

Hopkins Highlights

May
2010

Street & Utility Improvements In The Works For This Summer

The City continues its commitment to street and utility improvements with the 2010 Improvement Project, which includes completing the Park Ridge neighborhood reconstruction and the 5th Street South reconstruction between 11th Avenue South and the westerly city limits.

Construction continues in the Park Ridge neighborhood where improvements include a complete reconstruction with new curb and gutter, new paving, water main, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer replacement. Access will be maintained for property owners.

Improvements to 5th Street South include a complete reconstruction with new curb and gutter, new paving, water main, and storm sewer installation. 5th Street South will be open during construction with some short duration closings during paving operations.

Other projects to be completed this summer include continuing the crack sealing, seal coat, and street striping program. Also this year sidewalk and alley repairs will be conducted east of 5th Avenue North.

Questions? Contact City Engineer John Bradford at 952-548-6356 or by e-mail at jbradford@hopkinsmn.com.

Mainstreet Days Is May 22

The Hopkins Area Jaycees will be sponsoring Mainstreet Days on **Saturday, May 22**, from 9 am to 4 pm.

Various events will take place on Hopkins Mainstreet throughout the day, including:

- arts, crafts, and food vendors
- family entertainment including train rides, a balloon twister, and a mechanical bull
- music by Citizen's Arrest, a fresh and young country rock band, from 11 am-2 pm

For more information on Mainstreet Days, call 952-931-0132.

LIVE WELL, AGE WELL @ Hopkins Activity Center

Fitness Focus: the focus is you!
Tues & Thurs, 9-10 am

Join group exercise with Ben Walker, an experienced group fitness instructor. Improve your strength, tone, balance and flexibility. Try your first class free. Frequent User Members \$32/10 classes; Others \$42/10 classes.

Enhance Fitness

Tues & Thurs, 10:15-11:15 am
Focuses on stretching, flexibility, balance, low impact aerobics and strength training exercises. Instructor: Ben Walker. UCare for Senior Members free; Frequent User Members \$32/10 classes; Others \$42/10 classes.

Hopkins Mtka Senior Bicyclers

Tues & Thurs, 9:15 am
Visit www.martywirth.com for bike schedule or call 952-939-1333 for more information.

Healthy Living Group

Tuesday, May 11, 10:30 am
Fit for Life: change your hormones to burn fat & lose weight in 12 minutes/week. Facilitator: Dr Mike Madison, Total Chiropractic. Call to register. Frequent User Members free; Others \$1.

Poker Walk

Wednesday, May 26, 10 am
Celebrate National Senior Health and Fitness Day with a walk around Hopkins. At each stop we will pick a playing card. Prize for best poker hand. Call to register.

Men's Only 50+ Strength and Cardio

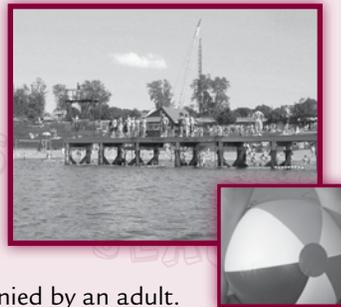
*Tues & Thurs, 8 am
beginning Fall 2010*
Call for information.

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

Shady Oak Beach Will Open June 11

Shady Oak Beach opens June 11 for the summer season and will remain open through August 29. Hours at the beach are 10 am-9 pm through August 1, and 10 am-8 pm after August 1. Swimming in the lake ends one half hour before sunset.

Amenities at Shady Oak Beach include two sand play areas, water play area, sand volleyball court, concession stand, and restroom/changing areas. All children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.



2010 Beach Fees

Season Passes are sold through Minnetonka Recreation Services, Monday-Friday, 8 am-4:30 pm. Call 952-939-8203 or visit Minnetonka City Hall. (*Season passes are not available at Hopkins City Hall.*) Season passes are also available at the beach.

Single-Day Passes can be purchased at the gate for \$5/person (twilight rates of \$3/person apply after 6 pm). Ages 2 and under are free.

Season Pass Rates

purchased before June 11 or after July 31	Residents*	Non-Residents
	1-3 season passes	\$12/person
Additional passes	\$6/person	\$12/person

June 11 to July 31	Residents*	Non-Residents
	1-3 season passes	\$17/person
Additional passes	\$8/person	\$15/person

*Residents of Hopkins & Minnetonka



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Refuse & Recycling

Recycling collection is May 10-13 and 24-27.

