June 18th COVID-19 Update: City Hall, Council Meetings & Splash Pad

Recent changes to some public facilities and operations are listed below. Please continue to take caution when in public. COVID-19 is still very much impacting the metro area, including West St. Paul.

CITY HALL: OPEN
Visitors can now enter City Hall, Monday - Friday: 8am - 4:30pm, for business with administrative staff and the police department. If your questions can be answered or business completed over the phone, please consider calling 651-552-4100 in lieu of a face-to-face visit. Anyone entering City Hall is encouraged to wear a face mask. There are hand sanitizer dispensers throughout public areas for guest use. Do not enter City Hall if you have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19, including a fever or cough.

CITY COUNCIL (AND OTHER PUBLIC) MEETINGS: OPEN
Public meetings are now being held in person in the Council Chambers and are open to the public with social distancing restrictions. City Council and Planning Commission Meetings will continue to be broadcast and streamed online for viewers to watch from the safety of their homes.

- Seating: A limited number of attendees will be allowed into the Council Chambers to view live meetings. Seats are first come-first serve. Due to the limited seating, overflow space will be available in the City Hall Lobby and Lobby Conference Room with screens playing the meeting live. Do not enter City Hall if you have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19, including a fever or cough.

- Participation: Due to the limited seating in the Council Chambers, those wishing to speak during public input items must sign up prior to the start of the meeting and will be called up to the podium one at a time. People wishing to speak may email the City Clerk at sbuecksler@wspmn.gov by 4:30pm the day of the meeting (please include name, address, and subject in email). In addition, sign up sheets for each public input item will be available near the entrance of the Council Chambers the day of each meeting and collected by the City Clerk 5 minutes prior to start of the meeting. Names will be called to approach the podium to address the Council (or Committee). Those watching from overflow areas can enter the Chambers to speak when their name is called and then proceed back to the overflow area to continue viewing.

HARMON PARK SPLASH PAD: OPENS 6/19
The splash pad at Harmon Park opens Friday, 6/19 with limited hours. The splash pad will be open daily from 1pm - 6pm. The splash pad is not sanitized regularly. Users and parents/guardians are reminded to wash and/or sanitize hands after touching any public surface. Those using or near the splash pad must keep 6 feet of distance between non-household members at all times. Use at your own risk. Do not use the splash pad if you have any symptoms consistent with COVID-19, including a fever or cough.

Please take caution when visiting any public facility or business. Although many restrictions have loosened, the danger of the COVID-19 pandemic to our community is still very real. We will continue to see increased cases and need the entire community to take measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Thank you and stay safe,

City of West St. Paul