



Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR BECKMANN

Greetings neighbors, and best wishes for the coming Holiday Season.

I would like to take this opportunity to count our many blessings here in the City of Normandy, and to applaud our City staff for the outstanding work they are doing. We are fortunate to have this team of professionals managing the business of our City. We also have a City Council that has rolled up its sleeves and is doing the work necessary to make and keep our community a great place to live. It is a pleasure working with them all.

Among the items to look forward to this winter is the delivery of our new Public Works Department truck with plow and salt spreader, and the installation of a new roof at the Public Works Building. As part of our continued dedication to financial transparency, we are accepting bids and will be selecting a firm to perform the 2022 financial audit. This will be the first time in over 12 years that the City of Normandy has had an independent audit of our finances.

The vision statement for the City of Normandy reads "...a safe and family-friendly community that is the historic heart of North St. Louis County with a business corridor that attracts visitors from the entire region." A lot is happening to assure our vision becomes reality. We now enjoy a renewed and positive relationship with our University of Missouri-Saint Louis neighbors who have committed \$120 million to infrastructure improvements as part of the initial phase of the new North St. Louis County Business District located on thirty-five acres of their south campus.

In addition, our immediate neighbor to the east of City Hall will soon be the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and a \$102 million investment into their new, state-of-the-art food-testing facility. The final planning process is underway, with construction scheduled to begin in the summer of 2023, with over \$220 million of investment coming in 2023, more are likely to follow. The City is currently engaged in conversations with other investors who appreciate what is happening in the City of Normandy and the business opportunities it provides. The vision of a revitalized Natural Bridge Business corridor is moving beyond a dream.

"A vision is not just a picture of what could be; it is an appeal to our better selves, a call to become something more." -Rosabeth Moss Kanter

- Mayor Beckmann



Normandy is on its way to receiving its Tree City USA certification.

The number of old-growth oaks in our City certainly benefits all of us by providing a greener, healthier community, but the work and cost of properly maintaining our urban forest can also present challenges.

The National Arbor Day Foundation and the National Association of State Foresters have established standards for becoming a Tree City, and once adopted, Normandy will benefit from assistance in creating a viable tree-management plan and make available to us additional grant opportunities.

One of the required standards is the creation of a City Forestry Advisory Committee, appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council, whose duties will include the development of a short- and long-term plan for the maintenance, removal, replacement, and general care of our trees along streets, in parks, and other public areas. We need volunteers to serve on the Forestry Advisory Committee. If you are interested in serving, please contact Mayor Beckmann at 314-305-4724 or mbeckmann@cityofnormandy.gov



MESSAGE from the City Administrator

CITY ADMINISTRATOR | Samuel D. Johnson

The Administration is currently working hard on several projects to improve the transparency, responsiveness, and efficiency of our services. For instance, the Council recently passed our Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2023. The budgeting process revealed that the City is facing significant inflationary pressure as well as stagnant revenues from a declining population and changes in the state laws regarding the collection of Use Taxes. The City has adjusted and is looking to cut, trim, and save where we can, while also looking to improve services that have struggled in recent years due to the struggles faced at City Hall.

As we move forward into the new budget year, we have begun work preparing for an independent audit of Fiscal Year 2022. This means reviewing and updating internal control procedures and reporting methods to ultimately improve the transparency and accountability of our budget. We are currently scheduled to complete this audit, the first in over 10 years, in March of 2023.

I hope that all residents enjoy their holiday season and have a Merry Christmas.

