

Village NOTES

“A Village in the City”

Spring 2021

Moving Forward

by Mayor Randy Stille

Spring is here! And with each new day, we inch towards normalcy. With an increase in COVID-19 vaccinations becoming available to community members, to children being able to attend more in-person school, and restaurants and local venues opening up a little more—all facets of our community have experienced great change over the past year. We miss face-to-face connection and conversations with our neighbors, friends, and family. We are getting there, Villagers. Keep up the good work!

City Council and City staff also long for person-to-person meetings where we can be even more effective to best serve the St. Anthony community. And, despite the many hurdles this past year, much has been accomplished.

Strategic Planning/Goal Setting

Council, staff, and invited guests engage in a strategic planning session annually in January. The foundation of our city is encapsulated within a one-page document referred to as the Vision and Goals Pyramid (see page 4). The document, included within this newsletter, is the culmination of a never-ending process that serves as a roadmap for staff and council to follow for the year ahead. This process has served the city well for many years. Although this year's exercise was hampered by COVID-19, three consecutive mornings of planning were conducted via Zoom.

City Manager

After a search that included applicants nationwide, the City Council hired Charlie Yunker as our new City Manager in January. Charlie is no stranger to St. Anthony, having worked as the Interim-City Manager, and as Assistant to the City Manager.

Doran Development (former Walmart site)

Doran Development is moving forward with their market rate apartment project in Silver Lake Village. This project consists of 496 units in two phases. After pausing due to COVID-19, the project is now on track to break ground around April 1. It will be exciting to watch the next chapter of the former retail site. Doran will market the project as “The Ruby”.

Interstate Development (38th and Stinson)

On a smaller scale, Council has approved a planned unit development, allowing Interstate Development to build 38 apartment units on the vacant parcel on the southeast corner of 38th Avenue and Stinson Boulevard. The building will be constructed off-site and transported as modules to be assembled on-site in St. Anthony. This efficient and unique method, combined with providing only necessary amenities, allows the developer to charge rent at lower price points as compared to most non/subsidized apartment units. The project is the second modular apartment to be constructed in the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

Development 65 (26th Ave. and Stinson Blvd.)

Council has approved a preliminary plat for 135 units of senior housing located north of the Bremer Bank building on Stinson Boulevard. Should final approval be attained, this project will provide options for St. Anthony residents who wish to remain within our community as they transition from their single-family homes.

Thank you for your continued patience and support as we navigate these uncharted territories, and move our City forward—together. ■

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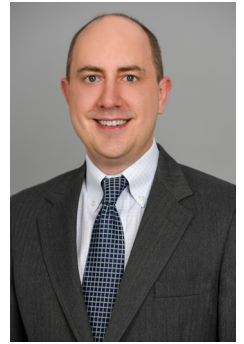
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CITY COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATION

Charlie Yunker named new City Manager of St. Anthony Village

At the Jan. 26 City Council Meeting, Charlie Yunker was officially named the new City Manager for St. Anthony Village. Yunker has been with the City for eight years. His most recent position was serving as the Acting City Manager for St. Anthony since the departure of former City Manager Mark Casey in September, 2020.



“You’ve been a solid, dedicated, and excellent employee. I am privileged to go to you from here on out and look forward to working with you for a long period of time,” said Mayor Stille at the Jan. 26 Council Meeting. Yunker then thanked the Council, stating “I’ve always been proud to be an employee of St. Anthony, and really proud to be amongst this staff team as well. Thank you for the opportunity and I look forward to everything to come.”

Prior to serving as the Acting City Manager for St. Anthony Village, Yunker held a dual role as the Assistant to the City Manager and Human Resources Coordinator for the Mississippi Watershed Management Organization. He also served as a Senior Accountant for the City of St. Anthony Village for approximately three years. Before working in the public sector, Yunker worked in the banking industry. Yunker holds a master’s degree in Executive Leadership and a bachelor’s degree in Public Administration.■

From Strategy to Execution

by Charlie Yunker, City Manager

In January, the City Council conducted its annual Goal Setting session. This strategic planning process involves the Council, City staff members, Commission representatives, and invited guests from the League of Minnesota Cities and Metro Cities, among others. By the time this newsletter is distributed, the result of that session (the 2021 Pyramid) will likely have been adopted by the City Council. The Pyramid is a one-page document that organizes the Council’s priorities and notable items the City plans to focus on each year. (*The 2021 Pyramid is available on page 4.*)

To prepare for the session, I reviewed a number of strategic planning articles to help get in the mindset. One that caught my attention was from Harvard Business Review titled, “How to Excel at Both Strategy and Execution.” Beyond the importance of building a strategy, the article discusses the critical ability of translating and executing strategy into the everyday. In other words, reinforcing the idea that planning is great, but the execution needs to be made part of an organization’s normal operations in order to be a high-functioning organization.

From here, City staff continually works on the priorities by integrating the Pyramid’s action steps into staff and departmental meetings and through individually assigned projects. The City Council receives quarterly progress updates and dives into certain action steps at Council Work sessions. At next year’s annual Goal Setting session, results from each action step are reviewed and the entire process begins once again.

There’s always a steady-stream of issues, needs, opportunities and ideas coming our way. And although we can never address them all in a given year, the City has a dedicated and effective process for prioritizing and executing priorities to continuously improve the services the City offers to all the residents of the Village.■

Water Conservation and the Wyland Foundation Mayor's Water Challenge



All of us have an important role in helping conserve water, one of our most precious resources. There are many ways to use water more mindfully, resulting in significant energy and water savings.

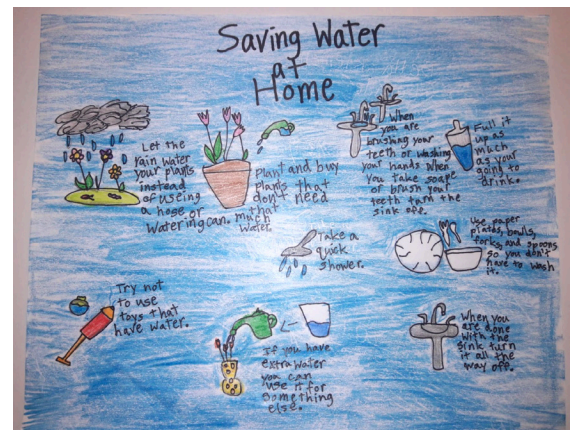
An average person uses 40-80 gallons of water a day, so any effort can have significant impacts. Replacing older-model showerheads with low-flow showerheads can result in water savings of 20-60%. Newer dishwashers are more efficient and effective, and frontloading washing machines, by design, use less water than top-loading washing machines.

