



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Election day is Tuesday, Nov. 3, when 2,900 registered voters in St. Louis can cast ballots. But half of them won't. **Prove me wrong** and I'll be pleased.

First and foremost (at least from the parochial perspective) is the city council election. Yes, yours truly and incumbent Councilwoman Robin Hart are the only names on the ballot, but five citizens have registered as write-in candidates for council. Two others have registered for Mayor.

Council Write-ins are Wendy Collier of the Oakridge apartment complex, Heather Castillo of 318 West Tyrell, Kevin Taylor of 114 South Clinton, Mary Kubin of 8 Parkwood and Roy D. Catlin III of 301 East Washington. (Ben March was briefly a candidate but withdrew his paperwork in October).

Mayor write-ins are Scott Coffman of 215 North Pine and Greg Kolhoff of 620 Olive.

Six candidates have registered for four open seats on the school board. They are incumbents Billy Bosquez, Chad Clark, John D. Pavlik and challengers Alma M. Davis, Jeff DeRosia and Carl Sztuczko. At least one of the challengers will win. You can be the deciding vote.

Local elections are where your vote

carries the most weight, so saying your vote won't make a difference is a lame excuse.

Another reason to get yourself to the polls is to make your choices for governor, congressman, senator, state senator, state representative, the state supreme court, and several university trustees

Would you rather be governed by Democrat Jocelyn Benson or Republican John James? Would you rather be represented in the Senate by Republican Mike Rogers or Democrat Abdul El-Sayed?

Those are both tight statewide races that could go either way. Ergo, your vote is important.

There are also three proposals on the ballot.

The first proposes a constitutional convention to revise the state constitution.

The second would prohibit campaign contributions from certain regulated utilities and government contractors.

The third proposal seeks to raise the school district millage to 18.

Hopefully, I showed you something to make you want to cast a vote this year.

Ralph Echtenaw

City Hall Office Hours

Monday through Friday
8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
&
1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

City Website

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Community Food Drive



Leaf Pickup

Loose leaves will be picked up October 1 through December 1

Please rake leaves to the curb. Sticks and other solid waste must be kept separate.

Leaves cannot be burned within City Limits.

December 1, leaves must be in biodegradable bags for pick up.

No Parking on City Streets

There is no parking on City Streets from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. November 1 to May 1



It is also a violation to park in any manner which creates a hazard or impedes snow removal.

Veterans Day Ceremony

Each year the St. Louis VFW Post #3055 and American Legion sponsor an event on Veterans Day.

This year's ceremony will take place Wednesday November 11, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at the war monument at the point of M-46, Michigan Avenue and Mill Street.

Please stop and show your support!

Christmas Parade December 3

The annual St. Louis Small Town Family Christmas Parade and reception with Santa Claus will be Thursday, December 3.

Parade lineup will begin at 5:30 PM at Frosty Cone and stretching west on North Street. The parade will start at 6:00 PM.

The reception will begin right after the parade ends and will be held at the St. Louis High School Cafetorium.



DATES TO REMEMBER

- BRUSH PICKUP** • Begins November 2
- DON'T FORGET TO VOTE** • November 3
- COUNCIL MEETING** • November 3 (6pm)
- VETERANS DAY CEREMONY** • November 11 (11am)
- COUNCIL MEETING** • November 17 (6pm)
- CITY HALL CLOSED** • November 26 & 27

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