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## April 2016 Ballot Issue: Proposition B

Following a court decision, which invalidated local sales taxes on vehicles purchased out of state, the legislature reinstated this tax for all jurisdictions with local sales taxes. The legislation stipulates, however, that each entity levying a sales tax must place on the ballot the question of retaining the use tax on out of state vehicle purchases. This election must take place by November 2016, and if the jurisdiction fails to place the question on the ballot or if it fails, out of state vehicle tax collections will cease.

Most jurisdictions across the State, including the City of Wildwood, have placed this issue on the April 2016 Ballot, as Proposition B, which will read as shown: (see box)

If Proposition B fails, it is estimated that the impact to the City of Wildwood would be a loss in excess of \$70,000 in annual revenue. Please contact Ryan S. Thomas, City Administrator, at (636) 405-2041 or ryan@cityof-wildwood.com, with any questions regarding Proposition B.

### PROPOSITION B

Shall the City of Wildwood, Missouri continue applying and collecting the local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors that were purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer? Rejection of this measure will result in a reduction of local revenue to provide for vital services for the City of Wildwood, Missouri and it will place Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers at a competitive disadvantage to non-Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers.

\_\_\_\_\_YES                      \_\_\_\_\_ NO

**INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:** If you are in favor of the question, place an “X” opposite “YES”. If you are opposed to the question, place an “X” opposite “NO”.

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**City Hall** (636) 458-0440  
**Emergency** (Fire or Police) 911  
**Police** (Non-Emergency) Wildwood (636) 458-9194

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Timothy Woerther

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Ward 2 - Ray Manton & Ed Marshall

Ward 3 - Sue Cullinane & Jim Baugus

Ward 4 - Katie Dodwell & Marc Cox

Ward 5 - Debra Smith McCutchen & Dave Bertolino

Ward 6 - Jim Bowlin & Vacancy

Ward 7 - Jeff Levitt & Greg Stine

Ward 8 - Joe Garritano & Larry Goodson

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### Planning Technician

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### Account Clerk/Human Resources Assistant

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### Receptionist

Ruth Waters

### Special Projects Coordinator

Lynne Greene-Beldner

# Mayor's Message



## Hello fellow Wildwood resident!

This is the first edition of the Gazette for 2016 and on the pages that follow you'll find a number of articles worth reading and dates worth putting on your Wildwood calendar. This edition contains updates on numerous projects that are either underway or planned for 2016, as well as recreational programming, Council and Mayoral candidate biographies, and information about the 2016 budget for the City. Several of the projects and meeting dates noted in this issue may draw your interest. As I outline the State of the City, each of the items discussed are tied back to the City's Five-Year Strategic Goals and Objectives that were updated last year.

In the ongoing economic environment, the City's finances continue to be a top concern of myself, the City Council, and staff. At the end of 2015, the City finished with a surplus, which resulted in continued growth in the City's General Fund. The amount now held in the General Fund balance tops twelve million dollars. This is significantly better than neighboring municipalities in nearly every instance.

The City's 2016 budget is slightly more optimistic, primarily due to the anticipated increase in General Fund revenue from the countywide one-cent sales tax. Maintaining a fiscally-conservative approach to budgeting and expenditures, however, will continue to be in the forefront of my mind throughout 2016.

One item I'd like to note is that four years ago we had a new Municipal Building under construction. The cost for the new building was paid for using two methods. The majority of the cost was paid for from the General

Fund, using five million dollars that had been allocated for the project. The remaining cost of three million dollars was financed through annual certificates of participation, which are essentially a mortgage that required annual renewal. The certificates were anticipated to be renewed for twenty years to pay for the full three million dollars financed. I am happy to note that in this year's budget, funds have been allocated that will pay the remaining principal balance of about two-and-a-half million dollars from the General Fund. This will result in a savings of about nine-hundred thousand dollars of interest the City won't have to pay, and it eliminates any remaining indebtedness for the building.

The early payoff of this financing is very significant. It was possible due to the City's ongoing conservative fiscal approach, which allowed the City to accumulate funds and pay for the issued certificates of participation before many of us thought it would be possible.

Following our twentieth anniversary, you will find that this year the City staff has planned a full calendar of activities that should appeal to just about everyone in some way, shape or form. Likely, by the time you read this article the annual Frozen Feet Run, Family Snow Sports Day at Hidden Valley Ski Resort, and the February Cabin Fever Hike have all taken place. These three events are just the start of the 60-plus events planned for 2016. Check the City's website at [www.cityofwildwood.com](http://www.cityofwildwood.com) for more events and information. If you attend one of these events, be sure to say "Hi" and "Thanks" to those you see working the event, as they are most likely members of City staff and the ones who make each and every one of these events possible.

Finally, I would be happy to put a face to City government and discuss with you any of the issues or plans that are being considered. Feel free to contact me at [twoerther@cityofwildwood.com](mailto:twoerther@cityofwildwood.com), or at home at (636) 458-3729 to schedule time to meet. As always, feel free to direct any questions or concerns you might have via the same methods of contact.

Thank you for reading.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Timothy Woerther". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

Mayor Tim Woerther





*Wildwood Town Center*

## Economic Development Plan for 2016

The City of Wildwood is many things to its residents and visitors, but it is also something different to its business community. It is a place these small business owners have decided to make a part of their life and depend on it for their livelihood. Given business owners' investments in the community, the City has been investigating opportunities to assist in making Wildwood a great location for all businesses to stay, grow, and open. This effort began with the formation of a group of City Council Members into an Economic Development Task Force, which was given the charge to develop a plan for these purposes. To assist in the development of this plan, a consultant was engaged and requested to study the business environment in Wildwood and to make recommendations to the City Council for future implementation.

