



CITY OF EUREKA NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2018

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

City offices will be closed on Monday, December 24th; Tuesday, December 25th; Monday, December 31st; and Tuesday, January 1st, in observance of the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The entire City staff extends best wishes to you and your family for a happy holiday season. City offices will also be closed on Monday, January 21st in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

TRASH AND RECYCLING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

In observance of Christmas Day and New Year's Day, Tuesday, December 25th and Tuesday, January 1st, all service days will be changed from their scheduled day to the day following. If your service is normally scheduled for Tuesday it will be picked up on Wednesday of that week, Wednesday's pickup will be on Thursday, Thursday's pickup will be on Friday, and Friday's pickup will be on Saturday. The service day for Monday will be unaffected. Trash collection during the week of January 21st will remain unchanged, due to the fact that the trash hauler does not observe Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

CANDIDATE FILING - APRIL 2019 ELECTION

Filing for the position of Mayor and Alderpersons in Wards 1, 2 and 3 for the April 2, 2019 election opened at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 and closes at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 2019. The minimum age is 25 for Mayor and 18 for Alderperson. Candidates may file for office at City Hall during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For additional information, please contact City Clerk Ralph Lindsey.

RECYCLING PROGRAM

The recycling industry has changed significantly in 2018, and it is now impacting cities around the world, especially "single stream" recyclers like the City of Eureka. China, which had been the world's largest importer of recyclables, no longer allows single stream recyclable materials from the United States. Since China was the primary market for single stream materials, all cities using single stream must change their recycling programs or face significantly higher costs and customer rates or consider ending recycling. Fortunately, we found a solution that will sustain recycling in Eureka without interruption. Due to questions from residents regarding the new guidelines, Waste Connections is refining verbiage on the flyer and further information on how your cooperation will help us maintain our affordable rates will be enclosed in the utility bill mailing within the next few months.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - PUBLIC WORKS MAINTENANCE WORKER

The City of Eureka is accepting applications for a Public Works Maintenance Worker. There is no application deadline, and interviews will be conducted periodically until the position is filled. Minimum qualifications include a high school diploma or equivalent and a Missouri Drivers License. Experience with asphalt, concrete, grounds maintenance and backhoe operation is preferred. Starting salary is \$27,500.00, plus excellent benefits. The job description and employment application are available 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at Eureka City Hall, 100 City Hall Drive, and on the City's website (www.eureka.mo.us). Mail resume and/or application to: Bob Wade; Public Works Supervisor; P.O. Box 125; Eureka, MO 63025 or by email (rwade@eureka.mo.us). For additional information, contact Bob Wade at 636-938-6655, Extension 400 or rwade@eureka.mo.us. The City of Eureka is an EOE/ADA employer.

THEFT PROTECTION MEASURES

Garages may be entered via garage door openers left in unlocked vehicles and through unlocked doors allowing items to be stolen while you are sleeping. Be sure to lock your vehicles, remove valuable items and close and lock garage doors. If you witness any suspicious activity, please call the Police Department at 938-6600.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN ACTION

Adopted the following by Ordinance:

- Rezoning 529 North Virginia Avenue and 562 West Avenue from R-5 to Planned Commercial
- Amending Motor Vehicle Provisions
- Rezoning 5.06 acres from Large Lot Residential to R-3 Single Family Residential at 618 Wengler Road
- Approving the Subdivision of approximately 5.06 acre parcel located on Wengler Road
- Rezoning 5.74 acres from R-5 CUP to R-5A Multiple Family Residential at 625 The Legends Parkway

Resolution No. 11-6-18-1 adopting a Voluntary Flood Buyout Program Policy and identifying a Project Manager

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

There are a number of severe weather hazards that affect Missouri, including thunderstorms, tornadoes, lightning, floods and flash floods, damaging winds and large hail, snow and ice. Severe weather hazards have the potential to cause extensive property damage, injury and/or death. The National Weather Service and the American Red Cross have developed Emergency Preparedness Guides, which contain information about winter weather terms and tips for staying safe at home, in the car and at work or school. Emergency preparedness is no longer the sole concern of earthquake prone Californians and those who live in the part of the country known as "Tornado Alley". Knowing what to do during an emergency is an important part of being prepared and may make all the difference when seconds count. Go to www.ready.gov for preparedness tips.

HOME SAFETY TIPS

The high cost of home heating fuels and utilities has caused many people to search for alternate sources of heating. The following is a list of things to help prevent potential fire hazards:

- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Never allow children to play near any heating source such as a fireplace or space heater.
- Have your chimney inspected and cleaned annually by a certified chimney professional and use a metal mesh screen when in use.
- Have a fire extinguisher available.
- Store fuels in proper containers keeping them out of the reach of children and away from combustibles.
- Teach young children that hot things can burn them.

In at least 23% of all fatal residential fires no smoke alarms were present. Keep your family safe by installing a smoke and carbon monoxide alarm on every level of your home and inside bedrooms. If your bedrooms are on an upper level, you may want to purchase an emergency escape ladder. In addition, have an escape plan ready and practice it on a regular basis.

SNOW REMINDER

During winter storms, it is a great help to the City's Public Works Department if vehicles are parked in driveways. City snowplow crews are able to do a more thorough job if they do not have to plow around parked vehicles on streets.

LIVE CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

All decorations (including tinsel) should be removed for Christmas tree disposal after the holidays. Do not place trees in plastic bags. It is not necessary to cut and bundle Christmas trees for pickup.

ADDRESS NUMBERS

Just a reminder, as required by City Code, all residential property located within the City limits shall have address numbers, a minimum height of 4", affixed to your residence or placed on the property so as to be clearly visible by emergency and City vehicles from the street in front of the residence.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY RULES

Just a reminder when walking or riding bicycles along thoroughfares - the rule of thumb when walking is to always walk facing the oncoming traffic. However, when riding a bicycle, you should be traveling in the same direction as the traffic flow. In both instances, wear light colored clothing and reflective material during the evening hours.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5TH - ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST

The Eureka Masons are hosting a breakfast the first Saturday of each month from 6:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the Masonic Lodge (across from Farmers and Merchants Bank). Adults are \$8.00 and children are \$3.00 (ages 5 and under are free). Eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast, pancakes, home fries and biscuits & gravy will be served. Proceeds from the breakfasts are used for Eureka High School Scholarships and Shriners Hospital.