

Village NOTES

“A Village in the City”

Spring 2017

Notes from the Mayor

Dear Residents,

As we look at the current political landscape we are led to believe that there is a great divide in this country. However, I would submit that the vast majority of us really want basically the same things; security, safe communities, and the general well-being of our family and self. However, most pundits or political affiliations want to place us in a limited set of defined parameters without allowing for the nuisances of gradation in individual variations. When that happens we get pulled into a constricted band of thinking and fall into the trap of their identity and echo chamber.

None of us are that definable and standardized as to fit in a one size with a narrow definition, yet here we are. So how do I as an individual break from that? I would first of all begin by limiting my electronic media outlets as my only source of information. Secondly I would spend some time without the bombardment of the latest “news”. In many cases it is just a re-hash of a story with a different twist to make the sender’s point of view appear valid. And lastly I would spend time thinking about an issue during my self-imposed quiet time without taking a position or uttering an announcement of my feelings. Once you draw a line in the sand it becomes much more difficult to process new information or walk yourself back from a previously held utterance. We must resist reacting to our base impulses because they can be imprecise. Words can be potent both to the listener and the producer – use your voice wisely and prudently.

When we want to share our thoughts with someone with unlike opinions, then we must do it without the shrillness of words, volume and tone. When we lower our voices and open our minds, then and only then can a free flow of ideas occur. And dare I say dissimilar positions began to be heard by the other person. If we look at the science of humankind, we will quickly realize that only 200,000 years ago homo sapiens became the dominate species on the earth. It is therefore incumbent upon us to realize we are all part of the human race with the same ancestral heredity and DNA. Just because we may have different characteristics, color, views or traditions that does not make us dissimilar – in fact we have more in common than we realize. So let us not judge a book by its cover but rather the content of its pages.

I am always drawn back to the serenity prayer as a guide in my exuberance to change the world – “grant me the serenity to accept the things that I cannot change, the courage to change the things that I can, and the wisdom to know the difference”. That leads to a lot less frustration and anxiety thereby lending oneself to a more purposeful, focused and balanced life.

My best regards
Jerry Faust

IN THIS EDITION:

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- TRI-CITY BODY CAM WORK GROUP
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- GOVERNMENT ALLIANCE ON RACE & EQUITY (GARE)

THREE “E’S” OF SUSTAINABILITY: ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMIC AND EQUITY

by Mark Casey, City Manager

In previous newsletters we have discussed environmental and economic sustainability which brings us to the third “E” of sustainability - equity.

The City of St. Anthony is active in a variety of initiatives highlighted in this newsletter that deal with equity. Please see:

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The community’s participation and involvement in city government is the crux of democracy. It is critical to the effective function of the city that all participate and are familiar with the decisions that are being made. We strive to keep you informed through a variety of means (website, newsletter, email notifications, public hearings, and public meetings), but communication is a two-way street; it requires residents to educate themselves and engage in the process of forming public policy. Such participation is essential to ensure all voices are heard, not just a vocal few. As Plato famously said, “Your silence gives consent,” so if you haven’t spoken up, please do so.

Only you can make sure the democracy you inherit is as good as we know it can be. But it requires your dedicated, and informed, and engaged citizenship.

Barack H. Obama

I ask you to be citizens: citizens, not spectators; citizens, not subjects; responsible citizens, building communities of service and a nation of character.

George W. Bush

2017 ORGANIZED COLLECTION RATES

Hennepin County

Small Cart	\$12.84
Recycling	\$3.77
Hennepin Co. Surcharge (9%)	\$1.16
Solid Waste Management Tax (9.75%)	<u>\$1.25</u>
Monthly Total - Small Cart	\$19.02

Medium Cart	\$14.82
Recycling	\$3.77
Hennepin Co. Surcharge (9%)	\$1.33
Solid Waste Management Tax (9.75%)	<u>\$1.45</u>
Monthly Total - Medium Cart	\$21.37

Large Cart	\$17.17
Recycling	\$3.77
Hennepin Co. Surcharge (9%)	\$1.55
Solid Waste Management Tax (9.75%)	<u>\$1.67</u>
Monthly Total - Large Cart	\$24.16

