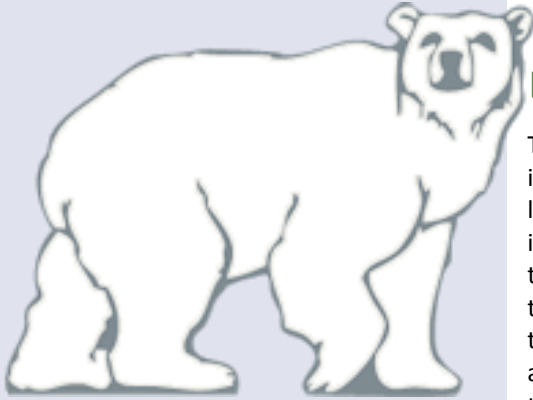


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Looking Ahead - Long-range Capital Financing

This spring the City Council will be engaging in a comprehensive review of the City's long-range capital needs and related funding strategies. The City has a strong reputation for its fiscal management in balancing the need for essential services and the community's appetite for amenities, with its ability to maintain low taxes.

Since 1988, approximately 2-3 miles of streets have been reconstructed each year at an annual cost to the City ranging from \$2 - \$3 million.

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The strategic utilization of City fund reserves over the last ten years has allowed the City to maintain low fees and a relatively low property tax levy, without sacrificing services. As this chart illustrates, White Bear Lake's 2017 tax levy is still 33% lower than the nearest Metropolitan community in the surveyed group.

However, the stagnation of local government aid funding over these same ten years and the effective loss of interest earnings from \$2.6 million in 2007 to \$233,000 in 2016 has resulted in significant pressure to find additional sources of revenue to finance future capital improvements. Included among the City's future capital investments is its pavement management program.

Tax Levy Rankings - 2017			
Metropolitan Cities (Population 20,000 – 50,000)			
Rank	City	2017 Levy	Increase over 2016 % Increase
1	Edina	33,822,369	2,023,246 6.36%
2	St Louis Park	30,264,073	1,659,599 5.80%
3	Apple Valley	24,840,000	1,717,711 7.43%
4	Golden Valley	21,663,103	1,849,803 9.34%
5	Maplewood	20,738,833	1,303,633 6.71%
6	Richfield	20,083,804	1,263,204 6.71%
7	Roseville	19,991,170	1,811,450 9.96%
8	Inver Grove Heights	19,173,792	1,218,542 6.79%
9	Shakopee	18,926,341	1,316,146 7.47%
10	Savage	17,479,543	1,270,069 7.84%
11	Brooklyn Center	16,194,914	826,537 5.38%
12	Cottage Grove	14,772,900	702,100 4.99%
13	Fridley	14,122,251	1,524,451 12.10%
14	Hastings	12,960,920	450,002 3.60%
15	New Hope	11,967,401	1,304,401 12.23%
16	Andover	11,938,555	344,055 2.97%
17	Prior Lake	11,646,918	568,557 5.13%
18	Rosemount	11,427,456	388,121 3.52%
19	Shoreview	11,190,632	422,732 3.93%
20	Oakdale	10,830,475	316,328 3.01%
21	Chanhassen	10,795,121	165,500 1.56%
22	Elk River	10,563,770	391,939 3.85%
23	Ramsey	10,479,058	507,983 5.09%
24	Crystal	10,287,820	942,120 10.08%
25	Farmington	9,996,822	383,568 3.99%
26	Champlin	9,362,321	564,045 6.41%
27	New Brighton	7,900,100	708,100 9.85%
28	Chaska	7,754,586	618,279 8.66%
29	White Bear Lake	5,173,000	246,000 4.99%

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Send Us Your Photos of White Bear Lake!



The City of White Bear Lake is getting a facelift in the form of a new website!

The City is redesigning the its website to provide a more user friendly experience. The new website will be ADA compliant and provide for translation into alternate languages. Users will be able to sign up for notifications and will enjoy a much more mobile friendly design.

The City's new website will launch later this year, but we need your help! Send in your high quality photographs of our wonderful

community for possible inclusion on the new website.

Questions? Contact Kara: 651-429-8508

PHOTO CONTEST GUIDELINES

- * Email .jpg picture files to kcountry@whitebearlake.org
- * Or upload .jpg files on our website at www.whitebearlake.org, then search for "photo".
- * Pixel size must be at a minimum: 1920px by 1200px
- * Participants grant permission to the City for use of submitted photos



White Bear Lake Spring Cleanup Day

Saturday, May 6 • 7 AM – 1 PM

Household hazardous waste **NOT** accepted. White Bear Lake residents only. Proof of residency required (i.e. utility bill or driver's license).

