



IMPORTANT CITY NEWS

Planning Commission Meeting - Next Thursday 4.25.2024

There will be a Planning Commission meeting next Thursday, April 25th, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room at 100 Village Center Drive, Suite 150, North Oaks, MN 55127. On the agenda for review is: COMMISSION

- Minutes from the 3.28.2024 meeting
- Discuss and review CUP application for height in excess of 35 feet and a driveway Variance at 8 Sherwood Trail.

The Planning Commission packet will be available 72 hours prior to the meeting, and can be viewed by selecting the calendar entry on the City website.

View Livestream of 4.25.2024 Planning Commission meeting



Sign up Now: Brush Pickup Day Coming - May 30th

The City and NOHOA are co-hosting and coordinating a brush pickup for interested residents. Brush Pickup Day is Thursday, May 30th, 2024. If all the brush is not picked up that day, work will continue the next day. The estimated cost for a dumpster size load of brush (14ft X 7.5ft X 3.5 ft and equals 10 cubic yards) is \$140, but rates vary depending on the amount of brush.

Budget Tree Service will be doing the work, with assistance of the City forester to answer resident questions. If you are interested in signing up for this service, please review the letter for pricing detail and instructions, and return the waiver to the City office via email northoaks@northoaksmn.gov, mail, or stopping by the City office by May 23rd. Call at 651-792-7750 with any questions.

Brush Pick up Day Information / Waiver

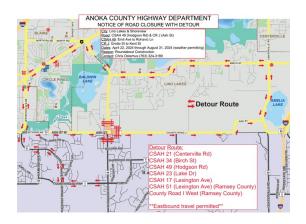
Hodgson Road / County Road J - Roundabout Construction

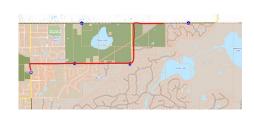
Anoka County has just placed roadwork signs to notify drivers of upcoming construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Hodgson Road and County Road J/Ash Street. This will impact the intersection from April 22nd through August 31, 2024.

Impacted area includes:

- Hodgson Road closure (Emil Avenue to Rohavic Lane)
- County Road J closure for westbound traffic (Grotto Street to Kent Street)
- County Road J open to eastbound traffic

Official detour signs may take you along Anoka County main roads as detour. We recommend North Oaks Rapp Farm residents that use Hodgson Road for their daily commute, take





A visual of Sherwood Road is reflected in RED on the photo above.

Sherwood Road an alternate to avoid the intersection under construction.

From Highway 96 area, if you are going north on Hodgson Road take a right (east) on Sherwood Road, and then a right (east) on County Rd J/Ash Street to reach the Rapp Farm community.

The bus companies transporting students in Rapp Farm have been notified. Information has also been posted to the Rapp Farm and North Oaks Facebook pages.

The link to the Anoka County/City of Lino Lakes/Shoreview project is HERE.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Household Hazardous Waste Mobile Collections Sites Now Open

Free household hazardous waste mobile collection sites are offered at various cities in Ramsey County from April - October.

Many household products you use to clean your kitchen and bathroom, maintain your car and home, and control animals and insects contain hazardous materials.



On Fridays and Saturdays throughout each month, the collection site will be available to assist residents in disposing of household products safely and conveniently. It is illegal to dispose of household hazardous waste in the garbage.

2024 mobile collection sites include:

April - Maplewood May - Arden Hills June - White Bear Lake July - Arden Hills August - Summit Hill (Saint Paul) September - Saint Paul October - Maplewood

In addition to the mobile collection sites, a year-round site in Saint Paulis also available to residents. Click here for more information on Collection sites.



Garden Sale Pick up Dates

If you pre-ordered plants from the North Oaks Garden Club mark your calendars for the pick-up dates/times at the Hill Farm.

- Hanging baskets on Monday, May 6th from 3-6 pm
- All other plants on Thursday, May 9th from 3-7 pm.

All orders will need to be picked up during those respective periods.

Interested in being part of the Garden club? ClickHERE for more information.

SAFETY

Drive Safely during North Oaks Roadwork

Please note that NOHOA is improving the following streets this year as part of their annual project (map also attached):

Phase I

- 1. Bluebird Lane
- 2. Eastview Lane
- 3. Island Road (North of West Pleasant Lake Road)
- 4. Lost Rock Lane
- 5. Shadow Lane
- 6. Thrush Lane
- 7. White Oaks Lane
- 8. Overhill Drive
- 9. West Bay Lane

Phase II

- 1. Chickadee Lane
- 2. Nord Circle Road (East portion)
- 3. Partridge Lane
- 4. Red Fox Road
- 5. Sandpiper Lane



Phase I started on Tuesday, April 16th and Phase II is scheduled to start in approximately two weeks (weather dependent). The roads will be improved through reclamation and paving to the existing width and configuration.

