2018 Election Information

The 2018 Primary Election will take place on Tuesday, August 14 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The 2018 General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Ward I residents will vote at the Waconia Ice Arena (1250 Oak Avenue) and Ward II residents will vote at Trinity Church (601 2nd Street).

Absentee Voting

Eligible voters can vote early by using an absentee ballot, instead of voting in person at the polling place on Election Day. Voters can vote absentee by mail, in person, or by having a person you know pick up and deliver your ballot for you.

New for 2018!

Waconia residents can register and vote absentee in person at (201 South Vine Street) or at the Carver County Government Center (Taxpayer Services: 600 E. 4th Street, Chaska). Absentee voting hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. In addition, City Hall will be open for voting from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 11 and until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 13. Please note that if you are issued a ballot at City Hall, you do need to vote that same day, in person, at City Hall. No ballots are being issued for take-home voting from Waconia City Hall.

Absentee voting for the General Election will be available at Waconia City Hall (for Waconia residents only) from September 21 through November 5. Regular hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., but City Hall will also be open on Saturday, November 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 5. The same rules and procedures apply to the general election that are in place during the primary.

Registration in advance of election day ensures you are on the election day roster. Individuals not registered by these dates can still register and vote on election day, but will need to fill out new registration information and bring identification information to the polls on the day of the election. Identification requirements for new registrants are available on the City's election website.

For More Information

More information on the 2018 Primary and General Election is available on the City's website at www.waconia.org. Click on the “Election Information” graphic to be taken directly to the Election’s page.
Compost Collection Schedule

Residents can bring grass clippings, garden waste, and brush (shrubs and branches no larger than 3" in diameter and 4' in length) to Public Services at 310 East 10th.

Thursday, July 12
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 28
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Cost is $1.00 per bag or $10.00 per pick-up or trailer. For questions, please contact Public Services at 952-442-2615 or publicservices@waconia.org. A copy of the full schedule is available at www.waconia.org.

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 lbraaten@waconia.org.

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

July Movie in the Park

Friday, July 20
Honey, I Shrunk the Kids
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.

Campaign Signs

As a reminder, June 29 is the first day that campaign signs may be placed on private property in the community. Sign placement must be approved by the property owner. At no time can campaign signs be located on public property or within the right of way. Generally, this means that signs should be placed eight to ten feet behind the curb. Signs placed in violation of this state statute will be removed and disposed. For more information visit the elections page of www.waconia.org.

July Music in the Park Schedule

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

— The Brueskes
— Retro Soul & the Westside Horns
— Vinnie Rose
— 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.

Hot Topics: Consumer Confidence Report

Did you know that the City drinking water comes from four (4) wells ranging from 345 to 734 feet deep? These four wells draw water from underground aquifers, specifically the Mt. Simon and Quaternary Buried Artesian aquifers. This, as well as information about the quality of our water and contaminants can be found in the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). The CCR is an annual report the City of Waconia publishes is available to our residents. 2017’s report shows that Waconia is in compliance with all local, state, and federal regulations regarding drinking water! The full report can be accessed at www.waconia.org.

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