



# JENNINGS

# News

A Citizens Newsletter Published by Jennings City Hall.

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(314) 388-1164  
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Fire Dept. (314) 899-0535

## Message from Mayor Yolanda Austin:



*Greetings,*

As we close out a challenging COVID-19 year, we must say through it all, we continued to Focus on Our Future: Jennings Safer Streets, A Strong Community. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the community and our hard-working employees for your patience during the continuous adjustments throughout 2020. Our priority was to serve the great City of Jennings, while ensuring a safe environment was provided for our employees and those we serve. Yes, we have experienced trying moments during the pandemic, but we have made every attempt to continue to provide essential services.

An overview is provided throughout this newsletter along with a few highlights and updates of the many activities provided throughout the last few months.

**A commitment to increasing Employee Morale** has engaged all departments, (City Clerk, Building Department, Finance, Public Works, Corrections, Courts, Legal, Police, and Fire) to participate in over 300 hours of professional development to increase their knowledge of day-to-day operations. Most professional development has been held via Zoom included Permitting, Code Enforcement & Mobile Ticketing Training, Zoning, Demolition, Community Development Block Grant, Show Me Courts Municipal Division & Accounting Review, Court Operating Rules, Direct Deposit, 2021 Goal setting, Online Payments, and Time & Stress Management techniques. Department Head Meetings were held monthly to review policies, budgets, job expectations, COVID-19 guidelines, Eight Best Practices in Business Management along with the sharing of department successes.

**A commitment to increasing Community Engagement** provided opportunities for the Mayor, Councilmembers, Youth & Senior Citizen Commissions along with our Police & Fire Departments, to participate in planning for ongoing activities with residents and businesses. Our Parks & Recreation Department sponsored a drive-thru Trunk or Treat and Breakfast with Santa events for our young people, while providing safe practices during fun filled event. Business Watch Zoom meetings were held to provide business owners with COVID-19 updates, Coping with Stress resources, Chase Bank resources, Small Business Resource Program, St. Louis County Bureau of Communications resources, Parks & Recreation Department availability, Drug Task Force, and monthly crime trends. Police Officers and Firefighters participated in gift giving and food & coat drives during the Christmas holiday.

**A commitment to increasing Public Safety** has continued as phone calls, emails, Facebook and website messages with City-wide complaints are researched and phone call follow ups are provided. Ongoing communication has been held

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with St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney, Wesley Bell, to continue to work together to assist with decreasing the rate of violent crimes within in our City. With additional COVID-19 funds we were able to purchase web cameras to conduct virtual operations, have all air ducts disinfected in public areas, deep cleaning and sanitizing of our jail, UV lights to sanitize City offices, PPE for City offices and residents, and thermal cameras for City building entrances to conduct public safety temperature checks. Concrete barriers were placed in critical areas to reduce speeding and illegal crimes. Speed bumps will also be placed on streets in front of Fairview & Northview Elementary, and Jennings Jr. and Sr. High Schools.

If you have information regarding dumping within the City, we encourage you to contact Officer Bakula at 314.330.1037. Remember you are our eyes and ears, it takes team players such as you to call and report suspicious activity.

**A commitment to Economic Development** is ongoing while conversations are being held with the Mayor, Director of Housing & Economic Development, Economic Development Consultant & Economic Development Specialist, current businesses, and those interested in investing in our City. Additional funds for up to \$5,000 have been made available through the Small Business Relief Program managed by the St. Louis Economic Development Partnership.

Ongoing meetings are being held with the City administrative team and KAI Enterprises to discuss plans for the development of the City's new facility for City Hall and the Parks & Recreation Department. A Zoom community meeting is planned for late January to provide updates.

The Buzz Westfall Aldi's will be remodeled and modernized with natural lighting and environmentally friendly materials. The new store layout will include additional space for high quality products and additional refrigerators to accommodate fresh, organic food selections along with ready-to-eat products.

Our Economic Development Consultant has been meeting with representatives from Speedway Gas Station and Convenience Store. Upon the necessary approvals, the Station is projected to be built at Jen-

nings Crossing, which is located at Jennings Station Rd. near Highway 70 on the south end of the City.

Louisa Foods, founded in 1964, has invested in our community for many years. They have recently purchased homes in the 1900 block of Switzer which were demolished to increase parking and building expansion for their facility.

**A commitment to Housing** is ongoing as we continue to work collectively to build Block-by-Block, by changing neighborhoods to become welcoming for homeownership and landlords who have a vested interest in our City. We are still looking for homeowners to participate in the Mow-to-Own program which allows them to extend their property after two years of maintaining a vacant City lot next to their home. Ward 2 welcomes The Residences at Jennings Place III, which is located on the former River Roads Mall site. We are faced with many seniors opting to make Jennings their home as they choose independent senior communities across our City.

Residential Demolition Projects are ongoing. We are now in the process for the 201819 CDBG funding to demolish six houses.

