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PIO Announcements – November 20, 2023 **View PowerPoint Slides**

As many prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday, I'd like to remind everyone that the City is closed for the holiday this Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24. This closure includes MAPS transportation service and the Recycling Center. The Recycling Center resumes its regular operating hours on Saturday, November 25. . City Hall and other City services will reopen to the public at 8 a.m. on Monday, November 27.

Residential trash and curbside recycling services will not be provided on Thanksgiving, and the service day will move to Friday. Friday service will be moved to Saturday this week.

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The City's Leaf Pick Up Program is one of our more popular programs so I wanted to mention it again for our viewers. It starts M**onday, November 27,** weather permitting. The City's two crews start in opposite outlying areas of the city and work toward the center of Joplin.

To help residents know the general order of neighborhood locations, the City has created a map indicating the order of neighborhoods the crews will be working. This slide shows the first 3 sections for each crew. The Leaf Pick-Up map is posted on the City's website and by using the map online, citizens can better prepare for their arrival to pick up their leaves. This year, we will also update the map weekly to indicate the progress, so residents can actively monitor when we'll be getting into their neighborhoods.

Depending on the weather, the program can take about a month or longer. Wet leaves cannot be vacuumed - so moisture can delay the work. We appreciate everyone's patience as we provide this popular service for our residents.

For more information, go to our website www.joplinmo.org/LeafPickUp

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Joplin will welcome a new Holiday Train with musical entertainment from 1:30-2 p.m. on Tuesday, November 28. Canadian Pacific Kansas City Railroad has announced their HOLIDAY TRAIN will stop in Joplin at Joplin Union Depot. It will arrive at 1:15 p.m. and present a 30-minute, staged Holiday Show at 1:30 p.m.

Parking for the event on the Union Depot grounds at 205 N. Main Street will open at 11:30 a.m. For more details, go to www.cpkcr.com/HolidayTrain

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Later in the evening, come join Parks and Recreation at Mercy Park for the Holiday Tree Trail Opening Night! From 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 28 guests can enjoy cookies from Casey's, hot chocolate served by Joplin Rotary Clubs, and Karen's Dance Studio musical performances. Walk the trail to view 45 uniquely decorated trees. Allow extra time so the children can stop and see Santa at the event.

The Tree Trail is open every night until 10 p.m.; attendees are encouraged to vote for their favorite tree through December 20. Joplin Parks and Rec added a few special surprises along the trail this year, so we invite everyone to enjoy this fun holiday display.

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Many other holiday events are taking place in Joplin in upcoming weeks, so be sure to check community websites, including the Facebook pages of Joplin Parks and Recreation and Visit Joplin Mo.

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Please visit the City's website or our Facebook page for more information about these announcements and other City items. They can also contact me via email or by phone using the information listed on the screen.

Thank you and we wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! I'd be happy to take any questions.