open and transparent platform.
- > Develop Architectural Design Guidelines for the City.
- > Continue to identify opportunities for all permits issued by the department to be reviewed and issued online.
- > Improve the quality of department information provided to the public.
- > Operate in a fiscally responsible manner.
- > Attract and protect private investment in Brentwood.
- > Promote economic development opportunities within the City of Brentwood.
- > Promote professional growth and certification of all department employees.



Mayor Dimmitt attended the soft opening of new Brentwood restaurant Sal y Limon Mexican Grill in December.

## Key Accomplishments

- Advised and conducted 2,426 inspections on the completion of residential and commercial projects, including a new hotel project.
- Provided plan review services and issued 2,103 building permits, including construction, electrical, plumbing, mechanical and fire permits.
- Provided housing inspection services and issued 1,687 residential occupancy permits.
- Provided 398 code enforcement inspections.
- Provided 104 inspections for flood damage following the historic rain events in July/August 2022.
- Reviewed 22 projects and 4 text amendments at Planning & Zoning Commission.
- Reviewed 41 residential projects at the Architectural Review Board.
- Reviewed 6 projects at the Board of Adjustment for variance requests.
- Promoted Manchester Road Redevelopment Plan and reviewed Green Street proposed response to Manchester Road Corridor Request for Proposal.
- Implemented new review process for Planning & Zoning Commission.
- Provided step-by-step guide to assist in submitting for permits through MyGov module.
- Conducted annual review and recertification of use of Community Development Block Grant funds with St. Louis County Home Improvement Program.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

**MISSION:** The Brentwood Police Department, in partnership with the community, is committed to the delivery of the highest quality public safety services with respect, fairness and compassion to all we serve.

## 2023 Goals and Objectives



- > Review and update all policies.
- > Implement new equipment.
- > Additional training.
- > Build upon Flock Safety Camera framework.
- > Organizational development.

## Key Accomplishments

- Continued the success and growth of the Officer Safety Role Play Training program.
- Recruited, hired, trained an additional officer.
- Deployed license plate reading cameras throughout city.
- Established succession planning.
- Established leadership training for all watch commanders.
- Conducted POST-certified administrative learning sessions with all watch commanders.
- Updated high risk, low frequency general orders to comply with CALEA standards.
- Procured forcible stopping/tire deflation devices to aid in nighttime crime suppression.
- Certified four more officers with the BPD patrol rifle.
- Upgraded Body-Worn Camera/Motor Vehicle Records evidence software.
- Achieved 100% compliance with our third Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) Client Service Member review.



*Brentwood Officer Wilcox presented a workplace violence prevention seminar to Brentwood business owners.*



*The police department hosted community meetings at Broughton Park to discuss traffic and other concerns.*

# PUBLIC WORKS

**MISSION:** To provide courteous and quality service for our residents and all City departments. We will strive to ensure that our streets, sidewalks, curbs and buildings are safe for public use; use trained staff and outside vendors for vehicle, building and sewer lateral maintenance in a viable and economical manner; keep our city streets clear and passable during all types of weather; preserve existing street pavements; improve obsolete street pavements and sidewalks; and maintain quality sanitation collections services as well as provide general information and awareness regarding Public Works services.

## 2023 Goals and Objectives

- > Utilize new street and sidewalk inventories.
- > Improve sanitation services throughout the city.
- > Revise the sewer lateral program to provide improved balance between revenues and expenses.
- > Zero preventable accidents and injuries.

