



# Hopkins Highlights

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## National Night Out Is August 4

Celebrate the 32nd annual National Night Out against crime and drugs with your neighbors on Tuesday, August 4.



From 5:30–9 pm, neighborhoods throughout Hopkins and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors. Many Hopkins neighborhoods will be hosting special events—block parties, cookouts, ice cream socials, potlucks, and games.

Register your neighborhood celebration online at [www.hopkinsmn.com/events/nno.php](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/events/nno.php) or contact Anne Marie Buck of the Hopkins Police Department at 952-548-6407 or [abuck@hopkinsmn.com](mailto:abuck@hopkinsmn.com).

## Don't Miss July 11 Artery Experiment

Give the future Hopkins “Artery” a test ride by joining the city for the Artery Experiment **11 am to 4 pm on Saturday, July 11, along 8th Avenue S** (from Excelsior Blvd to just north of Mainstreet). The Artery Experiment is a trial run of the Artery project, which will ultimately create a pedestrian-friendly corridor that connects Mainstreet with the Downtown Hopkins LRT station.

This Open Streets event is intended to introduce the project to the community and encourage community members to shape this special place and its final design, all while having a ton of fun! The event will feature temporary installations of the Artery including a protected bikeway, art exhibits and sale, live performances, food, games, roving artists, free bike tune ups, and much more, so grab your bike and come check it out. All are welcome.

For a full schedule of the day's events, please visit [www.hopkinsmn.com/events/artery](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/events/artery) or contact Meg Beekman at 952-548-6343 with any additional questions.



## Upcoming Events at the Activity Center

Experience the upside of aging at the Hopkins Activity Center! To register for these events, call 952-939-1333 or email [activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com](mailto:activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com). Members free; others \$2.

**Connect to Learning:** Join the Activity Center for live videoconferences that connect to remarkable people and places:

- **Tuesday, July 21, 1 pm**  
Learn about the early life of President Harry Truman, presented by the Truman Presidential Library.
- **Tuesday, August 18, 5 pm** An underwater diver transports you live to the Great Barrier Reef.

### Hands-Only CPR & AED Training

**Tuesday, July 28, 11 am.** Garrett Grniet, Hopkins Fire Department, will give an overview of how to help save a life until emergency personnel arrives. Learn Hands-Only CPR and how to use an Automated External Defibrillator.



## Filing For Mayor And Council Members Begins July 28

On November 3, 2015, Hopkins residents will elect the Mayor and three Council Members. The offices for election include:

- Mayor—2-year term
- 2 Council Members—4-year terms beginning January 1, 2016
- 1 Council Member—to be elected to fill the remaining two years of the Council seat vacated by the resignation of Cheryl Youakim

Filing for these positions will open on Tuesday, July 28, and close on Tuesday, August 11. You may file for office at City Hall (1010 1st Street S) from 8 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, and until 5 pm on August 11. Individuals wishing to be a candidate must complete an Affidavit of Candidacy and submit it to the City Clerk along with the \$25 filing fee.

If you have any questions about elections or filing for office, please contact Amy Domeier, City Clerk, at 952-548-6304 or [adomeier@hopkinsmn.com](mailto:adomeier@hopkinsmn.com).

## Keep Yard Waste Out Of Your Refuse Cart

State law prohibits residents from placing yard waste in their refuse container. If yard waste is found in your refuse cart, the cart will not be picked up. The cart will be tagged with instructions to remove and dispose of the yard waste properly.





## Upcoming at City Hall

### City Offices Closed

**Friday, July 3**  
Independence Day

### City Council Calendar

**Tuesday, July 7, 7:05 pm**  
Meeting

**Tuesday, July 14, 6:30 pm**  
Work Session

**Tuesday, July 21, 7:00 pm**  
Meeting

**Monday, August 3, 7:05 pm**  
Meeting

Agendas and minutes can be found at [www.hopkinsmn.com/council/meetings/](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/council/meetings/). Watch City Council meetings live at [www.hopkinsmn.com/council/video/](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/council/video/).

### Boards and Commissions Calendar

**Tuesday, July 7, 7:00 pm**  
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

**Tuesday, July 28, 6:30 pm**  
Zoning & Planning Commission

**Monday, August 3, 7:00 pm**  
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Agendas and minutes found at [www.hopkinsmn.com/boards/](http://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

## New Artwork On Display

Check out the six new sculptures installed downtown by the Hopkins Artstreet program, part of a long-term vision to incorporate public art into Hopkins to enrich the lives of residents and visitors. The new pieces will be in place for a year.

Pick up an Artstreet brochure (available at the Center for the Arts, City Hall, Big Ten, and Frame Design) with a map and ballot to vote for this year's People's Choice Award winner. Voters age 14 and under can also pick their choice for a special children's award. 🍓



Elk, by Jim Dehne



## Why Is It So Hot In Here?

If you have ever wondered why some rooms in your home seem incredibly hot during the summer, a visit from the Home Energy Squad Enhanced might be able to answer that question. The City has teamed up with their team of experts to offer you home energy evaluations at the reduced cost of \$50.



The evaluation includes a blower door test and complete insulation inspection to determine your home's insulation and air sealing potential. Uncomfortably hot rooms are often due to lack of insulation and air sealing.

In addition, the crew will perform a safety check of your home's heating system and water heater and install energy saving materials that may include door weather stripping, compact florescent light bulbs, high efficiency showerheads, faucet aerators, a programmable thermostat, and more.

Many Hopkins residents are taking the first step to making their homes more comfortable and saving money on energy year round. For more information or to schedule your Home Energy Squad Enhanced visit, call 612-335-5874 or check out [mncee.org/hes-hopkins](http://mncee.org/hes-hopkins). 🍓

*Home Energy Squad Enhanced is brought you by CenterPoint Energy and Xcel Energy and is delivered by the Center for Energy and Environment (CEE), a Minneapolis nonprofit.*

### TAKE NOTE: Refuse and Recycling Schedule

Recycling collection weeks this month are **July 13-16 and 27-30**. Recycling is picked up the same day as your refuse collection. 🌿

## Remember The Odd/Even System Before Watering



Lawn watering has a large impact on the City's ability to supply water to the community. To ensure there is enough water for all uses, including firefighting, the City enforces year-round watering restrictions.

Residents and businesses are required to water on an odd/even system. If your address ends with an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7, or 9), you can water on odd-numbered days of the month (1st, 3rd, etc.). If your address ends in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6, or 8), you can water on even-numbered days of the month (2nd, 4th, etc.).

Lawn watering is also not allowed between the hours of 11 am and 5 pm when the evaporation rate is the highest. Activities such as playing with water, car washing, and hand-watering of flowerbeds are exempt from this policy as long as the activity is attended.

Exemptions are also available for private wells and watering new sod or seed. Please call the Public Works Department at 952-548-6373 for an exemption or with any questions. 🍓

## Help Clean Up Minnehaha Creek On July 26

Help Minnehaha Creek Watershed District reach their goal of collecting 3 tons of trash! Put on sturdy shoes and meet in the Knollwood Super Target parking lot at 8 am on July 26. Shuttle service will be provided to and from a BBQ lunch and celebration at Lake Hiawatha Park. For more information or to RSVP by July 22, visit [minnehahacreek.org/CleanUp](http://minnehahacreek.org/CleanUp). 🍓