The consultant, Houseal Lavigne of Chicago, Illinois, has completed the draft of the City's plan and provided it to the Economic Development Task Force and City Council for comments. These comments have been forwarded to the consultant for response and inclusion in the report, if appropriate. The main component of the report that has been the focus of the Economic

Development Task Force of City Council, has been the identification of specific action items, including the following, plus potentially others.

- a. Establish and institutionalize a formal business recruitment, retention, and expansion program (retaining businesses already located in Wildwood is the best development tool).
- b. Begin to build an entrepreneurial ecosystem.
- c. Begin to evaluate partnerships for long-term retail development.
- d. Invest in and leverage the "Historic Manchester Road" District as a catalyst.

Each of these Action Items has a number of Initiation Steps associated with them. These steps are intended to be understandable in terms of their respective implementation, manageable from the perspective of staff's expertise at this time, and with the intent to allow them to be immediately started by current personnel.

If you would like to review the draft report and additional information on this plan, please visit the City of Wildwood's website at [www.cityof-wildwood.com](http://www.cityof-wildwood.com) and type in the Search Bar "Economic Development." Your input is always welcome.

# Meet Our New Employees

This edition of the Gazette features new employees that were hired by the City of Wildwood in recent months. These new employees, along with the other employees at City Hall, serve the over 35,000 residents of the City. To learn more about the full City Staff and their functions, please visit the City's website at [www.cityofwildwood.com](http://www.cityofwildwood.com).



Steve Vogel, Travis Newberry, Amanda Horstmann, and Rick Brown

## Department of Planning and Parks:

Travis Newberry was hired by the City at the end of November 2015. Travis was hired as a Planner in the Department of Planning and Parks and his primary responsibility will be to review applications for zonings and new development, as the liaison to the Planning and Zoning Commission, and as the liaison to the Architectural Review Board. He is a graduate of Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, with a Masters in Public Administration. Additionally, he previously interned at Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) and was a Planning Assistant for Madison County, Illinois Planning and Development Department.

Steve Vogel was also hired by the Department of Planning and Parks. Steve was hired as a Planning Technician and his primary responsibility is reviewing and processing zoning authorizations for building permits. Steve has a background in Information Technology (IT). Additionally, Steve will be assisting with the City's Board of Adjustment.

Amanda Horstmann is the new Recreation Specialist, which is the third position that was recently filled by the City in the Department of Planning and Parks. Amanda will be assisting in the City's numerous events and parks and recreation programs. She is a graduate of Southeast Missouri State University, with a Bachelor of Science in Recreation & Park Administration. Amanda previously worked for the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) in Jefferson City for four (4) years.

## Department of Public Works:

Rick Brown, P.E., P.T.O.E., was hired as the Director of Public Works in March 2015. Rick, who resides in Wildwood, previously worked for HR Green, located in Chesterfield, and began his career with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MODOT), where he worked for thirteen (13) years. He graduated from the University of Missouri-Rolla (Missouri Science & Technology), with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and received his Master of Science in Civil Engineering from Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville. With Rick's experience in transportation and traffic engineering, he brings a great deal of expertise to this position.



Brendan Maher

Brendan Maher was recently hired as the Part-time Public Works Inspector. Brendan is currently a junior enrolled in the University of Missouri St. Louis/ Washington University joint undergraduate engineering program, pursuing his Civil Engineering degree.

With the hiring of these positions, the Departments of Planning and Parks and Public Works are at near full staffing. The City feels very fortunate to have filled these positions with these five (5) qualified individuals. If you should ever need their services, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning and Parks or the Department of Public Works at (636) 458-0440.

# How to Keep Your Driveway Entrance From Filling With Snow

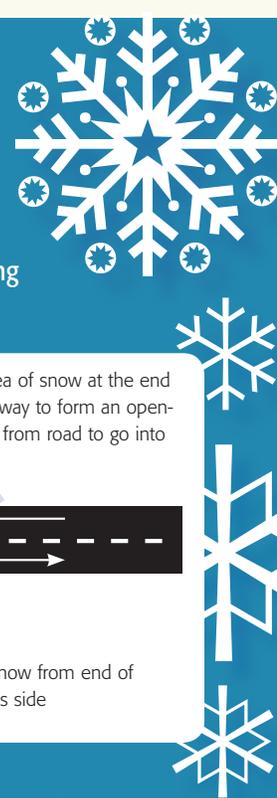
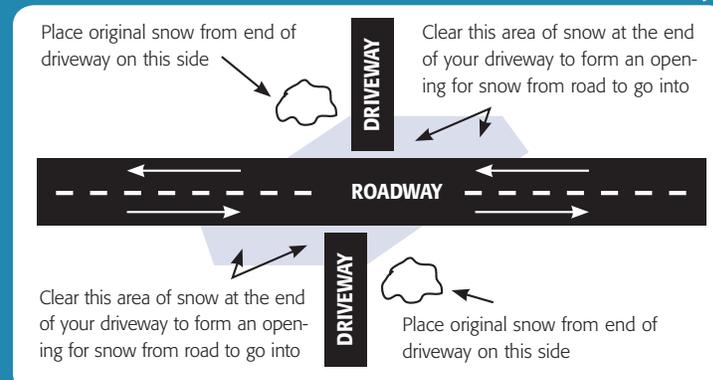
During and after each snowfall throughout the winter months, State, County, and City snowplow crews will be out clearing the highways, roads and streets. At the same time these crews are clearing streets, homeowners and other property owners will be clearing their driveways.

