



# OAKLAND COMMUTER

## Election Dates

### ELECTION FILING OPENS

December 15

### ELECTION FILING CLOSES

January 19

### ELECTION DAY

April 5, 2016

## Refuse Dates

### CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP

December 29

January 5

January 12

### LAST YARD WASTE PICK UP

January 12 (to resume March 1)

## Other Meeting Dates

### Board of Aldermen-

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month  
7p.m.

Webster Groves  
Christian Church

### Board of Adjustment-

as needed

### Plan Commission-

as needed

### Historical Preservation Commission-

4<sup>th</sup> Monday of month  
7p.m.

Henry Hough School

Please contact the City if you are interested in serving on any of these Boards or Commissions!

## City of Oakland Public Notice of Municipal Election and Candidate Filing Dates

In accordance with state law and ordinances of the City of Oakland, notice is given that a general nonpartisan election shall be held in the City of Oakland, MO, on Tuesday, April 5, 2016, for the duly qualified electors of the City to select two Aldermen, one from each ward, for two-year terms of office each. Filing for said offices shall open at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 15, 2015, and remain open that day until noon, during which time Declarations of Candidacy shall be received by the City Clerk at Oak Bend Library, 842 South Holmes Avenue, Oakland MO 63122. Thereafter, Declarations will be received by the Clerk by appointment on a first come, first served basis, until filing closes at 5:00 p.m., January 19, 2016. Appointments may be made by calling 3 1 4 - 4 1 6 - 0 0 2 6 or at [oaklandcityhall@sbcglobal.net](mailto:oaklandcityhall@sbcglobal.net). Names of candidates shall be listed on the ballot in the order in which they are filed.

Qualifications: For the Office of Alderman, persons shall be at least 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States, a resident of the City for 1 year preceding the election, and a resident of the ward from which elected at the time of filing.

A Ward Map showing current Ward boundaries is included in this Newsletter for your convenience.

## Yard Waste and Christmas Tree Collection to end in January

As in years past, the collection of yard waste will break for the winter from January 12 until March 1. Christmas Trees will be collected as a part of yard waste collection from December 29 through January 12.

Remember recycling never takes a break for the winter and that there is more to be recycled than just glass bottles! All recyclable materials can be mixed together in the carts. Questions about waste services, special services or missed pick-ups may be directed to the customer service center at Waste Management at 314-506-4700

## Sewer Lateral Repair Program

The City of Oakland offers residents a Sewer Lateral Repair Program. If you think you have a collapsed pipe, contact a plumber and have the line cabled at your expense. Once you have received the tape, contact City Building Inspector Greg Hanser. He will review the tape to verify your eligibility. If eligible, the resident decides on a contractor to do the repair and then pays for the repair in full. Copies of the actual bill and receipt of payment can be sent to P. O. Box 220511, St. Louis, MO 63122 and reimbursement (up to \$2,500) will be sent to you after approved at the next Board meeting.

## Directory

*Paul Marti*  
Mayor  
821-1722  
105 Minturn Avenue

*Jim Hensley*  
Alderman  
Ward 1  
835-0660  
835 Westwood Place

*Tom Steuby*  
Alderman Ward 1  
305-9089  
819 Melshire

*Mike Godsy*  
Alderman  
Ward 2  
715-1328  
1005 Oakland Ave.

*Andrew Stewart*  
Alderman Ward 2  
821-8927  
901 Woodleigh Cove

*Deborah LeMoine*  
City Administrator  
416-0026

*Donna Tharp*  
Court Clerk  
842-0778

*Greg Hanser*  
Code Compliance  
420-7481

*Waste Management*  
314-506-4700

**Police & Fire**  
**Non-Emergency**  
**822-5858**  
**Emergency 911**

## Important Information about Salt Usage from MSD

MSD has asked all residents in the area to remember that road salt which contains chloride does more than melt snow and ice; it can negatively impact local lakes and rivers as well. As snow and ice melt, they drain into landscaped areas or storm sewers, and then to natural bodies of water.

### What can we do to help?

- Shovel (or use a snow blower) before you use any product; never put a deicing product on top of snow.
- Adopt the “Just Enough” principle, putting down just enough product to keep high traffic areas clear of ice.
- Sweep up un-dissolved product after a storm is over for reuse.
- Consider switching to a non-chloride deicer.
- Support changes by your municipality to minimize salt usage.
- Talk with your neighbors about appropriate salt usage.

## Advice from our Police Department

### About Theft Prevention!

The Department of Public Safety would like to remind all of our residents to take an extra minute to properly secure your residences and vehicles before retiring for the evening. Most crimes are those of convenience. A small step taken, such as closing the garage door or locking your vehicle, may be enough to deter most would be thieves. And as always, please notify the Police Department of any suspicious activity in your area.

## Be Ready for Winter Street Clearing When Snow is in the Forecast

With the snow season fast approaching we would like to remind all residents that have driveways to move all parked vehicles from the roadways and park them in their driveways prior to and during snowy weather.

Trucks will often be out 2-4 hours before the snow begins to fall, pre-salting all secondary streets. It can be very difficult to successfully maneuver an 8' or 10' snow plow around parked cars. Parking cars in driveways will eliminate the chance of salt spreaders slinging salt into your car's grill, into the wheel's break area, or chipping the paint on your cars. It also keeps the mirrors from being damaged.

In some cases, when cars are parked on smaller roads or in cul-d-sacs, the snow plow operator will not attempt to squeeze through, and will be forced to skip the street for the rest of the shift. Many times, when the plow is working and approaches a parked car in the street, the driver has to stop and back up to get around the car, leaving a large pile of snow directly behind the parked car.

So, to ensure a quicker response from snow plows, and eliminate the chance of your street not being plowed, please move all parked cars off city streets during snow removal operations.

***Special thanks to our local band Keltic Reign for their great performance at the City Picnic this year!!!***

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## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The City of Oakland will hold a public hearing to discuss the allocation of \$20,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds. This funding was awarded to the City for 2015 and is currently available. The public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m on December 14, 2015, at the Webster Groves Christian Church, 1320 Lockwood Blvd., Oakland, MO 63122. To further its commitment to fair and equitable treatment of all citizens, the City of Oakland has enacted and/or enforces the following:

*A Fair Housing Ordinance* prohibiting unlawful discrimination against any person because of race, sex, color, religion, disability, familial status or national origin;

*A Policy of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability* in the admission or access to, or employment in, its federally assisted programs or activities;

*A Policy of Equal Opportunity to Participate in Municipal Programs and Services* regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, familial status, national origin, or political affiliation;

*A requirement for bidding on CDBG activities that promotes* employment opportunities created by HUD funding and that these opportunities be afforded low-income community residents and businesses.

If you would like information regarding the above policies or if you believe you have been unlawfully discriminated against, contact the following municipal official or employee who has been designated to coordinate compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements referenced above: City Administrator Deborah LeMoine, PO Box 220511, Oakland, MO 63122 (314) 416-0026. If you are a person with a disability or have special needs in order to participate in this public hearing, please contact the City Administrator no later than December 11, 2015. For More Information Call: 314-416-0026 VOICE, 1-800-735-2466 RELAY MISSOURI VOICE, 1-800-735-2966 RELAY MISSOURI TDD

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