Our auction was held via Zoom on Thursday, February 11, 2021 which provides opportunities for new home owners within our city.

I encourage you to visit our website at [www.city-ofjennings.org](http://www.city-ofjennings.org), to report your complaints and compliments. Again, the employees have been working tirelessly and are truly committed to making a positive difference in the City of Jennings.

*Mayor Yolanda Austin*



*Mr. Jaylen, nephew of Ward 4 Councilwoman Aja Owens, spends some time talking with Mayor Austin during a session of "Mayor Conversations at the Courtyard". Jaylen shared his interest of his desire to become a St. Louis County Police Officer working in the City of Jennings.*

# From The Editor



**Deletra Hudson**

Wow! 2020 has been a year of unexpected occurrences. What may have started as a year of excitement, has ended as a year of great disappointments and far too many losses due to the surprise visit of the Coronavirus to our world. Many of us have adjusted to living with our new normal, which includes wearing face masks, social distancing, more frequent hand washing, and fewer embraces from friends and family who are not “living in our bubble”.

Our vocabulary has expanded to include phrases that are universal in our country, such as “living in our bubble”, meaning those immediate family and friends that you live with or share regular spaces with at home or at work (for those of us who do not work remotely) and “social distancing” meaning separating ourselves six feet apart.

Job duties that could not be conceptualized as a task to be performed from home, have forced supervisors and leaders of organizations to think outside of the box for ways to keep staff employed, by allowing them to work remotely for the health and safety of the country. Many students and teachers are learning to manage their time and lessons via video, as opposed to face-to-face in-classroom learning. Far too many families are having to adjust to living a life without loved ones, whom they feel were taken away from them too soon due to this virus. If you find it difficult to cope with the stress, grief, life, or depression, have a confidential conversation with a professional who can help you deal with the stress by visiting [www.moshowmehope.org](http://www.moshowmehope.org).

In the New Year of 2021, I encourage you to act responsibly by continuing to practice social distancing, wear your face mask, washing your hands frequently and host more video calls with family and friends to check on them or simply to see their faces. This is a great time to create or reengage with hobbies and do things that you love to do. During this time, our Recreation Department and St. Louis County Police Department has continued to offer community events to lighten the spirits of the City of Jennings. Stay connected with things going on in the City by visiting our website at [www.cityofjennings.org](http://www.cityofjennings.org)

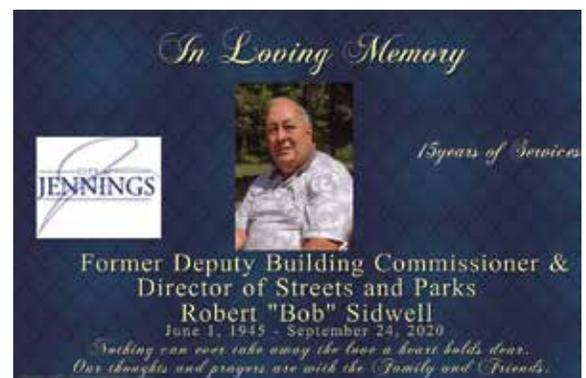
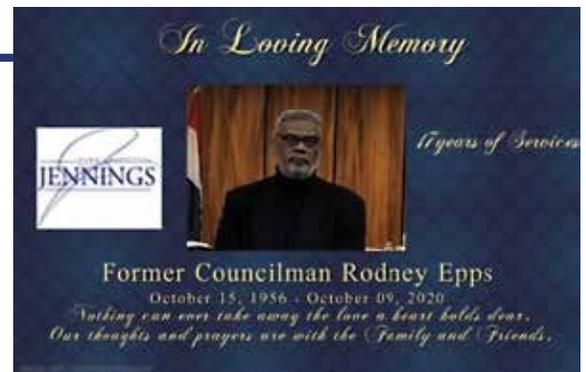
Remember, our health and safety are paramount to getting through this time in our lives. From the officials and staff at the City of Jennings, we wish you a prosperous and Happy New Year!

*Deletra Hudson, Editor*

## Congratulations!



*City Clerk, Deletra Hudson, sworn in as Treasurer for the Missouri City Clerks and Financial Officers Association (MOCCFOA), Eastern Division.*



## ACTIVITIES

# JENNINGS

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

**WILLIE BRANDON – Director 314-388-3040**

Due to the COVID 19 Pandemic guidelines, the Recreation Department is slowly reopening its doors to the community.

Jennings Youth Basketball League is postponed until further notice.

