



BULLETIN • SUMMER 2024

## FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR DIMMITT:

We're going to take a pause on my series of articles looking at the City's five departments. Instead, I think it's a good time to explain the City's funding and how fiscally responsible we are.

As a primer, the City has five different funds: General, Stormwater & Parks Improvements (SW&P), Capital Improvements, Economic Development, and Lateral Sewer. Each has its own source(s) of revenue and its own projects or responsibilities to fund (i.e. lateral sewer helps pay for repairs to lateral sewers, capital improvements funds long-term assets like city vehicles, etc.). In 2024, we are projecting total revenues of \$32,173,192.



So where does this \$32 million come from? As mentioned in the last newsletter, the vast majority of the City's revenues come from sales taxes. In 2024 we are projecting that \$20,146,972 of this \$32M, or 62%, will come from local sales taxes. Very little of our revenues are from real estate taxes — and those are only on commercial properties. In fact, less than 2% (\$518,624) of Brentwood's total revenues come from property taxes. Brentwood continues to be one of a few municipalities in the St. Louis region that does not assess general fund residential property taxes. If you look at your real estate tax bill, you will see a number of line items. However the two for Brentwood — Brentwood General Fund and Brentwood Debt Service — are both \$0.00. The remainder of the revenue comes from licenses and permits, charges for services, utility taxes, and other miscellaneous sources.

Some of our five funds rely more heavily on sales taxes than others. For instance, Economic Development receives 100% of its funding from the ½ cent sales tax passed by the residents in 2018 while Sewer Improvements receives none of its funding from sales taxes. The General Fund, which is the largest, receives 70% of its revenue from sales taxes.

We have continued to see growth in our revenues over the last few years and conservatively project increases for the foreseeable future. Moreover, and as a testament to our financial stewardship, we have grown our reserves each year.

I trust this give you a little more insight into how we are able to provide the amenities to you, be it policing, street repair, parks, etc. I am grateful to our Board of Aldermen who continue to do the heavy work by making the tough, difficult decisions on how to spend our revenue. Thanks to their hard work, we are able to continue to provide the services to our residents to which they have become accustomed.

If you are interested in taking a more detailed look at Brentwood's finances, the City's comprehensive budget is available on the City website. You can find monthly financial reports, and wage and salary information for City employees on the website's transparency portal. Residents are always welcome to attend the City's Board of Aldermen meetings. Finally, you can contact any of the city's leaders and they will be happy to answer any questions.

# Stay Safe and Have Fun: Essential Summer Safety Tips

Summer is officially here and with the new Brentwood Park Destination Playground open and ready for fun, it's important to remember the following tips to stay safe while enjoying yourself outdoors!



### 1. Stay Hydrated

Dehydration is a common risk during hot summer days. Make sure to:

- **Bring plenty of water:** Carry enough for everyone in your group, especially if you plan to be active.
- **Drink regularly:** Don't wait until you're thirsty. Drink water at regular intervals.

### 2. Protect Yourself from the Sun

Sunburns can quickly ruin a day at the park and increase the risk of skin cancer.

- **Use sunscreen:** Apply a broad-spectrum sunscreen with at least SPF 30. Reapply every two hours and after swimming or sweating.
- **Wear protective clothing:** Long-sleeved shirts, wide-brimmed hats, and sunglasses can provide additional protection.
- **Seek shade:** Take breaks under trees or bring an umbrella to create your own shade.

### 3. Be Mindful of Heat-Related Illnesses

Excessive heat can lead to serious health issues like heat exhaustion or heat stroke.

- **Know the symptoms:** Dizziness, headache, nausea, and rapid heartbeat are signs of heat exhaustion. Heat stroke symptoms include confusion, lack of sweat despite the heat, and loss of consciousness.
- **Rest in cool areas:** If you or someone else shows symptoms of a heat-related illness, move to a shaded or air-conditioned area immediately and seek medical help if necessary.

### 4. Plan and Pack Accordingly

A little preparation can go a long way in ensuring a smooth and safe park visit.

