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ENERGYWISE TIP ~ Energy Efficiency for the Office



Business owners and managers are always looking for ways to reduce costs and improve productivity in their office facilities. There is no exception when it comes to energy costs and usage. Some compare current utility bills to the prior month's or during the same month last year to identify increases in usage. Then, they review operations over those periods with the hope of recognizing the reason or reasons so future increases can be managed. Below are some of the most common opportunities found when investigating:

Lights left on in empty rooms

Even the most efficient lights waste energy lighting empty rooms. Upgrade or replace light fixtures with high-efficiency LEDs, then install effective controls. Occupancy or vacancy sensors ensure unoccupied areas are not needlessly illuminated.

After-hours comfort settings

Empty buildings do not need to be conditioned for occupant comfort. Adjusting building thermostat setpoints after

hours is a simple and cost-effective way to reduce energy bills. Smart thermostats optimize savings and convenience because they automatically adjust temperatures based on occupancy or time schedules. Many also provide advanced features, such as remote control.

Standby power

Computers, office equipment and other electronics draw power continuously, even when unused. Enable power management "sleep" settings on all computers and office equipment. Plug electronics into advanced power strips or "smart plugs". These devices automatically turn off electricity to devices when they are not in use.

Personal appliances

Personal appliances, such as fans, coffee makers and compact refrigerators seem innocuous, but can collectively use a lot of energy. Space heaters are the worst offenders as they are usually under desks and are left operating after hours. Discourage the use of personal appliances by maintaining comfortable temperature and humidity levels. En-

courage employees to dress for the season. Keep a refrigerator, microwave and other appliances available for staff in a central break-room area.

Air leaks

Buildings with uneven temperatures in different areas often suffer from air leaks around windows, exterior doors and exterior wall penetrations. Inspect the building for such leaks and seal them with caulk, weatherstripping and expanding foam sealant.

Often, there are additional sources of energy waste that are easy to overlook and cost you money. Your local electric utility can help identify other ways for facility owners and managers to meet their energy efficiency goals. They may also provide EnergyWiseSM energy efficiency incentives to reduce the cost of improvements and do business more efficiently. Contact them for more information.

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CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

February 4th
February 18th



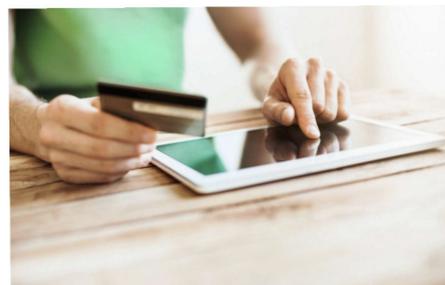
CITY HALL OFFICE HOURS

City Hall office
Hours are:
7:30 a.m.
until 4:30 p.m.

REMEMBER RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS!!

This is the last or the third month of water usage which will be used to determine what your sewer average will be on March 1, 2025!!

Please continue to monitor your usage wisely!!



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Department News ~

Library ~

- ◆ Adult Reading Challenge: Read a book set in each of the 50 states. Pick up reading logs.
- ◆ Stay & Play: Join Mrs. Aleisha on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for sensory activities for parents and children.
- ◆ Needle Night: Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. for creative needlework projects and socializing.
- ◆ Adult Craft Night: February 4th, 6:00 p.m., creating Flower Light Bulbs; all skill levels welcome.
- ◆ Coffee and Conversation: On the first Monday of each month at 10:30 a.m., we will socialize over coffee.
- ◆ Es Hora de Leer: Bilingual storytime with Librarian Andra & Library Director Heather on February 2nd at 2:30 p.m.
- ◆ Toddler Time: Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. with stories and activities; Stamp Art on the 27th.
- ◆ Cultural Night: Explore Ireland's culture with Library Director Heather on February 6th at 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ After-school Coloring: February 7th at 3:30 p.m. for relaxing coloring activities.
- ◆ Blues Presentation: February 8th at 1:00 p.m. with C.A. Waller, exploring the blues genre.
- ◆ Adult Coloring Night: February 11th at 6 p.m.; enjoy coloring and snacks.
- ◆ Beyond the Bell: February 12th and 26th at 2:15 p.m. with crafts led by Mrs. Aleisha.
- ◆ Teen Anti-Valentine's Day Party: February 14th at 3:30 p.m., celebrating friendship and fun.
- ◆ Basic Tech Afternoon: February 12th at 1:00 p.m. for tech assistance with Nicole.
- ◆ Walk & Talk Book Club: February 18th at 6:00 p.m. discussing "Cabinet of Curiosities."
- ◆ Puzzle Race: February 22nd at 11:00 p.m. at Blends & Boards; join for a fun puzzle-solving competition.
- ◆ Traditional Book Club: February 24th at 6:00 p.m. discussing "The Things We Leave Unfinished."
- ◆ Recycled Road: Open the first Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



WISE WORDS

"Never let yesterday use up too much of today."
~Will Rogers

CUSTODIAL POSITION

The City of Wayne is accepting applications for a part-time custodial position (29 hours per week), with some benefits. Wage rate is \$15.52 - \$20.85 per hour, depending upon qualifications and experience. Call 402-375-1733 for an application.



WAYNE RECYCLING & TRASH CENTER (RTC) HOURS

Monday & Friday
9:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

Tuesday
11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Saturday
8:00 a.m.—Noon

Or by appointment Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Green Notes ~ Where can I recycle plastic bags in Wayne?



Plastic bags require a different type of recycling than plastic bottles and containers. Our local grocery stores in Wayne each have plastic bag recycling bins in their stores marked **Bag-2-Bag®**. These bins

accept:

- Plastic retail bags
- Produce bags
- Newspaper Bags
- Dry Cleaning Bags
- Cereal Box liners
- Paper towel and toilet paper wrap
- Over wrap on cases of soda or canned vegetables
- Sealed air pouches in mailed packages aka "air

pillows" or "bubble wrap"

- Ziploc and other zipper style bags with zippers removed

You **cannot** recycle water softener bags, pet food bags, candy bags, and frozen food bags. Please only recycle what is on the list. If in doubt, throw it out. Also, the Wayne Recycling & Transfer Station (RTC) does **NOT** accept plastic bags for recycling.

Remember to take your plastic bags to our local grocery stores for recycling. Even better, bring your own reusable bag when you shop. Both Pac N Save and Quality Foods offer a reusable bag credit of 5¢ per bag.

For more tips on the Green Path to the Good Life, like the Wayne Green Team on Facebook or visit www.cityofwayne.org/greenteam.

The Fair Housing Act protects people from discrimination when they are renting, buying, or securing financing for any housing. The prohibitions specifically cover discrimination because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability and the presence of children.

If you believe you may be a victim of housing discrimination, contact HUD 1-800-669-9777 or your local Fair Housing representative:

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YOUR HOME**

