

Happy Holidays

WEST SAINT PAUL

Fourth Quarter Newsletter
Two Thousand Sixteen



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Mayor Meisinger and owners celebrate the Chick-fil-A Grand Opening

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

I hope you all enjoyed the fall 'that wouldn't end' and that spoiled us all for what's to come these next 4 months!

With winter in full swing, keep in mind that our parks are open year round and our outdoor rinks will be open as soon as the weather permits for your skating and hockey enjoyment! With winter comes the dreaded snow and the reminder that snow emergencies may be declared for any snow event, so keep yourself informed through the city website. Also, keep in mind that city code states 'no owner or occupant may allow ice or snow to remain on the sidewalk longer than 12 hours after its deposit'. So make sure to get your sidewalks cleared of snow and ice to keep them safe for yourself, the postal carrier and your neighbors.

Winter is not the only change coming to West St. Paul. With the recent elections, West St. Paul will have a new mayor and two new city council members come 2017. I congratulate Jenny Halverson for being elected mayor, Dave Napier for being re-elected councilperson for Ward 3 and I whole heartedly welcome Councilpersons-elect Bob Pace and Anthony Fernandez (Ward 1 and Ward 2 respectively) to the City Council! With West St. Paul being represented by a new Council, a new State Senator in Matt Klein, a new US Representative in Jason Lewis and a new President in Donald Trump, 2017 should

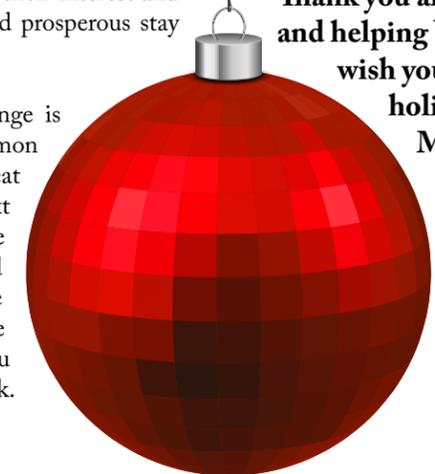
be an exciting year for change in West St. Paul!

Change is also taking place along the Robert Street corridor with the near completion of the Robert Street rebuild project and the addition of many new and exciting businesses that will call West St. Paul their new home. The construction of the Town Center II development (the old Sonic location) is well under way with completion expected by the spring. Hobby Lobby will be moving into the old Rainbow Foods location with work under way as of early November. Dunkin Donuts has announced plans to locate in West St. Paul, with final details still being worked out, and Chick-Fil-A has had their grand opening and is off to a tremendous start! I welcome all these businesses to West St. Paul, thank them for their interest and wish them a long and prosperous stay in our City!

As you can see, change is inevitable and common place in our great city and the next newsletter you receive from the city will include more change because someone else will be writing you from the Mayor's desk.

So with this being my last letter to you from the Mayor's Desk, (at least for a couple years) I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support of me and the Council. I want to thank the City Council for these past two years of hard work. We may not have always agreed as to how to make West St. Paul better, but we always found a way in the end to keep heading in that direction. I also want to thank the city staff for their tireless work serving the residents and putting up with the demands of the Council. Special thanks to our City Clerk Chantal Doriott for keeping me organized and reminding me more than once that I had mayor things to do when my personal and business life got the best of my time.

Thank you all for helping me and helping West St. Paul. I wish you all a very happy holiday season, a very Merry Christmas and a blessed 2017!



YOUR CHOICES FOR THE FUTURE.

The people have spoken. Introducing West St. Paul's newly-elected officials.



**Mayor-Elect
Jenny Halverson**

I am a lifelong resident of West St. Paul, former attorney and an active community volunteer. My husband Chris and I are proud parents of 3 children: Oscar (13), Edith (9) and Hazel (8).

Thank you for entrusting me with the privilege of serving as Mayor of West St. Paul. I am sincerely honored and humbled by your support. I look forward to working together with our City Council to develop policies and strategies that will resonate with our constituents and move us forward.

Jenny Halverson

**Councilperson-Elect
Bob Pace**

I would like to sincerely thank all of my supporters-- those of you that voted for me in Ward One, everyone who donated time, money, and locations for sign placement, as well as those who simply encouraged me and wished me good luck. Together, we can move forward to improve our community with transparency, hard work, and adherence to the voices of the majority of our residents. I am both honored and committed to represent all of the residents and businesses of West St. Paul with utmost respect, integrity, and professionalism throughout my term.