From April 1-30, Mayor Stille and your St. Anthony neighbors invite you to join the effort to reduce our City's water consumption. Help St. Anthony win the title of "Most Water-Wise" city in the nation by pledging to save water at home. If our City wins, participants can earn prizes, such as home utilities paid for a year, a \$500 shopping spree at a home-improvement store, and eco-friendly cleaning kits. Make your pledge at mywaterpledge.com. Search for "St. Anthony (MN)" and follow the instructions. Students and teachers can also participate using the website's Classroom Edition. City water customers can track water usage via the "My Water Usage" tool on the City's website at: bit.ly/37IVxbX. ■

St. Charles third grader takes first place in Water Conservation Poster Contest

by Therese Bellinger, Parks and Environmental Commission Chair

This past December the Parks and Environmental Commission hosted their annual Water Conservation Poster Contest. Those participating were the third graders at St Charles Borromeo (St. Charles) and fourth graders at Wilshire Park Elementary School (Wilshire Park). The criteria was to illustrate how one can "Save Water at Home." Any drawing utensil could be utilized. Students were limited to using an 8 x 11 sheet of paper. The judging was based on originality, creativity, and use of color. Gift certificates were awarded to each winner and could be used at any Three Rivers Park.



The ideas presented were imaginative and thoughtful, which made it very difficult for us Commissioners to decide on the winner. The poster that really stood out was third grader, Bella Klement of St Charles. Her demonstration of both great color, placement, and clear water saving examples received a unanimous vote. The remaining second through fourth placements also illustrated unique and artistic ideas. We would like to thank all of the participants and the teachers who aided in getting our contest distributed.

Villagers, see if you can put into practice these winning and water saving ideas!

Congratulations to the following winners:

- First place: Bella Klement, grade three, St Charles.
- Second place: Eli Jordahl Redlin, grade four, Wilshire Park.
- Third place: Elizabeth Mandyck, grade four, Wilshire Park.
- Runner up and "Best Original": Addie Blenkush, grade four, Wilshire Park. ■

2021

Mission

To be a progressive
and welcoming Village that
is walkable, sustainable and safe.



VISION

Saint Anthony is an innovative and vibrant community that values our
unique environment, providing a full range of quality services, and is
a thriving city in which all people can live, work, learn and play.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Environmental
Stewardship

Quality
Infrastructure

Robust
Technology

Quality Housing &
Commercial / Industrial
Properties

Welcoming
Village

Safe, Sound
& Progressive
Community

GOALS

Build & Cultivate
Environmental
Responsibility

Maintain & Enhance
Infrastructure

Foster & Encourage
Civic Engagement

Create & Maintain
Healthy
Neighborhoods

Communicate
Transparently &
Effectively

Ensure a Safe &
Secure
Community

Increase & Maintain
Fiscal Strength

ACTION STEPS

Continue phosphorus reduction initiative
Continue Silver Lake clean-up (delist)
Continue a rain barrel & rain garden workshop
Maintain highest GreenStep Cities status
Promote Water Conservation
Continue solar garden participation & explore expansion
Explore additional alternate energy ideas/vehicles
Explore organics w/next Organized Collection Contract
Continue Fix-it Clinics & TechDump
Maintain Tree City certification
Comply with MPCA MS4 Phase 2

Manage 5G expansion
Complete 2021 street utility project
Continue accessible pedestrian signals (APS)
Explore traffic safety traffic calming, i.e. "road diets"
Continue LED lighting upgrades city-wide
Review adequacy, function & size of public facilities
Explore sanitary sewer Inflow & Infiltration reduction policy
Monitor Mpls Park Board Grand Rounds planning
Explore reuse of sump pump water
Water Tower and Ground Storage Facility Maintenance
Explore grant for electric vehicle charging stations

Support Police Department Strategic Initiatives
Continue support of Family Services Collaborative initiatives
Expand online city services on website
Participate in Night to Unite
Expand innovative community engagement & gathering opportunities
Review Community Academy model for enhancement & attracting diverse attendees
Continue youth engagement activities
Build upon existing engagement with community orgs.
Encourage community to engage with City commissions

Implement Race & Equity Plan
Continue to conduct Council Tour of City
Ensure city code reflects sustainability initiatives
Conduct local Business Retention & Expansion program
Explore redevelopment of City-owned property
Enhance Mental Health Awareness & Resources for staff
Explore use of administrative citations for code enforcement
Evaluate services/policies/procedures through equitable lens
Improve welcoming of new residents to St. Anthony Village
Monitor land use changes for changing market conditions

Build & Implement comprehensive communication plan to tell our story
Enhance sustainability tour interactive map
Continue Coffee with the Council
Enhance use of imagery & videos in city communications
Explore options for Mass Emergency Communications
Foster engagement and relationships with rental communities "neighborhoods"
Implement enhancements to city newsletter
Consider changing official newspaper & notification avenues
Explore use of community surveys to help inform decisions

Continue operational audits of police officer body cameras
Continue public safety community outreach opportunities
Explore pedestrian & bike-friendly routes
Continue traffic studies on major roadways & intersections
Patient follow-up after critical incidents
Participate in public safety joint mental health initiatives
Foster connection to mental health services for residents with existing resources
Upgrade Police Department Records Management System
Explore Fire Department Medical Skillset Expansion

Track grant outcomes & locate new opportunities
Maintain cooperative ventures with other entities & explore expansion
Plan 2022 levy & street improvement program
Support professional development
Review staffing, compensation, benefits and organizational structure
Expand sharing major equipment items with other governmental entities
Compile existing tools into long-term financial plan (Budget, Peak to Plateau, CIP, etc)
Review and Update the General Fund fund balance policy

Underline indicates link to referenced plan on the city's website

Box indicates new addition to the Pyramid for 2021

FINANCE

Budget Planning for 2022 and Beyond

by Devin Willi, Accounting Specialist

The City of St. Anthony Village is in the process of creating the operational budget for fiscal year 2022, and a long-term financial plan. Final adoption of next year's budget, and establishing a property tax rate to cover municipal operations, will take place in December of 2021.

There are a number of preliminary processes that occur each year that provide guidance to the Finance department. This helps staff create a budget that reflects the short and long-term goals of the Mayor and City Council. This overall process follows budget preparation requirements mandated by the State of Minnesota.

To remain engaged and transparent with our community, citizens have the opportunity to observe each step of the multi-phase budget-development process. In addition, capital equipment purchases, infrastructure improvements, and debt issuance are also reviewed publicly each year. Information is continually updated and available on the City website at savmn.com/budget.