- **First aid kit:** Bring a basic first aid kit for minor injuries.
- **Insect repellent:** Protect yourself from mosquito bites and ticks, which can carry diseases.
- **Proper footwear:** Wear sturdy shoes suitable for the terrain to prevent slips and falls.

### 5. Follow Park Rules and Regulations

Adhering to park rules helps ensure a safe environment for everyone.

- **Stay on designated trails:** This helps prevent accidents and protects natural habitats.
- **Dispose of trash properly:** Use bins provided or take your trash with you to keep the park clean and safe.

By following these summer safety tips, you can ensure a fun, enjoyable, and safe experience at the park. Remember, a little preparation can make all the difference in preventing accidents and health issues. So pack your essentials, respect nature, and have a fantastic time exploring the beauty of our community parks this summer!

# Dr. Amy Zielinski Named New Superintendent of Schools

The Brentwood School District Board of Education voted on Jan. 30 to hire Dr. Amy Zielinski as the district’s next superintendent of schools, effective July 1, 2024. Dr. Zielinski brings 22 years of educational experience to her new role at Brentwood, including 12 years in school administration. She currently serves as the assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction in the Ladue School District.



“Dr. Zielinski was a clear frontrunner in an excellent pool of applicants, with a proven track record as the instructional leader of a well-respected school district,” said Lindsay Spencer, Brentwood Board of Education president. “Dr. Zielinski’s enthusiasm and commitment to excellence is evident, and we are confident in her strong leadership abilities that will continue to place Brentwood as one of the top performing school districts in Missouri.”

As assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction in Ladue, Dr. Zielinski oversees the district’s teaching and learning efforts, including curriculum development, instructional design and coaching, data analysis, assessment and professional learning. She led the creation of the district’s Comprehensive School Improvement Plan and worked closely with school and district administrators to develop an instructional framework that provides meaningful feedback to teachers on classroom best practices.

Dr. Zielinski also facilitated districtwide diversity, equity and inclusion work and led the creation of the Catalyst program, a collaborative effort between the Brentwood, Clayton, Ladue, and University City school districts that offers innovative programming to help high school students find their passions, develop their skills and explore postsecondary pathways.

“I am extremely passionate about education and helping all students succeed academically, socially and emotionally,” said Dr. Zielinski. “I love meeting new people, building relationships and developing community partnerships that enhance the academic and extracurricular opportunities available for our students. Together, we can celebrate our achievements and take pride in the positive impact we are creating in the Brentwood community and beyond.”

**Craft Class for Adults: Book Making**

Two class options:  
 Tuesday, June 18 at 6:00 p.m.  
 Saturday, June 22 at 2:00 p.m.  
 Ages 18 and up. Registration required.

**BRENTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
 8795 Ladale Avenue, Brentwood, Missouri  
 brentwoodlibrarymo.org

**children's yoga**

Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.

Children's Yoga is presented by Complete Harmony Yoga for Youth. Bring a yoga mat or towel. Classes are great for children ages 3-5, but open to children of all ages. Free. No registration required.

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**Toddler Story Time**

Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.

30-minutes of songs, stories, and bubbles. Ideal for children 0 to 6 years. Free. No registration required.

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## Brentwood Library Upcoming Events

These are just a few of the many upcoming events at the Brentwood Public Library. For the full list of events visit:

<https://www.brentwoodlibrary-mo.org/calendar-2/>

**VITALITY STRETCH YOGA**

MONDAYS, MAY 6  
 JUNE 3  
 JULY 1  
 AUGUST 5

10:00-11:00 AM

Our certified yoga instructor guides the class through chair stretches, postures and flows. Free. For ages 50 and up.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CALL OR USE QR-CODE TO REGISTER.

Held at the Brentwood Community Center (2503 S Brentwood Blvd, Brentwood, MO)

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**Balance Barre for Seniors**

THURSDAY APRIL 18  
 MONDAYS MAY 20  
 JUNE 17  
 JULY 15  
 AUGUST 19

ALL CLASSES ARE 10:00-11:00 AM

Balance Barre consists of combinations of modified barre exercises and cardio. Free. For ages 50 and up.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED. CALL OR USE QR-CODE TO REGISTER.