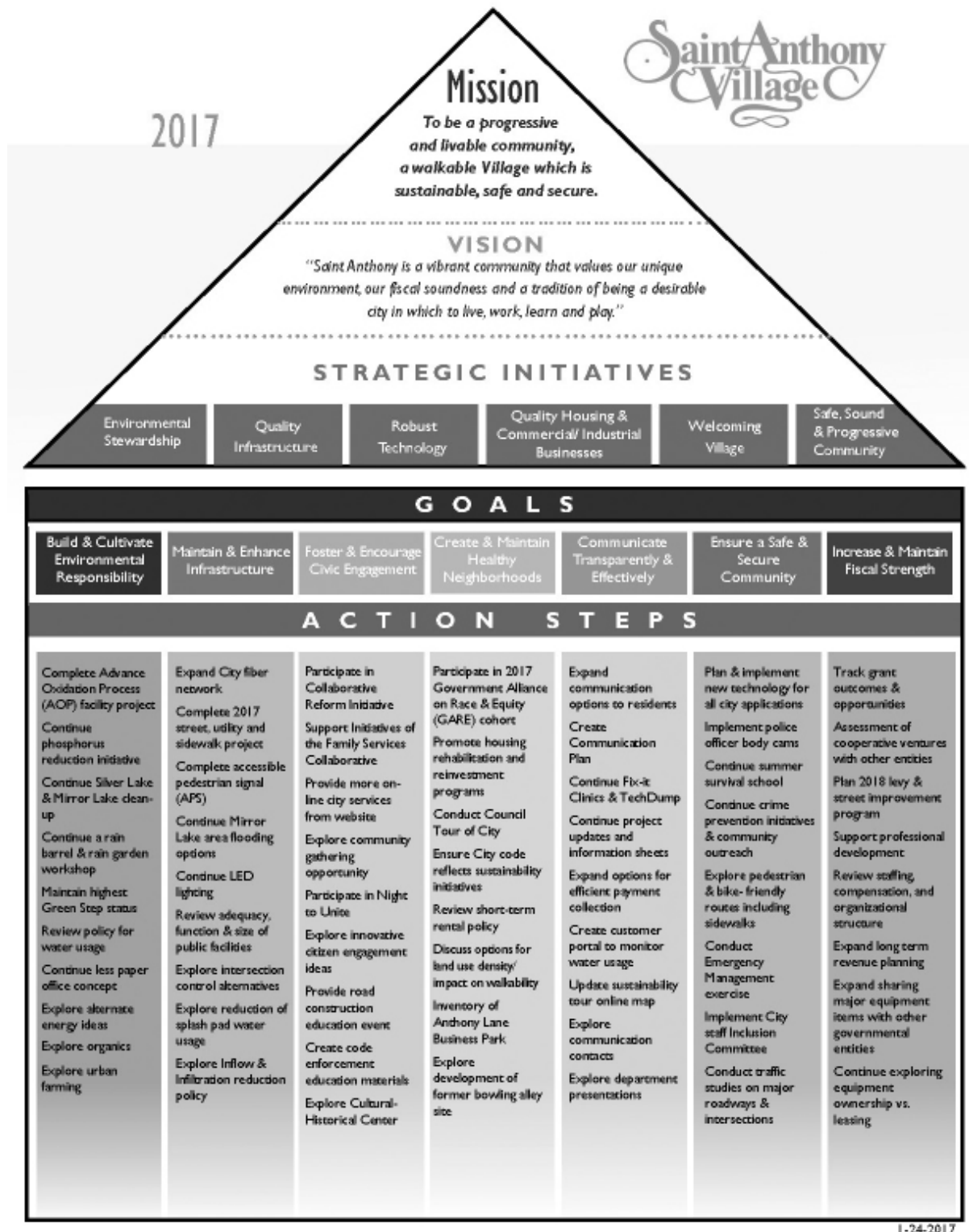
Ramsey County

Small Cart	\$12.84
Recycling	\$3.77
Ramsey Co. Surcharge (28%)	\$3.59
Solid Waste Management Tax (9.75%)	<u>\$1.25</u>
Monthly Total - Small Cart	\$21.45

Medium Cart	\$14.82
Recycling	\$3.77
Ramsey Co. Surcharge (28%)	\$4.15
Solid Waste Management Tax (9.75%)	<u>\$1.45</u>
Monthly Total - Medium Cart	\$24.19

Large Cart	\$17.17
Recycling	\$3.77
Ramsey Co. Surcharge (28%)	\$4.81
Solid Waste Management Tax (9.75%)	<u>\$1.67</u>
Monthly Total - Large Cart	\$27.42

The Mayor, Council, City Manager, department heads, consultants, Planning and Parks Commission Chairs, and special guests attended the annual Strategic Planning Goal Setting. The group joined together to collaboratively create goals for the City of St. Anthony in 2017. Below is the Pyramid outlining the City's goals and objectives. The complete Strategic Planning Report is available on the city's website at www.ci.saint-anthony.mn.us



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE'S COLLABORATIVE REFORM INITIATIVE UPDATE

by Mark Casey, City Manager

The Department of Justice (DOJ) – Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) continues to work with our police department as a part of their collaborative reform initiative for technical assistance. Most recently, the DOJ has sent subject matter experts in the field of community engagement and data and traffic analysis to evaluate the current community engagement efforts of the department and offer other innovative ways of connecting with the public, including youth and a social media presence. In addition, they are assessing department data and the tools the department has to collect information. The DOJ members have also taken the opportunity to ride on patrol with many officers, and converse with department staff as well as with community members.

In addition to their on-site work, the DOJ participated in a meeting at the League of Minnesota Cities (LMC) with the LMC Executive Director and staff, along with the Mayor, Police Chief and I, to discuss how we can share St. Anthony's findings and lessons learned throughout the State of Minnesota. LMC represents 853 cities in Minnesota, most with police departments similar in size to St. Anthony. It is hoped that this process will not only bring positive change to our city, but serve as a best practices model for similarly-sized agencies across the state and country.