Many times after homeowners have cleared their driveways, a snowplow will come down the street and deposit snow from the roadway across the end of the freshly-cleared driveway. This is not intentional and snowplow crews can't help it from happening, but there is something homeowners can do to minimize this wintertime inconvenience.

The diagram below shows how you can clear snow around the end of your driveway and reduce the amount of re-clearing you will have to do after a snowplow clears the street in front of your property. The idea is to place the snow from the end of your driveway on the downstream side of your driveway, as the traffic flows. Then, clear an area upstream of your driveway. This

"pocket" of cleared area upstream of your driveway provides a place for the snow to go as it is cleared, instead of all of it landing across the end of your driveway.

Also, remember to be extremely careful anytime you're working next to the roadway. This is especially important when snowplowing operations are in progress.



# Your 2016 Mayoral and City Council Candidates

On April 5, Wildwood voters will go to the polls to elect the City's next Mayor and eight City Council members. Wildwood's Mayor is elected at large, and all registered voters within the City limits will have an opportunity to cast their vote for a mayoral candidate. City Council members, however, are elected only by residents of the Wards in which the candidates live and are elected to represent.

Wildwood's Mayor is elected to a four-year term, with duties that include appointing members to various City Committees, Boards and Commissions; signing contracts and legal documents on behalf of the City; and voting on legislation when the City Council vote is tied. The Mayor also has veto power on City legislation.

City Council members from each of the City's eight Wards serve staggered, two-year terms, which results in one new Council member from each Ward being elected every April. As the legislative branch and governing body of the City, the City Council's major function is to adopt policy, which generally takes the form of ordinances, resolutions, and budget adoptions.

Please see the responses by all of the April 2016 candidates to a request for biographical information. This information is provided to help voters make an informed decision when they go to the polls on April 5. The candidates are listed first by ward, and then by filing order in each ward. An asterisk next to a candidate's name denotes that candidate is an incumbent.

## 2016 Mayoral Candidate



**Jim Bowlin**

2165 Timberline Valley Drive  
Wildwood, MO 63069

Jim Bowlin is running unopposed for Mayor. Mr. Bowlin is a 10-year resident of Wildwood, and currently serves as one of Ward Six's Council Members. In that capacity, he serves as Chairperson of the City's Administration/Public Works Committee. Mr. Bowlin was appointed to the City Council for Ward Six in 2014, and elected to the position in 2015. In addition to serving on the City Council, his public service to Wildwood includes several years as a member on the City's Board of Adjustment and Historic Preservation Commission.

Mr. Bowlin is a businessman and entrepreneur, and a former practicing business attorney. He is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Keystone Mutual Insurance Company, a Missouri medical professional liability insurer he formed in 2007. In addition, he is President of Cogaris Insurance Group, LLC, an insurance agency captive to Keystone Mutual.

He has lectured extensively on risk management issues, and is the author of a book and articles on these subjects. Prior to his time with Keystone, he was the General Counsel to the AAO Insurance Company for 15 years, and was in the private practice of law with Linde Thompson Langworthy Kohn & Van Dyke, PC., one of the largest law firms in Missouri. Mr. Bowlin received his undergraduate degree from Westminster College in Fulton, Missouri, where he was a Piper Scholar to the London School of Economics and Political Science. He then received his law degree from the University of Missouri.

For more information on his candidacy, visit [www.bowlinforwildwood.com](http://www.bowlinforwildwood.com)

## 2016 City Council Candidates

### WARD ONE



**Glen DeHart\***

2347 Ossenfort Road  
Wildwood, MO 63038

Glen DeHart is running unopposed for Council Member in Ward One and currently serves as one of Ward One's Council Members. In that capacity, he serves on the Planning/Economic Development/Parks Committee. He previously served on the City's Historic Preservation Commission.

Mr. DeHart is a retired business owner.

### WARD TWO



**Ray Manton\***

17700 Birch Leaf Court  
Wildwood, MO 63005

Ray Manton is one of two candidates running for Council Member in Ward Two and currently serves as one of Ward Two's Council Members. In that capacity, he serves on the Planning/Economic Development/Parks Committee. He also serves as the City Council Liaison to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Historic Preservation Commission. His previous service to the City includes seats on Wildwood's Board of Adjustment and Board of Ethics.

Mr. Manton is currently retired. He and his wife, Alfreda Lee, have two adult children, India and Jennifer, and four grandchildren.



**Joe Pirrello**

276 Strecker Farms Court  
Wildwood, MO 63011

Joe Pirrello is one of two candidates running for Council Member in Ward Two. He has a career in marketing for Drury Hotels, and holds Bachelor of Arts degrees in Political Science (University of Missouri—Columbia) and in Video Production (Webster University). He is also a Chairman on the Strecker Farms Board of Trustees.

Mr. Pirrello and his wife, Colleen, have two children—Oliver and Elise.

For more information on his candidacy, visit [www.joeforwildwood.com](http://www.joeforwildwood.com)

### WARD THREE



**Jim Baugus\***

1324 Westhampton Woods  
Court  
Wildwood, MO 63005

Jim Baugus is running unopposed for Council Member in Ward Three and currently serves as one of Ward Three's Council Members. In that capacity, he serves as the Chairperson of the Planning/Economic Development/Parks Committee. His past service to the City includes serving on the City Council from 2003 through 2011, as the Chairperson for the City's Administration/Public Works Committee, and as the City Council Liaison to the Architectural Review Board and Historic Preservation Commission.