Best Regards,
Bob Pace

**Councilperson-Elect
Anthony Fernandez**

First and foremost I would like to sincerely thank all of you that supported me throughout the campaign. I would also like to thank my wife Jessica and daughter Juliana for all your love and inspiration. The city of West Saint Paul has a tremendous opportunity ahead of us. As the construction of Robert street will begin to end, the development opportunity will only begin to start. This is where I, along with the rest of my council colleagues, will need the input from citizens and business owners alike. My phone and lines of communication are always open and I look forward to hearing from you. Now let's get to work!

Anthony Fernandez

**Councilperson
Dave Napier**

Thank you Ward 3! I am humbled by all of your votes. With the completion of Robert Street only months away, we must carefully proceed with the redevelopment of the retail spaces. I am thrilled to be a part of creating one of the most attractive and effective retail corridors in the region. It is essential that we continue to improve all of our aging streets, parks and city facilities. I look forward to working with all of our newly elected officials over the next few months to develop a strategic vision for the City of West St Paul. I encourage all of our residents to get involved and provide feedback to us throughout the process. Thank you again and have a safe and enjoyable holiday season!

Dave Napier



2017 PUBLIC BUDGET MEETING

DECEMBER 12TH, 2016 @ 6:30, CITY HALL (1616 HUMBOLDT AVE.)

The City Council will take public input on the 2017 budget and levy at their regular meeting on 12/12/16. In September, the 2017 preliminary levy was certified to Dakota County in the amount of \$13,143,542; this is an increase of \$978,681 or 8.05%. Since that time, Council and staff have worked to refine the numbers in an effort to reduce the final levy as much as possible.

The 2017 tax increase will pay for several items in next year's budget including:

- Two additional police officers to meet the increasing demand on police officer time
- Additional police support staff hours for increased officer efficiency
- Additional maintenance staff for the newly renovated Harmon Park
- Wage and benefit increases for city staff
- Increases for both Fire and County Dispatching services

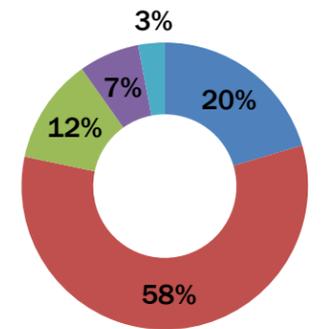
HELPING TO LOWER THE INITIAL COST OF THE NEW POLICE OFFICERS, THE CITY SUCCESSFULLY OBTAINED A \$250,000 FEDERAL GRANT SPREAD OVER THREE YEARS.

The proposed capital improvement expenditures for 2017 include:

- Completion of Robert Street
- Sports Complex improvements
- 2017 Street Improvement projects
- Sidewalk and Trail improvements
- Crusader Avenue Sewer Lining project
- I&I Abatement projects

2017 CITY EXPENSE BREAKDOWN

- General Government
- Public Safety
- Public Works
- Park and Recreation
- Economic Development



NEW FACES IN CITY HALL IN 2016

- Aundrea Graham** - HR Specialist
- Aleck Williams** - Police Officer
- Terrie Sauer** - Code Enforcement Officer
- Eldon Rameaux** - Inflow & Infiltration Inspector
- Alisha Blaydes** - Recreation Programmer
- Melissa Sonnek** - Community Development Specialist
- Ross Beckwith** - City Engineer, Parks and PW Director
- Craig Baumeister** - Police Officer
- Nolan Cornell** - CSO
- Alexandra Nellis** - CSO
- Shawn Landeira** - Utility Maintenance Worker
- Trevor Jackson** - Street Maintenance Worker

SIX QUESTIONS ABOUT ROBERT STREET WITH WEST ST. PAUL'S CITY ENGINEER.

Hi Ross, thanks for sitting down with me. Can you explain your role with the City and the Robert Street project?

As the City Engineer I worked closely with the engineering consultant managing the construction administration. With all of the pieces to this project, there are problems which arise daily that require immediate resolution. So problem solving is a big part of my involvement. Unfortunately, plans on paper don't always translate to what is actually out there, especially for any work that is underground. Keep in mind there are already many private utilities underground (gas, electric, fiber optics, phone) which are in conflict with the installation of new infrastructure. My job is to represent the City's best interests in the project to ensure we are building a quality product while keeping our spending in check.