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**SUMMER READING CLUB**

FREE COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES

READ BOOKS. WIN PRIZES. HAVE FUN!

MAY 13 - AUGUST 31, 2024

<b>MAY 13</b> RED & BLACK BRASS BAND	<b>JUNE 03</b> READ TO A BOOK	<b>JUNE 24</b> READ TO A BOOK
<b>JUNE 05</b> READ TO A BOOK	<b>JULY 03</b> READ TO A BOOK	<b>JULY 12</b> CONCERT
<b>JUNE 10</b> LEARN TO DO	<b>JULY 15</b> SUPPORTS SENIORS	<b>JULY 22</b> LEARN TO DO
<b>JUNE 14</b> CHAMBRAY	<b>JULY 19</b> LEARN TO DO	<b>AUGUST 05</b> LEARN TO DO
<b>JUNE 17</b> LOOPY LUPIN BASKET	<b>AUGUST 12</b> LEARN TO DO	
<b>JUNE 21</b> LEARN TO DO		

Registration required to attend. Some opportunities are pre-registered and limited to 100 people. Register by calling 636-251-1111.

# CITY OF BRENTWOOD 2024 HOLIDAY TRASH SCHEDULE

Holiday	Date	Change
New Year's Day 2024	Monday, January 1, 2024	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Tues-Sat)
Live Christmas Tree Recycling	January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; February 7	Tree pickup on Wednesdays 7:00 am - 2:00 pm
MLK Day	Monday, January 15	Regular services (Monday-Friday)
Presidents' Day	Monday, February 19	Regular services (Monday-Friday)
Confluence Trash Bash Event	Around early April	Special event - see below
Memorial Day	Monday, May 27	Regular services (Monday-Friday)
Juneteenth	Wednesday, June 19	Regular services (Monday-Friday)
Independence Day	Thursday, July 4	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Fri-Sat)
Labor Day	Monday, September 2	Regular services (Monday-Friday)
Veterans' Day Observed	Monday, November 11	Regular services (Monday-Friday)
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 28	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Fri-Sat)
Christmas Day 2023	Wednesday, December 25, 2023	No trash service. Pickup resumes one day after regular schedule (Thurs-Sat)

Basic trash, recycling, and yard waste services are provided to Brentwood residents free of charge.

Large item pickup is available for an additional fee. Please see Household Pickup Information located under Government > Departments > Public Works on [www.brentwoodmo.org](http://www.brentwoodmo.org). To schedule a large item pickup and inquire about fee schedules, call 314.962.4800.

## COMING SOON: Brentwood's New Street Sweeper!

FEMA and SEMA approved the purchase of a new street sweeper for 2024. The sweeper will be ordered in June 2024.

In the meantime, we will continue offering street sweeping services using a borrowed sweeper. The next round of sweeping will occur the week of June 10, 2024. Please keep an eye on social media for information regarding the sweeping route.

## A South City Staple Set to Open Sister Location in Brentwood

Donut lovers in St. Louis have surely tried one of the delectable treats from Donut Drive-In. Located in South St. Louis City in the Lindenwood Park neighborhood, Donut Drive-In is a neighborhood mainstay. Now, more than 70 years after the flagship location opened its doors, owners are bringing its sister location, Donut Drive-up (8950 Manchester Rd.) to the City of Warmth!

For years, Brentwood has been a donut desert! Missing a good, old-fashioned donut shop of its own, but not for long.

Set to open very soon, Donut Drive-Up will offer their signature donuts, plus a full coffee menu, and a new item, soft-serve ice cream!

Spur of the moment, you will be able to snag fan-favorites like the famous apple fritter, donut holes, cinnamon swirls, and blueberry cake donuts. They'll also have pre-packed random-assortment half and full dozens on-site. If you plan ahead you have access to the full donut menu via pre-order at [www.donutdriveup.com](http://www.donutdriveup.com).

The future is bright for this fun new venture, and we are so excited to welcome Donut Drive-Up to Brentwood! Stay tuned for more information about the official opening date!