The League of Minnesota Cities (LMC), a trusted guide and resource for all cities throughout the state, believes municipalities should “consider city goals and what programs and services citizens want in the city, then look to sustaining or allocating funding for those goals, using the budget document as an important communication tool revealing a city’s plan for the coming year.” In order to ensure budget decisions incorporate these principles and provide transparency, the City follows an annual workflow process as shown on the chart below. Citizens can view sessions online or attend them in person (subject to COVID-19 restrictions). A minimum of two public hearings are held where citizens can publicly offer their input on the budget proposal. Residents can also reach out at any time to the Mayor, Council, and City staff to provide feedback and express concerns related to St. Anthony’s financial plans and goals.

The LMC also points out, “Done correctly, budgets show the revenues and expenditures necessary to provide the services and programs desired by the community. It reflects the goals, objectives, and priorities the current City Council identifies, based on input from previous council decisions, the residents and taxpayers.” Striving for an annual budget and long-range capital plan that is done correctly integrates the goals, desires, and ideas of the citizens, the City Council, City Commissions, and City staff through a transparent process. This helps establish budget documents that reflect the present and future vision of residents and City leaders. To follow the next steps in the budget process, check out the City’s Finance Budget & Tax Levy information at savmn.com/budget. There you will find the interactive budget calendar and links to material used in the budget process. ■

January, February, March	April, May, June	July, August, September	October, November, December
Goal Setting-City Council & Staff.	Finance department meets with department heads. Discussion on operating budget and evaluate capital equipment needs.	City Manager and staff meetings to discuss proposed budget.	Work-session with Council to review long-term capital improvement plans.
Adopted Strategic Plan including financial management and planning.	City Manager and Staff Engineer meetings to review infrastructure improvement schedule.	Presentation of the proposed operating budget and property tax levy to the City Council.	Council meeting approving long-term capital improvement plan.
Public hearing to provide residents with an opportunity to have input on the budget process.	Work-session with Council to review infrastructure improvement schedule and 2021 debt levy.	Setting the proposed operating budget and preliminary tax levy.	Staff reviews and confirm budget parameters and estimates.
		Announce the date and time at which the final budget and tax levy will be discussed.	Dec. 8 public hearing for the adoption of the final operating budget and property tax levy.

SUSTAINABILITY

Clean out responsibly

Spring has sprung! If you're eager to freshen up your home and yard after the long winter, here's what to do with items you no longer want:

- **Bulky items:** Bring your bulky items to our annual Clean-Up Day or check with your trash hauler about options for disposing of large items that can't be donated and don't fit in your trash cart. You can also choose to self-haul them to a disposal or recycling company. For options, visit RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ or call our 24/7 hotline at 651-633-EASY (3279).
- **Donations:** Bring clothing to our annual Clean-Up Day. You can also bring clothing and household goods to a local donation center. Refer to RamseyRecycles.com/Reuse for options. Make sure to call or check their website to verify items are accepted.
- **Electronics and batteries:** Do not put electronics or batteries in the trash or recycling cart. Bring your old batteries and electronics to our annual Clean-Up Day. Visit RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ or call our 24/7 hotline at 651-633-EASY (3279) for a list of additional drop-off options.
- **Yard waste:** Bring your yard waste to our annual Clean-Up Day. Do not put yard waste in your trash – it's illegal. St. Anthony residents can also bring leaves, grass clippings and garden waste to a free Ramsey County yard-waste collection site. Select sites also accept branches and shrubs. Visit RamseyRecycles.com/YardWaste for details.
- **Household hazardous waste:** Not accepted at Clean Up-Day. Products that contain the words caution, warning, danger, or poison do not belong in the trash, unless the container is empty. Bring them to a free Ramsey County household hazardous waste collection site.

If you have questions, visit RamseyRecycles.com/HHW or call our 24/7 hotline at 651-633-EASY (3279). For a complete list of accepted items and pricing for Spring Clean-Up Day, visit savmn.com/CleanUpDay. ■

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

Saturday, May 1
9 a.m. to noon

Public Works Facility
3801 Chandler Dr.

More info, register online: savmn.com/CleanUpDay



CITY PLANNING

Spring Home Projects

by Steve Grittman, City Planner

Before you embark on a building project this spring, it's important to understand how the City's land use regulations (like the zoning ordinance) may apply to your plans. There are several categories of requirements, including setbacks, impervious surface limits, as well as height and square footage standards, among others.

If your project is within the zoning allowances, you can typically proceed directly to the building permit stage. Make sure to contact City Hall if you have questions about what support documents you may need, which will vary depending on the nature of your project.

If your project exceeds the zoning allowances, you will need additional review before you can obtain a building permit.

Land Use Permits most commonly include Variances to zoning dimensional requirements and Conditional Use Permits for special uses. When you apply for a Land Use Permit, there are additional fees and processing to determine whether or not the City will consider the request.

Variances and Conditional Use Permits

These require a public hearing notice which is then provided to neighbors and published in the Star Tribune. City staff and consultants review the request for consistency with the intent of the City's land use regulations and policies. First, they present the reports to the Planning Commission for an advisory recommendation, and then to City Council for a decision on the request.

Potential additional costs

This additional process and time entail additional expense—which is carried by the applicant. The City's philosophy is that working within the basic rules results in a clear expectation and relatively predictable outcome. When you seek to exceed the standard allowances, the individual property owner should bear the costs that a unique consideration requires. The City charges a basic fee that covers some of the predictable costs, such as publication, mailing, internal staff time. In addition to the basic fee, review costs are paid for from an escrow that the applicant provides.

Provide clear, thorough information

This additional cost can be daunting. If you decide to seek a land use permit that requires this process, you can help ensure that your costs are minimized by providing complete and clear plans that describe the project, along with a thorough narrative description that lays out the reasons you believe that the City should approve the variance or CUP. Staff is available to assist with the preparation of your application, particularly in laying out the information you will need to support your special request.

St. Anthony Village encourages reinvestment in the community. The applicable ordinances are designed to support your ability to maximize your enjoyment of home and property. ■



PUBLIC SAFETY

Update From Police Chief Mangseth

Training for law enforcement officers is a vital and important part of delivering quality and professional police service to a community. The St. Anthony Police Department (SAPD) is committed to delivering training based on the foundation of the department's mission, vision, and goals. As a department, we strive to carry out our mission on both an individual basis and as a team. We work toward our goals and objectives in a manner that will bring credit to the police profession, to our department, and to our entire community.



