

Consent Item

Subject: Mosquito/Vector control-St. Louis County

Department/Program: Property Services

Recommendation: That we continue the contract with St. Louis County along with our program spraying for Mosquitos.

Explanation:

Mosquito Control

St. Louis County Health Department will again provide mosquito control services for the City of Ballwin. The County provides two distinct types of treatments: larviciding and adulticiding. Larviciding consists of applying mosquitocide products directly to standing water known to breed mosquitoes. Typical sites include creeks and swampy or low-lying areas. Larviciding is scheduled in advance and depends upon the weather. St. Louis County anticipates beginning larviciding in mid-April and fogging in May.

Adulticiding (trucks spraying for adult mosquitoes) is not done on a regular schedule. Instead, the County decides by 6pm on Sundays where spraying will occur that evening. They analyze recent surveillance information (mosquito traps) and then spray where mosquitoes are worst. The County records a message on their hotline at 314-614-4BUG (615-4284) listing where they intend to spray that evening (or, occasionally, the following morning before sunrise). Residents may report mosquito problems by calling the County Health Department at (314) 727-3097 and the City of Ballwin Public Works Department a 636-227-9000

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