This is West St. Paul's largest and most expensive construction project ever. What made the scope of this project so big?

Obviously this wasn't just a asphalt resurfacing job... This project has a big footprint being 2.5 miles long times the width of the entire corridor. And that's just surface (concrete curb, sidewalk, medians, brick pavers, asphalt, traffic signals, lights, flagpoles, decorative fence, landscaping and turf). Now add in everything that you can't see: watermain, storm sewer, sanitary sewer, electrical lighting, signal conduit, fiber optics and the roadway subgrade itself which was upgraded underneath that same footprint. That is a lot of infrastructure.

There have been some comments on social media regarding the medians and fewer left turn lanes for business access. What was the reasoning behind getting rid of the shared middle lane, instead using left turn lanes?

This corridor was rated very high on MnDOT's crash list before construction. In order to improve safety, the shared middle turn lane had to be eliminated. Having a divided roadway limits the number of turning locations and makes a much safer corridor for motorists to travel.

The project is looking pretty close to done; what will need to be finished up in Spring?

Next May/June expect lane closures again as the plants, sod, seed, railings and other fixtures go up in the medians as well as behind the curb. There will also be some concrete installed at pedestrian ramps (currently asphalt) and of course miscellaneous repairs and cleanup throughout the entire corridor. In addition, the area in front of the Town Center 2 development (west of Lothenbach Ave.) will need the sidewalk completed. After a wet summer, Mother Nature sure did her part by giving us a beautiful fall to keep the crews rolling!

Will we there be any closures during the winter?

Once construction operations shut down for the year all lanes will be open for traffic this winter.

Is there anything else residents should know about the project?

Construction of this magnitude performed under traffic is very difficult for everyone. We certainly appreciate how patient the businesses and traveling public have been while these improvements have been underway this past construction season.

Business is Booming in West St. Paul!

With major construction beginning to wrap up, businesses are eager to invest in West St. Paul.

In 2015, there were 11 homes built with a total valuation of just under \$3.27 million dollars. In 2016, there are currently 10 homes under construction with 6 more in the plan review process with a total valuation of over \$6.1 million dollars.

Renaissance Plan

The City Council, Planning Commission, and Public Advisory Committee continue to discuss possible revisions to the draft Renaissance Plan update. If approved by Council, the updated plan will provide the vision for potential zoning changes in the Robert Street corridor.

Comprehensive Plan

The City Council recently approved a contract with WSB & Associates to assist the City in completing the required Comprehensive Plan update. The Met Council requires this update every 10 years. The project will include an online presence as well as a series of public meetings in early 2017. Please keep an eye on the City of West St. Paul website for more information. We want your input.

Smith/Dodd Area Study

The City recently received a Dakota County CDA Planning grant to complete a small area study for the Smith/Dodd neighborhood. The plan will identify preferred future land use in the vicinity of the Smith/Dodd intersection. This includes recommendations on building placement, streets and sidewalks, potential park improvements (Dodd Park/Albert Park), and analysis of the possibility of a round-about at the intersection.

Town Center I

The EDA has a preliminary Development Agreement with PEBB Enterprises to redevelop approximately 4.3 acres along the west side of Robert Street from the former Blockbuster site to Wentworth Avenue. The agreement allows PEBB to work towards securing multiple sites for a redevelopment project, draft a workable concept plan and present acceptable numbers to the EDA Board.

Town Center II

A lot of construction is underway at Lothenbach Avenue and Robert Street. Venture Pass Partners continues to develop this site which will include Talecris, a retail/restaurant use and a Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers.

Kmart Building

Kmart recently announced that they were closing in December along with dozens of other locations. The EDA is exploring redevelopment options for this site with the owners of the land and building.

Former Buffalo Wild Wings Building

This building recently sold to a developer who plans to remodel the building and open a Denny's restaurant in that location.

Medical Express Urgent Care Facility

(1963 Robert Street) – The interior work will be completed soon.

Former Southview Athletic Club

(260 Marie Avenue) The owners of the Westview Park Apartments recently purchased this vacant building, demolished it and have plans to build a market-rate apartment building.

1994 Robert Street

A developer purchased this building last year and demolished it. They are planning to locate a Bank of America to that location.

Hobby Lobby

Hobby Lobby recently announced that they plan to open a store in the former Rainbow Foods building in the near future. They are currently working on interior remodeling.