The mayor, city council and staff are excited to be part of this multi-year process of identifying issues and enhancing the relationships within the city. One of our fundamental goals is to create systems that are sustainable and able to become embedded within the fabric of our community.

It is critically important that we hear from all of you. If you wish to contact the core assessment team, here are three ways:

SaintAnthonyPD.CRITA@usdoj.gov
1-202-353-4400 (via the COPS Office technical assistance line)
The COPS Office
Attn: CRI-TA St. Anthony Assessment
145 N Street NE
Washington, DC 20530

PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE

by Jim Gondorchin, Planning Commission Chair

The Planning Commission is a seven-person body meeting the fourth Monday evening of each month at 7PM in the City Council Chambers. Typical agenda items include: land use and development, city ordinance modifications and variance requests by both residents and businesses.

Recap of 2016: the Planning Commission reviewed and ruled on five variance requests, one amendment to the city code, three conditional use permits and adoption of a new ordinance to the city code. In addition, members attended workshops featuring

community development consultants, participated in community engagement meetings and “work sessions” dedicated to development of the Comprehensive Plan. The citizen engagement meetings addressed a variety of topics with resident input incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan.

For 2017, the Comprehensive Plan again is a major agenda item as it impacts housing, transportation, parks, water resource policy and land use in general - as is redevelopment of the Lowry Grove property. Both will take their place in the 2017 “Work Plan” along with more routine matters.

The 2017 edition of the Planning Commission will be able to “hit the ground running” as it features the return of all 2016 members.

► **DOCUMENT SHREDDING** – no charge for City residents.

► **FLUORESCENT BULBS** - no charge for City residents.

► **CARDBOARD** - no charge for City residents.

► **CLOTHING** - The Goodwill will be accepting clothing in good condition. Clothing should be in boxes or bags.

► **FURNITURE & HOUSEHOLD ITEMS** -

Furniture and miscellaneous household items in good condition will be accepted by Bridging. Household items should be in working condition; breakable items should be wrapped in paper. Donation receipts will be available. Items that are worn, stained, torn, broken, or missing pieces will be considered solid waste and charged a volume-based fee.

► **APPLIANCES** - \$15.00 (air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, water softeners - \$25.00)

Appliances accepted include: stoves, washers, dryers, residential furnaces, dishwashers, water heaters, trash compactors, garbage disposals, humidifiers and dehumidifiers.

► **BATTERIES** - Household batteries: A's, C, D and 9 volt sizes are free.

Auto- \$1.00 Commercial- \$10.00 Lithium, NiCad, Li-Ion, NiMH, etc.-\$2.00 Truck- \$7.50 Laptop-\$2.00

► **ELECTRONICS** - TechDump a non-profit organization will be accepting electronics. \$15.00 Electronics that will be accepted includes computers, televisions, audio equipment, VCR's, DVD's, microwave ovens.

► Household Hazardous Waste – Not Accepted

► **JUNK CARS** - Freeway Towing will provide free junk car disposal. Please call 651-633-5525 to register your vehicle to be picked up. Car owners must provide Freeway Towing with the title of the vehicle or a bill of sale.

► **LAWN & GARDEN** (all gas/oil needs to be removed)

\$10.00-chain saws, pressure washers, lawn mowers (push), roto-tillers, weed whips, snow blowers, and leaf blowers

\$25.00-lawn mowers, (riders)

► **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

\$2.00-smoke detectors \$5.00-power tools \$10.00-air compressors, grills & generators \$10.00-Small propane tank \$25.00-large propane tank

► **MISCELLANEOUS JUNK & CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS** - Volume based fee.

Trunk Load - \$10 to \$20 Charge per carload - \$25 - \$50 (depending on the size of the vehicle)

► **SCRAP METAL** - \$5.00 per load

► **TIRES** – (priced per tire)

Passenger car tire/Lt. Truck-\$5.00 per tire Semi-truck tires-\$10.00 per tire Other larger tires-\$20.00 per tire

Tires with rims additional \$1.00 per tire

► **TREE & BRUSH WASTE** - Volume based fee trunk load - \$10 to \$20 & Charge per carload - \$25 - \$50 (depending on the size of the vehicle)

**CLEAN
UP DAY**
Saturday May 6, 2017
9:00 am to Noon
Public Works Garage
3801 Chandler Drive

WHO IS TECH DUMP?

Tech Dump is a 501c3 social enterprise electronic waste recycler with missions to protect the environment, to provide safe and secure electronics recycling, and to create stable jobs for people with barriers to employment. Through recycling and refurbishing electronics, Tech Dump's employees gain practical skills and graduate to livable wage employment. Tech Dump accepts electronics for recycling at their 3 locations, with one in the St Paul- Midway neighborhood. More info on what they accept at TechDump.org or call 763-432-3117.