Happy Holidays,

Samuel D. Johnson

	Actual September 30 2021	Projected September 30 2022	Proposed 2023 Budget
REVENUES SUMMARY			
Property Taxes	97,811	98,243	98,600
Utility Taxes	556,667	701,322	727,658
Sales Tax (1% Pool)	725,775	700,926	726,945
Prop P Sales Tax	273,830	280,680	286,294
Local Use Tax	156,019	52,000	50,000
Licenses	25,140	23,553	29,000
Permits	66,956	58,732	50,150
Fines and Court Cost	152,795	176,415	253,500
Intergovernmental	618,374	768,792	716,971
Contract Revenue	782,717	1,378,019	1,295,311
Other	58,382	88,621	102,744
Total Revenues	3,514,465	4,327,302	4,337,172
EXPENDITURES SUMMARY			
Administration	859,103	775,436	656,392
Police	2,291,878	3,009,221	2,771,001
Courts	157,996	253,156	248,329
Public Works	352,406	370,428	599,257
Parks	26,890	27,155	62,194
Total Expenditures	3,688,274	\$ 4,435,396	4,337,172
REVENUES (OVER) UNDER EXPENDITURE	(173,808)	(108,094)	0
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(146,657)	(108,094)	0
FUND BALANCE, OCTOBER 1	1,460,454	1,460,454	1,352,360
FUND BALANCE, SEPTEMBER 3	1,313,797	1,352,360	1,352,360

Latest Monthly Report: August 2022 Year-to-Date Actuals for the Fiscal Year 2022 (October 2021 to September 2022)

C - Income, General Fund

Department	Year to Date Actual as of August 31, 2022	Annual Budget for the FYE 9/30/2022	% of Budget Remaining
Revenues	3,823,345.10	4,431,030.00	
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	43,003.28	63,752.00	
Total General Fund Income	3,866,348.38	4,494,782.00	14.0%

D - Expenditure by Department, General Fund

Department	Year to Date Actual	Annual Budget	% of Budget Remaining
Administration	310,602.36	306,037.00	-1.5%
City Hall	434,090.13	431,215.00	-0.7%
Police	2,126,989.46	2,133,684.00	0.3%
Court	176,873.35	107,059.00	-65.2%
Contracts	694,757.23	1,022,898.00	32.1%
Street	347,437.35	480,763.00	27.7%
Park	28,669.96	31,998.00	10.4%
Inspection	30,448.87	49,587.00	38.6%
Debt Payments	56,659.70	65,000.00	12.8%
Total Expenditures	4,206,528.41	4,628,241.00	9.1%

To view the full Fiscal Year 2023 budget, please visit www.cityofnormandy.gov/finance-department



CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

CITY CLERK | Khianna C. DeGarmo

The City of Normandy is committed to providing excellence and communicating resources to its residents. Check out the City website, www.cityofnormandy.gov to stay up-to-date on any news or announcements regarding the Normandy community. To sign up for email or text message notifications from the City of Normandy, visit www.cityofnormandy.gov/subscribe. Please stop by City Hall or call 314-385-3300 regarding any questions or concerns.

Business License

As a reminder to Normandy business owners, business license renewal is coming up. The business license year begins February 1st to January 31st. For existing business owners, please keep an eye out for the Business License Application by mail, stop by City Hall, 7700 Natural Bridge Road, to pick up an application, or obtain the application using the www.cityofnormandy.gov website.

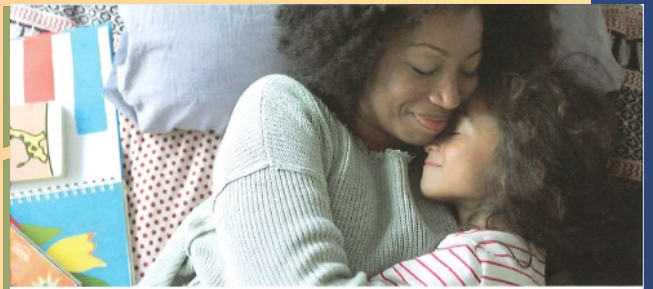
According to Section 605.120 of the Normandy City Code, failure to renew your business in a timely manner may cause you to incur a late fee beginning at five percent, not to exceed twenty-five percent, of the application cost for each additional month of delinquency.