Block 900 Redevelopment

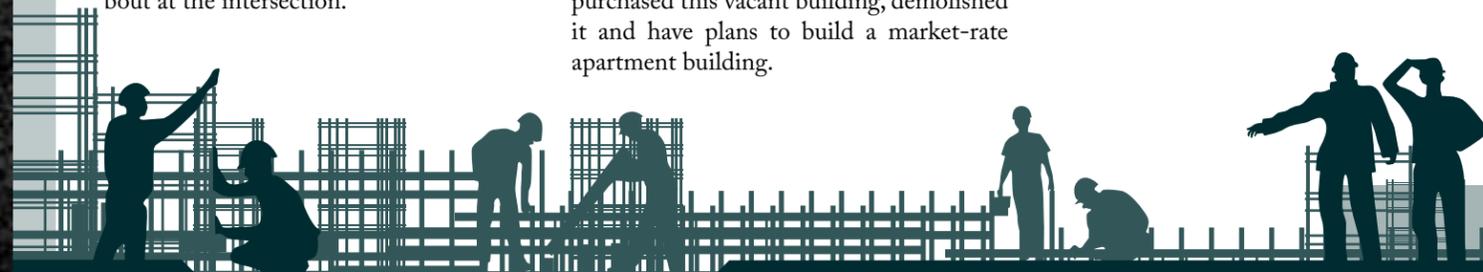
(Annapolis and Robert Street) – The EDA is working with the Dakota County CDA to draft a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a possible multi-family use development. A market study completed a few years ago from Stantec Consulting Services recommended the best use for this area would be multi-family with no or very limited retail use.

Chick-Fil-A (1770 Robert Street)– The recent grand opening was a big success.

The Sanctuary – They recently received the Final Certificate of Occupancy and will be holding a grand opening in January. Some apartments are filled and many applications are being reviewed.

Starbucks & Super Target

Both businesses recently completed an interior remodel.



TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN

PROVED TO BE A BUSY YEAR IN WEST ST. PAUL. CHECK OUT SOME OF THE MAJOR ISSUES ADDRESSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

- The City entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Metropolitan Council and structured a long term approach for removing clear water from the City's public and private sanitary sewer system through a point of sale program. The approved approach for handling Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) will allow this important environmental goal to be accomplished with as minimal impact on property owners as possible.
- On a related note regarding the I/I project, Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations 5 and 6 were replaced and improved which will substantially improve and protect households from flooding during excessive rainfalls.
- The City's water supply became more reliable as a result of a permanent power generator being installed at a St. Paul Regional Water system pump house located on Bidwell. If electrical power is lost in the community, this generator will allow for continued water availability for all residents and businesses.
- The City Council continued its efforts to aggressively deal with poorly managed rental facilities through code enforcement and license denials.
- The Regional Athletic Center (Sports Dome) continues to exceed expectations and financial objectives. The Dome is entering its fourth year of operations and once again, should exceed user fee estimates which reduces the required tax levy needed for this facility.
- Substantial completion of Robert Street Reconstruction. The largest Public Works project in the City's history was substantially completed in 2016, resulting in a safer and more attractive street corridor through the City's commercial center. The City will

be continuing to request additional financial help from the State of Minnesota to help offset the significant financial burden this state highway project has placed on local taxpayers.

- With the completion of the public portion of the Robert Street reconstruction effort, a significant amount of attention has been given toward updating the design criteria that can help guide future private redevelopment that comes forward along the corridor.
- A significant redevelopment project got underway on Robert Street that will include a three tenant medical/retail building including Talecris, Qdoba and a Canes Chicken Fingers.
- The City saw the opening of a Chick-fil-A restaurant in the front parking lot of Target.
- A long-desired redevelopment of a property located at 260 Marie Avenue commenced this year and is programmed to be renovated with market rate apartments.
- The LOOP Circulator Bus system continued for its second year with support from the City and area businesses. The service has been turned over to DARTS transportation to operate in the future. The City of West St. Paul, Dakota County Communities for a Lifetime Initiative and Living Longer and Stronger of West St. Paul will remain involved as part of a collaborative advisory board.
- The City Council approved the commencement of an update to the City's long-term Comprehensive Plan which will guide local and regional development for the next ten years. The Plan is required to be submitted to the Metropolitan Council by the end of 2018.
- The City received a \$125,000 Safe Routes to School grant and partnered with Dakota County in constructing a sidewalk/trail on Wentworth Avenue from Charlton Street to Bellows and north on Bellows to Thompson Avenue.
- Century Link was approved to become a second option for cable TV services in the City.
- Several remedial facility improvements were made at City Hall to address space deficiencies in the Police Department and administration area.
- An Emerald Ash Borer program was implemented to remove and treat infected Ash trees throughout the City. This will be a multi-year effort.
- The City received a \$250,000 Grant to support the hiring of two additional Police Officers. The Officers will be hired in early 2017.