WATER RESTRICTIONS

Per City Council Resolution 17-032

- No Watering between 11:00 am to 6:00 pm
- Odd numbered addresses may water on odd dates
- Even numbered addresses may water on even dates
- Exemptions may be granted for recently established lawns
- Water restrictions shall apply each year between April 1st and November 1st

Questions
city@ci.saint-anthony.mn.us
612-782-3301



TRI CITY BODY CAMERA WORKGROUP

by Police Chief Jon Mangseth

In light of Minnesota Legislation passed into State law following last year's legislative session regarding the use and implementation of Body Worn Cameras (BWC), by law enforcement, the cities of St. Anthony, Lauderdale and Falcon Heights created a Tri City Workgroup to discuss police BWCs. The Tri-City Workgroup is made up of citizens from each of these communities. The focus of the workgroup is to make recommendations to the St. Anthony Police Department on the implementation of an officer worn body camera program. Specifically, the group desires to foster effective, fair, and transparent police services for these three cities and believe that, as citizens of these cities, their involvement in this process is vital.

The workgroup is aware that recent studies have shown that the use of BWCs have led to an increase in community trust and transparency, have reduced the number of officer complaints, increased the credibility and ease of evidence collection, and the group expects these same types of results in our communities as well. The workgroup has currently completed three meeting sessions.

Meeting one was held at St. Anthony City Hall on January 18th. Discussion centered on defining purpose and desired outcomes for the group. Ultimately, the Tri City Body Camera Work Group will review current police policies and protocols, best practices and trends, policy development and present policy recommendations to the St. Anthony Chief of Police for consideration related to police officer BWCs.



Burnsville Police Chief, Eric Gieseke, and two of his staff, provided a presentation to the workgroup related to current body camera legislation and provided a demonstration of the body camera equipment they employ.

Meeting two was held at Lauderdale City Hall on February 15th. This meeting featured a presentation by Don Gemberling. Mr. Gemberling began working, professionally, with issues of transparency, governmental accountability, the implications of technology on humans, and data privacy in 1973. For over thirty years, he was the only staff that managed functions in the MN

Department of Administration, which involved helping government agencies comply with the Data Practices Act and related law and citizens with exercising their rights under those laws. Chief Gieseke provided a copy of current body camera policy. He provided an overview of policy considerations.

Meeting three was held on March 15th at the Falcon Heights City Hall. The featured presenter was MN Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) Special Agent Jeff Hansen. Agent Hansen provided information to the workgroup regarding the guidelines and parameters established by the MN BCA for their involvement in police use of deadly force investigations. This policy provides guidelines and sets parameters for BCA involvement in police use of deadly force investigations. When a law enforcement officer uses force and a citizen dies or is seriously injured, the public expects a thorough investigation regarding the circumstances of the use of force. The BCA conducts criminal investigations of these incidents at the request of other law enforcement agencies and does not conduct internal or administrative inquiries of these actions. Once requested by another law enforcement agency, it is the BCA's responsibility to conduct an independent, thorough, and unbiased investigation. This will be a key consideration in adopting policy in St. Anthony.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PROCESS UPDATE

by Breanne Rothstein, City Planner

Thank you to all the residents who have participated in the comprehensive plan process to date! The St. Anthony Comprehensive Plan guides growth, re-development, and infrastructure investment over the next 25 years. We have received great input and comments regarding the future of St. Anthony as it relates to land use, housing, transportation, and sustainability. We are working to compile the draft plan document, and will complete another round of community engagement this late spring and summer. The plan will be completed for adjacent community and Met Council review during the fall of 2017. Check out the city's website for updates to the process and documents. Below are terms used by St. Anthony residents to describe actions, initiatives and policies that will affect what their community looks like in 2040.



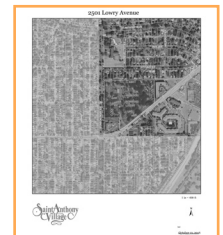
THE RE-DEVELOPMENT OF LOWRY GROVE

by Breanne Rothstein, City Planner

In Fall of 2016, the City received an informal concept/sketch plan from The Village, LLC for the re-development of Lowry Grove at the NE corner of Lowry Avenue and Kenzie Terrace. This project is also called the Southern Gateway Project. Receipt of this sketch plan triggered a mandatory Environmental Assessment Worksheet, or EAW, which has been completed, and can be accessed at the city's website.

The City expects to receive a preliminary plat application and a re-zoning request from the Village, LLC, which would start the formal review of the development. A public hearing will be scheduled upon determination of a complete application. The Planning Commission and City Council will review the request and take action on the development proposal according to statutory requirements.

The public is welcome to submit comments anytime on the proposal by contacting planner@ci.saint-anthony.mn.us. A push notification subscription has also been set up for residents to subscribe to receive updates. This can be completed in a two-step process at the city's website under "Email Notifications".



ENGINEERING UPDATES

by Todd Hubmer, City Engineer

2017 Street and Utility Improvement Project

The 2017 Street and Utility Improvement Project consists of complete street and utility reconstruction along the following roadways (illustrated below):

- Penrod Lane from 36th Avenue to Skycroft Drive
- Skycroft Drive from Penrod Lane to Maplewood Drive
- Chelmsford Road from 36th Avenue to Maplewood Drive
- Maplewood Drive from Skycroft Drive to Highcrest Road (including cul-de-sacs to the north)

Bids were received and the contract was awarded to Ryan Contracting of Elko New Market, MN. The project documents are currently being executed with an anticipated start date of late April or early May depending on weather.