And while larger communities enjoy the luxury of specialization among their officers, our department must work toward being proficient in all areas of police service. We remain committed to on-going training to build upon proficiency in Procedural Justice and Fair and Impartial Policing.

Training goals/objectives:

1. Provide continuous professional development of department personnel.
2. Enhance the safety of officers and the community.
3. Foster a unity of purpose and cooperation with the community and enhance the image of our Department.
4. Provide training that has been reviewed by the Minnesota Police Officers Standards and Training Board (MN POST Board) and/or the SAPD command staff to ensure training clearly aligns with our mission and learning objectives.

Training during COVID-19

The global pandemic has greatly influenced how training is provided to our officers. Through certified online self-study courses, a total of 984 hours of MN POST Board certified training and 413 hours of non-MN POST Board certified training was completed in 2020 by our officers.

Overview of training

Officers will continue Crisis Intervention Team Training, Integrating Communications Assessment and Tactics, use-of-force training— all of which involves an annual and thorough review of federal and state law, local ordinances, case law, and department policy. An annual MN POST Board audit ensures agency compliance (our training compliance document can be accessed online at savmn.com/415/Transparency-Data-Sharing by selecting “MN POST Board Compliance”). SAPD reviews take place periodically throughout the calendar year at the discretion of patrol supervisors. Below is a brief overview and licensing requirements for our trainings:

- **Annual licensing requirements:** Minnesota requires all licensed police officers to complete annual mandated training and 48 hours of continuous education credits certified by the MN POST Board every three years. Topics that can be covered are handgun/rifle qualifications, use of force, and emergency vehicle operation. Active and part-time officers must complete use of force/firearms training every year, and an eight-hour course in emergency vehicle operations and police pursuit every five years.
- **Crisis, conflict, and community diversity training:** Consists of at least 16 hours of continuing education credits certified by the Minnesota POST Board every three years. Training topics cover employee wellness, suicide prevention, implicit bias, de-escalation, mental health, and 72-hour crisis holds. Required by Minn. Stat. 626.8469. —*Continued on page 9*

- **Department policy requirements:** Topics included such as emergency medical responder training, handgun and rifle training, and LEXIPOL daily training bulletins, which includes a specific scenario, followed by analysis, conclusion, and question relating to the Department Policy Manual.
- **Annual OSHA-mandated training:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) mandated annual training includes topics that cover hazardous materials awareness, blood borne pathogens, respiratory protection, personal protective equipment, hearing conservation, portable fire extinguishers.
- **SWAT/negotiator training:** Training provided and overseen by the Ramsey Co. Sheriff's Department for St. Anthony Officers that are assigned to these specialized groups.
- **Elected training:** Reviewed and approved by Department command staff and the MN POST Board. This training can include topics such as specialized training/assignment, professional development, and supervisory/command-staff enhancement.■

St. Anthony Police and Crisis Intervention Training

by, Officer Jim South

The St. Anthony Police Department (SAPD) has been committed to Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) since 2009 when the department sent its first officer to a 40-hour CIT training. That officer then became a certified instructor through the Barbara Schneider Foundation, which partners with law enforcement, courts, corrections, mental health, social service and health care systems to improve the response to those experiencing mental health crises and to prevent mental health crises.



**Minnesota
Crisis Intervention Team**

We are currently in the process of having every sworn officer attend the 40-hour CIT class. This is in addition to the required CIT model annual training. Back in 2015, training began with a four-hour de-escalation training for all SAPD staff. This training has since been enhanced to an annual eight-hour training that is taught in conjunction with the department's annual use-of-force training.

The SAPD works with its partners and resources to determine the best outcome for those who may be in crisis. Practical exercises, such as utilizing actors that are representative of calls that officers may respond to while on duty, are included in the CIT training sessions. In addition, professionals from various organizations attend trainings, bringing their knowledge and experience of assisting individuals with mental health needs. This includes psychologists who discuss different diagnoses, Advocacy Groups, Community Planning Groups, Mobile Crisis Response Teams, Mental Health Court Representatives, Developmental Disabilities and Traumatic Brain Injury Professionals, Homeless Outreach Groups, Diversity Specialists, County Human Services, Social Workers, Behavioral Health Specialists, and consumer panel members. The consumer panel members are individuals who have navigated the criminal justice and mental health systems, sharing their stories about what worked for them, and what did not.

SAPD officers have learned to recognize the signs and symptoms of those who are experiencing crisis. We are committed to de-escalating individuals in crisis, learning about their current situation and assisting them in connecting with professionals. We have made a commitment to work with our community partners to find resources for the individuals that our officers encounter on a day-to-day basis for follow up and future needs. This priority has led to a partnership with Northeast Youth and Family Services who assist with getting individuals the assistance they need. The SAPD hopes that by partnering with community organizations like Northeast Youth and Family Services, we can help those that are in need stay out of the criminal justice system.■

Grilling Safety Tips

by, Mattie Jaros, Fire Lieutenant

As spring arrives, many of us will be eager to get out and enjoy the warmer weather. This often involves starting up the grill to cook our food outside. Did you know that most grill fires start because something that could burn was too close to the grill?

According to the Minnesota State Fire Marshal's Office, most home fires involving a grill are started by gas grills.

Here are some safety tips to help prevent your grilling experience from becoming a catastrophe:

- Never grill indoors.
- When grilling, make sure your grill is away from your home, deck railings and out from under eaves.
- Stay attentive and nearby your grill.
- Check the gas tank hose on propane grills before using them. Hose lines can crack causing gas to leak out.
- When lighting gas grills, keep the top open. If you cannot get the grill to light within the first several attempts, wait five minutes before trying again.
- Keep your grill clean. Grease build-up can easily catch fire.

Please remember these safety tips as you enjoy your grilling experience.■



Need Code and Permit info?

savmn.com/CommonCodeViolations

You will find:

- Common code violations.
- Helpful language and visual examples.
- Links to permits if required to remedy a code violation.

savmn.com/PermitsandLicenses

You will find:

- A project list that includes required application materials, basic expectations, and do's and don'ts.
- Projects and activities that require a permit, and those that do not.