Mr. Baugus is retired from Monsanto. He and his wife, Judy, have two adult sons—Jeff and Mike.

## WARD FOUR



**Marc Cox\***  
1782 Timber Ridge  
Estates  
Wildwood, MO 63011

Marc Cox is running unopposed for Council Member in Ward Four and currently serves as one of Ward Four's Council Members. In that capacity, he serves on the Planning/Economic Development/Parks Committee. His service to the community includes a position as Executive Board Member of the West County Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Cox is employed as a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones. He and his wife, Michelle, have three children—Gretchen, Bradley, and Ginger.

## WARD FIVE



**Debra Smith McCutchen\***  
16548 Birch Forest Drive  
Wildwood, MO 63011

Debra Smith McCutchen is one of two candidates running for Council Member in Ward Five and currently serves as one of Ward

Five's Council Members. She was appointed to the City Council in 2011, and elected to the Council in 2012 and 2014. In her capacity as City Council Member for Ward Five she serves on the Planning/Economic Development/Parks Committee, Economic Development Task Force, and as Mayor Pro Tempore. Her service to the City also includes serving on the City's Community Improvement District Board of Directors and the Master Plan Update Committee 2015.

Her community service affiliations include Parents as Teachers Regional Leadership Team, Early Education Leadership Committee, Parents as Teachers Region A Association, Early Childhood Policy Advocate, First Book of St. Louis Board of Directors, and St. Louis Books for Kids Board of Directors, Community Resource Team.

Ms. McCutchen's career is as a coordinator for the Parents as Teachers program for the Ferguson-Florissant School District. She has two children—Jeffrey and Jonathan McCutchen.



**Debbie Sinden**  
2426 Forest Leaf Parkway  
Wildwood, MO 63011

Debbie Sinden is one of two candidates running for Council Member in Ward Five. She has a career in sales.

Ms. Sinden and her husband, Mike, have two children—Jason and Melissa.

## WARD SIX



**Jerry W. Porter**  
19105 Towering Timber  
Court  
Wildwood, MO 63069

Jerry W. Porter is running unopposed for Council Member in Ward Six.

Mr. Porter is retired. He and his wife, Ann, have six children—Julie, Regan, Jon, Nick, Amy, and Holly.

## WARD SEVEN



**Jeffrey S. Levitt\***  
16303 Gulf Winds Court  
Wildwood, MO 63040

Jeffrey Levitt is running unopposed for Council Member in Ward Seven and currently serves as

one of Ward Seven's Council Members. In that capacity, he serves on the City's Economic Development Task Force and the Planning/Economic Development/Parks Committee.

He is employed as a Retail Loss Prevention Manager. His community service affiliations include the St. Louis Association for Gifted Education, the Restaurant Loss Prevention Foundation, and the Restaurant Loss Prevention Security Association.

Mr. Levitt and his wife, Selena, have one son—Patrick.

## WARD EIGHT



**Larry Goodson\***  
2544 Viola Gill Lane  
Wildwood, MO 63040

Larry Goodson is running unopposed for Council Member in Ward Eight and currently serves as one of

Ward Eight's Council Members. He was appointed to the City Council in 2010, and elected to the Council in 2011, 2012 and 2014. In that capacity, he serves on the City's Planning/Economic Development/Parks Committee, the Economic Development Task Force, and as the Chairperson of the Community Improvement District.

Mr. Goodson is a partner/owner of a small business, and a member of the West County Chamber of Commerce.

# City Council Adopts 2016 Municipal Budget

On December 14, 2015, the Wildwood City Council adopted the Municipal Budget for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2016, and the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan for the years 2016 – 2020.

The Municipal Budget consists of two distinct components—the General Fund Operating Budget and the Capital Project Fund Budget. The General Fund Operating Budget funds the City's seven operating departments, which includes Administration, City Clerk and Council, Municipal Court, Parks, Planning, Police and Public Works. The adopted 2016 General Fund Operating Budget projects revenues totaling \$9,231,200, and expenditures totaling \$8,818,229—leaving a positive net difference of \$412,971.

The Capital Project Fund Budget funds various public improvement projects, many of which have been planned for years. The adopted 2016 Capital Project Fund Budget projects new revenues in 2016 totaling \$7,468,725. This total will be supplemented by revenues collected in prior years to fund project expenditures totaling \$12,142,000 in 2016. Major construction projects for 2016 include:

1. Manchester Road Bike Lanes (west of Route 109 to Route 100)
2. Fox Creek Road Bridge Replacement (south of Route 100)
3. Woods Road Bridge Replacement (west of Route 109)
4. Resurfacing of Allenton Road, Alt Road, Hardt Road & Eatherton Road (Route 109 to CC)
5. Citywide Concrete Street and Sidewalk Replacements
6. Pond-Grover Loop Road Connection through Community Park
7. Pedestrian Bridge over Route 100 at Eatherton Road
8. Al Foster Trailhead Improvements
9. Various New and Improved Trail Segments

With the adopted 2016 Municipal Budget, the City is projected to maintain a General Fund Balance of \$12,667,238 and a Capital Project Fund Balance of \$6,358,070 at the end of 2016.

Please visit the Finance and Budget Section of the City's website at <http://cityofwildwood.com/126/Finance-Budget> for more information.