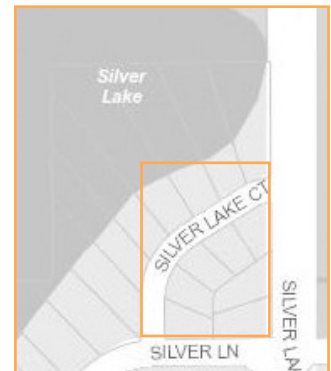


2017 37th Avenue Sidewalk and Signal Project

The Project has been revised as the sidewalk along Stinson Boulevard was installed this past fall to coincide with the completion of the 2016 Street and Utility Improvement Project. Improvements identified with the project include sidewalk installation along 37th Avenue between Stinson Boulevard and Highcrest Road along with signal improvements at the intersections of 39th Avenue and Stinson Boulevard, Silver Lane and Silver Lake Road and at 39th Avenue and Silver Lake Road.

Bids were received and the project documents are currently being executed with an anticipated start date of late April or early May depending on weather.

Also identified for improvement in 2017 is the bituminous mill and overlay along Silver Lake Court from Silver Lane to the cul-de-sac (illustrated below).



AUTOMATIC EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS!

Sign up to receive updates on any of these projects. Visit www.ci.saint-anthony.mn.us and select Email Notifications located on the left sidebar.

Silver Lake Road LED Street Light Replacement Project

The City of St. Anthony Village is soliciting bids to replace the existing street lights along Silver Lake Road from 37th Avenue to County Road E. This project will consist of replacing the light poles with decorative light poles along Silver Lake Road south of 37th Avenue and installing new LED light fixtures. This project will be completed in collaboration with the City of New Brighton to replace all street lights up to Interstate 694.

The street light replacement is anticipated to take place during the summer of 2017.

ENGINEERING UPDATES

by Todd Hubmer, City Engineer

Advanced Oxidation Process Water Treatment Plant

The Contractor has completed installation of the treatment plant enclosure including the interior treatment equipment, process piping and electrical equipment. Continuing through the spring and summer, the Contractor will complete the rehabilitation of the ground storage reservoir, installation of the emergency generator and miscellaneous remaining site work. Work is anticipated to be completed mid summer, depending on weather.



Mirror Lake Dredging Project

The Contractor has completed slope grading and will continue sediment removal throughout the remainder of the winter as weather allows. Frozen conditions are necessary to allow the Contractor to drive construction vehicles onto the lake for excavation and hauling operations. As the weather warms up, the Contractor will discontinue sediment removal and begin miscellaneous clean up and site restoration.



EMERALD PARK AND CENTRAL PARK SPLASH PADS

The splash pads located within Emerald Park and Central Park will reopen this summer as weather allows. Please look for updates on the City's website regarding the splash pad reopening dates as the summer approaches.



The City will continue to explore water conservation and reuse options to reduce overall water usage.

SPRING FIRE REMINDER

by Mattie Jaros, Firefighter

Flash flooding can occur within minutes or hours of excessive rainfall. According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), on average, flooding kills more people than tornadoes, lightning and hurricanes. Most of these deaths occur at night, when it is more difficult to recognize flood dangers. Below are some safety tips to keep in mind during stormy weather.



Tips on Flashflood Safety:

- Do not drive onto a flooded roadway. It takes only 2 feet of water for most cars to float. Refraining from driving during a flash flood watch is the safest practice. If you must drive, do not drive through standing water. Water depth is not always easy to gauge.
- It only takes 6 inches of fast-moving water to sweep a person off their feet. Don't walk/wade through a flooded area!
- Water is an electrical conductor, if there are power lines down, there is a possibility of electrocution.
- Continue to monitor the weather through local television stations, national weather service website or a home weather radio.

SPRING LAWMOWER MAINTENANCE CLINIC

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

CITY PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE

3801 CHANDLER DRIVE

With spring quickly approaching, we turn our thoughts from clearing snow and cold fronts to lawn care and the warm summer breeze. Please join Tom and Quinten from the Public Works Department for an informational discussion on lawnmower maintenance and what you can do to have a successful lawn care season. As Minnesotans we know, summer is fleeting and the growing season is short. Let's make the most of it.

Topics to Discuss

- Fuel types
- Regular maintenance checks including oil, spark plug and air filter
- Engine starting
- Blade sharpening
- Mowing height
- End of season storage
- Open discussion with your specific questions

Tom Sullivan, known as "Sully" around town, has been with the City for 13 years and is the Crew Lead in the parks department. Tom is responsible for the daily maintenance of the City's parks system, overseeing the full time department personnel and the summer seasonal workers, and preventative maintenance and repairs of the parks department equipment.

Quinten Tucker has been with the City for two years and is the City Mechanic. Quinten is responsible for the maintenance and repairs of the City fleet consisting of the Public Works Department, the Police Department, and the Fire Department.