Location

Former Public Works site at 4200 Hoffman Road; west side of the intersection of Highway 61 and White Bear Avenue.

Acceptable Items

- Air conditioners
- Appliances
- Batteries
- Bicycles
- Carpeting
- Computers (PCs, monitors, laptops)
- Construction materials
- Electronics
- Fluorescent bulbs and ballasts*
- Furniture
- Humidifiers
- Lawn mowers & snow blowers (all fluids drained)
- Mattresses
- Televisions
- Textiles
- Tires

Unacceptable Items

- Brush
- Firewood
- Items larger than appliances (fish houses, boats, sheds)
- Motor oil, propane tanks, paint, and other household hazardous waste
- Tree stumps

Fees

A fee based on the size and type of load will be charged to help pay for disposal costs. Loads larger than a standard pick-up truck or 4'x 8' trailer will NOT be accepted. Pay at the gate with cash or check. For more information, visit the City's website at www.whitebearlake.org or call Public Works at 651-747-3650.

* up to 10 fluorescent bulbs will be accepted

Recycling and Organics Containers Available for Your Next Event

Whether you're hosting a block party, graduation, family reunion, or other gathering, consider using recycling and organics containers to reduce waste. Place a recycling and organics container next to each trash can to make recycling and trash disposal easier for your guests.

The City of White Bear Lake provides portable containers that collapse for easy transport and come with custom signage and bags that attach to the assembled frame. The organic material collected can then be brought to any one of the free Ramsey County Yard Waste sites (except the Arden Hills location). Containers are loaned at no cost to White Bear Lake residents and organizations for any temporary gathering. Reserve one for your next event! Contact White Bear Lake City Hall to reserve a container by calling Connie at 651-429-8564.



2017 Community Events

Spring Clean-Up

Saturday, May 6 • 7 AM - 1 PM

4200 Hoffman Road—details to the left.

Native Plant Workshop

Wednesday, May 10 • 6 PM - 7:30 PM

Vadnais Heights Fire Department, 3595 Arcade St
For more information about this free workshop visit www.vlawmo.org/events or call 651-204-6070

Water Symposium

Saturday, June 3 • 9 AM - Noon

Learn about water conservation at WBL South High School. Rain barrels are available for sale again this year! See page 5 for details.

WaterFest 2017

Saturday, June 3 • 11 AM - 4 PM

Lake Phalen, St. Paul

For more information about this free event visit www.rwmwd.org/waterfest

Marketfest

Thursdays, June 15 - July 27 • 6 - 9 PM

Shop 130+ merchandise and food vendors in downtown White Bear Lake. See classic cars, enjoy live music and activities for kids too!

Manitou Days: 50 Years of Fun in the Sun

June 16 - July 4

Kick off Manitou Days in downtown White Bear Lake with the Manitou Days Grand Parade at 6pm, followed by the annual beach dance at Memorial Beach with live music.

Farmer's Market

Fridays, June 30 - Oct 27 • 8 AM - Noon

Downtown White Bear Lake

Fourth of July

Tuesday, July 4 • 8 PM

Bring a blanket or chair to Memorial Beach and watch the fireworks over White Bear Lake. Enjoy live patriotic music and free hotdogs.

Environmental Resources Expo

Thursday, July 27 • 6 - 9 PM

Part of Marketfest in downtown White Bear Lake. Talk to experts about various environmental topics. There will be giveaways and activities for kids of all ages.

Dog Days Downtown

Saturday, July 29 • 10 AM - 1 PM

Stroll downtown White Bear Lake with your favorite 4-legged friend and relax on a pet-friendly restaurant patio.

White Bear Lake Sports Center Offers Hockey and Figure Skating Lessons

White Bear Lake Skate School is a program run by the City at the White Bear Lake Sports Center. Throughout the year, the City provides quality skating lessons for beginning to advanced skaters of all ages. For over 25 years, not only have our skating instructors taught skating skills to recreational skaters and many top hockey players, but have also trained highly competitive figure skaters and professional skaters.

Skating lessons are offered all year long. Two 5-week summer sessions are offered on Tuesday evenings: Summer Session 1 begins June 13; Summer Session 2 begins July 25. Beginning classes tend to fill quickly.