Report Your Concerns

Be advised that any concerns related to nuisance properties or property violations can be done by telephone, email, or at City Hall. Please be sure that you provide the nuisance property address (or neighboring address) and provide your contact information, so someone can follow up with you. Your information will not be shared outside City Hall.

Stay safe and be kind!

Normandy Public Works Department will continue to pick up brush and limbs that are placed at the curb, however, tree limbs larger than 6 inches in diameter cannot be put through the limb chipper and will not be picked up. For removal of limbs larger than 6 inches in diameter, residents will need to call a private tree service.



Stay safe and warm this winter.

If you've ever needed help paying your heating bill, you know firsthand how stressful it can be during the cold winter months. We want to help.

So from November 1 through March 31 (also known as the Cold Weather Rule), you may be able to enroll in a cold weather payment plan. This plan is designed to help you keep up with your monthly bills in the winter months. Here's how it works.

1. You'll pay a percentage of your past due balance up front. This balance can vary based on your payment history and whether you've enrolled in a cold weather plan in the past.
2. After the upfront balance is paid, the remaining balance will be divided evenly over the next 12 months and added to your monthly bill.

3. And finally, you'll be enrolled in a Budget Billing plan to keep your future monthly bills consistent year-round.

As long as you continue to pay the amount that's due each month, you can rest easy knowing your family will stay safe and warm this winter.

Give us a call at 800-582-1234, or visit SpireEnergy.com/Assistance to find out more today.



PUBLIC WORKS

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR | Christopher Harris

It's the Holiday Season and the Public Works Department will be putting up Christmas decorations for all the streetlight poles and City Hall.

The Public Works Department will perform a second leaf pickup in January or February of 2023, weather permitting. Keep your eyes out for signs that will be placed out one week before the pickup.

We have also begun brush and limb pickup throughout the City of Normandy. Public Works will also do a lot of cross-training in areas where the crew needs additional training, to better serve the City of Normandy.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE | Capt. Tameika Sanders

Although winter comes as no surprise, many of us are never ready for the arrival of the Christmas Season. As the season quickly approaches, the officers of the Normandy Police Department recognize that this presents certain seasonal hazards and is an opportune time for crime. We hope these holiday safety tips help keep our citizens safe and stop the Grinch from stealing your holiday spirit!

Traveling?

- Get an automatic timer for your lights.
- Ask a neighbor to watch your home, shovel snow, and park in the driveway from time to time.
- Don't forget to have mail and newspaper delivery stopped.

Shopping?

- Stay alert and be aware of what's going on around you.
- Park in a well-lighted space, and be sure to lock the car, close the windows, and hide shopping bags and gifts in the trunk. "Out of sight, out of mind!"
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash; pay with a check or credit card whenever possible.

Porch Pirates?

- Track deliveries online and confirm delivery has occurred.
- Ask family members or neighbors to pick up packages as soon as they are delivered.
- See if the post office or store the product is being shipped from can hold the package for pick up.

Parking?

- Always lock your vehicle and store all items out of sight.
- Help prevent your vehicle from being stolen by always locking your car and using anti-theft devices.
- And although it's cold, never leave your vehicle running while you run inside your home or a store—even if for only a minute or two.

Out for the evening?

- Turn on lights and a radio or TV so it looks like someone's home.
- Lock doors and windows when you leave, even if it's just for a few minutes.
- Don't display gifts where they can be seen from outside.

Gift box and wrap disposal?

- Break down large electronic gift boxes and wrapping for disposal.
- Store them indoors until the garbage pick-up day.
- Place everything you can inside garbage cans instead of sitting it at the curb for collection.

Celebrate Responsibly!

The holiday season is a time of celebration and revelry. Drinking and driving is a danger to everyone on the road. Anyone with a BAC of .08 or higher is in violation of MO law and may go to jail. Remember that the risk isn't worth it—if you choose to drink alcohol at a party, don't drive. Finally, don't let holiday stress get the best of your holiday spirit. Make time to get together with family, friends, and neighbors. And think about reaching out in the spirit of the season and helping someone who's less fortunate or lonely. The Normandy Police Department hopes that this holiday season is full of the spirit of camaraderie and giving for you and your families!