Please contact Community Services at 612-706-1166 to register.

ST. ANTHONY VILLAGE WINE AND SPIRITS

OUR MUNICIPAL LIQUOR STORES CONTRIBUTING TO THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1948

by Mike Larson, Operations Manager

Spring has sprung early! No complaints here! The weather has us gearing up for our Annual Spring Wine Event on April 8th at the Marketplace store. This event is free and all of the wines sampled will be on sale.

Everything's coming up Rosé! Sales of Rosé wines have skyrocketed over the last three years. Pleasant pink color and easy to drink, rosé is the perfect spring and summer wine. If you haven't had a glass of rosé for a few years, we recommend that you try one now as there's been a significant improvement in the quality. Rosé lack of oak aging and moderate alcohol content won't overpower your food pairing. The inexpensive price range of Rosé also makes them very attractive. Shop early, these wines are limited and sell fast!

Spring white and red wines will also be featured at our Spring Wine Event. Our selection for your sampling pleasure will provide ideas for your Easter dinner and the spring grilling season. Blended red wines and Zinfandels paired with grilled steaks and hamburgers are a perfect match. Riesling, Moscato, Sauvignon Blanc and Rosé pair well with ham at your Easter dinner.

We look forward to serving our customers and St. Anthony Village where 100% of our profit enriches the community! Please contact me if we can assist you with anything that would provide a better shopping experience for you and your fellow residents. I can be contacted by phone at (612) 782-3455, or feel free to email me at mike.larson@ci.saint-anthony.mn.us.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to serve you!

FAMILY SERVICES COLLABORATIVE INITIATIVE

by Wendy Webster, St. Anthony-New Brighton School District Director of Community Services and Communications

The vision of the St. Anthony New Brighton Family Services Collaborative is to develop healthy, well-adjusted youth, supported by informed and caring families in a welcomed and concerned community.

The St. Anthony New Brighton Family Services Collaborative recognizes that, in order to achieve our vision, we need to take proactive steps to become a place where every resident has access to a high standard of living, where all families and children feel welcome and are accepted for who they are, and where we appreciate differences in cultural, racial, and national identities as a rich foundation for growth that serves us all. As humans, we thrive when we experience connection and belonging.

St. Anthony New Brighton Family Services Collaborative has partnered with Racial Equity Minnesota to build a long-term community engagement process that holds itself accountable to measurable outcomes around racial equity and racial justice.

Through this community engagement process, St. Anthony New Brighton Family Services Collaborative is committed to building a grassroots process that respects all voices, is inclusive of all community members, and focused on community decision making. To learn more about this impactful community-wide work, contact Wendy Webster at 612-706-1170 or email wwebster@stanthony.k12.mn.us



RACIAL EQUITY
minnesota network

GOVERNMENT ALLIANCE ON RACE AND EQUITY (GARE)

By Charlie Yunker, Assistant to the City Manager

The City of St. Anthony has joined the 2017 cohort comprised of 17 different governmental entities from around Minnesota that are working with the Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE) to advance racial equity in government. The Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE) is working to advance racial equity and increase opportunities for all communities. GARE is building the field of practice to advance racial equity within and through government, which is to our collective benefit.

GARE's strategies include:

- Organizing a membership network of jurisdictions that are working to advance racial equity
- Expanding pathways for new jurisdictions to begin doing racial equity work via work with individual jurisdictions
- Supporting and building local and regional collaborations that are broadly inclusive and focused on achieving racial equity

GARE's focus is on normalizing conversations about race, operationalizing new policies, practices and organizational cultures, and organizing to achieve racial equity. We are seeing more and more jurisdictions that are making a commitment to achieving racial equity, focusing on the power and influence of our own institutions, and working in partnership across sectors and with the community to maximize impact. There is an increasingly strong field of practice. We are organizing in government with the belief that the transformation of government is essential for us to advance racial equity and is critical to our success as a nation.

St. Anthony's Racial Equity Cohort:

Bonnie Brever, Councilmember, Mark Casey, City Manager, Charlie Yunker, Assistant to the City Manager, Mike Larson, Liquor Operation Manager, Stephanie Johnson, Projects & Outreach Director, MWMO

Our Racial Equity Story and other information on the GARE cohort is available on the City's website.

ST. ANTHONY RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP

Tuesday, April 18th 7pm
City Hall

Interested in watering your lawn and garden with reclaimed rainwater from your roof?

Go to www.ci.saint-anthony.mn.us and sign up to buy a rain barrel through the city's annual program. Barrels are limited so sign up early.

Barrels are repurposed from oak wine barrels and sold to residents at a reduced price (only \$50 per barrel).

Participants in this program must attend an information session at city hall 7pm on April 18th, but all are welcome to attend to learn more about rainwater harvesting, stormwater and what you can do to protect your local environment.