Code Enforcement Corner

by, Richard Sonterre, Code Enforcement Official

The furious chill of winter is behind us as the warmth of spring and summer awaits. And of course, warmer weather means we will begin creating our spring cleaning checklists! While doing so, make sure to keep an eye out for any potential code violations that you may want to include on your to-do list. Here are just a few to look out for this spring:

City Code Section 92.21: building maintenance and appearance

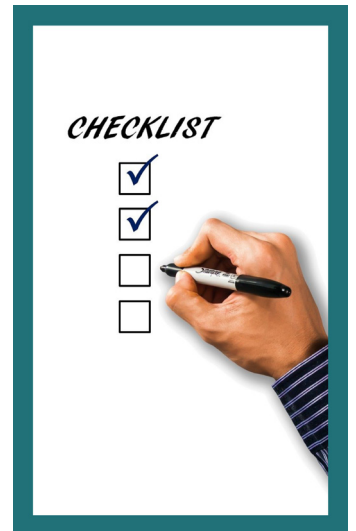
What we generally come across requires homeowners to commit a weekend to patching and painting, or picking up and organizing. You'd be surprised how nice your house looks after that weekend of work is completed. You may also get a thank you from your neighbors.

City Code Section 97.10: address numbers required on buildings

This may seem trivial or unimportant, but if you ask your local firefighter or police officer, having an address that is easily visible really does matter and makes a world of difference. The code lists out what is required for size, along with utilizing contrasting colors to make numbers easily visible. Also, if you do have your address numbers added to a light post, please make sure that vegetation is not blocking them from view. Look at how the address numbers appear from different locations and angles as well.

Permit check

Many home improvement and property improvement projects require a permit. Please do not assume that a permit is not needed. You can call the License and Permit Specialist at 612-782-3301 to verify if a permit is required for your home improvement project. Permits not only ensure the work complies with current building codes, but it also protects your investment in the improvement of your home.



Information available at savmn.com

The City website provides easy-to-access information regarding code requirements. Residents can view a list of common code violations at [savmn.com/CommonCodeViolations](http://www.savmn.com/CommonCodeViolations). For the City's complete Code of Ordinances, go to: <http://www.savmn.com/DocumentCenter/View/66/City-Code-PDF?bidId=>. Questions or clarifications can be directed to the Code Enforcement Official at 612-782-3438 or the Administrative Services Coordinator at 612-782-3313.■



If you are experiencing a water or sewer emergency, make sure to **contact City of St. Anthony offices immediately at 612-782-3301** (during normal business hours).

For after hours service, contact the Fire Department at 612-782-3400 or call 911.

City crews will be dispatched to evaluate the situation and assist the property owner.

Remember, the property owner is responsible for maintaining sanitary sewer service from their building up to and including the connection to the main sewer line. Single family and 2-family residential property owners are responsible for maintaining water service from their building to the curb stop including any connection at the curb stop. I & I (Inflow/Infiltration) inspection is required by the City prior to the sale of a house.

CITY PROJECT UPDATES

2021 Street and Utility Improvement Project

The 2021 Street and Utility Improvement Project consists of reconstructing the following roadways:

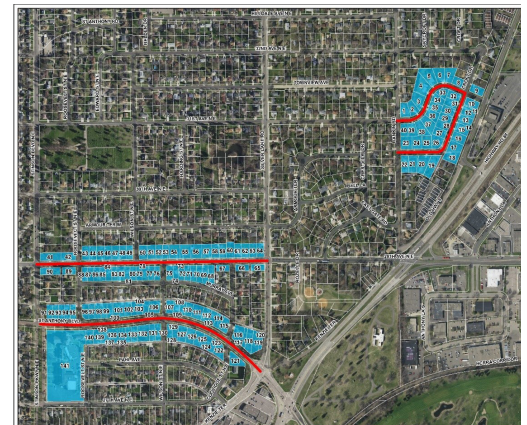
- Skycroft Drive from 33rd Avenue to 32nd Avenue
- Croft Drive from 33rd Avenue to 32nd Avenue meet current City standards; and new storm sewer and catch basins.

Proposed utility improvements include sanitary sewer and water main replacement (including individual services to the right-of-way boundary and replacement of all hydrants), water valves, manholes that do not meet current City standards, as well as new storm sewer and catch basins.

The bituminous mill and overlay of the following roadways will be included in the 2021 Street and Utility Improvement Project:

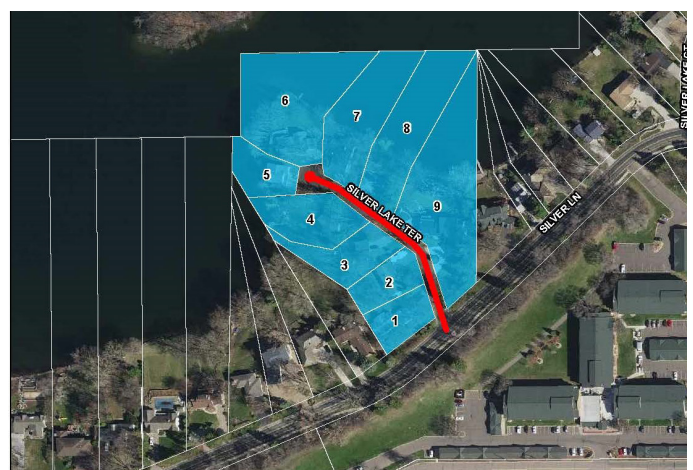
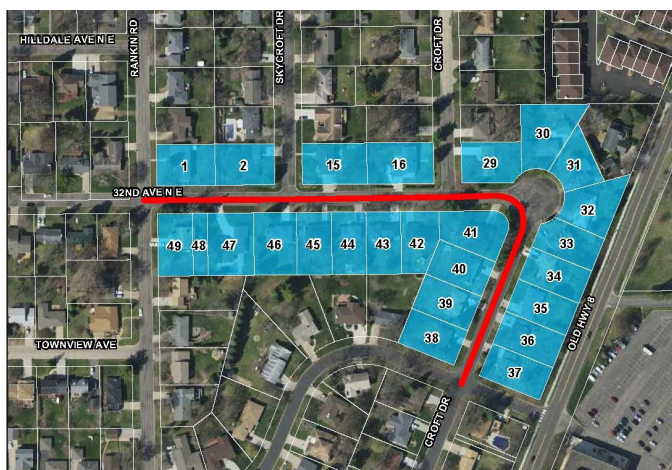
- 31st Avenue from Rankin Road to Old Hwy 8
- Croft Drive from Rankin Road to 31st Avenue
- 29th Avenue from Stinson Boulevard to Silver Lake Road
- St. Anthony Boulevard from Stinson Boulevard to Kenzie Terrace

Bids were received on Feb. 3; it's anticipated the Council will award the contract in April. The project documents are currently being executed with an expected start date of late spring/early summer, depending on weather conditions.



2020 Street and Utility Improvement Project

Last fall, the contractor substantially completed the improvements along 32nd Avenue, Croft Drive, and Silver Lake Terrace (see project location below), which included the replacement of the water main, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, and street surface. The contractor will return in the spring to complete final turf establishment and placement of the final layer of asphalt pavement.



