Public Services Projects and Summer Maintenance Activities

It is the time of year where residents are impacted by various improvement and maintenance activities throughout Waconia. There is a large list of projects scheduled for this summer; some have already started and some will be starting soon! Below, you’ll see a list of projects scheduled for the summer of 2018.

- Asphalt resurfacing and acrylic surfacing of Cedar Point tennis courts, Cedar Point basketball court, and Pinehill Park half-basketball court
- Play system replacement and amenity improvements in Pheasant Ridge Park
- Bituminous trail reconstruction on Sparrow Road adjacent to 284 to Niagara Street
- Street overlay, sidewalk, and ADA improvements on Fountain Lane
- Street sealcoating and striping throughout Waconia
- Street reconstruction of Second and Cedar Streets near First, Maple, and Walnut Streets
- Pedestrian crosswalk improvements at Willowbrooke Lane, Scott Lane, and Lake Street near Bayview Elementary
- Annual hydrant flushing and repair
- Annual sanitary sewer main line cleaning

Numerous residential maintenance activities will be completed by our maintenance staff throughout the duration of the summer. Please be cognizant of the work zones prepared by our maintenance staff and contractors, which is designed to protect both the workers and the public.

Most of the projects scheduled for the summer can be found on the City’s website at www.waconia.org, or you can contact Public Services at 952-442-2615 or at publicservices@waconia.org.

CSAH 10 and Orchard Road Improvements

The City of Waconia and Carver County, in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation, are in the process of reconstructing and extending Orchard Road from Highway 5 to Waconia Parkway. Phase 1 of construction is substantially complete, however crews continue to work on trail and turf restoration in that area. Construction of Phase 2 began in early May and includes infrastructure improvements at Highway 5, 94th Street, Community Drive, and Waconia Parkway. Phase 2 also includes new roadway from Community Drive to CSAH 10/Waconia Parkway, and is anticipated to be completed by November of 2018.

A full closure of CSAH 10/Waconia Parkway from Pond Lane to CSAH 32 is necessary to complete proposed roadway and intersection improvements. This closure is scheduled to begin on Monday, June 11 and continue through the end of August. The planned detour for this closure will use County Road 51, County Road 32, Waconia Parkway North, and Main Street.

The map shows the project area, what will be under construction, what will be closed, and the construction detour. More detailed information and weekly construction updates can be found on the project website via www.waconia.org.
Compost Collection Schedule
Residents can bring grass clippings, garden waste, shrubs and branches no larger than 3” in diameter and 4’ in length to Public Services at 310 East 10th Street.

- Saturdays, June 2 & 30
  8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Thursday, June 14
  3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 19
  10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Cost is $1.00 per bag or $10.00 per pick-up or trailer. A copy of the full schedule is available at www.waconia.org.

June Music in the Park Schedule
Below is the June line up for Music in the Park:

- June 7 – Sidewalk Cafe
- June 14 – Traveled Ground
- June 21 – Tricia & The Toonies
- June 28 – Everett Smithson Band

Music will start at 7:00 p.m. at City Square Park. Bring your chairs and blankets. In case of rain, Safari Island will host the event.

2040 Comprehensive Plan
A full draft of the 2040 Waconia Comprehensive Plan is now available on the City website and at City Hall and we would love to hear your feedback on this draft plan. Visit www.waconia.org to view the plan and provide your feedback. You can also let us know your thoughts by contacting Lane Braaten, Community Development Director, at 952-442-3106 or lbraaten@waconia.org.

A public hearing is planned for late November/early December, prior to the final approval of the 2040 Plan.

Hot Topics
This month’s hot topic is...irrigation!

Did you know that debris or even a bug can get into your irrigation’s rain sensor and prevent it from functioning properly? Irrigation systems have so many levels. We’ve collected a lot of information on irrigation systems and put together a condensed version for this month’s Hot Topic.

Follow the code for more information on irrigation systems (and previous months’ topics) or visit the Utility Billing Section of www.waconia.org.

Outdoor Warning Sirens
There are many misconceptions about the use of outdoor warning sirens during severe weather that are important for Waconia residents to be aware of for their own safety:

- Outdoor warning sirens are meant to be heard outside. When sirens sound, residents should always seek shelter and tune to local weather information on radio, television, or NOAA weather radio.
- When the sirens are activated, they will sound for four minutes and stop. The threat of severe weather does not stop when the sirens stop.
- Carver County does not issue an “all clear” tone from the outdoor sirens. Such a signal can be confusing in the event of additional warnings.
- If a siren sounds when you are in your vehicle, seek shelter immediately. If there is not a building nearby and a tornado is quickly approaching, get as far away from the road and cars as possible and lie in a low area covering your head with your arms. Do not go under an overpass!

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June Movie in the Park
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8:30 p.m.
City Square Park
101 East Main Street, Waconia

Popcorn will be available for purchase for $1. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy the show!

Should it rain, the movie will be shown at Safari Island - lawn chairs, blankets, and pillows are allowed.