



## **CWE North Community Improvement District Business Resource Guide**

The below information is provided in order to help businesses in the CWE with daily operations and to ensure that business owners have the pertinent information for doing business in the CWE.

### **Maintenance**

The NCID contracts with the Independence Center to provide maintenance services throughout the District seven days a week. Crews, pick up litter, sweep sidewalk and empty trash receptacles and from 8am until 12 pm. If you notice any area needing maintenance attention, please contact the NCID office at 314-454-0788.

### **Snow removal**

The NCID clears the sidewalks and applies ice melt throughout the NCID immediately following a snowfall. All crosswalks and intersections are also cleared.

Businesses are responsible for clearing their own entryways and their adjacent patio areas.

Please **do not** shovel snow into the planting beds. The chemicals in ice melt are toxic for plant material and soil and result in poor plant health.

**Landscaping** – The NCID maintains landscaping in public areas of the NICD including flower pots at the intersections and along McPherson and flower beds adjacent to the curbs on the sidewalk. There are three scheduled plantings each year, spring, summer and winter. Additionally, the NCID's maintenance contractors are prune and water trees, pull weeds and clear leaves.

Business are responsible for the care of flower pots placed at their entrances or within their sidewalk café areas. If you are interested in contracting with the NCID to have pots planted and maintained, please contact the NCID office.

### **Sidewalk cafes**

All businesses operating a sidewalk café in the City of St. Louis are required to obtain a permit from the Board of Public Service. #314-622-4627. Permits cost \$200 plus \$1 per square foot of sidewalk area and must be renewed annual with the Street Department.

Four feet of unobstructed sidewalk is required at all times for ADA accessibility.

Sidewalk Café operators are responsible for keeping sidewalk café area clear of all trash and debris.

### **Trash collection**

Businesses are responsible for proper removal of trash and recycling including breaking down boxes, scheduling regular pick-ups and maintaining clean alley ways. Please remember that some of the alleys are shared with residents.

Trash may not be collected between the hours of 8 pm and 6 am and is required weekly at a minimum.

Businesses are responsible for providing their own waste containers which must be clearly marked with the name and address of the business or contractor responsible for removing the waste.

Ordinance 68530 – Section 11.02.255

### **Temporary signage**

Permits must be obtained for any signage in the right-of-way. Contact #314-622-4627

### **Amplified Music**

Section 15.50.030 of Ordinance 24.101 states that “no person shall play any radio, music player, or audio system upon public property at a volume which is plainly audible at a distance greater than seventy-five (75) feet from the source of the sound”.

### **Panhandling**

It is unlawful for any person to engage in the act of panhandling when any of the following circumstances exists:

1. Within 50 feet of an ATM or bank entrance
2. Within 30 feet of an entrance or exit of any building open to the public
3. At any sidewalk café
4. At any bus stop, train stop, or cab stand
5. Within 20 feet of any cross walk
6. After 8:00 p.m. and before 7:00 am (during Daylights Savings Time)
7. After 7:00 p.m. and before 7:00 a.m. (when Daylight Saving Time is not in effect)

**Please call 911 to report panhandling.**