ST. ANTHONY RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP

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ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

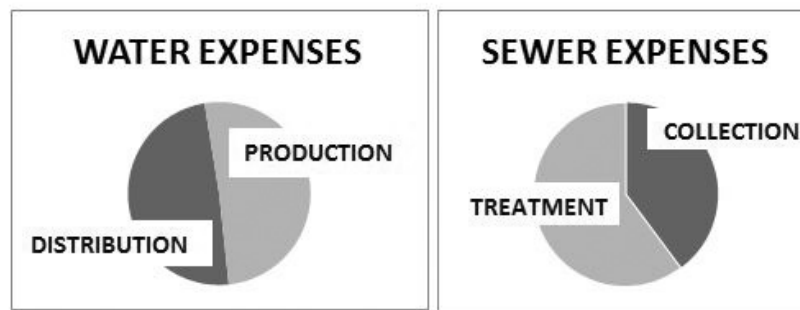
ARE YOU ABLE TO ATTEND THE RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP ON APRIL 18TH AT 7PM? YES/NO

WOULD YOU LIKE TO PURCHASE A RAIN BARREL FOR \$50?
YES/NO

UPCOMING CHANGES TO WATER AND SEWER CHARGES

by Shelly Rueckert, Finance Director

Since 2012 the City has employed a multi-year approach towards rate adjustments. This process was extended in 2017 to include grouping operating expenses by operating purpose. Within the Water fund the two primary operating purposes are the *production of potable water* and the *distribution of the potable water*. Similarly, the Sewer fund operations include the *treatment of sanitary sewer flow* and the *collection system for sanitary sewer flow*. The chart below shows share of overall costs by purpose.



The distinction between these purposes is that production and treatment costs are impacted by usage levels where distribution and collection system costs are not. Therefore, the rate structure is being realigned over time to match revenue sources (rates) with corresponding costs (purposes). The initial rate structure modifications being implemented in 2017 are as follows:

- Eliminate the use of a Minimum charge.
- Initiating a quarterly Distribution system charge – Water Fund.
- Initiating a quarterly Collection system charge – Sewer Fund.

Additionally, the future usage rate increases will decelerate as the quarterly charges are phased-in.

The benefits gained by the rate restructuring include:

- Greater transparency as to the basis of rates.
- An increased ability to maintain a structural balanced operation.
- Extending the incentive for water conservation to usage levels less than 7,500 gallons per quarter.

Please see the City's website for more information on 2017 rates, or you can contact Utility Billing at 612-782-3301.

PARKS COMMISSION UPDATE

by Scott Bentz, Parks Commission Chair

The Saint Anthony Parks Commission is a 5 member advisory commission appointed by the City Council. At our last meeting on March 6th the Commission heard an update on the Comprehensive Plan for St. Anthony and how it relates to parks, bikeways and pedestrian traffic.

There was also a presentation regarding equity in parks by Raintry Salk from the Metropolitan Council. Our next meeting is June 5th at 7pm in the City Council Chambers. If you have any suggestions for St. Anthony's parks, pedestrian and bikeways or sustainability initiatives, feel free to attend one of our upcoming meetings or email Jay Hartman at jay.hartman@ci.saint-anthony.mn.us

BRANCH CHIPPING

Saint Anthony will be doing curbside branch chipping for residents May 15- 18. If you wish to have your branches chipped, either complete the form below and return it to city hall or go to....

www.ci.saint-anthony.mn.us

and complete the branch chipping form online. Branches must be left at the curb. Maximum branch diameter is 8". Tree stumps are not accepted and don't bundle branches with wire. For more information call 612-782-3301.

SAINT ANTHONY BRANCH CHIPPING PROGRAM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NO: _____

I hereby request that branches be chipped by the City of Saint Anthony at the above address in May. I understand that I will be charged \$15 plus applicable sales tax for each 10 minutes of chipping and that will be billed on my July water/sewer bill. Branches must be at the curb.

Signature

Date: _____

CITY PROGRAMS

CAN HELP YOU WITH HOME IMPROVEMENTS

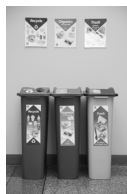
If you are considering a home improvement project this year, contact the Housing Resource Center (612) 588-3033 to find out about Saint Anthony sponsored programs that can help.

Ask about:

- Low-interest financing
- Rebates
- Free construction consultations

2017 BUSINESS RECYCLING GRANTS

Businesses, organizations and institutions looking to improve recycling, start organics recycling, or reduce waste can now apply for 2017 business recycling grants. Funding can be used to purchase recycling containers, start hauling services, and improve onsite recycling infrastructure. Grants of up to \$50,000 are available. Applications \$10,000 or less are accepted any time; applications over \$10,000 are due on June 15 and October 15. Learn more and apply at www.hennepin.us/businessrecycling or contact Andre Xiong at andre.x.xiong@hennepin.us.



YARD WASTE DISPOSAL SITES

Ramsey County compost sites open March 27th and will remain open until November 29th. The Arden Hills site is located on Hudson Avenue east of New Brighton Road. The hours of operations are as follows:

M - W - F 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

(sites will be closed Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day)

The Arden Hills site accepts the following items:

- Leaves
- Grass Clippings
- Garden Plants
- Non-Woody Plants
- Trees and Shrubs

ALL Saint Anthony residents are eligible to use the Arden Hills site. When visiting the site, be sure to bring identification with you. For more information regarding yard waste disposal, call 651-633-EASY (3279) or go online at www.RamseyRecycles.com



STREET SWEEPING

City-wide street sweeping began in late February. Primary roadways and secondary roadways, which contribute stormwater to the local watershed, are completed first. The City sweeps periodically throughout the year in a continuing effort to care for our rivers, lakes, and streams.