Happy Holidays

- The Men and Women of Normandy Police Department



COURT ADMINISTRATOR – Yolanda Robinson
 MUNICIPAL JUDGE – Christopher Dulle
 PROSECUTING ATTORNEY – Andrew R. Bramman

MUNICIPAL COURT

For questions concerning a court date or fines, please contact the Normandy Municipal Court at 314-333-3300 or by fax at 314-333-3707.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

The City of Normandy welcomes Hip Hop Poms Dance Studio. The studio is located at the corner of Florissant Road and Bermuda Drive.



Shannon is bringing vibrant energy into the heart of Normandy by empowering kids through dance, instructing ages 5 through 17. HHP not only brings light to the community but also illuminates the intersection with its bright LED lights.



You're Cordially Invited!

St. Ann Catholic Church Advent Concert will be hosted on Sunday, December 18, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will immediately follow the concert.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Epworth Children and Family Services provide service to at-risk youth, teens, and families with access to basic needs and emergency resources. The services provided include: foster care; mental health; housing; crisis intervention; and home-based counseling. The Epworth Drop-In Center at 314-952-8689 for youth ages 11 to 20 is located at 7520 Natural Bridge Road, open Monday through Thursday, 12 p.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Hot meals are prepared daily; case management services help with housing, education, employment, and legal issues; free medical services are also available. Epworth has a recreation room, computer lab, and a full-service kitchen as well as laundry, shower, and clothing and food pantry. Epworth has an Emergency 24/7 Helpline that can be reached at 314-727-6294. Visit www.epworth.org for more details about their programs.

Claudette Williams, CEO and Director of All Nations Resource Center - STLMO (a 501c3 charitable organization), coordinates the weekly food drive at Murchison Tabernacle C.M.E Church, which is hosted every Monday from 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. This food drive is open to everyone in need and will be held every week (with no end date in sight!). The food drive has already served 1,080 individuals and 50 families in just a short time. Volunteers and donations are always welcome, for more information please call 314-383-4855.

St Vincent Children's Home provides at-risk children, youth, teens, young adults, and families with basic needs and emergency resources. Its Drop-In Center is located at 7401 Florissant Road, 314-261-2611. The Center is open Monday through Friday, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for ages 10 through 19. The Drop-In Center has laundry services, group activities, hot meals, a game room, a weight room, and studio access for dancing, singing, and/or theatrical performances. St. Vincent has an emergency 24/7 helpline, 314-727-6294. Visit their website for more details about their programs, www.saintvincenthomes.org.

PARK ADVISORY BOARD



Approximately 150 people attended the inaugural City of Normandy Movie Night held on Friday, October 21, 2022, at Hoelzel Park, hosted by the Park Advisory Board members: Pat Dulle (with husband Tim), Sheri Kearney (with husband Wayne), and Elizabeth Forbes Hoang (with husband Councilman Ward 3 David Hoang) staffed the event.

The concession stand opened at 6 p.m. and Elizabeth Forbes- Hoang coordinated a family scavenger hunt from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. This scavenger hunt activity was very popular and everyone turning in partial or completed paperwork received a gift bag with Halloween-themed stickers and items. The fake plastic Dracula teeth were a favorite. Many of the children were in costume. The movie Hotel Transylvania started at 7 p.m. A Normandy Police officer was in attendance which was much appreciated. Councilman Sachsenheimer, Ward 1, and Councilman Evans, Ward 2, were also in attendance.



Normandy Family Night at UMSL Recreation and Wellness Center

11 Arnold B Grobman Drive, St. Louis, MO 63121 314-516-2348

Friday, January 13, 2023, 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.