Skating obviously develops balance and coordination, but it also encourages important skills and characteristics for success in life. Skaters learn to fall down, but more importantly they learn to get back up. The sport requires hard work and persistence, and develops independence, responsibility and confidence.

The White Bear Lake Skate School hosts and participates in many events, including a skating competition for 250+ regional skaters, pizza party for program participants, individual and



team participation in local and national events and skaters participate in the Manitou Days Parade.

The highlight for many skaters is the Annual Ice Show at the end of April. This year, skaters age 3 -18 along with many adults and alumni will perform in our 25th Annual Spring Ice Show.

Spring Ice Show Sports Center ~ 1328 Highway 96 E

Friday, April 28	7:00 PM
Saturday, April 29	7:00 PM
Sunday, April 30	1:00 PM

Buy your tickets in advance and save! Get \$2.00 off per ticket price when purchased at the Sports Center before noon on April 28th.

Regular price tickets at the door, Adults \$10.00; Children (12 and under) \$8.00. Questions? Please contact the White Bear Lake Sports Center: 651-429-8571.

(continued from pg. 1—Long-range capital financing)

The City typically assesses 33% of the cost of street reconstruction projects to property owners and funds the remaining 67% with dedicated revenues and reserves. This funding equation has allowed the City and property owners to accomplish reconstruction of 90% of the City's streets to date.

The City suspended most of its street reconstruction program for 2016 and 2017 in order to undertake mill & overlay projects, which are critical to the maintenance of our built infrastructure. The street reconstruction program will resume in 2018 and is estimated to take another six (6) years to complete. The mill & overlay program will continue for the foreseeable future, therefore, both programs will be taking place concurrently from approximately 2018 to 2024.

In the absence of significant interest revenues that have historically financed the majority of associated construction costs, the City will be required to borrow for future pavement management projects. This would consequently impact the overall tax levy each year that borrowing is needed.

The City Council had considerable discussion regarding infrastructure funding in 2016 and will be reviewing a comprehensive 10-year financial management plan this spring in consideration of its options.

City residents and businesses are encouraged to participate in these important conversations as we plan for our future needs. Look for additional information in the local paper and on our website in May/June to learn how to get involved.

White Bear Lake (population nearly 25,000) has the lowest tax levy of any MN City with populations greater than 16,000!

DMV Transactions in White Bear Lake Help Fund Infrastructure Projects!

Next time you have a DMV transaction bring it to the White Bear Lake License Bureau. Each DMV retains \$6 on every tab renewal and \$10 on all other transactions. The City puts its DMV revenues toward funding the City's infrastructure projects for park improvements and street reconstruction.

The City's License Bureau serves the general public as a Deputy Registrar on behalf of the Minnesota Department of Public Safety by providing licensing services for the following:

- ◆ Motor vehicle registration and title transfers
- ◆ Driver's license & instruction permit renewals
- ◆ MN ID card applications
- ◆ Watercraft
- ◆ Snowmobile
- ◆ Hunting
- ◆ Fishing
- ◆ Off-road vehicle & ATV
- ◆ Matoska Park Launch Permits (bring your trailer sticker or plate number)

DMV HOURS
M-F 8 AM - 5 PM
SAT. 8:30 AM - Noon

For written test, road tests, or Enhanced Driver's Licenses, please visit the State's website for locations near you: dvs.dps.mn.gov. Questions? Contact the License Bureau: 651-429-8525.

Cost Share Grants Available to Help Clean Up Lakes - one property at a time

Even if you do not live on a lake, river, stream or wetland, what happens on your property affects these water resources. That's because everyone lives in a watershed. A watershed is the land area that drains into a lake, river, or stream. The City of White Bear Lake is divided into four major watersheds. Each of the four watersheds is regulated by a Watershed Management Organization, a special purpose unit of local government in charge of working to protect and improve water quality in lakes, streams and wetlands within their jurisdiction. All four Watershed Management Organizations offer cost share grants to assist with installing projects on your property that help to reduce pollutants to the water resources in your watershed. Find your watershed on the accompanying map, and read on to learn more about a few of these cost share projects.

Property owners play an important role in reducing pollution to the City's lakes, streams and wetlands. One of the best ways to reduce the runoff that carries pollutants into local water resources is to keep water on your property where it falls. Here are a few methods of capturing water on your property.



Raingarden on Spruce Place

Install a raingarden

Raingardens are sized to capture and infiltrate water from impervious surfaces such as a roof, driveway or street.