2020 Street and Utility Improvement Project, continued—

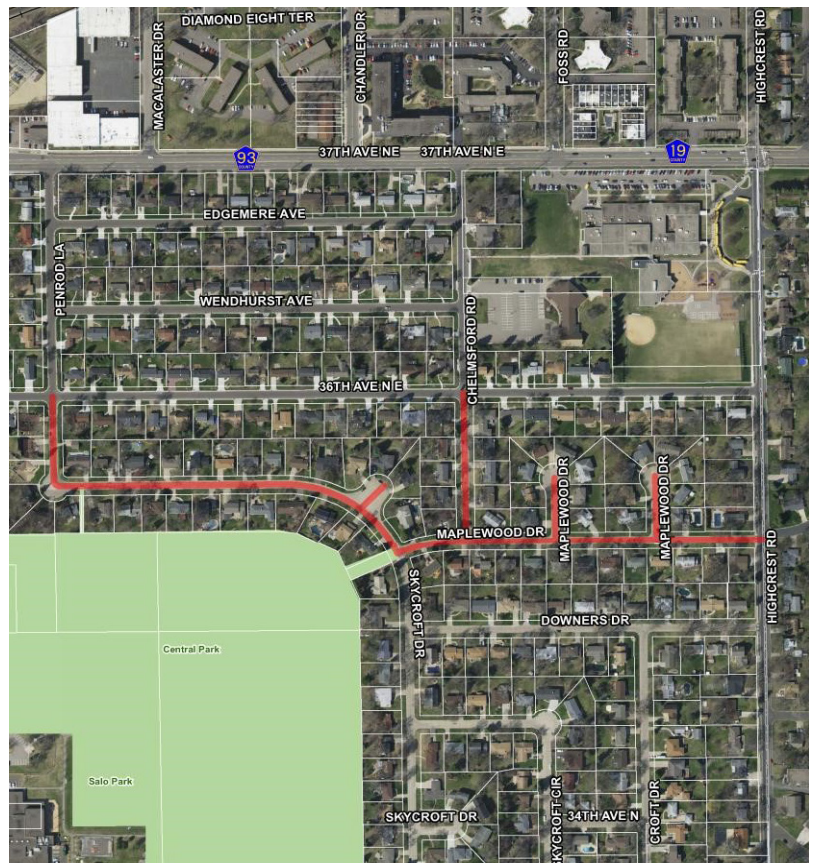
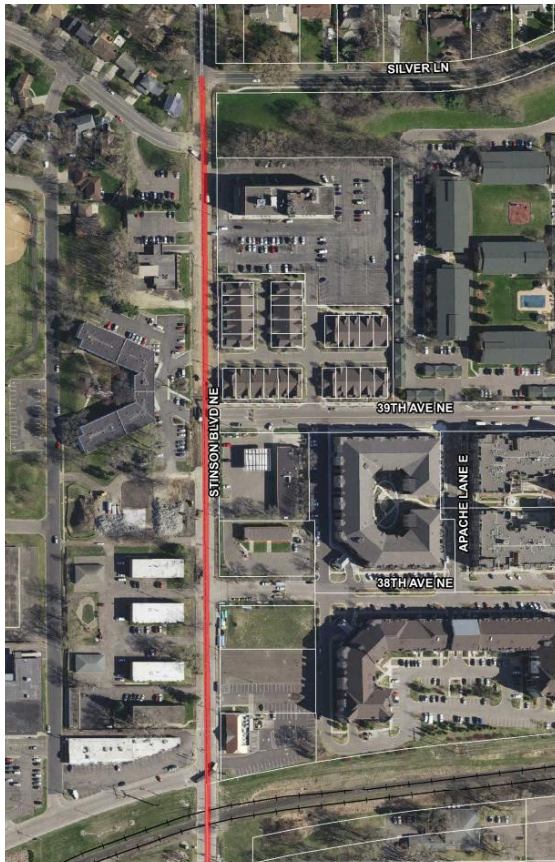
The bituminous mill and overlay of Silver Lane from Stinson Boulevard to Silver Lake Road is also scheduled to be completed (including removal and replacement of deficient curb and the final lift of asphalt) in the spring of 2021 (illustrated to the right)

Should you have any questions or concerns with construction, please contact Jake Grainger at 612-364-5319. He is on site to represent the City during construction.



2021 Reclamite Project

As part of the City’s ongoing pavement maintenance, reclamite application has been recommended for 2021. Similar to chip seal improvements, reclamite extends the life of the pavement without the application of loose rock on the surface, making reclamite a more cost-effective option for preserving City roadways. When reclamite is sprayed onto a road, it penetrates deep into the surface to reinforce the binder that bonds the asphalt and aggregate together. Applying reclamite to a road improves the asphalt’s durability, flexibility and viscosity so it can withstand the effects of the weather, the sun’s ultraviolet rays, freeze-thaw conditions, and traffic weight. After the oil is applied, the oil requires time to dry and “cure,” which typically takes 20-45 minutes. A light coating of sand is then applied and excess material swept one to two days following the initial application. The following roadways will undergo the reclamite process in the summer of 2021:



Silver Lake Stormwater Management Grant

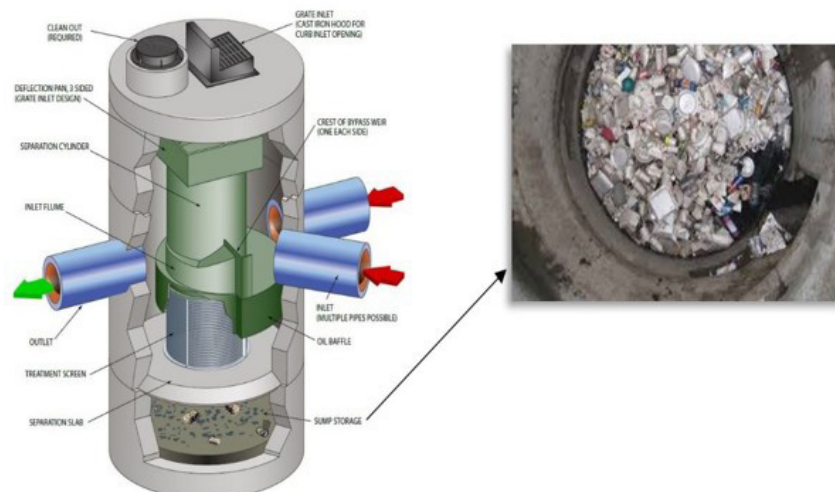
by Justin Messner, City Engineer

Silver Lake was listed as an impaired water in 2002 by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). A body of water is considered “impaired” if it fails to meet one or more water quality standards. Minnesota water quality standards protect lakes, rivers, streams, and wetlands by defining how much of a pollutant, such as bacteria or nutrients, can be in the water before it is deemed no longer drinkable, swimmable, fishable, or useable in other designated ways (called “beneficial uses”). Waters that do not meet their designated uses due to water-quality standard violations are impaired.

