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Community Connection

CITY OF WATERLOO MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

LOOKING AHEAD

Dec 14-23: Santa Float *see info at right*

Dec 25-26: Merry Christmas!
City Hall will be Closed.

Dec 29-Jan 1: New Year's Holiday
City Hall will be Closed starting at
Noon on 12/29

Jan 15: City Hall Closed in Observance of
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

For more details, visit the city's
website or scan the QR code:
[www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/
community-calendar](http://www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/community-calendar)



Holiday Trash Pickup

There will NOT be trash pickup on
Christmas Day, December 25th - it will be
picked up on Tuesday, December 26th.

There will also NOT be trash pickup on
New Years Day, January 1st - it will be
picked up on Tuesday, January 2nd.

There WILL be trash pickup on Martin
Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, January 15th.

Merry Christmas

The Mayor, City Council and staff at Waterloo
City Hall would like to wish each of you a
joyous holiday season and a healthy and
happy new year! Thank you for everything you
do throughout the year to make Waterloo a
wonderful place to live.



SANTA FLOAT

The Santa Float will again make its way through Waterloo,
bringing gifts and holiday cheer to all! The City of Waterloo,
Waterloo Chamber of Commerce and Sister Cities of Porta Loo,
with the help of many continued donations from individuals,
businesses and organizations, have come together to continue
this beloved tradition, which was started by Harry Wolf and the
Waterloo German Band.



Check out the schedule online (*see URL below*) to find out when Santa and his elves will
be in your neighborhood. On the second night of each route, the route will be reversed
to give young children that may live at the end of the route a chance to visit Santa. The
float departs at 5pm each evening and will be led by a City of Waterloo vehicle with red
and green flashing lights, so you know Santa is close by!

We also have a **Santa Tracker**!! No more guessing where Santa may be! There is a link on
our website (*same URL below*) to access the Santa Tracker.



Each night there will be **three golden tickets** hidden amongst the
candy bars. If you are lucky enough to find one, bring it to City Hall
at 9am on Christmas Eve to receive a gift from Santa!
(Only children ages 13 and under are eligible to win gifts.)

Visit www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/santa-float for the Santa Tracker, routes and all details!



SNOW REMOVAL POLICY

The goal of the Waterloo Public Works Department is to provide snow and ice control
in a safe, timely and cost-efficient manner. Below are a few highlights of the City's Snow
Removal Policy and how residents can help:

- **Please park your vehicle off-street whenever you can.**
Reminder: Recreational vehicles (campers, trailers, motor homes, boats, etc.) are not permitted to park on city streets at any time.
- Please make sure that basketball hoops and other obstructions are not placed in or adjacent to the street.
- Attempts will be made to keep excessive amounts of snow from accumulating at the end of driveways or in front of mailboxes. However, this is a reality of snow plowing and cannot be helped at times. Property owners are responsible for cleaning their driveway approaches and around mailboxes.
- The City is not responsible for plowing alleys.

You can find the complete Snow Removal Policy on the City's website at www.waterloo.il.us.

COLD WEATHER TIPS FOR YOUR HOME

- Check sprinkler or irrigations systems. Make sure you've turned everything off and fully drained the system.
- Identify your home's freezing points. These include pipes in crawl spaces, unheated rooms, basements, garages and exterior walls. Where pipes are exposed to cold, wrap them with insulation or heat tape.
- Know how to shut off your water. Locate your main water shut-off valve and mark it.

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