Native Planting on Heiner's Pond

Plant native plants

Replace little used lawn areas in your yard with drought tolerant native plants. The deep root systems help to soak water into the ground and hold soil in place. Native plants are also important for pollinators.



Rain Barrels in White Bear

Purchase a rain barrel

Place a rain barrel under your downspout to collect runoff from the roof. Use the water to water flowers and trees. Purchase a rain barrel at the Water Symposium event on June 3rd. See details on page 5.

Vadnais Lake Area Water Management Organization (VLAWMO)

The predominant water features in this watershed are Goose and Birch Lakes. Stormwater runoff from this area flows to Lake Vadnais from two locations: west from Goose Lake through Lambert Creek, or north from Birch Lake then south through the chain of lakes in North Oaks.

Grants available through VLAWMO for: Rain barrels, raingardens, shoreline restorations, pervious pavement.

For more information:

Website: www.vlawmo.org/grants
Phone: 651-204-6070

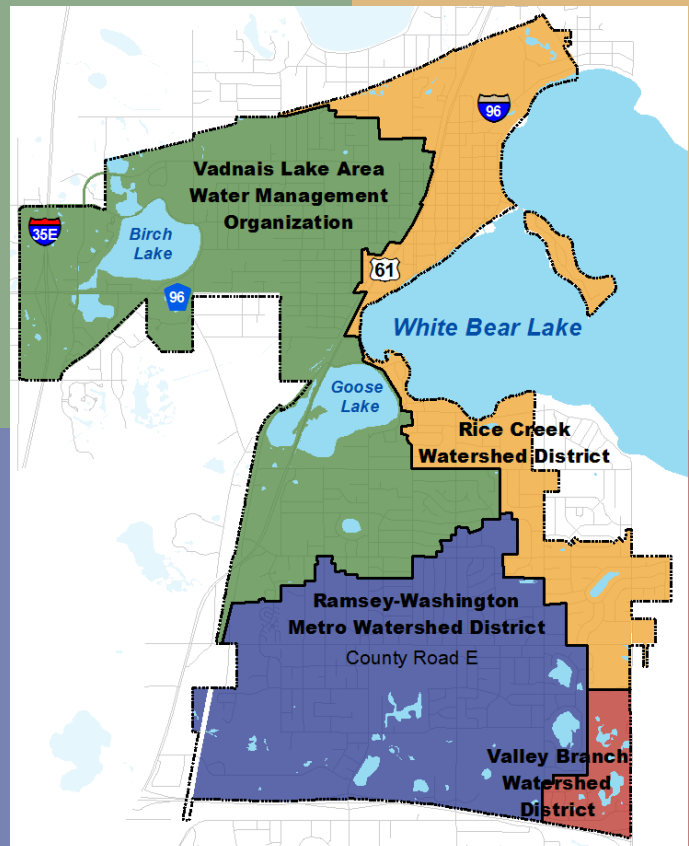
Rice Creek Watershed District (RCWD)

Runoff from this area flows to White Bear Lake or north to Bald Eagle Lake. Water from White Bear Lake also flows to Bald Eagle Lake, then travels northwest through Clearwater Creek to the chain of lakes in Lino Lakes, then to the Mississippi River in Fridley.

Grants available through RCWD for: Raingardens, shoreline restorations, pervious pavement, wetland restoration, native plantings, rain barrels.

For more information:

Website: www.ricecreek.org
Phone: 651-266-7280



Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District (RWMWD)

Pepper Tree, Handlo's and Heiner's Ponds are the major water resources in the watershed. Runoff from this area flows west through Willow Creek to Willow Lake, south to Lake Phalen, then to the Mississippi River.

Grants available through RWMWD for: Rain gardens, native plantings, shoreline restorations, pervious pavement.

For more information:

Website: www.rwmwd.org/costshare
Phone: 651-266-7275

Valley Branch Watershed District (VBWD)

Stormwater runoff in the southeast corner of the City flows south to Silver Lake, continues southeast through various lakes and streams, then to the St. Croix River.

Grants available through VBWD for: Raingardens, native plantings, shoreline restorations.

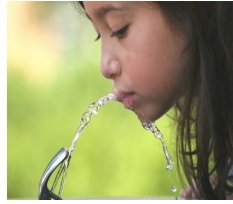
For more information:

Website: www.vbwd.org/GrantForms.htm
Phone: 651-330-8220 ext28

Annual Water Quality Report

The City of White Bear Lake reports annually on the quality of its drinking water provided by the City's water distribution system. The report, known as the Consumer Confidence Report.