# One-Stop Shredding and Electronics Recycling Event

Whether you need to shred a box of documents, or responsibly dispose of unwanted electronics that are taking up space, you can easily do it all when the City of Wildwood and the St. Louis Community College-Wildwood partner together to hold the City's annual Shredding and Electronics Recycling Event. This year's event will take place Saturday, May 7, from 8:00 a.m. to noon, at the St. Louis Community College-Wildwood campus, located at 2645 Generations Drive in Wildwood. Like last year's event, both the shredding and electronics recycling will be handled at the same place and at the same time. How easy is that?

One change that will take place this year is the City will need to charge a fee for dropping off more than one TV. Participants won't be charged a fee for dropping off only one TV, regardless of size, but the fees for additional TVs dropped off will be as follows: CRT TVs

26" or less=\$20, CRT TVs 27" or greater=\$40, Wood Console and true Big Screen/Projection TVs=\$50. There will still be no charge for CRT computer monitors. This change was necessary due to a lack in grant funding to subsidize recycling CRT TVs and monitors, and a decline in the recycling commodities market. As a result, Midwest Recycling Center, the company that has provided the recycling services for our recycling events, was forced to ask the City to help with the costs they will encounter this year when they recycle the equipment dropped off at our event.

***This year marks the City's Seventh Annual Shredding Event***, and all materials shredded that day will be recycled, not sent to area landfills. By making sure documents, data disks, empty prescription bottles and other such items are securely shredded before they are disposed of, you can help reduce your risk of

becoming a victim of identity theft.

The shredders to be used are heavy-duty and able to handle many things that are beyond the scope of small, personal shredders. That means you don't have to go through stacks of papers to strip away everything but paper. It also means you can easily dispose of some digital-document sources.

Some things cannot be shredded, however, and should not be included with the drop-off. Below are lists of what can and cannot be shredded.

## **What CAN be shredded:**

- Paper (colored/white/newspaper)
- Paper Clips
- Binder Clips
- Folders
- CDs
- Rubber Bands
- Pill Bottles (without pills)



*Community Park Pavilion*



*Community Dog Park*

## What's New in the Community Park?

The Community Park, Phase One, has been open since the end of August, with the opening of the dog-park component following in October. Since that time, the City has been working on refinements to the existing use areas, as well as planning new improvements so as to enhance park users' experiences. These refinements are to include the following:

1. The design of an area in the existing play area.
2. The design of an area for a potential splash pad.
3. The installation of an extension of the paved area from the existing paved area to the newly-completed dog-park area. One area of the park to the newly-completed dog-park area will be paved to provide access to the facility from State Route 100. A paved area will also be added to date a pedestrian area as well.
4. The development of the great meadow area.
5. The further refinement of the dog-park area.

**What CANNOT be shredded:**

- Cardboard boxes
- Hard-drives
- Batteries
- Vinyl binders
- Medical Waste (medicine/needles/etc.)

**This year is also the City's Eighth Annual Electronics Recycling Event.**

In addition to getting rid of unwanted electronics, you can feel good about knowing all the electronics collected that day will be disposed of in an environmentally-responsible manner. **Some of the electronics you can recycle at this year's event include:**

- Computers and all of their accessories.
- Networking and telecommunications equipment, phones of all types, and clocks.
- TVs, VCRs, DVD players, stereos, and A/V equipment, including cable and satellite boxes.
- Home electronics and small appliances.

Wildwood's 2015 Shredding and Electronics Recycling Event was tremendously successful, with 80,000 pounds of excess electronics and 24,000 pounds of paper waste disposed of in a responsible, safe manner. The day of the event, 37 volunteers worked to help unload more than 750 cars filled with everything from old documents and electronic files to old televisions and computers.

The combination Shredding and Electronics Recycling Event is open to both residents and nonresidents, so tell your friends. If you have questions about the Shredding and Electronics Recycling Event, you can contact Wildwood's Special Projects Coordinator, Lynne Greene-Beldner, by phone at (636) 458-0440, or by e-mail at [lynne@cityofwildwood.com](mailto:lynne@cityofwildwood.com).



ground for more swings for children.  
 ash pad for summer refreshment and fun.  
 park roadway from its current terminus in the Phase-  
 mpleted Pond Grover Loop Road, which will allow  
 09. This roadway will be designed to accommo-  
 area for passive play activities and events.  
 area, including adding more seating.

These new additions will improve current conditions at the park and provide a new point of ingress/egress for residents and visitors. Additionally, the roadway extension will provide access to the park from many of the nearby larger subdivisions that are in the vicinity of State Route 109. If you have been to the park over the past six months, the City hopes it was a good experience for you and that it was enjoyable. If you should have any suggestions or ideas about the park, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning and Parks at (636) 458-0440. All thoughts are always welcome.



Historic Flooding 2015 - Meramec River Valley

## What Are You Going to Do When Disaster Strikes?

Provided by St. Louis County Police – Wildwood Precinct

Emergencies come in many forms and we all have our own threshold for when a situation turns into an emergency. The first step in preparing for disaster or emergency-related situations is to have a plan already in place and understood by everyone. Develop a plan, then make sure everyone is familiar with it and that all family members know their part as well as other family member's parts and what to expect.