Refuse collection for the week of May 31 will be delayed one day due to Memorial Day.

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City Council Calendar

May 4, 7:30 pm
Meeting

May 11, 6:30 pm
Work Session

May 18, 7:30 pm
Meeting

May 25, 6:30 pm
Work Session

June 1, 7:30 pm
Meeting

Agendas and minutes can be found at www.hopkinsmn.com/cityhall/citycouncil/.

Boards & Commissions Calendar

May 4, 7 pm
Housing & Redevelopment Authority

May 17, 6:30 pm
Park Board

May 25, 6:30 pm
Zoning & Planning Commission

June 1, 7 pm
Housing & Redevelopment Authority

Agendas and minutes can be found at www.hopkinsmn.com/cityhall/boards/.

Cable Channel 16

City Council and Zoning & Planning Commission meetings can be seen on cable channel 16 live and are replayed on:

Monday & Wednesday
7:30 pm

Thursday Sunday
2:00 pm 1:00 pm

Elected Officials

Mayor
Gene Maxwell (952-935-5270)

City Council
Kristi Halverson ■ Bruce Rowan
Rick Brausen ■ Cheryl Youakim

City Offices Closed

Monday, May 31
Memorial Day



Yard Waste & Brush Disposal Options

FREE DROP OFF SITE—NOW OPEN

The Yard Waste & Brush Drop Off location at 3100 Hopkins Crossroads (the west side of County Road 73, approximately two blocks north of County Road 5) is now open Saturdays from 9 am-3 pm and Mondays and Wednesdays from 2-7 pm.

Only brush and yard waste generated by Hopkins residential properties will be accepted. Driver's licenses will be checked to ensure residency requirements. Residents must unload and debag their materials at the site. Branches must be no longer than 15 feet in length or 6 inches in diameter.

Yard waste may be transported to the drop off site in the "old" yard waste bags. Material must be debagged at the site.

YARD WASTE PICK UP

Yard waste is picked up the same day as your refuse. Beginning the week of May 3, yard waste bags must have a yard waste sticker on them to be picked up. Stickers must face the street or alley and be visible to our drivers. Yard waste stickers are \$2 each and may be purchased at City Hall or Public Works. Residents may also call Public Works at 952-939-1382 and request stickers be sent in the mail; however, a minimum of ten stickers must be purchased for phone orders. Phone order charges will be placed on your utility bill.

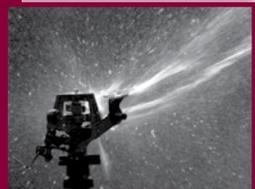
Remember, if you bag your yard waste for collection, it must be placed in a compostable bag. Black plastic bags will not be picked up. Yard waste bags should weigh no more than 40 pounds.

BRUSH PICK UP

Brush pick ups take place on Tuesdays. Call 952-939-1382 to schedule your brush pick up no later than 2 pm on Monday. A fee (based upon volume) will be charged for brush pick up (fee placed on residents' utility bill).

Check The Date Before Watering Your Lawn

Lawn watering has a large impact on the City's ability to supply water to those who use water in the City. To ensure there is enough water for all uses, including firefighting, the City of Hopkins 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 play toys, car washing, and hand-watering of flowerbeds are exempt from this policy as long as the activity is not unattended.

Exemptions are also available for private wells and items such as new sod or new seed. Please call the Public Works Department at 952-548-6373 with any questions.

GET RID OF YOUR HHW

Drop off your **household hazardous waste** and problem materials at this Hennepin County collection event:

May 20-22, 9 am-4 pm
City of Minnetonka Public Works Department (11522 Minnetonka Blvd, Mtka)

For more information and a list of items that are accepted, visit www.hopkinsmn.com/waste/hhw-events.php.



Open Houses For LRT

The public is invited to comment on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the proposed Southwest LRT line at the following open houses:

Wed, May 19, 5-7 pm
SouthWest Transit Station (13500 Technology Drive, Eden Prairie)

Thurs, May 20, 5-7 pm
St Louis Park City Hall (5005 Minnetonka Blvd, St Louis Park)

For more information, visit www.southwesttransitway.org.

