

# Noteworthy

City of Wentzville news, information, important dates and more!

## Utility-Tax Refund: 2020 Updates

Residents requesting a 2020 utility tax rebate are encouraged to complete the process by mail or email this year. Utility tax rebates will be processed between now and June 30. Please call (636) 639-2155 if you have questions or would like to check your eligibility. To apply for a City utility tax rebate, eligible residents should use one of the following methods. Please include your phone number on all rebate items emailed or mailed so City staff can contact you, if necessary.

- **Email** the required documentation to [city.inquiry@wentzvillemo.org](mailto:city.inquiry@wentzvillemo.org)
- **Mail** the required documentation to Utility Tax Rebate, City of Wentzville, 1001 Schroeder Creek Blvd., Wentzville, MO 63385
- **Visit** City Hall after it opens on June 1; **an appointment will be necessary**. To make an appointment, please call (636) 639-2155.

### To be eligible, residents must:

- Rent or own your primary residence in the City of Wentzville;
- Be at least 65 years old or considered totally disabled by Social Security;
- Have an annual adjusted gross income of \$45,550 or less for a single household or \$52,050 or less for a married (two-person) household.

### Residents will need to provide the following:

- Photo ID or Social Security card
- Proof of Income (Tax form 1010, 1099, or Social Security Statement)
- Proof of Residency (Utility Bill or ID)
- Proof of Age and/or Disability (Social Security Statement)
- Municipal tax reports or copies of 2019 gas and electric bills. The refund amount is a portion of the "City Tax" or "Franchise Tax" listed on your electric, gas and phone bills for 2019.

## 2019 Consumer Confidence Report

The Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report (or CCR) is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made to provide safe drinking water to Wentzville residents. A copy of the complete 2019 CCR can be found at <https://dnr.mo.gov/ccr/MO6010849.pdf>. If Internet access is not available, a hard copy can be requested and mailed to you by contacting the City's Water Division at (636) 639-7564.

**Fun Times is going digital! Watch for more details coming soon.**



## Extra Patrol and Vacation Checks

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

## Important Reminders

Please note: In response to COVID-19 health and safety measures, Wentzville facility closures and special event schedules may be subject to change. For up-to-date information, please follow the City on social media or call (636) 327-5101. Learn more at [www.wentzvillemo.org/COVID-19](http://www.wentzvillemo.org/COVID-19).

City Hall reopens to the public on Monday, June 1. Health and safety precautions will be put in place to protect our visitors and employees. Residents are encouraged to call ahead to learn about procedures and/or to make an appointment, if necessary. There are many ways to do business with the City online. You can complete permits, pay bills, register for programs and more — all at [www.wentzvillemo.org](http://www.wentzvillemo.org).

Independence Day Holiday: This year, Independence Day falls on Saturday, July 4. City Hall will be closed to observe the holiday on Friday, July 3. Trash, recycling and yard-waste collection will not be affected by this holiday.

## Every. Single. Time.

The City of Wentzville Police Department reminds you to take your keys, remove or hide valuables and lock your vehicle doors. Do this every time to establish a good habit so you don't become a victim of theft.

**TAKE.  
HIDE.  
LOCK.**

## Backflow Test Reports Due June 1

All lawn irrigation systems, fire sprinkler systems and commercial service lines within the City of Wentzville are required to contain a backflow prevention device and must be tested annually by a state of Missouri certified tester. Annual backflow test reports are due to the City of Wentzville by June 1. Early-bird filing fees are only \$5 through June 1. Learn more about where to send your backflow report, view a list of certified backflow testers, view the fee structure and more, at [www.wentzvillemo.org/backflowtests](http://www.wentzvillemo.org/backflowtests). Questions? Please call (636) 639-2165.

## Wentzville's Aquatic Facilities Will Not Open for the 2020 Season

The City's aquatic facilities will not be opening this summer. This includes both the Splash Station Aquatic Center and Progress Park pools. This decision was made out of an abundance of caution and based on a variety of factors including health and safety, staffing concerns, and finances.

"We know many of our residents and visitors look forward to summertime activities at our pools. However, we, like many communities across the country, are analyzing our programs and services to ensure we are taking the appropriate steps to protect everyone and to continue being good stewards of the resources we have," Mayor Nick Guiccone said. "Unfortunately, this involves making tough decisions by myself, the board and staff related to the facilities, programs and events that our community has come to know and love."

As always, the health and safety of Wentzville's residents, visitors and employees remains our number one concern. When considering whether to open our pools, we analyzed issues such as keeping restrooms, lounge chairs and food-service areas sanitized; and we reviewed options for social distancing as it applies to open swim, aquatic-fitness classes, swim lessons and more. In addition, many families have expressed serious concerns about allowing their teens to work this summer, leaving the Department with many vacant positions.

"Every day, the Parks and Recreation Department is tasked with three major objectives: 1) to offer and operate programs and facilities that are clean, safe and financially sustainable; 2) to ensure individuals using our facilities or participating in our programs have a safe, enjoyable and quality experience; and 3) to ensure every Department employee is well trained, customer-oriented and able to work in a safe work environment," said Mike Lueck, Parks and Recreation Director. "Opening the pools does not necessarily meet these objectives at this time. As we have progressed through this pandemic and continue to move forward, our focus remains on safely providing services that residents value and on building relationships with those we encounter in the community every day."

The Parks and Recreation Department continues to plan family-friendly events and programs for this summer as our parks and public spaces are allowed to safely re-open. As changes are finalized, those programs will be shared on our website at [www.wentzvillemo.org/parksandrec](http://www.wentzvillemo.org/parksandrec) and social media channels.



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Be the first to know about revised hours, upcoming events, trash and recycling changes and more! Follow the City of Wentzville's various social media channels to stay connected. Find links to follow us at [www.wentzvillemo.org/getconnected](http://www.wentzvillemo.org/getconnected).



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Parks & Recreation 

## Progress Park Recreation Center Re-Opens

In light of COVID-19 concerns, the City of Wentzville has been working closely with public health officials to make choices in the best interest of the Wentzville community. In accordance with the guidance from the state of Missouri and the St. Charles County Public Health Department, the City will begin to gradually open facilities using a phased approach.

Progress Park Recreation Center re-opened to the public on Monday, May 11. Until further notice, the facility will be open to pass holders only from 6-10 a.m. and 2-8 p.m., Monday-Friday. The mid-day and weekend closures will allow staff to thoroughly clean the facility to ensure frequently touched surfaces are sanitized regularly.

Activities permitted in the facility will be limited. No contact games or activities will be allowed. Available amenities will include access to fitness areas, the track and the gymnasium for pickleball play only. Patrons are encouraged to bring their own sports and safety equipment.

These measures will be in place until further notice. The City will continue to monitor the situation and to make decisions that are in the community's best interest. If you have any questions, please call (636) 332-9236.