## YOUTH COMMISSION



*Youth Commission Members*

**Kimberly Hargrove – Chairwoman**  
*YouthCommission@cityofjennings.org*

**Erika Hankins -  
Secretary**  
**Patricia Williams**

**Regina Herrington**  
**Brian Bohlen Sr.**  
**Alice Wilson**

**David Vincent**  
**Shanise Johnson**  
**Juan Shegog**



*Senior Commission Members*

## SENIOR COMMISSION MEMBERS

**Lola Nash – Chairwoman**  
*SeniorCommisson@cityofjennings.org*

**Linda Eikerenkoetter**  
**Dorothy Howard**

**Gwen O'Dwyer**  
**David Shelton**  
**Joseph Turner**

**Carol Weusthoff**  
**Charlotta Williams**



*Seniors enjoy an afternoon of Bingo .*



*The Youth Commission along with the New Life Church in Jennings provided Thanksgiving boxes.*



# POLICE DEPARTMENT

CAPTAIN JASON LAW

St. Louis County Police: 314-385-4672  
Non-Emergency: 636-529-8210



*Officer Bakula, Sgt. Perez, Sgt. Belcher, and Officer McCrary listen to stakeholders from “One Voice, One Message”.*



*Detective Haussels and Mayor Austin stakeholders during a meeting for “One Voice, One Message”.*



*Officer McCrary speaks to Southeast Missouri University football team about social justice issues and experiences as an African American police officer.*



*Capt. Jason Law, of the St. Louis County Police Department–Jennings Precinct encourages Community Engagement. The officers brought cheer to faces of many families during the holiday season with various local business donations to North County Community Development Corporation.*



*Thank you to all who donated and who helped to spread the word about the Blake Snyder Coat Giveaway. We served over 65 families and gave out hundreds of coats. The Jennings precinct plans to host this every year in the future. Some businesses that were not able to donate to the Blake Snyder Coat Giveaway will have an opportunity, so it will be bigger and better next year.*

*These young people enjoyed visiting the Halloween Safety Center.*

# BUILDING DEPARTMENT

SCHONA MCCLELLON – Director of Housing & Economic Development 314-388-1164

Hello Residents of the City of Jennings. As we continue in the season of caring for our lawns, the Building Department would like to remind you to please remember the following:

- Maintain your lawn by removing fallen tree limbs, dead trees, and shrubs.
- Keep grass cut and weeds must NOT be allowed to grow more than five inches tall.
- As the weather changes keep up with the snow by making sure your walkways are clear.

**The City of Jennings has changed its trash service from Waste Management to Republic Services.**

If you have questions or concerns, contact their Customer Service Department at (636) 947-5959.

- Please remember to store trash in containers with watertight, close-fitting lids.
- Trash containers should not be left at the curb after pickup day.

**Vehicles:**

- All vehicles should be registered.
- Vehicles that are derelict, parked on the streets, or in driveways unregistered will be towed and fined at the owner's or tenant's expense.

**The City of Jennings has a Sewer Lateral Program:**

- Real Estate taxes must be current.
- Contact Carnell Harris at (314) 388-1164 for more information.

**The Mow-to-Own Program is a great way to obtain a vacant lot.**

- The lot must be the property of the City of Jennings.
- The lot must not be contiguous to three or more City-owned development lots.
- The lot must be directly adjacent to the property owned and maintained by the applicant.



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**Applicant Qualifications for our Mow-to-Own Program.**

- Applicants must have paid all real estate taxes on all properties they own in the City of Jennings and have no outstanding violation on those properties.
- Applicants must live in and/or own the occupied residential building adjacent to the lot for which they are applying.

The Program is for 24 months and the applicant must agree to:

- Keep the property free and clear of debris and excessive vegetation
- Comply with City ordinances, including keeping grass cut and below seven inches.
- Pay current real estate taxes assessed on the lot.
- Each resident applying for this program and obtaining property from the City of Jennings, shall also sign a "Waiver of Liability," waiving any and all liability against the City of Jennings and/or its representatives with respect to the property.



*Congratulations to Mr. Willie Sanders who now owns a lot next to his home on Emma Ave.*

The City of Jennings has had several auctions of abandoned homes and are pleased to say that we have some excellent rehabbers helping us restore our vacant properties. Thank you to **Trusted Properties-Raymond Patterson and Flip USA-Derrick Hibbler** who have done an excellent job of restoration. They are trying to give people who cannot afford a new home, the best new home experience they can. Congratulations!

*2513 Shannonaire Drive after renovation.  
All properties purchased were total gut rehabs.*

# NORTH COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

## CHIEF GOLDSTEIN 314-867-3889

Your Riverview Fire Protection District is excited to announce that we have been approved for a Missouri ALS (Advanced Life Support) license. It was a process to obtain this licensure, and a lot of hard work was put in by your RFPD Firefighters to help take our district to the next level. When our citizens overwhelmingly passed the EMS tax increase, we planned to be ALS ready in 10 years. With some hard work and perseverance, we made it happen in just 4 years!

What does ALS mean for our citizens: We will now carry more lifesaving medications and equipment.

When will RFPD begin providing ALS services: Our "go live" date is January 1, 2021. We are waiting for some additional equipment to arrive, some in-house training, and then we will be ready to go.