This event is free to Normandy residents. Outside community attendee entry is \$4/person

Pizza and drinks will be available for purchase. Cash Only Please.



Activities:

- > Craft and Game Room
- > Pickle Ball (instruction, loaner racquet, and the ball will be provided)
- > Basketball Courts
- > Climbing Wall
- > Track
- > Hip Hop Poms Dance Studio choreography, time slots to be announced.
- > Unfortunately, the pool will be closed for resurfacing – maybe next time!

Per UMSL Policy: Parents/Guardians will need to be with their children and involved in the same activities, at all times. If you have several children that will want to be doing different activities at the same time you will need to bring along enough adult family members to supervise each child/activity.

A waiver for every adult and child who attends is required by UMSL. Waivers will be available at the building entrance, or you may complete your waiver(s) ahead of time.

The waiver can be found at www.cityofnormandy.gov

This event is sponsored by the Normandy Park Advisory Board.

Keep your eyes peeled for our next event, Normandy Family Night at UMSL! Check the City website www.cityofnormandy.gov for event announcements.

WARD 1

COUNCILWOMAN KAREN CLEVELAND

COUNCILMAN STEVE SACHSENHEIMER

The City has been receiving complaints about stray dogs roaming our streets, which has been a challenge as St. Louis County Animal Control has been overwhelmed and has not been very helpful in picking up these strays. Normandy Police Department has done what it can, but does not have the facilities within the precinct to board stray animals.

As they say, the squeaky wheel gets the grease, so please continue to call St. Louis County Animal Control at 314-615-0650, for nuisance dogs. If you believe any dog to be a threat or a danger to the community, please call 911.

As a reminder, it is illegal by ordinance to own or keep any Pit Bull or Rottweiler in the City of Normandy, including “Any dog which has the appearance and characteristics of being predominantly of the breeds of bull terrier, Staffordshire bull terrier, American pit bull terrier, American Staffordshire terrier, any breed commonly known as pit bulls,…”.



This house located at 7818 Blandford Drive has been vacant for over five years. Ken Lipsey, owner of BMI and Field Services LLC, has acquired the property and is responsible for renovating the house that was previously considered unredeemable. Next door neighbor, Jackie O’Brien, commented, “This house is a diamond in the rough.” The house will soon be available for purchase in Ward 1.

WARD 2

COUNCILWOMAN LAWANDA SMITH

This year the Redbird Rookies had roughly 200 kids sign up with the league, which is more than any other Redbird Rookies in the St. Louis County area. One of our teams attended a special clinic with Paul Goldschmidt for participating in 90 percent of the off-field activities.

Also, the players that participated in 70 percent of the off-field activities received gold glove trophies for their participation.

COUNCILMAN TONY EVANS



To enroll your child, visit:
<https://www.cityofnormandy.gov/parks/pages/redbird-rookies>

WARD 3

COUNCILMAN RICK NELSON



Normandy students medal at Gateway Chess tournament at Harris Stowe.



Councilman Rick Nelson teaches chess and tennis with Net Rushers in Normandy at St. Vincent and previously at Lucas Crossing, and is also currently serving with the Boys and Girls Tennis Team as Assistant Tennis Coach at Steam Academy McClure-South Berkeley.



If you are interested in enrolling your child in their school's tennis or chess coaching programs, please contact Councilman Nelson at 314-712-1089 or ricknelsontennis@gmail.com

COUNCILMAN DAVID HOANG

St. Louis Scholastic Center sponsored by Normandy for the Summer Chess and Tennis Program.



Chess Tournament hosted at Lucas Crossing Elementary by Principal Geneka Gully; Assistant Principal, Dr. Kesha Whitley; and Normandy School District Board Treasurer, Harlan Hodge.



Former Superintendent, Dr. Charles Pearson; Councilman Rick Nelson; Dr. Shannan Smith, Normandy School District; and Coach Napoleon Carter, Clayton High School.



