

Welcome to City Matters

We're excited to announce the launch of **City Matters**, the City of Russellville's new public newsletter! Our goal is to keep you informed, connected, and up to date on everything happening in our community. Each month, you'll find updates on City projects, events, and initiatives along with helpful tips and hints to keep you in the know and make life in Russellville even better.

Stay tuned, stay connected, and join us as we celebrate all the great things happening in Russellville!

JANUARY 2026 City Calendar

January 1

Closed for New Year's Day

January 13

5:30 p.m.
Agenda Prep Meeting
City Hall, Council Chamber

January 19

Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 21

9:00 a.m.
Morning With the Mayor
Public Works Building
220 N. Knoxville Avenue

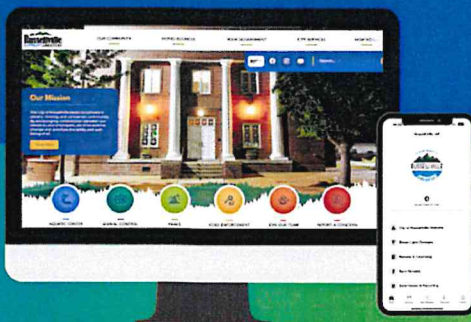
January 22

5:30 p.m.
City Council Meeting
City Hall, Council Chamber



CHECK THIS OUT!

New Website and Mobile App



Visit our website at www.rsvlar.org
and download our mobile app, **Connect
Russellville**, for iOS or Android

❄️Fur-Real - It's Cold!❄️

Keep Your Pets Warm and Safe

Keep it quick. Make short trips outside on chilly days.

Sweater weather. Coats help short-haired pups stay warm.

Paw protection. Wipe paws after walks—salt and ice can sting!

Warm & cozy. Make sure pets have a cozy spot to sleep.

Avoid antifreeze: It's dangerous. Clean spills right away.



Winter Warriors: The Team Keeping Our Streets Safe

Winter brings chilly temperatures, frosty mornings, and sometimes icy roads. During these colder months, our dedicated Public Works Street Department is hard at work to keep our streets safe and clear. Here's a peek at what they do when the temperatures drop:

1. Snow and Ice Management

When winter weather hits, the Street Department is ready with salt, sand, and plows to treat roads and intersections. Their priority is making sure that streets, school routes, and emergency routes are safe for travel.

2. Storm Preparation and Response

Winter storms can be unpredictable. The team monitors weather conditions closely, prepares equipment, and responds quickly to icy patches, fallen branches, or other hazards caused by winter weather.

3. Maintenance and Repairs

Cold weather can be tough on streets. The crew performs essential maintenance including filling potholes, repairing damaged signage, and clearing storm drains to prevent small problems from becoming bigger safety issues.

4. Public Safety

The next time you see a Public Works vehicle heading down your street or at an icy intersection, know that our Street Department is working hard to keep Russellville moving safely.



2025 Employee of the Year **TAMMIE CASE**

As *Animal Control Officer III*, Tammie's dedication extends far beyond a typical 40-hour work week. She is on-call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year—ready to respond at any hour, in any weather, and on every holiday. Whether it's Christmas Day, a snowy night, or a quiet Sunday morning, Tammie is at the Shelter ensuring every animal is fed, safe, and comfortable.

At times, her work places her in challenging and emotional situations from late-night calls involving aggressive animals to removing injured wildlife from roadways or assisting police when an owner is taken into custody. For Tammie, every day is a workday when it comes to protecting the animals in our care.

In addition, Tammie serves as the right hand to Director Mike Vernon, helping keep Shelter operations running smoothly and stepping in wherever she's needed. She also manages the department's Facebook page, actively promoting adoptions and sharing updates about lost pets and animals in need.

Congratulations Tammie, and thank you, for more than 25 years of dedicated service to the City and its animals!

Driven by a lifelong passion for animals, Tammie has been a vital part of the City of Russellville's Animal Control Department for over 25 years. Her dedication, compassion, and work ethic set a standard for everyone around her.