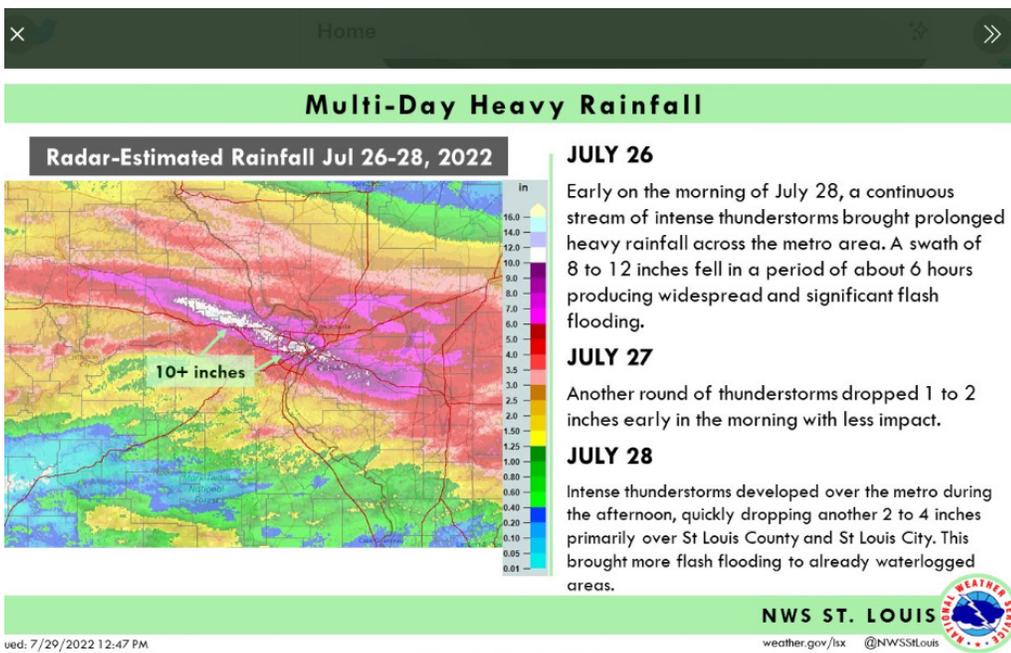
## Key Accomplishments

- Completed more than 750 lateral feet of sidewalk replacements citywide using conventional removal and replacement method. Used concrete planer to reduce slight vertical defects with sidewalk slabs to reduce the downtime associated with full slab sidewalk replacements.
- Completed mill and overlay improvements on Evans Avenue east of Brentwood Boulevard; completed two bid alternates for concrete pavement improvements that included the east side of Parkridge Avenue (Litzinger Road to White Avenue) and 1449 Hanley Industrial Court.
- Completed multiple concrete slab replacements on Yorkshire Lane Court.
- Installed three solar-powered streetlights in York Village in continuation of sustainable lighting projects.
- Monitored the Sewer Lateral Policy to ensure expenses were minimized; approximately 17 sewer laterals were repaired in 2022. The sewer lateral fund surplus generated was used to transfer funds back to the general fund and reduce the sewer lateral loan value.
- Received \$9,970 grant from St. Louis County Department of Public Health for purchase of compost tumblers and stainless steel collection pails, which were used as part of the residential compost program.
- Energized the 10 decorative LED streetlights through coordination with Ameren and others as part of the Rosalie Avenue STP project, from Brentwood Boulevard to Swim Club Lane.
- Presented information pertaining to stormwater master plan; began ranking and budgeting process to create construction bid packages and to plan projects for future budget cycles.
- As part of the traffic calming program, purchased and installed a temporary speed cushion on Eulalie Avenue between Mari Kay Court and Helen Avenue; purchased and installed two speed cushions on Pine Avenue between Brentwood Boulevard and High School Drive; used data collectors on other streets to investigate traffic.
- Coordinated with sewer utility company on the infrastructure improvements along Rosalie Avenue, White Avenue and Bridgeport Avenue; used funds to replace asphalt disturbed outside of this work zone on the post office parking lot and City Hall upper parking lot.

# Historic Rainfall in Brentwood

Historic rain events in late July and early August 2022 tested the Deer Creek Flood Mitigation component of Brentwood Bound. Although not yet complete, the mitigation work already in place served to reduce flood damages in the area and demonstrated the benefits of the project:

- > In the new Brentwood Park, the Pavilion and Event Lawn area did not flood
- > The new Brentwood Park parking lot did not flood
- > The area where the destination playground will be installed did not flood
- > The newly constructed flood mitigation area, which increases the available floodplain storage north of Deer Creek, contained more water than it was able to in previous flood events



Here's radar estimated rainfall from the 72-hr period including multiple bouts of heavy rain July 26-28. The most significant came early Tuesday morning, but flash flooding occurred in the city again Thursday afternoon. Totals in excess of 10 inches occurred in the metro. #stlwx

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According to the National Weather Service, the St. Louis metropolitan area received about 25% of our normal yearly rainfall in just 12 hours -- setting a daily rainfall record that had stood for over 100 years.