## CITY SERVICES

### CodeRED/OnSolve Emergency Notification + Weather Warning Alerts

Sign up to receive notifications of emergencies, weather alerts, or critical community alerts via phone, email or text. Click the CodeRED button on the home page of [brentwoodmo.org](http://brentwoodmo.org) or call 314.963.6710 to sign up. Download the CodeRED Mobile Alert by Onsolve LLC mobile app for real-time, location-specific alerts.

Brentwood's CodeRED Community Notification System includes CodeRED Weather Warning, which provides 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.

The City of Brentwood sends 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.

There is no charge to residents or businesses for this service.

### 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, call 314.963.8685.

### Medication Disposal

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

### Notary

Please call 314.962.4800 to make an arrangement for Notary services at Brentwood City Hall.

## "REPORT A CONCERN": MAKE A REQUEST OR SUBMIT A CONCERN



Make requests (such as a vacation check or a household bulk item pick-up) or submit concerns (such as a pothole or tall weeds) through the MyGov request-tracking system via the home page of [brentwoodmo.org](http://brentwoodmo.org).

Click on the "Report a Concern" button, choose a category and topic, complete the information, and submit your request.

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## Destination Playground Grand Opening

Brentwood Parks and Recreation unveiled its newest playground on April 6. The grand opening included a ribbon cutting, food trucks, face painters, and of course the opening of our Destination Playground to the public. We had a huge turn out with people coming to visit us from all around the St. Louis region and beyond. Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate our grand opening with us!



We hope you'll come and visit us soon at Brentwood Park!

## PARKS AND RECREATION UPCOMING EVENTS



### Parent's Night Out

#### Parents Night Out

Drop off the kids and have a night out! Children will have the opportunity to eat dinner, watch a movie, play games, and go ice skating! Each night has a unique theme!

Dates: Friday, June 7, July 19, August 2

Time: 5:30 - 9:30 PM

Location: Brentwood Community Center

Price: Res. \$25 / Non-Res. \$30



### Children's Movement Dance Class

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Children's movement will be an interactive 45-minute class. They will be introduced to the basics of dance and learn to develop their movements through fun activities. Children will be asked to wear leotards and either dance shorts, skirts, or pants for girls and a shirt with athletic bottoms for boys. All children are asked to have some sort of dance wear for shoes such as ballet shoes or jazz shoes. Join us for a fun time of movement development and introduction to the dance world.

Date: May 6 - August 26 (Mondays)

Time: 5 - 5:45 PM

Location: Brentwood Community Center

Price: Red \$40 / Non-Res. \$50



### Combo Beginner Dance Class

#### Combo - Beginner Dance Class

This class will be an hour long, allowing for 30 minutes of ballet and 30 minutes of jazz/hip hop. Children will begin working on dance techniques and short routines for memory. The ballet portion will involve bar technique time and across the floor time. The Jazz/Hip hop portion will include a stretching section, dance technique and short combos to work on memory. Children will be asked to wear leotards and either dance shorts, skirts, or pants for girls and a shirt with athletic bottoms for boys. All children are asked to have some sort of dance wear for shoes such as ballet shoes or jazz shoes. This class is perfect to allow your child to explore dance and discover their new passions.

Dates: May 6 - August 26 (Mondays)

Time: 6 - 7 PM

Location: Brentwood Community Center

Price: Res. \$40 / Non-Res. \$50

Find these and more upcoming events online: [BrentwoodMO.org/Parks](https://www.brentwoodmo.org/Parks)

Pre-Register for programs by calling the Brentwood Parks and Recreation Department at 314.963.8689 or register online at [Webtrac.Brentwoodmo.org](https://www.brentwoodmo.org).

#### 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](https://www.brentwoodmo.org/parks) | [www.brentwoodmo.org/ice](https://www.brentwoodmo.org/ice)



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Please check the calendar on the home page of the City website, [brentwoodmo.org](http://brentwoodmo.org), for meeting updates and in-person and virtual access information. Meetings and events are subject to change or cancellation.

