

City of St. Louis

News and Views

August, 2025

Message from the Mayor

Back to School



Have you ever had one of those weeks when everything that could go wrong somehow did?

Well, city employees with the Department of Public Works, the Electric Department and the Water Department had such a week in June. And I'd like to give them a shout out for turning to and fixing everything as soon as possible.

It started with a water main break on South Mill on Saturday, June 21. The guys gave up a day off to mend it the same day and probably thought they were off until Monday. Nope. The same water main broke in a different spot on Sunday, June 22, this time south of the railroad tracks. The guys gave up another day off and mended that break the same day.

Electric Department personnel got in on the action Sunday, June 22, when the branches of a tree on South Delaware caused a short circuit and power outage.

As if that weren't enough, there was another short circuit (this time due to frayed wiring) on Bankson. Both those outages were repaired the same day.

The next day, Monday, June 23, power lines on Butternut set a tree on fire. The lines were quickly replaced and the tree trimmed. Also on Monday, June 23, a contractor installing a hydrant accidentally cut a fiber optic line at the library. ProTech installed a new line three days later.

On Tuesday, June 24, a valve gasket failed on South Mill. It was repaired by 7:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Lastly, a homeowner on South Delaware reported a sewer backup. DPW personnel swung into action again only to determine that the plug was the homeowner's responsibility.

-Ralph Echtenaw

noticeable increase in pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle traffic throughout our community. Please plan ahead and allow extra time for your morning and afternoon commutes.

Parents, now is the perfect time to talk with your children about safely getting to and from school. Please take a few minutes to:

- *Review safe walking habits: Use crosswalks, look both ways-multiple times-before crossing, and always stay alert.

- *Put devices away: Encourage your children to keep phones and earbuds tucked away while walking.

- *Talk about Stranger Safety: Make sure your child knows what to do if approached by someone they don't know, where to go in an emergency, and who they can contact if you're not available.

If your child carries a phone or tablet, consider:

- *Installing a family tracking app: These can notify you when your child arrives at or leaves school or home.

- *Setting up parental controls: Help protect your child from inappropriate content online.

- *Recording device details: Take photos and note serial numbers or IMEI numbers for valuable items like phones, laptops, and headphones. This information is crucial if something is lost or stolen.

Teen drivers—and adults—must stay focused behind the wheel. That means no texting, no fiddling with the radio, and no distractions from passengers. Be a role model by:

- *Obeying school zone speed limits

- * Watching cross walks and school buses.

- * Being extra cautious in school parking lots.

Remember: Fines for traffic violations in school zones are doubled, and the safety of our children is priceless.

Let's work together to make this school year safe and successful for all our students!

Chief Ramereiz
St. Louis Police Department

Back to School

Mark your calendars! Monday, August 25th is the first day of school, and with it comes

Old US-27 Motor Tour

W.T. Morris Swimming Pool

OLD US-27 MOTOR TOUR

Coming to St. Louis



August 21st, 2025
3:15pm - 5:00pm

Mill Street, St. Louis, Michigan
Join us in St. Louis to catch the
US-27 Motor Tour as it rolls
through the state!

"BACK IN ITS DAY"



"IT WAS THE WAY"

<https://old27tour.com/>

With live music by:

Black Castle



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date on our
social media!



AUGUST

Free Swims

**August 2nd - St. Louis
Campground**

**August 3rd - Happy
Trails Pet Hotel**

**August 9th - God's
Little Treasures Day
Care**

POOL HOURS

Monday-Friday

1:00-4:00 PM

5:00-800 PM

Saturday

1:00-6:00 PM

Sunday

2:00-6:00 PM

All Sessions are **\$3.00** per person, unless
otherwise posted.

<https://www.facebook.com/stlouismipool>

Farmers Market

Property Tax Information



Remember!

Property Taxes are due
September 15, 2025 by 4 p.m.

Contact the Treasurer's Office at 989-681-2137
with any questions.

Labor Day



City Offices will be closed Monday,
September 1, 2025.

Have a Safe & Happy Labor Day!



The Market will be open every Thursday from
June through October from 2-6 PM.

Gratiot MI Market is now located at
201 N Mill St. St. Louis.

Please contact Sara Piaskowski at 734- 249-3961
or Lisette Smith at 989-824-0152 or email us at
gratiotmimarket@gmail.com with questions
or ideas.

**Brush pickup for the month of August
begins August 4, 2025.**

**This institution is an equal opportunity
provider and employer.**