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PROPERTY TAX

Property tax time occurs twice per year, once in the summer and once in the winter. Taxes are collected not only for the benefit of the City of Springfield, but for other taxing jurisdictions such as: Battle Creek Public Schools, 911 Dispatch, Kellogg Community College, Calhoun County Veteran Services and more.

Your property tax bill is calculated utilizing the TV (Taxable Value).

Taxes = (TV / 1000) X PRE Millage Rate

If your home in Springfield is your primary residence, you qualify for the PRE Millage Rate for your tax bills. Proposition A of 1994, exempts primary homes of School Operating (up to 18 mils) . The exemption is automatically added if you file at the time of sale/ purchase but check your assessment notice and let us know if you have questions.

EVENTS AND HOLIDAYS

Easter Egg Hunt at Begg Park: 03/23/2024, 11:00 am SHARP!

City-wide Spring Clean Up: 04/09/2024, all items must be out by 6:00 am.

Memorial Day City Hall closed: 05/27/2024 garbage delayed to 05/28/2024.

Juneteenth 06/19/2024: City Hall Closed.

Independence Day: 07/04/2024: City Hall closed.

ELECTIONS

This past February was the first time in Michigan history that voters were afforded the opportunity to cast a ballot in-person nine (9) days before a statewide or federal election. Early



voting precinct for voters in Springfield and other jurisdictions took place at the Kool Family Center. The next opportunity to participate in early voting will occur in August for the primary election, and then again in November for the presidential election. For more information about early in-person voting, scan the QR code with your phone's camera. You may also call the City Clerk at (269) 441-9272.



MASTER PLAN UPDATE

In January, the City of Springfield hired community planners, McKenna, to assist the city with updating its 2019 Master Plan and to develop a corridor plan for 20th Street. The master plan is being updated for several reasons, but the most obvious reasons are to comply with the State of Michigan's



Planning Enabling Act and to keep current on the needs and wants of the community.

To participate in the planning survey, use the QR code to the left.

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FROM THE MAYOR

Michigan weather has been messing with us all winter. What with the temperatures fluctuating and most notably the lack of snow; it's been a strange winter indeed. Since we are experiencing nicer weather, several people have started cleaning their yards; myself included. Some people may have some leaves left along with downed limbs. Unfortunately, because of our current contract with Waste Management they won't pick up the yard waste bins until April first.

I know some people like to burn their leaves and limbs; especially in the fall. I would ask a few things of those individuals prior to burning. First, contact the Springfield Fire Department and advise them of your plan to burn. Second, please be aware of your neighbors if they have any breathing issues. Finally, please be careful and safety minded when you do your burning. Don't burn leaves and limbs when it's very windy and especially not when it's very dry. That's why it's so important to contact the fire department prior to burning.

Springfield City employees, the City Council and myself want everyone in Springfield to be safe and healthy. Be mindful of your neighbors, especially children and our elderly. Take care and God Bless, Mayor Harry Burdett.

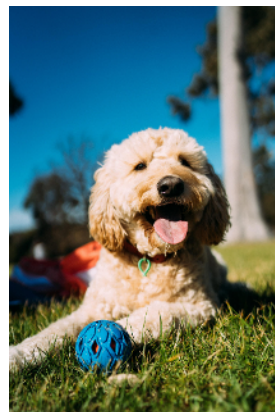
**Did you know?
All park hours
are from Dawn
to Dusk.**

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS



Stay informed of emergency closures, shutoffs, and city events by signing up for the City of Springfield Notification System Visit springfieldmich.com to get started.

DOG PARK



In August of 2022, the City of Springfield opened its first ever dog park at Rothchild Park located near the intersection of Helmer Road and Harmonia Road in the northwest section of the city. Dog owners and their registered pups now have a fenced area to play and socialize. If you plan to visit, please review all dog park rules before entering. Donations to the park can be made by scanning the QR code.

