

# CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET

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**SEAL COATING** – The City provides for seal coating of roadways as part of the annual street maintenance program. Seal coating is done to create a seal on top of the roadway surface that prevents water from penetrating under the roadway and causing cracks and potholes which helps extend the life of the roadway and, ultimately, saves money for tax payers. Different parts of Saint Peter are done on a rotating 5-6 year basis.

Seal coating includes application of a tacky asphaltic oil to the road surface followed immediately by placement of small red/chip rock stones. The rock is left in place for several days to allow the rock to adhere to the oil product. After that period, the City's Public Works' staff will sweep up the excess stone that did not adhere.



Seal coating work is done quickly; however, as the oil and rock is being applied, access to the road is prohibited. As soon as the rock is in place, the road is opened for traffic again. The Public Works crew works cooperatively with the seal coat contractor to move through areas efficiently and quickly.

This year's seal coating program will begin the week of August 13<sup>th</sup>. If you live in one of the areas scheduled for seal coating work, "no parking" signs are already posted, or will be this week. Those living in the area are asked to make alternative plans for parking vehicles to make sure the entire length of roadway is open. Once the rock has been placed, please feel free to park on the roadway again.

The streets to be seal coated this year include:

- Old Minnesota Avenue - Center Street to Highway 169
- Gault Street between St. Julien Street to Dodd Avenue

- Nichols Court and Peachy's Lane
- North Washington Avenue between St. Julien Street and Dodd Avenue
- Howard, Charles, Loren, Leonard, Thomas, and Woodland Streets
- Sunrise Drive between Stratford Street and Dodd Avenue
- Victoria and Edgerton Streets, Bonnie Lane, Churchill Court, and Wilson Court
- Wood Duck and Pheasant Run Streets
- Meridian Street and Pratt Circle
- Traverse Road between North Washington Avenue to Nicollet Avenue
- Sunrise Drive between Traverse Road to Grace Street
- Grace Street between Sunrise Drive to Gustavus Adolphus College Entrance
- Grace Street between Washington Avenue to Sunrise Drive
- City Water Treatment Plant Parking Lot
- City Generation Plant Parking Lot
- Mill Pond
- River's Edge Hospital West Side Parking Lot

Property owners along these roadways may experience a bit of dust from the process, but please be patient until the rock is swept up in a few days. For questions about the seal coating process, please contact the Public Works Department at 934-0670.

**STREET PAINTING** – Public Works crews will be painting roadway stripes, crosswalks, parking stalls and intersections during the next few weeks. Please be extra careful in and around these areas as traffic may be restricted



to one lane and intersections may be a little more difficult to traverse until the paint dries and the

safety cones removed. If you have any questions feel free to call Public Works at 507-934-0670.

**MILL POND FISHING CONTEST** – Come join the Recreation and Leisure Services Department at the Mill Pond on Friday, August 10th from 2-3:30 p.m. for a fishing contest. All ages are welcome and prizes will be awarded in a variety of categories like The First Fish, Youngest Angler, Weirdest Bait, Coolest Fishing Pole, and more! No registration is necessary for this free event. Concessions will be available for purchase.



**OUTDOOR POOL CLOSING**– Enjoy the last days of summer before the outdoor pool closes for the season at the end of the day on Saturday, August 18th. For information on pool hours, please check out the City’s website at [www.saintpetermn.gov](http://www.saintpetermn.gov).



**FALL ACTIVITIES AND CLASSES** – Look for the 2018 Fall City of Saint Peter Recreation and Leisure Services Department and School District 508 Community & Family Education brochure arriving in mailboxes this coming weekend. If you don’t get a brochure, extras are available at the Community Center and the Library.

**NORTH THIRD STREET PROJECT UPDATE** – North Third Street between Broadway Avenue and Chatham Street continues to be closed. The expected project completion date is August 31st.

The project includes improvement to sidewalk, curb and gutter, storm sewer corrections and the road surface.

Storm sewer work began this week and is expected to take four weeks to complete. Once that work has concluded, the roadway surface will be updated and the project will be complete.

We appreciate the patience shown by residents along North Third Street as the project progresses. For questions about the project, please contact the Public Works Department at 934-0670.



**LAST MINUTE ELECTION REMINDERS** – The primary election is August 14th. For those who still have election questions here’s some info that may help:

- Absentee Voting - Don’t feel like going to the polls on Election Day but still want to vote? Voters in Minnesota now have the option of voting by absentee without having to give a reason. Previously voters had to state one of several reasons allowed under Statute for voting by absentee. Changes to the law removed the requirement for having a reason and now anyone can vote by absentee.



Absentee ballots are available from the Nicollet County Public Services Department (501 South Minnesota Avenue) during regular business hours and on Saturday, August 11th from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Absentee voting will continue until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 13th. Voters will need to complete an absentee ballot application which can be obtained either from the Public Services Office or online at [ABSENTEE APPLICATION](#). All absentee ballots must be received by Election Day or the ballots won’t be counted.

