

What's Happening to Maple Street?

Are you curious about what is really happening to the road around Southview Elementary School? With the changes to the Maple and Highway 5 intersection, the City is reconfiguring Maple Street at 5th Street.

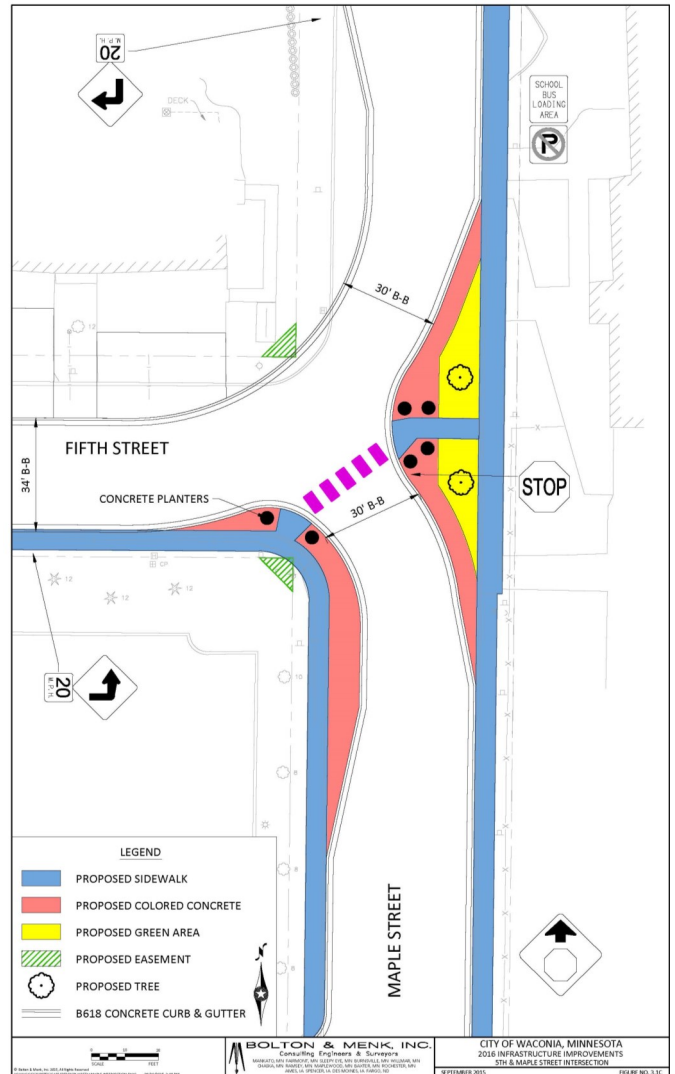
The work directs through traffic south on Maple Street, along 5th Street, to the traffic signal at Cherry Street. An image of the intersection change is featured to the right. Features include:

- ⇒ Reduced speeds along the curve (20 MPH)
- ⇒ Northbound Maple Street traffic will stop before continuing north or turning left.
- ⇒ Colored concrete guides traffic.
- ⇒ Pedestrians are better accommodated on both sides of the road, with the new sidewalk on 5th Street and Maple Street South.
- ⇒ Bumpouts added near a pedestrian crossing for the hospital. The bumpouts reduce the crossing distance and provide traffic calming.

The City has spoken with the School District and Koch Bus and have developed a plan for bus parking that will use both Maple and 4th Streets.

The remainder of the road work in this area is anticipated to be completed before the Fair in early August.

You can follow the work of this project on our website at www.waconia.org/2016



Campaign Signs

As a reminder, June 27 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 8 to 10 feet behind the curb. Signs placed in violation of this state statute will be removed and disposed.



Primary Election - August 9th

The primary election will be held on Tuesday, August 9th. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the day of the election. Ward I residents will vote at the Waconia Ice Arena, 1250 Oak Ave, and Ward II residents will vote at Trinity Church, 601 2nd St E.

Need to Register to Vote?

Please remember to register in advance by July 19th to have your name be listed on the Election Rosters. Individuals not registered by this date, will need to fill out new registration information at the polls on election day.

Carver/Scott Master Gardener Help Desks

Waconia Library, 217 S. Vine St.
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
(Every Saturday in July & August)

Bring your plant samples and insect/disease questions to a help desk! Master Gardeners will help you diagnose your problems and answer your questions. For samples, bring:

Plants: a portion about 8-10 inches long and include leaves, flowers, and fruit. Include healthy and damaged material where appropriate.

Lawns: a 3 inch square of sod, including roots.

Insects: place in a screw top jar and store in the freezer until ready to bring to the help desk.

Insect/Disease Problems: note if some or all of your plants are affected. Where on the plant does the problem occur? Is the problem spreading? When did the problem start?

Call our Yard and Garden Hotline 24 hours a day, year-round (952) 466-5308.

Summer Compost Collection Schedule

Residents are able to bring grass clippings, shrub and garden waste, as well as branches no larger than 3" in diameter and 4' in length. There is a fee of \$1 per bag or \$10 per pick-up/trailer load of materials. Drop off at Public Services located at 310 E 10th St on the following dates from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.:

July 16, August 13, and August 27

Music in the Park



July 14	Tricia & The Toonies
July 21	Shakedown
July 28	Shoot Lucy
Aug 4	Vinnie Rose

Events are held at 7:00 p.m. at City Square Park (101 E Main St). The Rain Site is Safari Island. For weather related changes to the venue, check the City's information line the day of a show at 952-442-1234 or the website, www.waconia.org.

Movie in the Park

Aladdin
Friday, July 22
8:30 p.m.
City Square Park

*Rain Site is Safari Island



Water Conservation Reminders

With the heavy irrigation season in front of us, we want to remind residents about the impact of outside water usage on your residential utility account(s). The May through October utility bills follow the summer calculation structures. Summer sewer charges are based on the residential home's average usage in the preceding winter months. Summer water usage is charged at the regular tiered rate structure and a 4th tier rate goes into effect. Some irrigation information & reminders:

- The City allows the maximum outdoor usage of 30,000 gallons/month during the summer months. Once that max is reached, all gallons used will be charged at a 4th Tier (summer) rate.
- Residential properties are allowed to water on odd/even days based upon their house number.
- Irrigation is not allowed between 9AM and 7PM on any day. This measure helps to combat unnecessary evaporation of treated water.

For more information on City conservation efforts and tiered rates please call 952-442-3107 or visit the City website at www.waconia.org.

Utility Bill Payment Options

The City of Waconia offers several convenient ways to pay your utility bill. These include:

Online via Virtual City Hall

1. To sign up, please visit www.waconia.org.
2. Select Utility Billing on the main page,
3. Select the link to request a username and password.

(You will receive your secured account username and password within 24 to 48 hours).

Direct Payment (ACH)

To enroll, please fill out the automatic payment form online.

Bill Pay (based on availability through your bank)

In Person at City Hall

This could be done via one of two drop boxes located right outside City Hall.

For more info, visit www.waconia.org. Questions about paperless or payment options can be forwarded to: Utility Billing, 952-442-3107 or utilitybill@waconia.org.

Library Summer Programs

Waconia Public Library, 217 S. Vine St.
11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.

July 7	Jason Huneke Juggling
July 14	Reptiles
July 21	Dazzling Dave Yo—Yo Master
July 28	Ten Penny Tunes