Phosphorus was identified as the main pollutant causing the impairment of Silver Lake. Runoff from urban areas typically contain particulate matter and sediment. Phosphorus binds to sediments and is present in organic particulate matter. It is also found in a dissolved form in runoff which is then transported downstream directly into Silver Lake. To help rectify this issue, The Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD) provides Stormwater Management Grant funding to assist cities, counties, school districts, libraries and other public and private entities to implement stormwater management projects. This funding supports the goals and objectives outlined in the RCWD Watershed Management Plan, and is part of RCWD’s continued efforts to protect and enhance its water resources through partnerships with member communities. Projects proposed in conjunction with municipal street reconstruction projects, or other site redevelopment projects are encouraged.

The City of St. Anthony Village was approved for grant funding in coordination with the 2020 Street and Utility Improvement Project. This funding is intended for projects that provide stormwater quality treatment, runoff volume reductions, peak runoff rate control and/or reductions in groundwater usage. A study completed in 2010 by the RCWD identified stormwater from Stinson Boulevard and Silver Lane as opportunities to help achieve water quality treatment in fully urbanized areas through the use of small water quality treatment facilities. Silver Lane and Silver Lake Terrace currently drain directly into Silver Lake with no formal water quality treatment facilities.

A hydrodynamic separator structure was installed within the newly constructed storm sewer along Silver Lake Terrace. The structure uses a combination of swirling action, screening, and skimming to screen, separate and trap debris, sediment, and hydrocarbons from stormwater runoff from Silver Lake Terrace and Silver Lane prior to discharge into Silver Lake. The trapped debris, sediment, and hydrocarbons are then removed from the structure by Public Works staff. ■



2021 ORGANIZED COLLECTION RATES

Hennepin County:

Small Cart.....\$14.80
Recycling.....\$4.35
Hennepin Co. Surcharge (28%).....\$2.29
Solid Waste Mngmt Tax (9.75%).....\$1.44
Monthly total, Small Cart \$22.89

Medium Cart.....\$17.09
Recycling.....\$4.35
Hennepin Co Surcharge (15.5%).....\$2.65
Solid Waste Mngmt Tax (9.75%).....\$1.67
Monthly total, Medium Cart \$25.76

Large Cart.....\$19.79
Recycling.....\$4.35
Hennepin Co. Surcharge (15.5%)..\$3.07
Solid Waste Mngmt Tax (9.75%)...\$1.93
Monthly total, Large Cart \$29.14

Yard Waste Full Season.....\$89.00
Yard Waste Partial Season.....\$64.69
Bulky Waste Items.....\$45.53

Ramsey County:

Small Cart.....\$14.80
Recycling.....\$4.35
Ramsey Co. Surcharge (28%).....\$4.15
Solid Waste Mngmt Tax (9.75%).....\$1.44
Monthly total, Small Cart \$24.74

Medium Cart.....\$17.09
Recycling.....\$4.35
Ramsey Co. Surcharge (28%).....\$4.78
Solid Waste Mngmt Tax (9.75%).....\$1.67
Monthly total, Medium Cart \$27.89

Large Cart.....\$19.79
Recycling.....\$4.35
Ramsey Co. Surcharge (28%).....\$5.54
Solid Waste Mngmt Tax (9.75%)...\$1.93
Monthly total, Large Cart \$31.62

Yard Waste Full Season.....\$89.00
Yard Waste Partial Season.....\$64.69
Bulky Waste Items.....\$45.53



Did you know?—
Dogs (all domesticated
pets) are required to
be on a leash in all
public areas.

City Pet Ordinances

We love our pets! They bring us joy—every day. And, as pet owners, we have an obligation to provide the best care for our pets and our community. Understanding Pet City Ordinances is a helpful and responsible way to ensure that we are taking the very best care of our fur friends and our Village. From knowing if you have to obtain a special license for multiple dogs, to learning more about the environmental impact of pet waste, the following information covers just a couple of the Pet Ordinances in St. Anthony.

Pet Ordinance Section 91.38: Droppings

When we take our dogs for a walk, it's important to always remember to bring extra doggie bags along to clean up after them when they do “their business.” Cleaning up after our pets is important, not only out of respect for our neighbors, but also our environment. According to a survey conducted at City Hall, 78% of St. Anthony Village residents say that the largest inhibitor to picking up their pet's waste is forgetting to bring a bag. Contaminants, such as Salmonella, Paro Virus, E coli, and tapeworms, found in dog waste are harmful to dogs, wildlife, water quality, and humans.

Pet Ordinance Section 91.37: Running at Large

A pet is deemed “at large” whenever it is off your property (or the keepers property) and not under physical restraint. This includes dogs, cats, and any other domesticated pet. As pet owners, it's our responsibility to: help maintain public areas for residents and guests to freely and safely enjoy and prevent unintended damage to public spaces. Make sure to always have your pet on a leash to maintain control of them when in public.

For more information and details on City Pet Ordinances, please visit savmn.com/PetOrdinances. ■

PUBLIC WORKS

Purchase a Rain Barrel

by Jeremy Gumke, Public Works Superintendent

Using reclaimed rainwater captured from a rain barrel to water your lawn and garden is a great way to practice sustainability and protect your local environment. The City provides an opportunity each year for residents to purchase a rain barrel. Barrels are repurposed from oak wine barrels and then sold to residents at a reduced price of \$100 dollars. Go to savmn.com/RainBarrels to purchase your rain barrel. Barrels will be provided to the first 15 residents to submit payment. **Please note:**

- Barrels will be delivered to your home.
- Only one rain barrel per household; only new participants (cannot be a former owner of a barrel)
- You will receive confirmation if approved.
- Must be a City of St. Anthony Village resident.
- First come, first serve-must provide payment.■




**Streetlight
not
working
properly?**



-Report outages directly to Xcel Energy.


-Go online/call to report an outage.

-Provide the nearest address and cross street.



