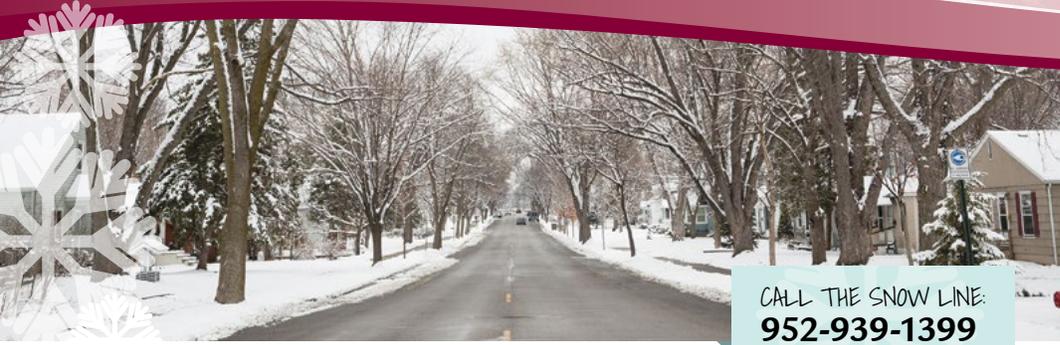


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CALL THE SNOW LINE:
952-939-1399

Here Comes The Snow—Don't Get Towed!

In an average year, Hopkins will receive its first measurable snowfall within the next couple weeks. The City can declare a snow emergency upon a 2-inch snowfall. Snow emergencies are announced on the City of Hopkins recorded snow line at 952-939-1399. (Note that snow depths are measured in Hopkins and may not coincide with those reported at the Minneapolis–Saint Paul airport.)

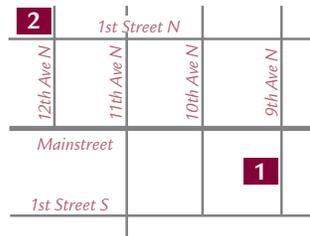
When a snow emergency is called, parking restrictions remain in effect until streets are plowed curb-to-curb and parking lots and ramps are completely plowed. Vehicles left on streets or in public parking lots during snow emergencies may be ticketed or towed.

To avoid being towed, remove your vehicles from City streets and parking lots as soon as a snow emergency has been declared. If you have nowhere to park, use one of the emergency parking locations at right.

Get Notified of Snow Emergency Declarations

The City may also notify residents using an emergency notification system called Code Red. This system calls each resident when a city-wide snow emergency is declared. To register your cell phone or learn more, go to www.hopkinsmn.com/fire/codered, or call 952-548-6451.

Snow Emergency Parking Locations



CENTRAL HOPKINS

1. Municipal Lot 300 just north of Downtown Park on 9th Ave S
2. Maetzold Field parking lot (access from 1st St N)

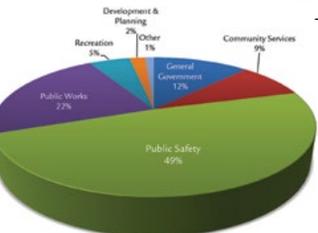


SOUTH HOPKINS

3. East of 9th Ave S and north of Westbrooke Way between 9th Ave S and Nine Mile Creek
4. Far east end of 8th St S near Valley Park

Attend Public Meeting On 2016 Budget

Interested in how your tax dollars are spent? Attend the 2016 Budget Hearing on **Tuesday, December 1 at 7 pm** in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The 2016 budget will be presented along with the proposed 2016 tax levy.



The Council set a proposed budget and levy in September, which will appear on the notice of proposed taxes mailed to every taxpayer. Staff has continued to work on the 2016 budget and will present an amended budget and final levy.

This is the final opportunity to provide input on the budget before it is approved. All input is welcomed.

HAPPENING NOW:

FREE Leaf & Yard Waste Pick Up

Free fall leaf/yard waste bag pick-up began October 26 for most residents and will continue on your garbage day through November 19. No call-in required. You must use compostable bags.

If you live in Bellgrove, Hobby Acres, Park Ridge or Interlachen Park, the City provided free street leaf and yard waste pick up in your area November 2–5. Free bagged pick up is not provided in your area.

For more details, go to www.hopkinsmn.com/home/yard/waste. All services are subject to change due to weather.

Drop Off Site Closes November 28

The Yard Waste and Brush Drop Off Site will be open Mondays and Wednesdays from 1–5 pm and Saturdays from 9 am–3 pm through Saturday, November 28, weather permitting. After November 28, the site will close for the season.

Got KIDS?

We have the place for you at the Pavilion! Now through February 24, Play Place offers children age 9 months to 5 years the chance to run and play with sport balls, crawl tunnels, bounce houses, blocks, and more. Adults are required to stay and supervise.