52,000 POUNDS OF POWER

Since construction season is just about wrapped up for the year, it's time for snow to fly. Every winter the City's Public Works Department keeps the streets clean and safe whenever it snows. In order for them to do their job, which is often during times of poor visibility and darkness, we need your help.

Here are a few reminders for property owners:

- While snowplows are big, orange and have flashing lights, they often work in poor visibility and darkness. Just because you can see them doesn't mean they can see you.
- For safety, please keep back 75 feet from snowplows. They may have to back up through intersections or make other maneuvers that are not expected by motorists. A loaded snow plow weighs about 26 tons so please give them room to work!
- Keeping the area around your mailbox clear of snow will prevent damage to the mailbox and allow the postal worker to deliver your mail.
- Please don't push snow from your property onto streets or trails. This can be a hazard to the traveling public, require areas to be plowed twice and is actually a misdemeanor, carrying a fine up to

\$1,000. Not a fun bill to pay right after the holidays!

- Keep your trash containers out of the street and on your boulevard or driveway. It can keep you from having a damaged can or a lot of cleanup if they're accidentally hit. Anytime a plow has to swing out around an object it will require a return trip to that street. Remember, when not awaiting collection, trash cans can only be stored on the side of the house if the setback of the home is at least 50 feet from the curb. Otherwise cans must be stored in the backyard, in a structure or screened by a hedge or enclosure.
- During a snow emergency (2.5-inches or more per snow event) it is critical that vehicles be off the streets. Anytime a plow has to swing out around a parked car, they will likely have to come back to that street and the car will have to be shoveled out. Vehicles illegally parked can be ticketed and towed.
- Snowplowing is an expensive operation performed in mostly less than desirable conditions. By doing your part, staff can plow their routes faster and more efficiently which benefits everyone and keeps costs down. For more information on the City's Snow Emergency Policy please visit www.wspmn.gov.

SAND & SALT

Snow and ice on roads, parking lots, driveways, and sidewalks can create hazardous conditions for people and property. Environmentally, snow and ice removal is best done with plows and shovels rather than chemical treatment. However, at times, physically removing snow and ice is not sufficient for safety, and salt or sand is necessary.

Salt can:

- Deplete the oxygen supply needed by aquatic animals and plants
- Leach into the ground, making it hard for plants to survive

- Contaminate ground and surface waters
- Deteriorate paving & infrastructures

Similarly, sand can:

- Bury the aquatic floor life, fill in habitats, and cloud the water
- Cause premature deterioration of floor surfaces as it is tracked into buildings
- Lose its effectiveness after becoming embedded in snow and ice
- Enter catch basins, storm drains, and surface waters if it is not swept up each spring
- Contribute to clogged storm drains, which can cause flooding.

Attempt to remove snow and ice by hand

through shoveling or snow blowing. Apply salt only if necessary.

Salt Application: Follow the instructions on the package and use only enough to break the ice/pavement bond. Do not throw down salt in the proximity of waterways.

Sand Application: Use only enough sand to provide traction on slippery areas. Sweep up excess sand after snow has melted.

Snow & Ice Disposal: Do not dispose of salt or sand laden snow or ice directly on top of storm drains.



Crime Prevention Tips for the Holidays

Parking Lot Safety for the Holiday Shopper

Remember to lock your car, even if you're only gone for a few minutes. Hide your valuables, preferable in the trunk or locked compartment. Stay alert to your surroundings and the people around you. When parking a vehicle, try to park in a well-lit area.



When You're out Shopping for the Holidays, Stay Alert to Your Surroundings

Never leave personal belongings unattended in a shopping cart. If in a crowded place, be alert for potential thieves. The holiday season is notorious for "con-artists." They may try to distract you or ask for help while they try to steal your belongings or money. When shopping, avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Purchase items with your debit or credit card. Make sure you check your accounts for any fraudulent activities and notify your local police department and bank immediately if your card has been lost or stolen.