We are beyond excited to service our community. Once again, YOU made it happen by believing in your RFPD firefighters and voting YES. Thank you for believing in us.

In other exciting news, we will be changing our name effective January 1, 2021. Our new name will be North County Fire Protection District. It was decided that because our fire district represents numerous cities, we should have a name that encompasses them all. We are excited about this change as well!



*Firefighter assisted North County Community Development Corporation with the delivery of food and gifts to families in need.*



*Welcome Firefighter Tim Edwards to North County. He graduated from the St. Louis County Fire Academy.*

## COURT DEPARTMENT

**LORIETTA SOUTER - Director 314-385-4670**

**JUDGE FELICA EZELL-GILLESPIE - Municipal Judge**

**JOSHUA CANAVAN - Municipal Prosecutor**

The City of Jennings Municipal Division recognizes how COVID-19 may impact all aspects of individual lives- professional and personal. In order to assist you during these tumultuous times, we are holding Municipal Court via Zoom video conferencing. All defendants and attorneys on each docket will be mailed instructions on appearing via Zoom. Please keep in mind there are forms attached to the continuance letter that must be signed and returned prior to the court date given.

We understand that coming to court can be a daunting experience, but we are here to answer your questions and concerns to the best of our ability. If you have any questions you can call the Court Office at (314) 385-4670. Our hours are Monday through Friday from 9am to 4pm.

NO ONE will be permitted to appear in person for court until further notice. We are working diligently to

reschedule all court dates to a Zoom docket. If you have received a ticket recently, you will receive a new notice of your court date by mail or email (if applicable).

There are reasons beyond Court control if a litigant does not receive information regarding their court case, which could be the result of an invalid address. If you need to update your address, please do so by coming into the office or by completing an address change form or submitting it in writing via email [jenningsMOcourt@cityofjennings.org](mailto:jenningsMOcourt@cityofjennings.org)

Please review the "Know Your Rights in Municipal Court" prior to your court appearance at the [www.cityofjennings.org](http://www.cityofjennings.org) website, under Municipal Court Information.

In order to expedite Zoom check-in, please email your name as it appears on your ticket/charge and your email address to [jenningsMOcourt@cityofjennings.org](mailto:jenningsMOcourt@cityofjennings.org).

**Winter 2021**

# CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT

## LIEUTENANT PERVIS JONES- Director 314-679-2134



I want to thank all my Corrections staff for making my transition to this department a smooth one. I also want to thank the St. Louis County Police in Jennings for all their support and a close working relationship. I especially want to thank Acting Lieutenant Shumpert for the training he has provided me in the many areas that I will be responsible for managing. I commend him for his willingness to take my Zoom and phone calls, no matter the time of day, to walk me through my sticking points. He has displayed true leadership during this transition period. I also want to thank the many staff members at City Hall and the Council members whom I've met or spoken to on the phone for guiding and assisting me with personnel matters. You have made me feel welcome in the City of Jennings family. Just as the City of Jennings is beginning to blossom, so is the Corrections Department. With help from staff, the vision is to make our Corrections Department one that other jails of similar size would model themselves after. "You must have a vision in order to work toward or achieve a goal".

I started my career in corrections in October of 1993 with St. Louis County Department of Justice Services as a Corrections Officer. I worked my way to the position of Captain, where I have retired from on October 23, 2020. Before I retired, I received my certificate from the American Corrections Association (ACA) as a Certified Corrections Manager. This was a difficult certificate to achieve due to the various areas of Corrections that you must study and have knowledge in, such as inmate programs, law, staffing, dealing with difficult staff and inmates, security, policy and procedure, and many other areas of corrections. During my career at the St. Louis County Justice Center, I worked in intake, transportation, master control, and the training department. I have been in a supervisory position from 2007 to the present. Before I retired from St. Louis County Department of Justice Services. I oversaw staffing, the department's monthly newsletter, the hiring process, and the training of new officers.

I am married with four children, and two grandchildren with another one on the way. My hobbies are bowling and motorcycle riding. I have worked part-time at Granberry Mortuary for three years now and enjoy the services provided to the families and friends in their time of need.

Lieutenant Pervis Jones

## *Congratulations!*

*Congratulations to Officer Kim Bader on her promotion as the Acting Corporal and Officer Jimmie Westerfield, recognized for her outstanding performance as a Corrections Officer.*



*Sergeant Terrell Shumpert,  
a City employee for 3 years.*



*A salute to Sergeant Todd Forti in  
special recognition of his dedication  
and work performance to the City.  
He has been with the Corrections  
Department for over 12 years.*

