

CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET



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CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – Action taken by the City Council at the regular meeting of April 28, 2014 included approval for extension of a balloon payment due on a revolving loan previously provided to St. Peter Community Childcare Center; approval for purchase of road right-of-way and temporary construction easements from three properties at the Old Minnesota Avenue/West St. Julien Street intersection; approval of the 2014 street maintenance program; approval to accept a 15 kw air compressor from Jari USA in lieu of April rent and authorization to sell the air compressor to Quality Products; approval for purchase of two replacement transit buses; approval for a temporary youth fee of \$1.00 per ride on the route system bus for children ages 5-17 during the period June 9-August 29, 2014; and approval of a Tree Worker's license. Action to approve the Electric Fund budget and a rate increase was tabled for two weeks.

The next regular meeting of the City Council will be Monday, May 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the Governors' Room of the Community Center. For more information on City Council meetings, please contact the City Administrator's office at 934-0663. Copies of the Council packet are also available on the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov/city.

POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY – Mayor Strand has proclaimed May 15th as "POLICE OFFICER MEMORIAL DAY" in the City of Saint Peter in recognition

of the service our Officers provide to the community and their commitment to protecting those they serve. Police Week has also been proclaimed by Mayor Strand as the week surrounding this special day.

The holiday was created in 1961 when Congress asked the President to designate May 15th to honor peace officers. President Kennedy signed the legislation into law on October 1, 1962. In 1994, President Clinton added to the tradition when he ordered United States flags to be flown at half-mast in recognition of those law enforcement officers who made the ultimate sacrifice. The City of Saint Peter will lower flags to half-mast on May 15th to recognize our Officer's and all those who give so much to protect us.

Saint Peter residents are encouraged to recognize and thank our local Police Officers for their commitment to keeping us all safe as we honor their sacrifices on Police Officer Memorial Day.

WASHINGTON AVENUE LINK PROJECT DETOUR -

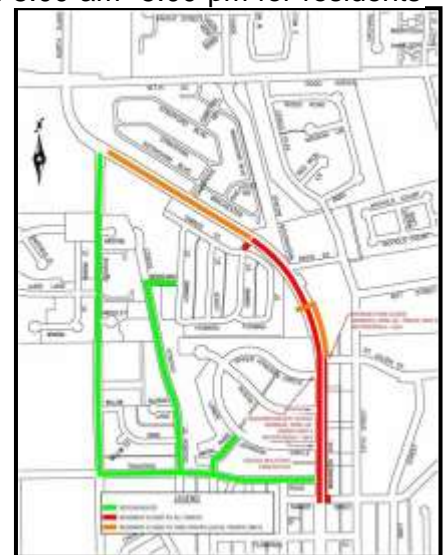
Inclement weather has delayed some work on the Washington Avenue Link Project. The following detours will be in place through May 9th....

- North Washington Avenue access will be closed between 8:00 am- 5:00 pm for residents that live on

Lower Johnson Circle, Austin Drive and Upper Johnson Circle. Residents will need to use McGill Place and follow the detour onto Traverse Road.

Residents can put out their

garbage as usual on Monday for pick up.



School bus stops will remain the same and will not be affected by this detour.

- North Washington Avenue and the intersection of St. Julien Street will be closed between the hours of 8:00am-5:00pm. Residents will need to use Fifth Street and follow the detour.
- Utility work will keep moving forward in the Lampert Subdivision on Howard Street, Thomas Street and the Charles Street intersection. This means that access to Washington Avenue will not be available. Lampert Subdivision residents will need to use Woodland Street and follow the detour. The intersection is expected to re-open for access to Washington Avenue North beginning Friday, May 9th.

This information will be updated each week on the City's website (<http://www.saintpetermn.gov/street-projects>) and on the City's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CityofSaintPeter>).

Drivers are reminded to obey the traffic control signs and to NOT drive around the barricades. This will protect the public from harm and also protect the construction workers as they go about their business.

For those with questions about the project, please contact the Public Works Department at 934-0670.



PETS OF THE WEEK –

The “Pets of the Week” this week include two male kittens found in Kasota. These playful boys are “Bobber” and “Fisher” and their adoption fee is \$135 each.