When Shopping, the More the Merrier

Call a relative or friend to join you for your shopping trip. An additional person to go shopping with means more eyes and ears to help stay attentive and look out for each other and your personal belongs. Shopping with children can be stressful. Remember to keep an eye on them at all times. Make sure your child knows their basic information regarding themselves such as first and last name and city they live in. Teach your child your name too - not just Mom and Dad. That way they can advise someone like a security guard or police officer to find you faster.

After a hard day of shopping -Enjoy the festive season but be responsible

If you go out with friends, make sure you come home together - never leave anyone behind. Think! Don't' Drink and Drive. If you choose to drink, drink responsibly and never accept a drink from a stranger or leave a drink unattended. If you are walking home from a party or a local pub at night, do it in a group and stay in a busy well-lit area.





Can You Prevent Holiday House Fires?

Holidays are often spent with family, good friends, good food and good times. But the sad fact is that winter holidays are a deadly time of year, in part because our traditions include some of the most common causes of home fires.

In 2015, fires in our homes represented 77 percent of all structure fires and 60 percent of the total dollar loss. Cooking remains the leading cause of residential fires. Appliance/equipment and electrical malfunctions are tied as second and open flames is listed as the third.

Follow these safety tips and have a warm, safe and happy holiday season.

In the Kitchen

Keep appliances clean. Should a fire occur while cooking, cover the pan with a lid to smother flames. Don't leave towels or pot-holders on the stove top. Remember this: an electrical coil on a stove can reach temperatures up to 800 degrees and a gas flame can reach 1,000 degrees. Your dish towel or pot holder can catch fire at 400 degrees. So can your bathrobe, apron or loose sleeves.

Holiday Trees

Make sure your artificial tree is fire-resistant. Water real decorated trees often. Place your tree and all decorations away from heat sources and do not block exits.

The National Fire Protection Association reports that most home fires that begin with holiday trees occur in January. Trees dry out the longer they remain in the home, and can be consumed by fire in a matter of seconds. As the tree begins to lose its coat of green and the needles are falling from the tree, it's time to remove the tree from your home.

Lighting

Before you decorate the tree, inspect your light sets for wear or damage. Discard any damaged sets. Don't overload your home circuits and use no more than three sets of lights per extension cord. Never use electric lights on a metal tree and always turn off holiday lights before going to bed.

Candles

Use flameless candles when possible. Have candles on a solid base. The safest candle holders surround the flame with protective glass. Light candles carefully; keep your hair and loose clothing away from the flame. Keep candles out of children's reach. Never leave candles unattended and always blow out candles when you leave the room.

Fireplace

Hang stockings elsewhere. Keep fireplace screen or doors closed. Don't burn gift-wrap.



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**DROP OFF NEW,
UNWRAPPED GIFTS FROM
8AM-4PM NOW THROUGH
DECEMBER 15TH.**

holiday light recycling

HOLIDAY LIGHTS ACCEPTED FOR FREE AT THE RECYCLING ZONE

As you put away your holiday lights next year, don't toss out your broken or unwanted light strings.

The Recycling Zone in Dakota County will properly recycle holiday lights and extension cords at no cost to you. Simply bring them to the facility at 3365 Dodd Road, Eagan, during the following open hours:

- 9AM - 8PM Wednesday
- Noon - 8PM Thursday
- 9AM - 5PM Friday
- 8AM - 5PM Saturday



For more information about accepted items, visit www.dakotacounty.us and search Recycling Zone.

For a list of other drop-off locations, visit www.recycleminnesota.org or call the Recycling Association of Minnesota at 651-641-4589. The *Recycle Your Holidays*™ program employs more than 200 adults with disabilities throughout Minnesota. Every bulb of the light strand is dismantled by vocational center clients and then properly recycled in Minnesota keeping valuable materials out of our trash.

Partially funded by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and the Dakota County Board of Commissioners.