# JENNINGS PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

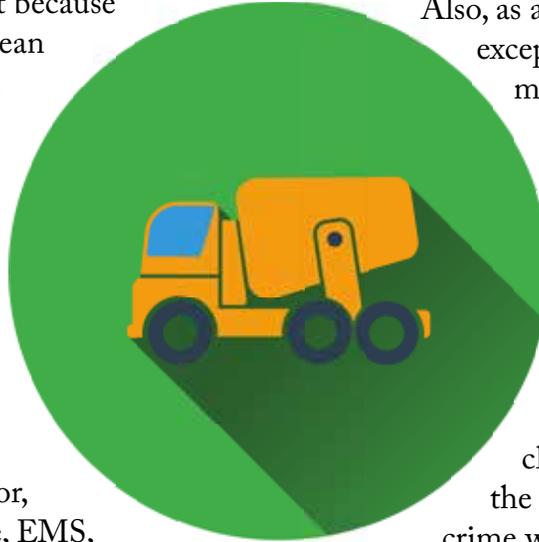
**JAMES MAIXNER - Director 314-388-1164**

## Greetings to all Jennings residents,

Here we are approaching winter, and much has been accomplished this summer. I pray that you and your families are staying safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. My crew, with the assistance of the Building Department, was able to keep the grass situation under control. Just because the winter is upon us does not mean the trash, dumping, potholes and general maintenance will stop. PLEASE get involved in our community and report illegal dumping when you see it, and any suspicious activity such as a truck or trailer full of trash to the Police at 314-889-2341. Together we can clean up our neighborhood!

The Jennings City Council, Mayor, and myself, along with the Police, EMS, and Fire Department, for over a year, have been exploring ways to slow the spread of crime, speeding, and illegal dumping within the City. You will soon see barricades— concrete blocks, being installed along the streets of Jennings and the City of St. Louis border. The idea behind this is to keep our residents safe! They will also be put in place in Northland Hills at the Ferguson City limits. Speed bumps are also going to be installed around the schools and a couple of other locations. Just a reminder, snow removal after they are installed will be minimal to prevent damage to the equipment.

If you see a streetlight out, you as a resident can contact Ameren at 314-342-1000. All you need to report the issue is the light number which will begin with a “J” and the closest address.



Remember as the snow comes, leave the plow trucks plenty of room to do their job, obey the snow route signs for no parking and remember to park as close to the curb as possible if you must park in the street. If our equipment cannot get through safely, the street will not get plowed or treated.

Also, as a reminder, all parks with the exception of the lower part of Koene-man Park are closed from October 1st until April 1st. The lower half of Koeneman Park is open from sunrise to sunset.

In an effort to take back our streets, the City of Jennings has created a **Safer Streets Initiative**. On September 28, 2020, the City Council approved the closure of the following streets with the hopes of reducing speeding and crime within our City.

## Streets closed (at the City/County limits are):

Minnie	Garesche	Albertine
Lalite	Lena	Sherry
Emma	Scottdale	Ellison
Clarion	Shirley (parallel to railroad tracks)	

The City Council, also approved **speed bumps to be installed** near the following schools:

Fairview Elementary School  
Northview Elementary School  
Jennings Jr. and Sr. High Schools

This is just the beginning of our initiative. We look forward to your support and cooperation as we continue to **Focus on Our Future: Jennings Safer Streets, A Stronger Community**.

*On August 28th, 2020, Koeneman Park Basketball Court was dedicated and named The Honorable Mayor Yolanda Austin's Basketball Court.*



*Rayven Nelson*



*Matthew Hunter*



*Jahnya Watkins*



*Riley Stricklin & Mr. Austin Layne Jr.*



*Mr. Austin Layne Jr.*



*Kayden Tatum*



*Jahnya Watkins*



*Jennings Staff*



*Mayor Austin, Senator Brian Williams and other elected officials of City of Jennings and St. Louis County*



*Mayor Austin, Councilman Wilson, Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Brown and Councilwoman Jones*

# FINANCE DEPARTMENT

**Director 314-388-1164**

*The City of Jennings would like to welcome the following new businesses into our city:*

**Angels For Life, LLC**

8926 Boyce Pl.  
Life4Angels20@yahoo.com  
314-766-2470  
Opened Mar 20

**Big Jake's Automotive & Sales,  
LLC**

8990 W. Florissant Ave.  
314-736-4477  
Opened Oct 20

**Hair Relics Beauty Salon, LLC**

1282 St. Cyr Rd.  
314-593-4760  
Opened Aug 20

**Beam Home Health Care Agency,  
LLC**

1276 St. Cyr Rd., Ste 102  
beamhhca@outlook.com  
314-699-0757  
Opened Aug 20

**Extend A Hand Directed Care,  
LLC**

1276 St. Cyr Rd., Ste 106  
314-492-3879  
Opened Aug 20

**Moe Express Auto Sales & Repair,  
Inc.**

7325 W. Florissant Ave.  
314-899-8902  
Opened Sep 20

**SKC Enterprises dba Rent One**

9000 W. Florissant Ave.  
Opened Oct 20

**Hair Relics Barber Shop, LLC**

1284 St. Cyr Rd.  
314-593-4760  
Opened Aug 20

## What is required to have a business license in the City of Jennings?

To start a new business in the City of Jennings, the owner must follow this procedure:

Obtain a commercial occupancy inspection from the Building Department, provided that the business is the same type. If it is not, the owner must present before the Planning Commission and the City Council for approval to bring the business into the City in that specific location.