From July 26 through August 4, the flood mitigation project area was impacted by three more separate peak flow events as the St. Louis region received 15 inches of rain -- the wettest two week period it's ever experienced.

The National Weather Service in St. Louis issued its first-ever Flash Flood Emergency, which included the Deer Creek watershed.

**NWS St. Louis** @NWSStLouis · 1h  
Some absolutely insane climate statistics:

- Wettest two-week period in STL ever.
- Over 1/3 of our normal rain occurred between July 24th and today
- Another daily rainfall total (for August 3rd) was broken: 4.32" fell yesterday (old record - 1.45" in 1946)

#MOwx #ILwx #STLwx



# Historic Rainfall in Brentwood: July/August 2022



20 *Scenes in Brentwood from the historic rainfall events of July and August 2022: Fire Department rescues on Hanley Road near Addie Avenue*

# Historic Rainfall in Brentwood: July/August 2022



*From Russell Avenue looking into Brentwood Sports Complex*



*Brentwood Bound site viewed from event pavilion*



*Brentwood Bound site viewed from Ace Hardware*



**Brentwood  
Bound**  
*Building a Bright Future*



Progress continued in 2022 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**

## Breaking Ground on Brentwood Bound: Deer Creek Greenway Connector

The City of Brentwood and its partner Great Rivers Greenway officially broke ground on the Deer Creek Greenway Connector on Thursday, April 28, 2022.

When complete, the Deer Creek Greenway Connector will create a paved, accessible walking and biking trail linking Brentwood's Memorial Park (with sidewalk access to Brentwood Promenade and Brentwood Pointe shopping centers) to Lorraine Davis Park, Barnickel Park and Deer Creek Park in Webster Groves, Deer Creek Park in Maplewood and the Deer Creek Shopping Center at Big Bend Boulevard.

The Deer Creek Greenway Connector will also link to multiple parks and amenities within Brentwood.



City officials ceremonially break ground for the project.



Mayor Dimmitt speaks with media representatives at the event.

## Manchester Road Closure: May Through September

Black Creek Bridge on Manchester Road (just west of the intersection with Hanley Road) closed on May 2 and remained fully closed through September 2022. This closure prevented traffic from going west from Hanley Road to Manchester Road. The closure also prevented traffic from going east on Manchester Road to Hanley Road. Throughout the closure, vehicles were still able to access businesses and residences along the Manchester Road corridor from Brentwood Boulevard.

During the same time, work took place on the pedestrian tunnel near Mary Avenue. This work reduced Manchester Road traffic to one lane in each travel direction.

# Destination Playground Groundbreaking

The City of Brentwood officially broke ground on the destination playground and water play area in the new Brentwood Park (2924 Brazeau Avenue) on November 3, 2022.

The playground will offer 2.5 acres of interactive play experience. Many of the playground amenities will be unique to Brentwood Park and not found elsewhere within the St. Louis region.

This imaginative play experience is organized into four key areas:

- **Family Fun Zone**
- **Adventure Play Area**
- **Overlook**
- **Water Play Explorer Creek**

This will be a memorable destination for children and adults, with a focus on creative and inclusive play. The playground is expected to open in Fall/Winter 2023.



City officials ceremonially break ground for the project.



Mayor Dimmitt addresses the attendees at the groundbreaking.



Rendering of destination playground

# Sustainability: Ameren Missouri Case Study

YOUR ELECTRIC VEHICLE RESOURCE

## Municipality Follows Through With Sustainability Initiative

### Case Study | Brentwood Community Center



After completing a few cost-saving and energy initiatives, including the installation of ultraviolet (UV) film on windows and upgrading to LED lighting at the Brentwood Community Center, the City of Brentwood made the decision to continue their commitment to sustainability by providing electric vehicle (EV) charging to residents. Since the Brentwood Community Center is used for meetings, hockey games, and more, city leaders felt it was a great location for residents to charge while engaging in these activities. Brentwood installed its first four ports as an amenity for visitors and now plans to install additional chargers at the new Brentwood Park in 2023.