Play Place is open Monday–Friday for two sessions per day: 9–10:30 am and 10:30 am–noon. Session cost is \$3/child. Space is limited so register at www.hopkinspavilion.com to secure your spot and pay when you arrive.

Extend The Fun: From noon–1:30 pm, you can rent the space and the Play Place toys. Call 952-548-6390 to book your date.



Upcoming at City Hall

City Offices Closed

Wednesday, November 11
Veterans Day

Thursday, November 26 & Friday, November 27
Thanksgiving

City Council Calendar

Tuesday, November 10, 6:30 pm
Work Session

Tuesday, November 17, 7 pm
Meeting

Tuesday, December 1, 7:05 pm
Meeting

Agendas and minutes can be found at www.hopkinsmn.com/council/meetings/. Watch City Council meetings live at www.hopkinsmn.com/council/video/.

Boards and Commissions Calendar

Tuesday, November 24, 6:30 pm
Zoning and Planning Commission

Tuesday, December 1, 7 pm
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Agendas and minutes found at www.hopkinsmn.com/boards/.

Meeting Broadcasts

City Council and Zoning and Planning Commission meetings can be seen live on Cable Channel 16. Meetings are also replayed every day (except Tuesdays) at 7 pm; Thursdays at 2 pm; and Sundays at 1 pm.

Elected Officials

Mayor
Eugene Maxwell (952-935-5270)

City Council
Molly Cummings Jason Gadd
Kristi Halverson Aaron Kuznia

City Election

Results from the 2015 City Election will be published in the December *Highlights*. You can view official results online after Election Day at www.hopkinsmn.com/elections/.

Please Take Your Seat!

DONATE A NEW SEAT TO THE HCA THEATER

After close to 20 years and over 3 million Center visitors, the theater seats at the Hopkins Center for the Arts have reached the breaking point. The Center is inviting you to consider a special donation to help cover the very considerable cost of replacing over 700 seats.

Your gift of \$250 will entitle you to “name” a seat. Your name, that of someone you wish to honor, or an event you wish to commemorate, will be engraved onto a metal donor plaque on the seat as well as listed in the lobby—and will continue to acknowledge your generosity for the next 12-15 years.

To learn more or make a gift, call 952-979-1105. This once-in-15-years opportunity would make a great, unique gift for the upcoming holidays. 🍷



Recycle Worn Textiles

AMERICA RECYCLES DAY IS NOVEMBER 15

Every year 12 million tons of discarded textiles are sent to landfills in the United States. In the spirit of America Recycles Day, the City of Hopkins has partnered with USAgain to host a textile collection drive **November 9-20**.



Gather up your worn out, stained, or torn clothes as well as other household linens and drop them, **tied in plastic bags**, in the bins in front of Public Works (11100 Excelsior Blvd). Accepted items include clothing, gloves, hats, linens, blankets, and towels, as well as shoes and boots.

Choosing to drop these items into a USAgain bin instead of the trash not only protects the environment but also creates jobs. Non-reusable textiles are turned into insulation and wiping rags or are broken down to reclaim fiber. 🍷

TAKE NOTE: Refuse and Recycling Schedule

City offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 11, for Veterans Day. **Wednesday and Thursday refuse collection** will be one day later than normal.

City offices will also be closed Thursday, November 26 & Friday, November 27 for Thanksgiving. **Thursday's refuse collection will be picked up one day early.** There will be no bulk pick up this week.

Recycling pick up weeks this month are November 2-5, 16-19, and 30-December 3. ♻️

Experience the UPSIDE of Aging

STAY ACTIVE & ENGAGED AT THE HOPKINS ACTIVITY CENTER!

The Hopkins Activity Center is located at 33 14th Avenue North in Hopkins. Call 952-939-1333 or email activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com with questions or to register.

Defensive Driving 4-Hour Refresher Class

Monday, November 9, 12-4 pm
People age 55+ can maintain the 10%, 3-year auto insurance discount.
Prerequisite: 8-hour class. Cost is \$21 (\$18 for members). Call to register.

Thanksgiving Celebration

Tues, Nov 17, 11 am
Enjoy a traditional turkey dinner, door prizes, and entertainment.
Cost is \$9 (\$8 for members). Call for reservations. 🍷



Winter Recreation Brochure Online Nov 24

The Hopkins-Minnetonka Recreation Services winter-spring 2015-16 brochure will be available by November 24 at eminnetonka.com/recreation/recreation-brochure. **The winter/spring edition is only available online and will not be printed and mailed.** If you wish to request a hard copy at no charge, call 952-939-8203. Program registration starts December 2 for Minnetonka and Hopkins residents.