If your family can provide a forever home to any of these great pets, or if you can help any of the animals in the pound find a forever home, please contact Community Service Officer Janet Thompson at the Police Department at 931-1550, or Alaina at Kind Veterinary Clinic at 931-4700. All animals are spayed/neutered and up-to-date on vaccinations before being adopted out.



SPRING YARD WASTE COLLECTION – Just a brief reminder that when the City crews start the spring brush, garden waste and grass collection next week, LEAVES WILL NOT BE PICKED UP! However, City residents may take leaves to the City's compost drop-off site at the southwest corner of the West St. Julien/North Swift Street intersection. Several property owners have raked leaves to the curb in the last few days and if you are one of them, please note that the City will not be collecting these materials.

WORKSHOP MEETING LOCATION – The regular workshop session of Monday, May 5th will take place in the River's Edge Hospital and Clinic meeting room beginning at 5:30 p.m. This is a change from the normal workshop meeting location (Library meeting room). As part of the workshop session Councilmembers will tour the Hospital.

PARK OPENING – Thursday, May 1st is the official opening day of the City's park system. That means that all parks will be open for visitors and park restroom facilities and shelters are open for business.

Here's some of what you need to know about the City's parks for your summer fun.....

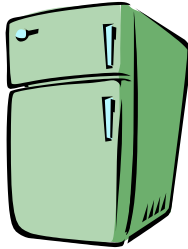
- The City has several types of parks. To see a copy of the Parks Master Plan, visit the City's website at <http://www.saintpetermn.gov/sites/default/files/documents/public-works/ParksMasterPlan2005Part1.pdf>
- To reserve a park shelter for a party, picnic, get together, etc..... please contact the City's Recreation and Leisure Services Department at 934-0667. The Recreation office is located in the Community Center. You can find out if the shelter is available for the day you are planning your event by checking the City's facilities availability page on the website at https://apm.activecommunities.com/saintpeter/Facility_Search
- Check out the City's website at the link below for more information on reserving park shelters, regulations concerning alcohol in the parks, and for an interactive tool that can help you find a park with the specific amenities: <http://www.saintpetermn.gov/parks>
- There is only one park in Saint Peter that allows dogs in the park. The official dog park is located at the intersection of Highway 99 and the Rabbit Road. Dogs are NOT allowed in any of the other parks. The official dog park is a fenced

in area where your dog can be off leash in a safe environment. And, should you be walking your dog anywhere in Saint Peter, including the official dog park, please remember that you must clean up after your dog. Pet owners in violation of these rules run the risk of being cited by the Police Department.

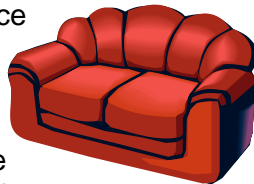
- Parking is NOT allowed in any park in any areas that are not officially designated parking lots or parking spaces without specific prior authorization from the City. Violators may be ticketed and towed. Help keep our parks beautiful and safe for those using the park by parking on the street!

SPRING CLEAN UP TIME – It's that time of year to clean up and get rid of clutter. The Police Department has begun canvassing the community to ensure properties are being maintained and kept up according to City regulations. To help property owners in clean up, the following services have been scheduled or are available to Saint Peter residents:

- **Friday, May 30th, Curbside appliance pick-up...** \$15.00 each. Stop in the Finance Department at City Hall, 227 South Front Street to register and pay for your appliance by Wednesday, May 28th. You must register and pay in advance for this collection. Appliances must be curbside by 8 am on the collection date or you forfeit your fee.



- **Saturday, May 31st, Curbside furniture pick up-** Stop in at the Finance Department at 227 South Front Street to register and pay by Wednesday, May 28th for this collection. Prices are listed below. Must be curbside by 8 am on the collection date or you forfeit your fee.



- **Saturday, May 31st, 9 am-2 pm - Household Electronics recycling** will take place at the old Library lot at the corner of South Front Street/Nassau Street. Residents can drop off household electronics for \$0.25/pound (cash/check) which is payable at the site. Items accepted at no charge include laptops, keyboards, circuit boards, and



cell phones.

- For those with exceptional amounts of recycling or items that haven't been addressed in this

information, here are some more companies that can help....