Missourians are no strangers to natural disasters, whether by tornados or straight-line winds. Have you thought about where in your home would provide you and your family the best protection? Do your children know what to do if they are home alone when severe weather presents itself? As adults, we know to go to a basement during severe weather, if a basement is available. If there is no basement, the best location for shelter is an interior bathroom. Make sure your children know where to go, and then set a good example by going to that location with your family and staying there when severe weather threatens. Doing this will help them realize the importance of taking these precautions.

When taking shelter during severe weather, try to ensure family members are dressed and

wearing shoes. If possible, also grab a flashlight, your cell phone and portable radio. Once you're in the safest location in your home, wait together for the storm to pass. If you are all in a protected, well equipped area, there is never a need to expose yourself to a potentially dangerous situation outside of your designated shelter.

Flooding is a natural disaster that can usually be predicted. If you are warned flooding is

Floodwaters are very powerful and can be deadly. Never walk or drive through rushing or flowing water. Even shallow floodwater can sweep a car or person away. With television and internet images, I know we are all familiar with these situations. Don't become the person who ignores the warning signs of flooding. Be smart and remember your safety is the most important thing.



Grand Avenue, Historic Village of Glencoe

likely, or if you see it happening in front of you, there is only one good response—leave the area! Flash flooding can occur quickly. If you delay your departure, you are likely to be caught in the flooding and create an unsafe situation for you and anyone who might try to rescue you.

Unfortunately, times have changed and natural disasters are not the only emergencies we have to prepare for. We now live in a world where we must concern ourselves with the potential threat of terrorism, but how do you prepare for something when you don't know what the threat may be? As we look at what has hap-



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pened in our own country and in other countries, we realize it's important to have a general plan of preparedness. Because these types of emergencies are so varied, keep an open mind to changing your plans as needed or as

instructed by local, state and federal authorities.

As a starting point, consider equipping your home with a minimum of a two-week supply of non-perishable food items. Make sure to include a manual can opener or whatever

else is needed to prepare food without electricity or natural gas. You should also keep a sufficient supply of water on hand for the number of people who may stay with you.

In addition to food and water, your emergency supplies should include an emergency radio, first-aid kit, flashlights, candles, matches, and batteries. Store all of these emergency items in portable containers so they can easily be taken with you. Duct tape, a five gallon bucket with lid, plastic trash bags and toiletries could also be valuable items to have ready.

Another part of your emergency planning should include what to do if a disaster strikes while you're away from home and your kids are at school. Know who is going to go to the children, and what alternate routes of travel are available if a bridge is out or a road is closed. Make sure your children know to stay where they are and wait for you to come to them, as long as it is safe. It's also important to designate a primary family meeting location along with an alternate location. If there is no phone service, it may not be possible to communicate with someone.

Again, we can't emphasize enough the importance of your family having a plan. Discuss these situations together and make a plan. If everyone knows what they are expected to do or where to go, you can get together with less chaos and confusion and help each other through the emergency. Having a plan will reduce anxiety and help your family stay calm when emergencies strike.

For more information on how to prepare for emergency situations, visit the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's website at <http://www.dhs.gov/ready>.

## Attention All Doctors, Nurses, Paramedics and Amateur Radio Operators...Your Help Is Needed

The City of Wildwood Board of Public Safety is compiling a volunteer list of doctors, nurses, paramedics and amateur radio operators who reside within the City. The list, which is being developed for potential use by the Wildwood Precinct Police, would allow the Police to contact local doctors, nurses, paramedics and amateur radio operators for assistance in the event of a public emergency or natural disaster.

Qualified individuals who would like to be considered for this volunteer list should e-mail their contact information along with their credentials to [lynne@cityofwildwood.com](mailto:lynne@cityofwildwood.com). Please note "Attention – Emergency Response List" in the title bar of the e-mail transmission. For more information please contact Rick Brown at (636) 458-0440, or by e-mail at [rick@cityofwildwood.com](mailto:rick@cityofwildwood.com).

# Recreation Schedule for 2016 – Enjoy All That Wildwood Has to Offer!

The City of Wildwood has another full year of recreation events planned for residents and the like. The list of events includes activities that have been part of the City's recreation program for many years, such as the Cabin Fever Hike and the Summer Concert Series, with a few new tweaks to keep them fun and safe. Most of the City's events are free of charge and offer time to be outdoors, meet neighbors, have fun, and enjoy the community of Wildwood and all it has to offer throughout the four seasons. A list of these events and programs is provided on the next page. Please plan to attend as many as you can; we will miss you if you are not there. Bring your neighbors and friends, too!

For more information, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning and Parks at (636) 458-0440, or by e-mail at [joe@cityofwildwood.com](mailto:joe@cityofwildwood.com) or [gary@cityofwildwood.com](mailto:gary@cityofwildwood.com).



*Founders' Parade  
Part of Celebrate Wildwood*



*Annual Route 66 5K Run*



*BBQ Bash*



*Annual 1K Fun Run for Kids*

# CITY OF WILDWOOD - 2016 EVENT SCHEDULE

## january

23 | FROZEN FEET HALF MARATHON

## february

20 | FAMILY SNOW DAY AT HIDDEN VALLEY

10, 11 | EARLY CHILDHOOD RECREATION PROGRAM (Babaloo)

27 | CABIN FEVER HIKE-14<sup>th</sup> YEAR

## march

9 | HOME ALONE SAFETY CLASS

15 | BABYSITTING 101 CLASS

18 | SPRING BALLOON GLOW-WBA

19 | SPRING EGG HUNT

19 | CENTAUR TIME TRIAL

23, 24 | EARLY CHILDHOOD RECREATION PROGRAM (Pottery Painting)