WARD 4

COUNCILWOMAN YOLANDA CAMPBELL

COUNCILWOMAN DEBBIE ROSSO

We want to welcome all new residents to Ward 4 since the winter of 2021 and appreciate your interest in living with us, as neighbors, and making Normandy your home.

If the residents could report any burnt-out street or park lights to City Hall, our Public Works Department has a supply to perform bulb replacements.

Pet dogs must be on a leash when outside, at all times, near your home, and or when you are walking. When you walk your dog, please bring a bag to clean up after it, so as not to offend other homeowners and residents using any green public space.

Please protect the health of your pet cats and always keep them inside your home, since there is an abundance of feral cats in our neighborhoods. Feral cats jeopardize the safety of our wild birds and cause their numbers to decrease at an alarming rate. Birds are important pollinators of flowers and consume insects that reduce the overuse of pesticides. There is no easy answer to this problem, but we may be able to come together and find a creative solution to it.

We encourage all residents to join us either on Zoom or in person when we have City Council meetings or Workshops. Our website is being updated and you are now able to contact us through the City website, www.cityofnormandy.gov.

All the best,

Yolanda and Debbie

Waste Management is in its second year of providing sanitation services for the City of Normandy. Beginning January 1, 2023, there will be a \$6.72 billing increase per month but no anticipated scheduling changes. Trash, recycling, yard waste, and bulk pick-up are all collected every Monday. Please note:

- Place trash and recycle carts at the curb by 6:00 a.m., lid opening facing the street, and a minimum of 3 feet apart.
- Bulk pick-up is limited to 2 items per week, not to exceed 100 pounds each.
- Old mattresses must be shrink-wrapped, or they will not be picked up.
- Waste Management will pick up brush that is tied in 3-foot bundles.
- Other yard debris can be placed in brown yard bags, not to exceed 12 bags per week.



QUARTERLY VOTE REPORT

Council Bill	Councilman Cleveland	Councilman Sachsenheimer	Councilman Smith	Councilman Evars	Councilman Nelson	Councilman Hoang	Councilman Campbell	Councilman Rosso	Ordinance No.
22-18: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORMANDY, MISSOURI CHANGING THE SCHEDULE OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS TO THE SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH.	Y	Y	ABSENT	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	764
#22-19a: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORMANDY, MISSOURI AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF NORMANDY TO ALLOW FOR PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL POLICE PATROL VEHICLES USING ARP A FUNDS.	Y	Y	ABSENT	Y	ABSENT	Y	ABSENT	Y	763
#22-19b: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORMANDY, MISSOURI DISSOLVING THE SPECIAL ALLOCATION FUND FOR THE NATURAL BRIDGE ROAD REDEVELOPMENT AREA AND TERMINATING THE DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE CITY OF NORMANDY, MISSOURI RELATING TO THAT REDEVELOPMENT AREA AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATING THERETO.	Y	Y	ABSENT	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	767
#22-20: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORMANDY, MISSOURI ESTABLISHING A CITY FORESTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND GUIDELINES FOR THE PLANTING, REMOVAL, AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC TREES	Y	Y	ABSENT	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	768
#22-21: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORMANDY, MISSOURI REGARDING A PLAN FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE VILLAGE OF GLEN ECHO PARK AND THE CITY OF NORMANDY.	Y	Y	ABSENT	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	769
#22-22: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORMANDY, MISSOURI ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 BUDGET.	Y	Y	ABSENT	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	766
#22-23: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORMANDY, MISSOURI, LEVYING ITS RATES OF AD VALOREM TAXATION ON TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY FOR THE YEAR 2022.	Y	Y	ABSENT	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	765

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City Council Meetings – the second Tuesday of each month

Upcoming City Hall closures:

Christmas Day – observed Monday, December 26, 2022

New Year's Day – observed Monday, January 2, 2023

Martin Luther King Jr. Day – Monday, January 16, 2023

Presidents' Day – Monday, February 20, 2023