#### About the City

Brentwood is an inner-ring suburb of St. Louis, Missouri. With over 8,000 residents, the city government provides sustainability initiatives for the area as well as "Brentwood Bound," a comprehensive plan to overcome long-term challenges while enhancing the community for decades to come.

#### Forward-Thinking City Completes Charging Project With Ameren

- Installing Brentwood's first charging project was simple and straightforward because of their positive relationship with Ameren.

Charger Information: (4) ChargePoint CT4021-GW1

Installer: [Industrial Battery Products](#)

Project Cost: \$33,661.00

Charging Incentive: \$16,830.50



#### Charging Ahead

- Next year, Brentwood plans to install more EV charging stations at the new Brentwood Park.

*"Ameren's incentive program was the reason why we chose to install EV charging."*

– Eric Gruenfelder, CPRE, Director of Parks & Recreation, City of Brentwood

Charger Address Location: 2505 S Brentwood Blvd, Brentwood, MO 63144 (Front parking lot)

[Learn more about the charging incentive program](#)

[Ameren.com/Missouri/Business/Electric-Vehicles](https://www.ameren.com/Missouri/Business/Electric-Vehicles)

# Unaudited Financial Report Fiscal Year 2022

CITY OF BRENTWOOD, MISSOURI PRELIMINARY COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022					
FUNDS	GENERAL	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	STORM WATER AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS	SEWER IMPROVEMENTS
<b>REVENUES</b>					
Taxes	\$ 13,013,855	\$ 2,952,311	\$ 3,734,731	\$ 3,490,523	\$ -
Licenses and Permits	1,836,152	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	886,511	204,409	-	3,512,662	-
Charges for Services	376,847	-	-	1,203,208	-
Fines and Forfeitures	100,531	-	-	-	-
Investment Income	3,044	3,828	-13,653	-23,060	-
Assessments	-	-	-	-	132,839
Miscellaneous	55,889	30,842	-	935,423	-
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>16,272,829</b>	<b>3,191,390</b>	<b>3,721,078</b>	<b>9,118,756</b>	<b>132,839</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Administration	945,689	-	-	-	-
Police	3,829,123	-	-	-	-
Fire	2,669,403	-	-	-	-
Street	1,506,774	-	-	-	-
Sanitation	642,621	-	-	-	-
Planning & Development	510,580	-	-	-	-
Storm Water, Parks and Recreation	-	-	-	2,562,253	-
Community Services	171,778	-	-	-	-
Legislative	104,827	-	-	-	-
Judicial	192,093	-	-	-	-
Municipal Operations	1,809,450	-	-	-	-
Library	-	-	-	-	-
Sewer Lateral	-	-	-	-	112,914
Capital Outlay	-	1,861,186	-	23,302,659	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>12,382,338</b>	<b>1,861,186</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,864,912</b>	<b>112,914</b>
Transfer in (out)	(1,019,290)	(427,895)	-	1,465,485	(18,300)
Debt Service:					
Principal retirement	-	283,982	1,125,000	930,000	-
Interest and fiscal charges	-	157,431	1,452,312	1,603,551	-
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>441,413</b>	<b>2,577,312</b>	<b>2,533,551</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>12,382,338</b>	<b>2,302,599</b>	<b>2,577,312</b>	<b>28,398,463</b>	<b>112,914</b>
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES	2,871,201	460,896	1,143,766	(17,814,222)	1,625
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES(USES)	-	-	-	-	-
FUND BALANCES JANUARY 1, 2022	5,527,035	4,633,448	2,899,115	28,705,628	161,555
<b>FUND BALANCES DECEMBER 31, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 8,398,236</b>	<b>\$ 5,094,344</b>	<b>\$ 4,042,881</b>	<b>\$ 10,891,406</b>	<b>\$ 163,180</b>