## april

13, 14 | EARLY CHILDHOOD RECREATION PROGRAM (Abra-kid-abra)

29 | ARBOR DAY AND 5K TREE HUGGER RUN

## may

7 | ELECTRONIC RECYCLING & PAPER SHREDDING

20 | CONCERT #1-FABULOUS MOTOWN REVUE

21 | RECYCLE THAT BICYCLE

25, 26 | EARLY CHILDHOOD RECREATION PROGRAM (The Little Gym)

28 | FARMERS MARKET

## june

4 | GREENROCK TRAIL CHALLENGE

11 | PLEIN AIR ART EVENT

17 | CONCERT #2-TWO WAY CROSSING-C&W

22 | HOME ALONE SAFETY CLASS

4, 11, 18, 25 | FARMERS MARKET

## july

1 | PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST-SUBMITTALS OPEN

15 | CONCERT #3-DR. ZHIVEGAS

19 | BABYSITTING 101 CLASS

22 | PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST-CLOSES

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | FARMERS MARKET

## august

3 | PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST-VOTING OPENS

12 | BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY

26, 27, 28 | CELEBRATE WILDWOOD 2016

6, 13, 20, 27 | FARMERS MARKET

25 | PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST-VOTING ENDS

## september

14 | EARLY CHILDHOOD RECREATION PROGRAM (Meet the Train)

23, 24, 25 | WILDWOOD BBQ BASH

3, 10, 17, 24 | FARMERS MARKET

## october

2 | TOUR DE WILDWOOD

12, 13 | EARLY CHILDHOOD RECREATION PROGRAM (Pumpkin Decorating)

29 | 15<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HISTORIC ROUTE 66 5K RUN

29 | 1K FUN RUN FOR KIDS

1, 8 | FARMERS MARKET

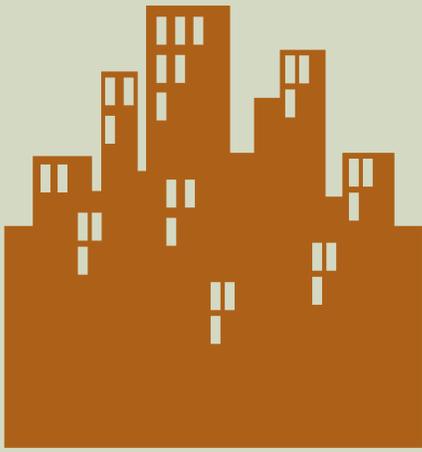
## november

9, 10 | EARLY CHILDHOOD RECREATION PROGRAM (World Bird Sanctuary)

TBD | INDOOR WINTER FARMERS MARKET

## december

TBD | INDOOR WINTER FARMERS MARKET



## Wildwood Welcomes These New Businesses

### Remember—Shop Wildwood First

#### The Black Sheep

16943 Manchester Road  
Wildwood, MO 63040  
Type of Business: Retail gift and monogramming store; scheduled to open January 1, 2016.

#### Tri-County Realty Co

2422 Taylor Road  
Wildwood, MO 63040  
Type of Business: ReMax office; scheduled to open January 1, 2016.

#### Carmen Wilson Agency

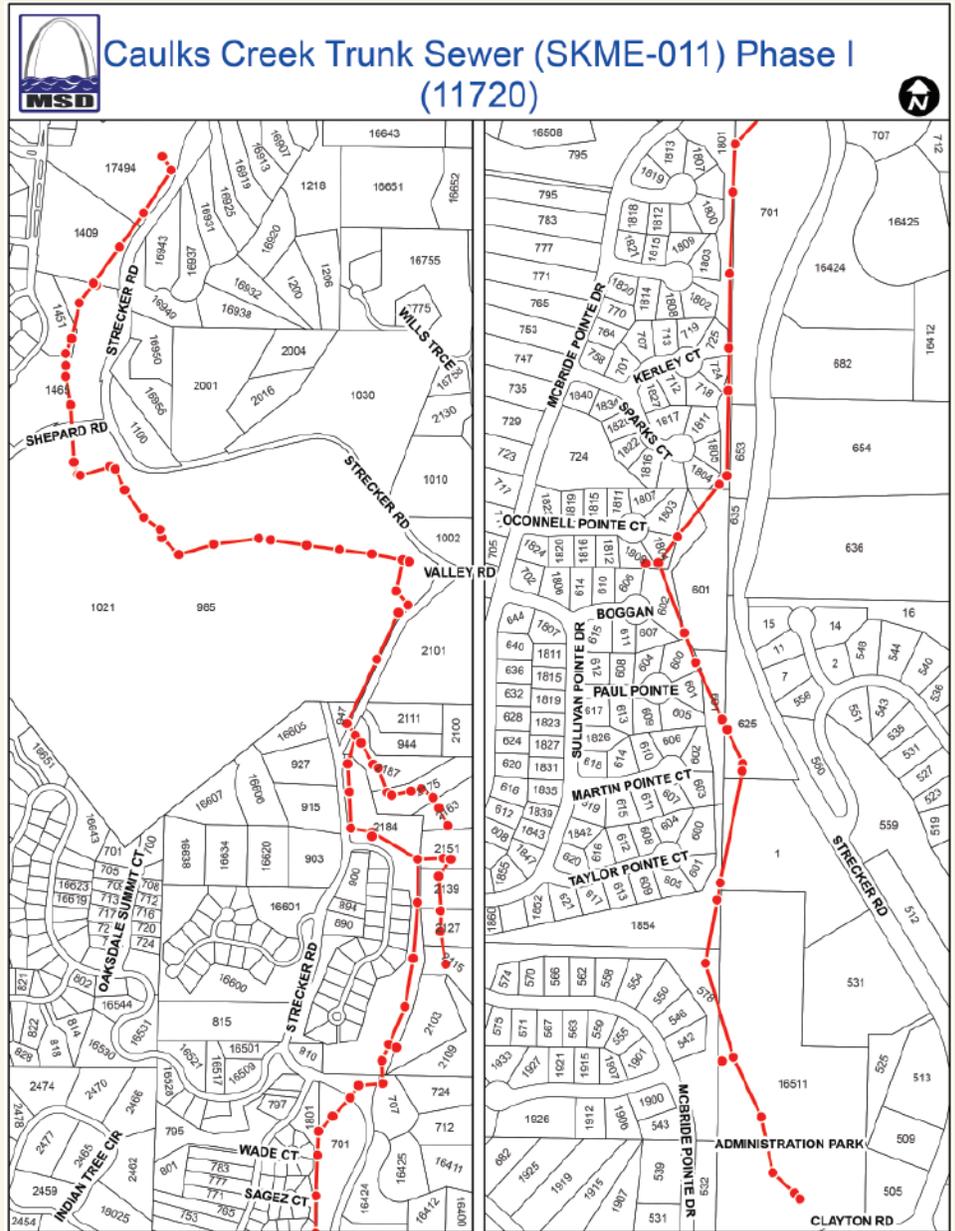
2634 Highway 109 #D  
Wildwood, MO 63040  
Type of Business: State Farm Insurance agency; scheduled to open February 1, 2016.