- Where do I vote? - If you are unsure where you polling place is, check out the Secretary of State’s polling place finder at [PRECINCT FINDER](#). Not only will it provide info on the ward and precinct a voter resides in, but it provides maps to the polling place as well as information on what is on your particular ballot.



- Voting Hours – Polls open on Tuesday, August 14th beginning at 7:00 a.m. and continue until 8:00 p.m. Although turnout for primaries has historically been low, lines tend to be the longest first thing in the morning and between 4-6 pm.
- Campaign Materials – Campaign materials like buttons, flyers, t-shirts and the like are not allowed in the polling place on Election Day. Under State law, the parking lots of the two City polling places (Community Center and Armory), are considered part of the polling place and as such voters should note that if your vehicle contains a bumper sticker or other campaign material, you are not allowed to park in the parking lot.

- In Minnesota voters are allowed to register at the polls on Election Day. You will be required to provide one or more of the acceptable proofs of residence. That information is available on the following website: [PROOF OF RESIDENCE](#). Election Judges will be standing by in each polling place to help you register.
- Other voting questions? If you still have questions about the voting process, please contact the City Administrator's Office at 934-0663.

**SMALL APPLIANCE RECYCLING IS COMING! – Do**

you have an electronic mixer that no longer works? How about a bread maker or a rice cooker? You're in luck!

Tri-County Solid Waste has just announced a small appliance recycling event has been scheduled for Saturday, October 6th at the Nicollet County Fairgrounds. Times for the event, prices, and the specific types of appliances that will be accepted have not yet been announced, but this is a great opportunity to go through everything in your house and get rid of those small appliances that no longer work and are just collecting dust.



Watch the Hot Sheet for more information on this great recycling opportunity.

**CAMPAIGN SIGN RULES** - State law allows temporary campaign signs to be up until just a few days after the election. There are several regulations that must be followed for campaign signs.

- Signs are not allowed anywhere on public property.



This includes City, County and State owned rights-of-way, structures in the City-owned boulevard and City parks. The rules of thumb we follow to determine what is City owned boulevard (or right-of-way) are as follows:

- If a public sidewalk exists, signs may be placed behind the sidewalk; or

- If no sidewalk exists, it is safe to assume that a sign placed twenty feet (20') behind the curb line will be on private property.
- If the sign is on a corner lot, the rules for placement include BOTH sides of the property as right-of-way's exist next to all City roadways.

- Signs can only be put on private property with permission of the private property owner. When asking private property owners to place signs, candidates are encouraged to review the rules with the property owner. Oftentimes signs are initially placed correctly, only to have helpful home owners move the signs closer to the curb line in violation of the regulations or to move the sign when mowing and not return it to the legal location. If you are a property owner with a campaign sign in your yard, please remember that illegal placement of the sign gets the candidate in trouble so ensure that the signs are NOT in the right-of-way.

- Signs must not obstruct sightlines for drivers. On corner lots, signs are asked to be 25' behind both curb lines to ensure vehicular traffic is not impeded.

- Signs cannot be attached to City light poles, street signs, traffic control devices like stop signs, trees, shrubs, rocks, fences or other City owned structures.

For more information on campaign signs or election regulations, please contact the City Administrator's Office (934-0663).

**HELP WANTED** - The City of Saint Peter is currently accepting applications for the following position:

- **PART-TIME LIBRARY CIRCULATION CLERK** – in the Recreation and Leisure Services Department. Minimum qualifications: Experience working with public in customer service setting. Desired qualifications: Experience in provision of library services; ability to operate a PC and use internet and related programs including on-line cataloging system. Evening hours with two Saturdays per month. Approximately 6-12.5 hours per week. Wage \$11.03/hour. Applicants are required to complete City application form available in the City Administrator's office at 227 South Front Street between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1-5:00 p.m. or by calling (507)934-0663. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator's office by 5:00 pm

August 20, 2018. Faxed, late, and/or emailed applications will not be accepted. AA/EEO

**CITY MEETING CALENDAR** - This calendar is subject to change. Should you have a question on a meeting date/time, please contact the City Administrator's Office at 934-0663.

Thursday	August 2	5:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
Monday	August 6	3:30 p.m.	Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Monday	August 6	3:00 p.m.	Special City Council Meeting
Monday	August 6	3:15 p.m.	City Council Goal Session
Monday	August 13	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	August 14		PRIMARY ELECTION DAY
Monday	August 20	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop
Wednesday	August 22	12:30 p.m.	Hospital Commission
Thursday	August 23	12:00 noon	Economic Development Authority
Friday	August 24	8:00 a.m.	Tourism and Visitors Bureau
Monday	August 27	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	August 28	5:30 p.m.	Heritage Preservation Commission

