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Keltic Reign and the beautiful weather helped make this year's Community Picnic a great time!

Updates from Mayor Stewart

Dear Residents,

I hope this newsletter finds you happy and well. It's been some time since our last newsletter and there are many things to share.

First, our biggest news. Deborah LeMoine, our long-time city clerk/administrator, has retired from working for the City of Oakland and is pursuing her clerical career as Executive Pastor at Salem United Methodist Church. Deb was with the city for as long as I have lived in Oakland (1996). I met her when I served on the Board of Adjustment when she was an attorney who worked for the same firm as our then city attorney, Helmut Starr. Deb represented the City not only as our Board of Adjustment guide but also as our prosecuting attorney and assistant city attorney until she took over the city administrator/clerk position



April 2023 Election Candidate Filing Notice:

Candidate filing opens December 6, 2022 for the following offices:

Mayor – 2 year term (one to be elected)

Aldersperson Ward 1 – 2 year term (one to be elected)

Aldersperson Ward 2 – 2 year term (one to be elected)

Candidates must file at the St. Louis County Election Board office located at 725 Northwest Plaza Dr., St. Ann, MO, 63074 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday between December 6 and December 27, 2022 (on the last day of candidate filing only, candidate filing ends at 5:00 p.m.)

First day filers will select a number by random drawing to determine placement on the ballot. After the first day, candidates will be placed on the ballot in the order of their filing.

Board of Election offices will be closed on December 8, 23 and 26, 2022. The office may be closed due to inclement weather. The public must adhere to St. Louis County building entry requirements.

“temporarily” more than ten years ago. Deb has been a true gem of a city clerk/administrator for all of us. We will all miss her wonderful qualities that made her such a **valuable** part of our city.

At around the same time Deb was announcing her retirement, Helmut Starr announced that he planned to take senior status regarding the practice of law. Helmut has served this city since 1989 as our city attorney! And he served as our prosecutor after Deb gave that up to become city clerk/administrator. Helmut not only enjoys a great reputation in our city, but he has been a leader and “go-to” guy in the St. Louis area for municipal law. Fortunately, Helmut does not want to completely retire and offered the Board of Aldermen and me the chance to hire him as our new city clerk/administrator. We enthusiastically and unanimously thought this was a fine idea and thus Helmut is now the city clerk/city administrator for the city. He and Deb transitioned until the end of August.

We have not yet hired a permanent city prosecutor or permanent city attorney, but we have appointed Andrew Bramman as Acting City Attorney and Prosecuting Attorney. Andrew is currently with the Lashly Baer firm.



On a sad note, we would be remiss if we did not mention the passing of our long-time former Mayor, Paul Marti Jr., this past April 1, 2022 at the age of 92. Paul was a relentless public servant for the City of Oakland for decades as an Alderman and Mayor (for 20 years), and as Mayor and an architect he helped to shape the physical environment of Oakland, most notably by donating a

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. For the office of Mayor, persons shall be at least 25 years of age, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the City for one year preceding the election. A Ward Map showing current Ward boundaries is on the City website for your convenience.

Yard Waste Pick-Up Continues Throughout the Winter

Our contract with Waste Management provides for trash, recycling and yard waste collection on Tuesdays year-round. If you have a Christmas tree that you would like Waste Management to collect after the holidays, the dates for **Christmas tree collection** are normal pickups between December 26 and January 6. Trees should be free of lights and ornaments, be cut in half if over seven feet tall, and be placed curbside along with any yard waste. Also, remember to clean bottles and cans before recycling, never bag recyclables, and keep holiday food and liquid leftovers out of the recycling! For more information on recycling visit: wm.com/recycleright

portion of the property that became Minturn Park, designing the bridge there, drawing the distinctive logo for the City of Oakland, adding street trees, establishing and helping to design the memorial at Backstopper's Park. He never stopped his quest to make Oakland more beautiful and livable. Everyone who worked with Paul and knew his beloved wife Audi will always remember them fondly.

With the changes to the city staff, we have decided to improve the email communication channels that we hope will help all of you be able to connect electronically with city staff or elected staff more easily. You'll notice new email addresses (ending in oaklandmo.org) for almost everyone involved in the City at the city website (oaklandmo.org). Please use those emails listed on the website when sending an email to any particular individual. The primary City e-email is cityhall@oaklandmo.org. Phone numbers are not changing.

Bless you all this Holiday Season and see you around the City!

Andrew M. Stewart

Mayor

Winter Snow Clearance

With the snow season fast approaching we would like to remind all residents that have driveways to move parked vehicles from the roadways to 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. So, to ensure a quicker response from snow plows, reduce damage to vehicles, and eliminate the chance of your street not being plowed, please move all parked cars off city streets during snow removal operations.

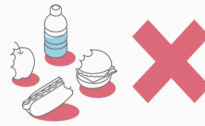


LET'S GET BACK TO THE BASICS OF RECYCLING.

Remember these three simple rules each time you recycle:



Recycle clean bottles, cans, paper, and cardboard.



Keep food and liquid out of your recycling.



No loose plastic bags and no bagged recyclables.

To learn more, visit
wm.com/recycleright

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