#### Benedetto's on Main

16721 Main Street  
Wildwood, MO 63040  
Type of Business: Family-style Italian restaurant; scheduled to open February 1, 2016.

#### Wildwood Dance and Arts

17013 New College Avenue  
Wildwood, MO 63040  
Under New Ownership



## MSD Beginning Caulks Creek Trunk Sewer, Phase 1

The Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District (MSD) is beginning Phase 1 of a major construction project to build a new sanitary sewer that will benefit many Wildwood residents. The Caulks Creek Trunk Sewer project, Phase I, will replace existing undersized trunk sewers, alleviate backups, and eliminate existing sanitary sewers that are currently overcharged.

The project consists of 3.1 miles (16,225 feet) of 8-inch to 36-inch sanitary relief sewers that will start near the intersection of Church Road and Kehrs Mill Road. The project extends to the north, generally following the alignment of Caulks Creek, with its terminus in Wildwood's Anniversary Park, on the north side of Clayton Road and near the intersection of Clayton Road and Strecker Road. The project also includes two separate side collection systems that will extend into the Quathem Farms Estates Subdivision and provide improved service to homes there.

Construction on the project is scheduled to begin in February of 2016, with completion anticipated by early summer of 2018.

# Mayor & Council Member Attendance Record

Session	8/10		8/24		9/14		9/28		10/12		10/26		11/9		11/23		12/14	
	WS	C	WS	C	WS	C	WS	C	WS	C	WS	C	WS	C	WS	C	WS	C
Mayor Woerther																		
McGowen (W1)			ab	ab														
DeHart (W1)							ab	ab										
Manton (W2)					ab	ab												
Marshall (W2)							ab	ab										
Cullinane (W3)																		
Baugus (W3)			ab	ab													ab	ab
Dodwell (W4)									ab	ab								
Cox (W4)			ab															
McCutchen (W5)																		
Bertolino (W5)																		
Bowlin (W6)																		
Sewell (W6)					ab	ab			ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab
Levitt (W7)							ab	ab										
Stine (W7)	ab	ab							ab	ab			ab					
Garritano (W8)																		
Goodson (W8)																		

WS = Work Session, C = Council, S = Special, CW = Committee of the Whole, ab = Absent

## Council Committee Meetings Attendance

### Administration/Public Works Committee

	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
McGowen (W1)				c	
Marshall (W2)				c	
Cullinane (W3)				c	ab
Dodwell (W4)				c	
Bertolino (W5)				c	
Bowlin (W6)				c	
Stine (W7)				c	
Garritano (W8)			ab	c	

Absent = ab Canceled = c

### Planning/Economic Development/Parks Committee

	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
DeHart (W1)		ab			c
Manton (W2)					c
Baugus (W3)					c
Cox (W4)				ab	c
McCutchen (W5)			ab		c
Sewell (W6)				ab	c
Levitt (W7)				ab	c
Goodson (W8)					c

Absent = ab Canceled = c

## Wildwood E-Newsletter Keeps You in the Know!



If you want to stay on top of what is happening around town, be sure to sign up for Wildwood's Weekly E-Newsletter. Not only is the E-newsletter filled with information on City events, it also keeps residents up to date on other local events, businesses, City Council actions, roadway projects, and much more.

Signing up for the E-newsletter is easy. Just go to the City's website home page at [www.cityofwildwood.com](http://www.cityofwildwood.com). Midway down the home page you'll see the "Notify Me/E-News" link. Click on that link and you'll be able to sign up for not only Wildwood's E-Newsletter, but other automatic information updates tailored to your specific interests.

Once signed up, you'll be amazed at how easy it is to stay current on everything happening in Wildwood.



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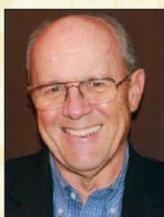


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### Ward 7



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