For any questions on the construction please direct them to:

Lee Elfering Elfering & Associates lelfering@elferingeng.com 651-295-6199

NATURAL RESOURCES

Free Minnesota State Park Day - Saturday, April 27th

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources is hosting their next free park day on Saturday, April 27th. On this day, vehicle permit fees will be waived at all 74 state parks and recreation areas.



Some park locations have planned programming for the upcoming Free Park Day. Find more details on these events and see the full state parks events calendar online: Minnesota State Parks and Trails Events Calendar | Minnesota DNR

Metropolitan Mosquito Control District trucks, helicopters, and staff will be out in neighborhoods and parks this spring and summer working to reduce mosquito-borne disease and annoyance.

Press Release from Metropolitan Mosquito Control District (MMCD)



SAINT PAUL - There was nothing normal about the winter of 2023-24. Unseasonably warm temperatures and a lack of snowfallfor much of December through February gave way to relatively cool temperatures and moderate precipitation in late March and early April. In early spring, mosquitoes tend to stay in the water as larvae for longer, but as air temperatures rise, they begin to emerge as adult mosquitoes. The warming expected in the coming weeks, means adult mosquito activity will increase in late April and May.

The Metropolitan Mosquito Control District (MMCD) will be conducting surveillance and treatment activities in your community to reduce the risk of disease and annoyance in an environmentally-sensitive manner. Each year field staff at MMCD monitors and treats wetlands that breed mosquitoes with a fleet of trucks and helicopters. Many of our seasonal staff begin working in April and residents of the seven county metro area may notice the green or white trucks with the MMCD logo or staff on bikes or on foot wearing brightly colored "Mosquito Control" shirts.

At times MMCD employees may need to cross private property for access to check and treat areas for mosquito larvae. If you have questions about mosquito control activities or concerns about an employee, please call the MMCD front desk at (651) 645-9149 or visit MMCD.org.

Some of the activities that MMCD may be doing in your community include:

- Wetland surveillance determining if ponds or swamps have mosquito larvae present.
- Catch basin surveillance pulling off grates and inspecting neighborhood catch basins to determine if mosquito larvae are present.
- Ground larval treatments applying control materials to a wetland with a hand spreader or backpack.
- Helicopter larval treatments applying control materials to a wetland via helicopter.
- UAS/drone larval treatments applying control materials via drone.
- Catch basin treatments applying control materials to neighborhood catch basins.
- Setting or collecting traps surveillance helps MMCD determine where and what types of mosquitoes are active.

The control materials and methods used by MMCD are regularly tested for safety and only applied when surveillance indicates they would be effective. The active ingredients are specifically designed to target mosquito larvae or adults with minimal impacts on non-target insects. The control materials are not harmful to people, pets, or wildlife. For a complete list of control materials used, please visit MMCD.org.

Scheduled treatments including planned helicopter activity are posted on the MMCD website and on our Twitter/X page @metromosquito. The Metropolitan Mosquito Control District appreciates your support. For information about our programs or for tips on how to reduce mosquitoes near your home, please visit our Resident's Guide.

View or download a PDF of this press release.

DNR FalconCam from MN DNR news release

While the long-watched DNR eagle nest fell last season, the DNR has reported that a pair of peregrine falcons have an active nest and is tending eggs on their popular DNR FalconCam.

Falcons typically lay eggs in 48-72 hours intervals and eggs in the nest could start to hatch mid-May. Baby falcons, called eyasses, are lightly covered in whitish down. Eyasses initially have their eyes closed and are relatively helpless. Both male and female adults help incubate the eggs and provide food for their young.

The nest box is downtown St. Paul. The female is 11-year-old and a 15-year-old male and both will help incubate the eggs and provide food for their young.

More about peregrine falcons and the Minnesota restoration project is available on the DNR website: Peregrine falcon project | Minnesota DNR (state.mn.us)





REMINDERS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

North Oaks Residents - Sign up for Emergency Alerts

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Upcoming City Meetings/Events

The public is encouraged to attend City meetings.

- Planning Commission Meeting -Thursday, April 25th at 7:00 p.m.
- City Council Thursday, May 9th at 7:00 p.m.

Click on the calendar for each meeting 72 hours prior to access agendas, links to view via Nine North, or to participate via zoom.

A complete list of options for participation and submitting comments can be found here.

City Calendar

Highlights From Last Week's News:

Did you miss last week's news? No problem! The topics were:

- Highlights from 4.11.24 City Council Meeting
- County Road 35E/I Interchange Project
- Hill Farm Historical Society May event 5.17.2024
- Submit Graduate Pictures to Stroll Magazine
- Deputy Lassegard Monthly Update
- Severe Weather Awareness Week
- Sign up for Brush Pickup Day 5.30.24
- Tick Season Begins Take Precautions

View Last Week's E-Blast



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