After the business gets approved by the Planning Commission and the City Council, the owner then brings the inspection, Missouri No Sales Tax Due Certificate, and Schedule C Gross Receipts to the Finance Department for processing.

Notices are mailed out to the current businesses in May of each year. All business licenses are renewed on July 1st of each year. The cost of the license is determined by the business's gross receipts. After July 1st, a late fee will apply.

If you have not received your Business License Application or have questions or concerns, you may contact:

**Finance Department  
City Hall**

**2120 Hord Avenue**

**Jennings, MO 63136**

**Phone: 314-388-1164**

**Email: [FinanceDept@cityofjennings.org](mailto:FinanceDept@cityofjennings.org)**

## Pet License Information

In accordance with approved ordinances in the City of Jennings, tags for dogs and cats must be renewed at the beginning of the calendar year. Proof of current rabies inoculations must accompany each application. The cost of a pet license is \$1.00 for male, \$2.00 for female, and \$1.00 for a spayed female. Pit bull owners must also bring proof of \$100,000.00 insurance for their pit bulls. All information must be brought to the Finance Department at City Hall.



# The City of Jennings Celebrates New and Promoted Employees

## August 2020

Brandon Kent *P/T Laborer*  
Jeannine Roberts *Permit Clerk*

## September 2020

Areatha Webb *Corrections Officer*  
Terrina Brown *Corrections Officer*  
Janelle Nichols *P/T Corrections Officer*  
Charles Browder *Corrections Officer*

## October 2020

Carnell Harris *P/T Code Enforcement Inspector*  
Venus Johnson *Corrections Officer*

## November 2020

Latisha Booker *Administrative Assistant*  
DomaNeisha Harden *Corrections Officer*  
Pervis Jones *Corrections Lieutenant*

## Anniversaries

Sgt. Michael Neal *5 Years, Corrections Sergeant (July)*  
Jeanne Field *15 Years, P/T Court Clerk (November)*  
Lorietta Souter *10 Years, Chief Court Clerk (December)*

## We are hiring!

The City of Jennings is seeking to hire several positions throughout various departments. Please visit our website under EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES for a list of open positions, job summary descriptions and fillable job applications. We do not accept resumes without an application. Applications, along with resumes, can be delivered to City Hall or emailed to [jobs@cityofjennings.org](mailto:jobs@cityofjennings.org).



*Welcome to the City of Jennings  
Lt. Pervis Jones, Corrections Department*



Jennings **Business Watch** meetings are held bi-monthly to highlight businesses and empower business owners with information to help with operating a successful business in the City of Jennings. Some of the information includes: access to resources, fraud and theft prevention, and strategies to ensure safety for their employees and customers.

All meetings are scheduled for 11 am. Meetings will be held virtually until further notice.

### SCHEDULE OF BUSINESS WATCH MEETINGS

#### Dates:

Friday, April 16, 2021  
Friday, June 18, 2021  
Friday, August 20, 2021  
Friday, October 15, 2021  
Friday, December 17, 2021



# WARD 1

Councilwoman Miranda Jones, 314-243-0837

Councilman Allan Stichnote, 314-951-4243



*Thanks to a donation from Community Action Agency of St. Louis County, the services of Councilman Allan Stichnote, Captain Gene Nelke, Firefighter/Paramedic Den Malon, and Firefighter Tony Miller, we are glad to say another Ward 1 resident had much cooler days.*



*Thanks to Acting Captain Mike Heuer, Firefighter Matt O' Donnell, Tim Hummel, and Battalion Chief Wes Morgan, for ensuring cooler days to another of our Ward 1 residents.*



*Dear Jennings residents, on September 28th, 2020 the City Council voted to install in the following blocks barricades in the City. In Ward One they are at 9000 Ellison Drive, 9100 Clarion Drive, and 9300 Scottsdale Avenue. They are to reduce speeding in the indicated areas.*



*The City of Jennings welcomes Chase Bank to Buzz Westfall Plaza. Mayor Austin, Capt. Law, Councilwoman Jones, & Councilman Stichnote were provided a tour of the new facility by Branch Manager, Byron Price.*