The following meetings are streamed live and recordings are available on the City's YouTube Channel at [youtube.com/c/brentwoodmogovtv](https://youtube.com/c/brentwoodmogovtv): Board of Aldermen, Planning & Zoning Commission, Communications Committee, Public Safety Committee, Public Works Committee, and Ways & Means Committee. To be notified when a meeting goes live, click the subscribe button.

## JUNE

- 6 Ways & Means Committee, 5:30 PM
- 10 Municipal Court, 5 PM
- 12 Planning and Zoning, 6:30 PM
- 13 Public Works Committee, 6 PM
- 17 Board of Aldermen, 6 PM
- 18 Communications Committee, 6 PM
- 19 Juneteenth (City Hall Closed)
- 20 Architectural Review Board, 6:30 PM
- 24 Municipal Court, 5 PM
- 24 Sustainability Commission, 6 PM
- 26 Public Safety, 5:30 PM
- 26 Site Plan Subcommittee, 6 PM
- 27 Coffee with the Mayor, 9 AM
- 27 Board of Adjustment, 7 PM

## JULY

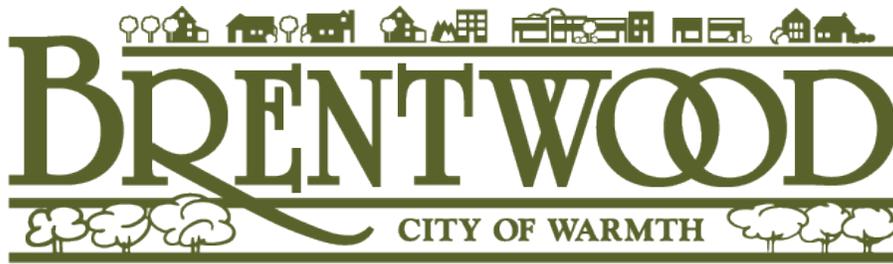
- 4 Independence Day (City Hall Closed)
- 8 Municipal Court, 5 PM
- 9 Ways & Means Committee, 5:30 PM
- 10 Planning and Zoning, 6:30 PM
- 11 Public Works Committee, 6 PM
- 15 Board of Aldermen, 6 PM
- 16 Communications Committee, 6 PM
- 18 Architectural Review Board, 6:30 PM
- 22 Sustainability Commission, 6 PM
- 24 Public Safety, 5:30 PM
- 25 Coffee with the Mayor, 9 AM
- 25 Board of Adjustment, 7 PM
- 31 Site Plan Subcommittee, 6 PM

## AUGUST

- 1 Ways & Means Committee, 5:30 PM
- 3 Residential Paper Shredding, 9 AM
- 8 Public Works Committee, 6 PM
- 10 Electronics Recycling, 8 AM
- 12 Municipal Court, 5 PM
- 14 Planning and Zoning, 6:30 PM
- 15 Architectural Review Board, 6:30 PM
- 19 Board of Aldermen, 6 PM
- 20 Communications Committee, 6 PM
- 22 Board of Adjustment, 7 PM
- 26 Municipal Court, 5 PM
- 26 Sustainability Commission, 6 PM
- 28 Public Safety, 5:30 PM
- 28 Site Plan Subcommittee, 6 PM
- 29 Coffee with the Mayor, 9 AM

## SEPTEMBER

- 2 Labor Day (City Hall Closed)
- 3 Board of Aldermen, 7 PM
- 5 Ways and Means Committee, 5:30 PM
- 11 Planning and Zoning, 6:30 PM
- 12 Public Works Committee, 6 PM
- 16 Board of Aldermen, 7 PM
- 17 Communications Committee, 6 PM
- 19 Architectural Review Board, 6:30 PM
- 20 Brentwood Days
- 21 Brentwood Days
- 23 Sustainability Commission, 6 PM
- 25 Public Safety, 5:30 PM
- 25 Site Plan Subcommittee, 6 PM
- 26 Coffee with the Mayor, 9 AM
- 26 Board of Adjustment, 7 PM



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963.8680  
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