- **Nicollet County Drop-Off Site- Free Recycling.** Open all day every day. Located at the corner of North Washington Avenue and Sunrise Drive. Recyclables accepted include: Newspaper, Magazines, Glass Bottles and Jars, #1 & #2 Plastic Bottles, Aluminum and Steel Cans, Corrugated Cardboard.
- **Don's Appliance, Appliance Recycling-** 507-931-3832, 969 Old Minnesota Avenue, Saint Peter. Please call for pricing. Cost is approximately \$20.00 per appliance if you bring to store. Don's will also recycle televisions by appointment for a fee.
- **LJP Waste and Recycling-** 507-625-1968- Will recycle appliances for approximately \$30.00 per appliance. Please call to verify price. Dumpsters are also available to rent.
- **Wheel Get There Program-** 507-345-0446. This program is run by the Minnesota Valley Action Council and the program accepts almost any car. Donors will receive the maximum tax deduction. Call MVAC for more information.
- **Brandt's Auto Parts-** 507-931-1305 or 507-317-6454. Will pick up metal items, including vehicles and grills. Will take vehicles and lawn mower or motorcycle batteries for free. Will take tires for a fee. Please call for pricing.
- **Waste Management-** Call 1-888-960-0008 to arrange for a loose pick-up for larger items or to rent a dumpster. Prices vary.
- **Hanson Sanitation** – Call (507) 934-2511 for pricing on dumpster rental. They will also accept building materials for \$9 a yard. Call Hanson directly for more information.
- **Household Hazardous Waste Facility** 507-304-4242. Residents in Blue Earth and Nicollet Counties may use this facility to dispose of paints, stains, pesticides, and many more household hazardous wastes. Open April through October, Tuesdays 12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m. and 2nd Saturday of the month 8:00 am- 12:30 pm. at 651 Summit Avenue in Mankato. Please bring identification.

COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING HOURS - Beginning Friday, May 2nd, the Community Center weekend

hours will change for the spring and summer seasons (May 3rd – September 2nd). During the month of May, the building will close at 6:00 p.m. on Fridays. On Saturdays the building will open at 8:00 a.m. and close earlier at 4:00 p.m. The building will be closed on Sundays. Please note that the Community Center will be closed over the Memorial Day weekend, May 24th-26th.




Official summer hours begin on Saturday, June 7th and run through Labor Day weekend. The building will open at 6:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday and close at 8:00 p.m. On Fridays, hours

will be 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Saturday hours will be 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and the facility will be closed on Sundays (except for approved reservations).

If you have any questions, or would like to inquire about room rentals, please contact the Recreation and Leisure Services Department, Suite 200 of the Community Center, by calling 934-0667 or emailing jenniferh@saintpetermn.gov. Hours are also listed on the City website at www.saintpetermn.gov/communitycenter.

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 or visit the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov.

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| Wednesday | April 30 | 12:00 noon | | Hospital Commission |
| Monday | May 5 | 3:30 p.m. | | Housing and Redevelopment Authority |
| Monday | May 5 | 5:30 p.m. | | City Council Workshop – being held at River's Edge Hospital Meeting Room |
| Tuesday | May 6 | 5:30 p.m. | | Planning and Zoning Commission |
| Monday | May 12 | 5:00 p.m. | | Human Rights Commission |
| Monday | May 12 | 7:00 p.m. | | City Council Meeting |
| Tuesday | May 13 | 5:30 p.m. |  | Library Board |
| Thursday | May 15 | |  | POLICE OFFICER'S MEMORIAL DAY |
| Monday | May 19 | 5:30 p.m. | | City Council Workshop |
| Monday | May 19 | 7:00 p.m. | | Parks and Recreation Advisory Board |
| Thursday | May 22 | 12:00 noon | | Economic Development Authority |
| Friday | May 23 | 8:00 a.m. |  | Tourism and Visitors Bureau |
| Monday | May 26 | | | MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY – City offices closed |
| Tuesday | May 27 | 5:30 p.m. | | Heritage Preservation Commission |
| Tuesday | May 27 | 7:00 p.m. | | City Council Meeting |
| Wednesday | May 28 | 12:00 noon | | Hospital Commission |