# WARD 2

Councilwoman Jane Brown, 314-632-6313

Councilman Terry Wilson, 314-270-2256

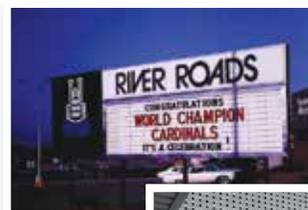
## NEW CITY CENTER @ OLD RIVER ROADS

The City of Jennings is building a new City Hall and Recreation Center on the site of the old River Roads Mall. Anybody who lived in or spent time in North St. Louis County in the 70's & 80's will know the significant history of that mall. I certainly have fond memories of spending time and a little money there as a young person. And now, with great pride and enthusiasm, I get to work as a Consultant to the City of Jennings in the development of their new City Center on that site. This project means a lot to me. I grew up in Jennings, went away to college and obtained my bachelor's degree in architecture. Now I get to bring my 30+ years of planning, development, and construction administration experience to this project, where the mall was demolished in 2007. I'm working alongside City Hall staff and KAI Architects, a local minority-owned architectural firm. The architects leading this project are also graduates of my alma mater, the University of Kansas School of Architecture. Exciting things are happening in Jennings, and I am glad to be a part of it.

*Irvetta Williams – Economic Development Consultant for the City of Jennings*



*Congratulations to Councilman Terry Wilson for being certified as a Municipal Elected Official.*



*Irvetta Williams our Economic Development Consultant*

# WARD 3

Councilwoman, Phyllis Anderson, 314-884-0065

Councilman, Gary Johnson, 314-637-9704



*St John Neumann Senior Apartments receiving their boxes of fresh produce.*



*Councilman Johnson marching with the Jennings 7th grade Social Justice Club.*



## 100 FRESH KICKS FOR KIDS

The goal of New Life Church-St. Louis, Jennings, located at 2300 McLaran, was able to provide new tennis shoes for 100 Jennings students ranging from Kindergarten to High School. Names and shoe sizes were collected, and one week before school began, volunteers of New Life Church delivered them along with backpacks. To see the excitement on each child's face was priceless! Some even put their new shoes on to model them.

We expressed to the St. Louis-owned company that we purchased them from, "This is important to kids. We want to give them shoes and backpacks that they will be proud of. We must have the top name brands." One pair of shoes in our stack had a \$160 price tag on it. These kids went back to school in style! We also gave all the kids prayer cloths and goodie bags.

We had a great weekend of loving our young people and praying over them for healing, restoration, strength, peace, and safety in each of their homes as we distributed school shoes and backpacks.

*Councilwoman Phyllis Anderson*



*Kim Hancock, campus pastor's wife of New Life Church-St. Louis, Jennings, showing some of the shoes that were given away.*

# WARD 4

Councilwoman Aja La'Starr Owens, 314-376-7467

Councilwoman Lorraine Clower, 314-312-3189

Church Mask Giveaway for the City of Jennings churches was sponsored by Pastor Burton of New Northside Missionary Baptist Church, Leah Clyburn of the Sierra Club National, and Emmaline Giles of Environmental Justice. They are working to build a neighborhood Mutual Aid Team with New Northside Missionary Baptist Church as an anchor institution for Jennings and the 27th Ward. STL Mutual Aid (MA) is a network of organizers, healers, artists, community leaders, and every day people coming together to deliver food and supplies, provide financial solidarity, offer emotional support, and connect people to their neighbors.

The Mutual Aid Team's effort was launched at the start of March 2020, since then it has grown immensely throughout the region. However, awareness of the effort and the offer of support is not well-known throughout North City and North County. They are working to conduct socially distanced outreach throughout the community, through no contact, door-to-door canvassing with flyers and yard signs.

As congregations already act as hubs or anchors in their community through their social, spiritual, and sometimes economic supports, the STL Mutual Aid (MA) offers the opportunity for congregations to create a new or build upon an existing ministry, while leveraging the MA network's intake processes and database to meet the immediate needs of community neighbors. To start, they are focused on outreach of the MA helpline and providing doorstep support to seniors 55+ throughout Jennings and the 27th Ward. They know that senior residents are the most vulnerable population during this time for a host of reasons, including their high mortality rate from the virus, the higher rates of isolation and shut-ins, the risk of exposure incurred by leaving home to attain supplies, decreased physical capabilities, low access to private and public transportation, and low access to grocery stores. They are also working on funding to offer financial solidarity support and to purchase supplies that will be stored, assembled, and distributed from the New Northside Missionary Baptist Church to fill the gaps in support within the community. For more information on the STL Mutual Aid effort, please visit: <https://stlmutualaid.org/>

*Councilwoman Aja La'Starr Owens*

Hello everyone,

Here are 3 simple ways we can keep our 4th Ward beautiful when the weather permits:

1. Clean up waste and trash being washed up from nearby areas.
2. Paint the outside of your home.
3. Plant flowers.

Just a few reminders, please be alert of your surroundings. We have been experiencing some trash and debris dumping. Please report any suspicious activities to the Jennings Police Department at the non-emergency number 636-529-8210 and inform the dispatcher that you are a resident of Jennings so the call can be forward to the Jennings Police Officers. For emergency calls, please dial 911.

Be blessed and safe!