**Go online to
report:**

[xcelenergy.com/
outages_and_emergencies/outdoor_lighting_outages](http://xcelenergy.com/outages_and_emergencies/outdoor_lighting_outages)



Or call:

1-800-960-6235

Upcoming important reminders:

- **Branch Chipping:** May 10-12. Public Works will be conducting curbside branch chipping for residents for \$15 dollars, plus applicable sales tax for each 10 minutes of chipping. Charges will be billed on your July 2021 water bill. Branches must be at the curb. For more info, call 612-782-3301. Sign up online at: savmn.com/FormCenter/Branch-Chipping-10/Branch-Chipping-Form.
- **Hydrant Flushing:** May 17-21. During regular business hours. Following hydrant flushing on your street, run water through your washing machine tub or outside spigot to prevent discolored water from entering your home's water line. For more info, visit the City's website under the Public Works Department.
- **Street Sweeping:** City-wide street sweeping begins in the spring. 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.
- **Spring Load Restrictions:** Began March 4. MNDOT determines ending dates based on how weather is affecting roadway strength. Schedule home improvement projects that require heavy vehicles to avoid spring load restrictions timeline. More info at: savmn.com/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/697.■

MUNICIPAL LIQUOR STORE

St. Anthony Village Wine and Spirits— contributing to the community since 1948

by Mike Larson, Operations Manager

Warmer weather is straight ahead— here's to a beautiful spring season in Minnesota! We are hopeful this year will bring opportunities to host sampling events at our stores, such as our Spring Wine and Beer sampling events that were cancelled in 2020 due to COVID-19. We are optimistic that we will be able to start them up again sometime this year.

We are happy to announce that we are back open on Sundays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m! Make sure to check our website and social media channels for other important announcements, such as upcoming sampling events, store hours, sales, and new products. Stay up-to-date through our website at savmn.com, and sign up for push notifications to receive announcements directly to your phone via text or email.



We encourage you to follow and 'like us' on Facebook as we post limited-quantity sale items and products that can save you money. We also share important information via Facebook and Twitter from Public Works, Police, Fire and Administration. We all work together to keep you informed. We will soon be adding Instagram to our social media platforms— so, stay tuned!

We appreciate our customers shopping locally since our profits are used for the betterment of St. Anthony Village. Please contact me if we can assist you with anything that would provide a better shopping experience for you and your neighbors. I can be contacted by phone at 612- 782-3455, or feel free to email me at mike.larson@savmn.com. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to serve you!■



Water restrictions:

- No watering between 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- 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 apply each year between April 1 through Nov. 1.

COMMUNITY

Citizens for Sustainability



In MN, you may think that an electric vehicle (EV) can't withstand our cold winters, but they certainly can. In 2019, 21 SAV residents had registered plug-in EVs - that number is higher today and growing quickly now that there is more EV infrastructure being installed around us. Statewide, there are over 14,500 EVs and a network of more than 1,000 Level 2 or DC Fast charging stations. In your own garage, a standard wall outlet can charge your EV overnight. EV chargers are available along highway corridors, at hotels and shopping centers, and you can plug in anywhere using your own cable. They require far less maintenance and long-term costs are typically lower than a gas-powered vehicle. Currently, over 17 manufacturers sell EVs in MN, a number that is likely to increase as the state

considers new Clean Car Standards. Most new EVs on the market have a \$7,500 federal tax credit available and Xcel Energy offers reduced utility rates for home charging. Check out Consumer Reports' Comparison of EV to Gas-Powered Cars: EVs Offer Big Savings Over Traditional Gas-Powered Cars - Consumer Reports Find out more about EVs with the Smart EV Buyer Guide for Minnesotans: <https://fresh-energy.org/smart-ev-buyer-guide-for-minnesotans-december-2020-edition/>. Find the nearest charging stations with the MNDOT EV Dashboard: dot.state.mn.us/sustainability/electric-vehicle-dashboard.html Or better yet, take a test drive and see for yourself! For more info about EVs, contact info@citizensforsustainability.org or follow us on Facebook for info on an upcoming "EVENt" we're planning. ■

Introducing NineNorth

On Jan.4, the North Suburban Access Corporation, doing business as CTV North Suburbs, announced a brand and name change to NineNorth. NineNorth will continue to cover and distribute St. Anthony community events and public meetings. The new, modern logo resembles a compass pointing north, a constant reminder to be mission focused to serve the St. Anthony community. Upon closer inspection, if the logo is flipped upside down, it turns into a pinned location symbol. This represents hyper focus on local news and events that directly affects the community of St. Anthony. This will impact residents in a few ways. The updated website to access city meetings and events will be ninenorth.org. The website's layout is still the same. City meetings, featured videos and more content can be found in the same places as before. A curated NineNorth logo with St. Anthony city's colors will be sent to the city for website use. While the name and logo are changing, there is still a lot staying the same. NineNorth is still a digital media production partner that serves St. Anthony looking to connect and engage with the community. ■



St. Anthony Village Historical Society

The following are snippets taken from our book *A Village in the City*, celebrating St. Anthony's 75th. The township was rural with truck farms, raising crops and live stock, including pigs fed on garbage picked up from MPLS restaurants. A rural schoolhouse, gas station, tavern and grocery store were built and operated within the "fiercely independent" village. Greenhouses became prevalent as early as 1916 when John Johnson, Sr. built their first greenhouse. Leo Hertog, a Dutch immigrant worked at the Lemke greenhouse in the '20s and opened his own in 1932. Julie Klappenbach and her husband moved to the township in 1941 from SE MPLS, where there were more neighbors. They had electricity but no running water, and a big garden. They raised chickens and sold eggs. She took a bus to her job at Dayton's in MPLS, but had to walk to 29th & McKinley to catch a bus. Margaret (Dolly) Sroga Brickner is the daughter of Joe and Rose Sroga & lived on the east side of Stinson Blvd, across the street from her father's first service station. She was a member of the first graduating class of St Charles which opened in 1939. The society invites you to share your stories of the early days of the Village or life during the Pandemic via our website or Facebook Page at St. Anthony Village Historical Society. ■



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UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- April 13: City Council Meeting
- April 20: Planning Commission Meeting
- April 27: City Council Meeting

MAY

- May 1: Spring Clean-Up Day
- May 11: City Council Meeting
- May 10-12: Branch Chipping
- May 17-21: Hydrant Flushing
- May 18: Planning Commission Meeting
- May 25: City Council Meeting
- May 31: Holiday, Memorial Day

JUNE

- June 7: Parks & Envi. Commission Mtg
- June 8: City Council Meeting
- June 15: Planning Commission Meeting
- June 22: City Council Meeting

Coffee with the Council events can be found on our City website at:
savmn.com/CoffeewithCouncil

To request special accommodations or alternative formats for City meetings, please contact the City Clerk:
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