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Wayzata Newsletter
May 2025

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For up-to-date meeting & event information, visit wayzata.org/calendar.

Memorial Day Garbage & Recycling Reminder



In observance of Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, Republic Services will be closed. Garbage, organics and yard waste (if enrolled in yard waste program) will be picked up on Tuesday, May 27 and recycling will be picked up for residents north of Wayzata Blvd. Republic Services requests that residents have their carts out by 7:00 a.m. that Tuesday.

A Message from Mayor Mullin

Hello Neighbors,

With the onset of warmer weather, the City of Wayzata anticipates increased activity throughout the community and especially in our downtown. Maintaining public safety is a top priority, and we are implementing several proactive measures:

Enhanced Police Staffing

The Wayzata Police Department is augmenting its staff to provide a more robust presence on our streets.

Mill Street Parking Ramp Access Control

Construction of a gate at the top floor of the Mill Street Parking ramp is underway to limit vehicle access during nighttime hours, thereby improving security.

E-Bike Operational Safety

The City Council is evaluating a potential ordinance designed to enhance safety standards for the operation of E-bikes within city limits.

Increased Violation Penalties

Fines and penalties associated with Excessive Noise and Exhibition Driving violations are being increased to deter disruptive behavior.

The City is committed to ensuring Wayzata remains a safe and welcoming environment as we enter the busier seasons.



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Protect Water Quality - Pick Up Pet Waste!

In urban areas, stormwater carries phosphorus and other pollutants directly into Minnesota's water resources through the storm drainage system. Unlike our household wastewater, stormwater doesn't go through a treatment plant first, but is dumped directly into lakes, rivers and wetlands. Fertilizers, leaves, grass clippings, eroded soil, and animal waste are all sources of phosphorus. When they are swept or washed into the nearest street or storm drain, they end up directly in Lake Minnetonka.

You can do your part to protect water quality by picking up pet waste promptly. Pet waste can contain harmful bacteria as well as nutrients. Never drop pet waste in the street or ditches. Wayzata's parks have pet waste stations, with pet waste bags and trash cans that are maintained by the Parks Department.



Administration



Public Works



Community Development



Police



Fire

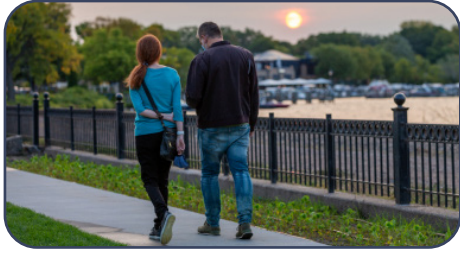


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Bar & Grill

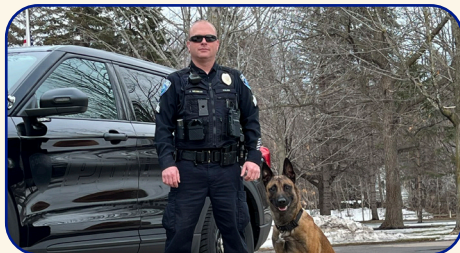
Safely Enjoy Wayzata Parks & Trails This Summer



- All Wayzata parks open at 5:00 a.m. and close at 10:30 p.m.
- Unless in a designated area, pets should be kept on leashes. All pet waste must be cleaned up.
- Be courteous and approach other dogs with caution. Always ask owners for permission before approaching.
- Do not leave personal belongings in parked vehicles.

If you plan to enjoy our parks and trails alone, always have a cell phone nearby in case of emergency.

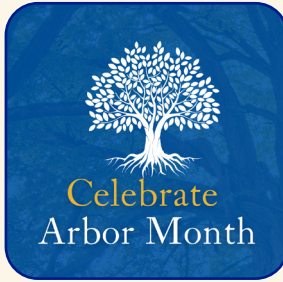
Thank You Loki & Sergeant Jason Gehrman



At the end of April, Sergeant Jason Gehrman retired from law enforcement after 19 years of service (to the day!), 6 of which were dedicated to the Wayzata community. In addition, Sgt. Gehrman has worked with a very important companion, Police K9 Loki, who has served the community for 3 years as the City's search and rescue dog!

Together, Sgt. Gehrman and Loki played a vital role in keeping our community safe. The City extends its deepest appreciation for your commitment and service to the Wayzata community.

Arbor Month Celebration & Tree Treatment Discounts



Arbor Day Event on May 31

The City's Energy & Environment Committee will be hosting an Arbor Day Celebration on May 31 from 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. at Depot Park! There will be a scavenger hunt for kids, speakers on pollinator gardens, native landscaping, and tree information. A limited number of free and rare seedlings will also be available including Yellow Birch, Witch-hazel, Thorny Honeylocust, and Bladdernut! At 1:00 p.m., Arbor Hill Tree Farm will plant a large American Elm using a spade truck, southwest of Barry & Lake.

Protect Your Trees - Treatment Discount Available!

Trees need regular inspection and care to keep them safe and maximize their benefits to your property and the community. The City has partnered with Rainbow Treecare to offer citywide discounts for the treatment or prevention of many common tree health issues, including Emerald Ash Borer, Dutch Elm Disease, Two-lined Chestnut Borer and Oak Wilt.

Visit rainbowtreecare.com/cities/wayzata to learn more.

More Access to Lake Minnetonka: Stepdowns on the Panoway Lakewalk to be Installed This Spring

One of the most anticipated design components of the 1,200 ft long lakewalk has been the installation of the community-driven "stepdowns." Unfortunately, due to needed design tweaks, the stepdowns were not able to be installed last year.

The two stepdowns were originally designed to give even more access to the lake. Community members will now have another place to sit and even dip their toes into Lake Minnetonka! They will be installed this spring adjacent to the section of the lakewalk with benches.

The City will also be installing life preservers nearby as well as signage to indicate that fishing, swimming, and docking boats is prohibited.



Sign Up for Dig It Day on May 17

Get to know your neighbors while volunteering! On May 17, the Wayzata Public Works Department needs your help getting City gardens ready for summer from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m. The morning will kickoff at the Panoway Plaza with check-in and refreshments. From there, volunteers will be dispersed to gardens in groups. This is a family-friendly volunteering opportunity! Sign up as a family, a group of neighbors, as a couple or on your own! This will be the perfect setting to meet other generous residents and participate in the nurturing of Wayzata's landscaping.

Sign up at wayzata.org/volunteer.

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