*Councilwoman Lorraine Clower*

*Teaching kids to fish at Koeneman Park. They also received free school supplies, snacks, and ice cream.*



*Cleaning up in the 4th Ward.*



*Great developments coming along in Jennings 4th Ward.*



# How Did Your Councilperson Vote?

Bill	Date 2020	Description	Stichnote (Ward 1)
2613	7/27	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, approving a conditional use permit and granting same to Adriann Williams to operate a hair braiding studio 1276 St. Cyr Rd. suites 111-113 in the City of Jennings, Missouri.	Y
2614	8/24	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, to establish a procedure to disclose potential conflicts of interest and substantial interests for certain officials.	Y
2615	8/24	An ordinance establishing the crime of domestic violence.	Y
2616	8/24	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, authorizing the approval, requisition and/or purchase of multiple real properties situated within the city of Jennings, state of Missouri.	Y
2617	9/28	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, ordering the levying and establishing the rate of the municipal taxes for municipal purposes and West Florissant Business District to be collected for the year of 2020.	Y
2618	9/28	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri enacting section 6-10 of chapter 6 article 1 Of the City of Jennings municipal code making it lawful to keep certain domestic fowl as pets.	Y
2620	9/28	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, approving a conditional use permit and granting same to Nicholas Johnson D/B/A Contempo Construction operate a construction company at 5745 and 5747 Helen Avenue, in the City of Jennings, Missouri.	Y
2621	9/28	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, approving a conditional use permit and granting same to Lighthouse Adult Daycare to operate an Adult Daycare Center at 6719 West Florissant Avenue in the City of Jennings, Missouri.	Y
2622	9/28	An Ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, authorizing the approval, requisition, acquisition and/or purchase of multiple real properties situated within the City of Jennings, State of Missouri.	Y
2623	10/26	An ordinance amending section 36-172 of Chapter 36, Article VIII of City of Jennings municipal code to mandate a maximum speed limit of 20 m.p.h. in all residential areas.	Y
2624	10/26	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, approving the rezoning 1908, 1910, 1912, 1914, 1916, 1922, 1924 and 1926 Switzer Ave. from R-1 single family to L-1 light industrial and a 15 foot wide easement identified as "Nettie Avenue" from R-1 single family to L-1 light industrial and to consolidate lots 2 through 9 of Boeckeler Place and a 15 foot wide easement identified as "Nettie Avenue" in the City of Jennings, Missouri into proposed "Lot A Block 9 of Jennings Estate" to create a parking lot and future building expansion for Louisa Foods.	Y
2625	10/26	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, approving a conditional use permit and granting the same to Brittney Washington D/B/A Kyddie Karnival Learning Academy to operate a daycare center at 9601 Halls Ferry Road in the City of Jennings, Missouri.	Y
2626	10/26	An ordinance if the City of Jennings, Missouri authorizing the sale and/or transfer of multiple real properties situated within the City of Jennings, State of Missouri to A Caring Plus Foundation.	
2627	10/26	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, authorizing that the intersection of Center Avenue, Sumter Drive and Mellow ridge Court be designated "Four 4 Way Stop Intersection". Any and all "Yield" signs be removed and that "Stop" signs be placed at the intersection.	Y
2628	11/23	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, vacating a paper street known as "Nettie Avenue" extending east from the current dead end of Hamilton Avenue to the Louisa Foods property line.	Y
2629	12/21	An ordinance of the City of Jennings, Missouri, authorizing the approval, requisition, acquisition and/or purchase of multiple real properties situated within the City of Jennings, state of Missouri.	Y

Jones (Ward 1)	Wilson (Ward 2)	Brown (Ward 2)	Anderson (Ward 3)	Johnson (Ward 3)	Clower (Ward 4)	Owens (Ward 4)	Pass or Fail	Ord #
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2552
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2553
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2554
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2555
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2556
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2557
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2558
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2559
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2560
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2561
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2562
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2563
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2564
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2565
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2566
Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	PASS	2567

# Meet Your Elected Officials



Yolanda Austin  
Mayor

## Ward 1

## Ward 2



Allan Stichnote  
Councilmember



Miranda Jones  
Councilmember



Terry Wilson  
Councilmember



Jane Brown  
Councilmember

## Ward 3

## Ward 4



Gary Johnson  
Councilmember



Phyllis Anderson  
Councilmember



Lorraine Clower  
Councilmember



Aja Owens  
Councilmember

## City Regular Meetings

- City Council - Every 4th Monday at 7:00 p.m.
- Planning Commission - Every 1st Thursday at 5:45 p.m.
- Youth Commission - Every 2nd Thursday at 5:30 p.m.
- Senior Commission - Every 3rd Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.
- Neighborhood Watch - Every 2nd Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

*Meetings will be held virtually until further notice.*

## CITY HALL CLOSED

Friday, April 2 - Good Friday  
Tuesday, April 6 - Municipal Election