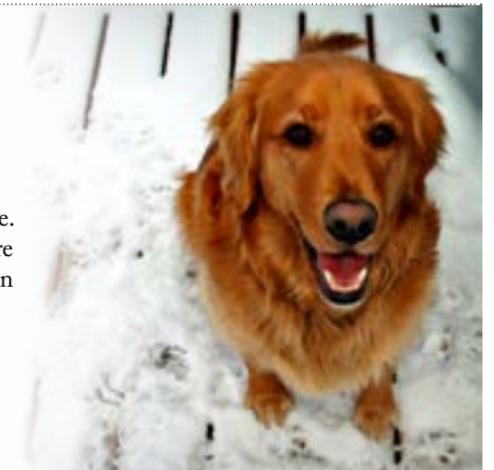
2017 WSP PET LICENSES ARE AVAILABLE NOW!

New and Improved process in 2017

In WSP, all cats and dogs over the age of 4 months are required have a city pet license. Licenses can be purchased at City Hall between 8am-4:30pm, Monday – Friday. We are working on adding the option to purchase pet licenses electronically at some point in 2017. More to come!

Spayed and Neutered Pets - \$15; Others - \$20

Current Rabies Vaccination Certificate from a licensed Veterinarian required.



WSP REGIONAL ATHLETIC CENTER (DOME)

Open Walking & Jogging

Are you one of those people who like to go walking or jogging alone or with a group of friends? Come inside the West St. Paul Dome where the weather is always nice and comfortable. Open walking and jogging time is open to everyone. So grab those little ones, the stroller and come on in. Schedules are subject to change without notice.

Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 4:00 pm Cost: Free Note: Please sign in at the front desk

Open Dome

Open Dome time is an awesome time to let off some steam while having some fun. Our soccer and lacrosse goals are out and ready for you. Come play, practice and even make some new friends. Open Dome time is open to all ages. Ball and other equipment (other than goals) are not provided. All participants are required to wear tennis shoes. Please note that all schedules are subject to change without notice. No pre-registration is required.

Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Cost: \$5 per person

Parks & Recreation

YOUTH TRIPS



Crayola Experience & Bowling

We will spend the morning learning and exploring the world of Crayola, through interactive, colorful creations. In the afternoon we will enjoy bowling at Drkula's Bowl in Inver Grove Heights. Please bring a bag lunch and beverage.

1st - 6th graders

Wednesday, December 28th

Pick up: 9:15 a.m. / Drop off: 3:30 p.m. at West St. Paul City Municipal Center

\$25 per child

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, December 21st, 2016



Snow tubing at Wild Mountain

Come out to Wild Mountain in Taylors Falls with us to experience the Wild Chutes Tubing Hill. We will spend the day sliding down the chutes and warming up near the bonfire. Please bring a bag lunch and beverage. Warm clothes are a must. Don't forget boots, hat, and gloves.

1st - 6th graders

Thursday, December 29th

Pick up: 9:15 am / Drop off: 3:45 pm at West St. Paul City Municipal Center

\$25 per child

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, December 21st, 2016

To register online:

1. Go to www.wspmn.gov
2. Under Residents, click on Parks and Recreation
3. Select Register for Programs Online

Register in person at City Hall

1616 Humboldt Avenue, West St. Paul, MN 55118
(651)-552-4150 | Fax: (651)552-4190
Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm



Secret Holiday Shop



Children of all ages, join us for our 3rd Annual Secret Holiday Shop where parents aren't allowed, while you shop for your family and friends. All gifts will be wrapped and labeled after shopping. Tickets can be purchased for \$0.50 each and all gifts range from \$0.50 to \$12.00. Gifts include items such as jewelry, coffee mugs, home accents, children's toys and much more.

NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Saturday, December 10th
9am - 11am

West St. Paul Council Chambers
1616 Humboldt Ave
West st. Paul

Tickets are 50¢ each
Please bring cash or check



Scholarships

Financial aid is available to those who qualify. Scholarships are granted on a first-come, first-serve basis according to Minnesota's free and reduced lunch price eligibility guidelines. If eligible, funding is awarding at 50% for up to 2 programs per child, per year. Call our office at 651-552-4150 for details on guidelines and required back-up documentation.

Gymnastics

Join us on Saturday mornings to learn the balance beam, uneven bars, floor exercises and tumbling. The 8 week sessions are designed for boys and girls ages 3 and older. Classes are held at Henry Sibley High School Gymnastic Gym, (please use the Delaware entrance.) We ask that girls should wear leotards and boys should wear gym shorts and a t-shirt. Class size is limited.

