

# City of Bridgeton



**Terry W. Briggs, Mayor**

May 19, 2020

Dear fellow Bridgeton Residents,

As we get ready to start the summer by celebrating the Memorial Day Holiday, there are a few changes you need to be aware of due to the on-going coronavirus pandemic.

In the interest of public safety and health and in order to comply with policy from the St. Louis County Executive, the Bridgeton Crossing Family Aquatic Park will not be opening on the Memorial Day holiday weekend as it has in previous years. Because the Bridgeton Recreation Center is also closed, the indoor pool will not be open either.

Bridgeton city and park officials are working on a schedule that will enable us to open both pools later in the summer, hopefully in June, though an exact date is not possible until the county order is lifted and new guidelines are developed by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Even when we do open the pools, there will be new guidelines in place to help prevent the spread or outbreak of coronavirus.

The Bridgeton Municipal Athletic Complex (BMAC) also will remain closed to play. We are hoping to open it, again with new requirements for social distancing, for users. Other Bridgeton Parks are open for public use with the exception of the playground equipment and restrooms. I would encourage residents to get out and enjoy these facilities.

Finally, as we have previously stated, the city will not be having its annual Independence Day festivities, parade or fireworks show, this year. This is a proud tradition in the city, and cancelling was a difficult decision, but we must protect the health of our residents and the many visitors who participate in the Independence Day activities in Bridgeton.

Also, don't forget the true reason for Memorial Day, to honor those who have served and those who have died for this country. Please display the flag proudly at your home.

I hope you and your family stay healthy and safe this summer. Please continue to go to the city's website, [www.bridgetonmo.com](http://www.bridgetonmo.com) or the city's Facebook page for other announcements and opening information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry Briggs". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Terry Briggs,

Mayor