FIRE HYDRANT FLUSHING

Saint Anthony's annual fire hydrant flushing will take place the week of May 22-26 during regular business hours. Following hydrant flushing on your street, run water through your washing machine tub or an outside spigot to prevent discolored water from entering your home's water line. For more information on hydrant flushing, check our website under the Public Works Department: Water and Sewer.

Reminder

- I & I (Inflow/Infiltration) inspection is required by the City prior to the sale of a house.

ST. ANTHONY VILLAGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY "LOST & FOUND"

by Barry Tedlund

- We are looking for a person with technological skills that may have found they have a little extra time on their hands to volunteer with our historical society. We have light needs involved with potentially website updates, Facebook posts and the like. We would like to potentially welcome you to our Board of Trustees.
 - We are also looking to find a new "home" for the storage of the Apache Plaza train cars and engine compartment that we have acquired. We are excited to have these pieces of our history and are looking for ways to make them available, appreciated, and cherished. Most important is the need to care for them in a safely maintained environment.
 - We have a library of items that have been gathered for years and most recently organized by, our "volunteer librarian", Dale Gunderson. Dale has made sure each item has found its way into a correct container to make searching easier. From there, he has provided a list of items for each box. Watch for access to these lists soon on our city webpage or our Facebook page.
- Please reach out to me with any questions or interest of support at b.tedlund@gmail.com or 651-472-4968.

2017 SALO PARK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The hour long Thursday evening concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Salo Park Amphitheater located on 39th Ave N.E. between Silver Lake Road and Stinson Boulevard. In case of inclement weather, concerts will be held at the St. Anthony Community Center, 3301 Silver Lake Road.

If you or your business is interested in becoming a sponsor, or if you would like to join our committee, please contact either Marilyn Jenson at marilynjenson@yahoo.com or Linda Foster at lindafoster0113@gmail.com.

For more information visit our website at www.saloparkconcertseries.com

June 22:	Ecuador Manta	June 29	St. Anthony Civic Orchestra
July 6:	Jazz on the Prairie Big Band	July 13:	Shoreview Northern Lights Variety Band
July 20:	Calhoun Isles Community Band	July 27:	7 Cats Swing
Aug 3:	Dirty Shorts Brass Band	Aug 10:	Everett Smithson Band

ST. ANTHONY VILLAGE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPCOMING EVENTS

April 13, 2017, 5:30 p.m. - Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner
The St. Anthony Village Chamber of Commerce cordially invites you to attend our 30th Annual Meeting on Thursday, April 13, 2017. Social Hour 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. (cash bar) and dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. Cost per person is \$44.00 (for members). The event will be held at Jax Café, 1928 University Avenue N.E., Minneapolis. To register for this event, email executivedirector@saintanthonychamber.org or you may register online @ <https://saintanthonychamber.org/shop/>. Deadline to register is April 6, 2017.

May 17, 2017 - Coffee with the Chamber at NE Coffee Shop - 7:30 a.m. – FREE NETWORKING EVENT
Start your day with the St Anthony Village Area Chamber of Commerce - make valuable business connections - find out about upcoming Chamber events and ways for you to get involved! Stay for a quick cup o' joe or for the entire hour! Bring your business cards!
June 15, 2017 - 5:00 p.m. - Speed Networking - FREE Networking Event
Plan on attending the St Anthony Village Area Chamber of Commerce Speed Networking

event. Speed networking gives you the opportunity to make new business connections, promote your business and get further involved in the St Anthony Chamber. Hosted & Sponsored by Chamber member - TC WebTech/Everyday Office, 2303 Kenned Street N.E. # 201, Mpls. Reservations are required.
July 2017 - TBA @ www.saintanthonychamber.org
August 4, 2017 - 24th Annual Chamber Golf Classic - 12:30 p.m. - Francis Gross Golf Course
more information will be available regarding this meeting soon - visit www.saintanthonychamber.org



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ST. ANTHONY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

- 11 - City Council meeting
- 14 - HOLIDAY - Good Friday
- 17 - Open Book Meeting 5:00pm-6:30pm
- 18 - Rain Barrel Workshop 7:00pm
- 24 - Planning Commission meeting
- 25 - City Council meeting

MAY

- 6 - Clean Up Day
- 9 - City Council meeting
- 22 - Planning Commission meeting
- 23 - City Council meeting
- 29 - HOLIDAY - Memorial Day
- 30 - Joint Meeting with School Board

JUNE

- 5 - Parks Commission meeting
- 13 - City Council meeting
- 26 - Planning Commission meeting
- 27 - City Council meeting

FOR MORE INFORMATION



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Wilshire Park Elementary.....	612-706-1200
St. Anthony Middle School	612-706-1030