Saturdays, December 3rd - February 11th (No class Dec 24, 31 & Jan 7)
Henry Sibley High School Gymnastics Gym

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, November 23rd

Tumbling Tykes	3 - 4 years old	8:10 - 8:40am	\$90
Tumbling Tots	4 - 5 years old	8:45 - 9:15am	\$90
Kinder Tumbling	5 - 6 years old	9:20 - 9:50am	\$90
Beginner	6 years old & up	9:55 - 10:55am	\$125
Adv Beginner	6 years old & up	11:00 - Noon	\$125

Outdoor Ice Skating Lessons

This is a joint program with the West St. Paul and Mendota Heights Parks and Recreation Departments. It's a great opportunity to improve your skating skills while having fun outside. Class size is limited, so register early as they fill quickly. (If your class is full please join the waitlist as we will try to add more classes if needed.)

Saturdays, January 7th - February 4th Friendly Hills Rink (716 Navajo Lane, Mendota Heights) - \$35 for 5 weeks

Registration Deadline: Friday, December 23rd

SMALLS AND TALLS SESSION 1: Ages: 3-5 years 9:30am - 10:00am

Parents participate with 1st time skaters. Learn tips to teach your child.

BEGINNERS SESSION 1: Ages: 5 and up 10:05am to 10:35am

For skaters with no previous experience. Learn basic skills.

INTERMEDIATE & FUNSTYLE-FREESTYLE: Ages 6 and up 10:40am - 11:10 am

Our highest level offered with some extra fun freestyle moves!

SMALLS AND TALLS SESSION 2: Ages: 3-5 years 11:15am - 11:45am

Parents participate with 1st time skaters. Learn tips to teach your child.

BEGINNERS SESSION 2: Ages: 5 and up 11:50am - 12:00pm

For skaters with no previous experience. Learn basic skills.

Adventures in Babysitting Musical Theater Camp

One of your kids sneaks out when you are in charge! Team up with your friends and let the adventure begin! We will learn music and choreography from the new Adventures in Babysitting and put together a show that we will perform on the last day of class. Everyone will learn how to put together a professional show from start to finish. Learn how to properly speak lines, block a scene, and develop a character and much more! No experience necessary. All that is needed are comfortable clothing and lightweight tennis shoes or dance shoes. Please bring a nut free snack and beverage daily. Friends and family are invited to a special performance beginning the final 30 minutes of the final class.

5 years old - 10 years old

Tuesday, December 27th - Thursday 29th

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Harmon Park Neighborhood Center

232 Bernard St. West

\$75

Register by: Monday, December 19th

Hockey with a Cop & Firefighter

Join us out at Harmon Park ice rink and warming house for a fun filled game of hockey with members of the Police and Fire Department. Participants can warm up after the game in the warming house with hot cocoa and cookies. All participants must bring their own hockey equipment, skates and hockey stick. **MUST PRE-REGISTER.**

1st - 3rd graders 1:00pm - 2:00pm

4th - 6th graders 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Saturday, January 21st

Harmon Park Ice Rink

180 Bernard Street West

FREE



Register online at
www.wspmn.gov



Rock'n on Ice

Families enjoy a night at Harmon Park ice skating and rocking around to your favorite Rock 'n Roll tunes. After you're done skating, warm up inside with some hot cocoa and a kids craft project (while supplies last). Hockey rink will be open **ONLY** to skating. **NO PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED.**

Friday, February 10th @ 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Harmon Park Ice Rink

180 Bernard Street West

FREE



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NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS



THURS., JANUARY 19 - WARD 1
Thompson Park, 1200 Stassen Ln.

THURS., JANUARY 26 - WARD 3
St. Stephen's Church, 1575 Charlton St.

MON., JANUARY 30 - WARD 2
Harmon Park, 230 Bernard St. W

WEDS., FEB 1 - FINAL
City Hall, 1616 Humboldt Ave.

Are you interested in helping to guide the future of West St Paul? Do you want to learn about the big projects and issues that your community is confronting and will need to deal with going forward? The Mayor, City Council, and City Management staff invite you to join us at any of the upcoming 2017 Neighborhood Meetings. This series of meetings will focus on gathering important input from the community as the City begins work on the 10-year Comprehensive Plan update. We really invite your input, thought, and questions. The City Council will use the input received through these meetings to help guide this important planning process.

Please join us and discuss ways to make WSP a better place to live!

ALL NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS RUN FROM 6:30-8:30PM.