(CCR), describes the source of City water (deep wells) and includes information on any contaminants detected through a regular testing program, which is monitored by the Minnesota Department of Health. Customers may find the current CCR online at www.whitebearlake/ccr.



To speak with someone about the report, please contact the Public Works Water Division at (651) 779-5106. If you would like a paper copy of the CCR mailed to your home, please call (651) 429-8565. A paper copy of the most recent report may also be obtained at White Bear Lake City Hall at no cost.

Report An Illicit Discharge



Any discharge into a storm sewer, ditch, river, stream, or waterbody that is not composed entirely of storm-water is called an illicit discharge. Properly disposing of items such as oil, gas, paints, cleaners, fertilizer, pesticides, grass clippings, leaves and pet waste, keep them from getting into the storm sewer system. For disposal

options, visit RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ or call 651-633-EASY (3279), answered 24/7. If you see any suspicious discharges, contact the City's Engineering Department at 651-429-8531.

Mayor's Water Challenge · April 1 - 30

White Bear Lake residents are encouraged to pledge their conservation efforts by going online to mywaterpledge.com any time in the month of April to fill out a no cost online pledge on behalf of the City. Cities with the highest percentage of residents who take the challenge in their population category wins. Participants in the winning cities are entered into drawings for eco-friendly prizes, so be sure to get online and pledge!

Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program Public Meeting · April 25th

A public meeting will be held to discuss the City's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP) at the regular City Council meeting on April 25th. The SWPPP guides the City's water quality efforts and is updated yearly. Interested residents are encouraged to attend and comment on the SWPPP. A copy of the SWPPP is posted on the City's website under the Official Plans and Documents tab.

Water Symposium and Rain Barrel Sale

Saturday, June 3 · 9 AM - NOON

White Bear Area Schools - South Campus
3551 McKnight Road, White Bear Lake

Join us for the first annual White Bear Water Symposium and learn about ways to conserve and protect our water for the future. This FREE family friendly event is open to the public and features:

- Student water conservation presentations and video contest
- Hands-on exhibits and kid's activities
- Featured speakers and presentations
- Theater presentation
- Educational workshops
- Rain barrel sale
- Rain garden and rain barrel workshops
- Chance to win a free rain barrel

Stop by to enjoy the activity of your choice or stay for the entire event!



Rain Barrel Workshop

Learn about the benefits of rain barrels and how to install them at this free half-hour workshop. See schedule at right for times and location.

Time	Activities	Location
9 - 10:15	Student Showcase Presentations • Race 2 Reduce curriculum, Poly-bots, Water filters	Cafeteria
9 - 11	Informational Partner booths • H2O for Life - Race to Reduce • Watershed Districts • City of White Bear Lake	
	Rain barrel sale (\$84 + tax)	
9 - 9:30	Rain Barrel Workshop	Classroom 1
9:30 - 10	Rain Barrel Workshop	Classroom 1
	Rain Garden Workshop	Classroom 2
10:15 - 10:45	Climb Theater - Water Wonders	Auditorium
10:45 - 11	Student BEAR Talk contest winners	
11 - 11:30	Speaker - Paul Putzier, MnDNR	
11:30 - 12	Student video contest voting	Cafeteria

For more information, visit the City's website at www.whitebearlake.org or contact Connie at 651-429-8564 or Ann at WBLAS at ann.malwitz@isd624.org

Sponsored by White Bear Lake Area Schools, H2O for Life, Race 2 Reduce, City of White Bear Lake, and the Vadnais Lake Area Water Management Organization.

There has been considerable public debate in the past few years over the use of body-worn cameras (BWCs), which are increasingly becoming a standard in the law enforcement toolkit. Much of the controversy surrounding their use has been related to privacy concerns. In 2016, the Minnesota state legislature adopted legislation which strengthens the protection of privacy, defines data retention periods, provides for audits, and establishes requirements that a City must follow before using BWCs.

Generally, with some notable exceptions, data collected through use of BWCs is classified as private data on individuals or nonpublic data, which means it is accessible only to the subject of the data and those whose job responsibilities reasonably require access. It is



not generally accessible to the public unless a police officer discharges a firearm in the course of duty or uses force that results in substantial bodily harm.

The City of White Bear Lake set aside funds in its 2017 budget for the purchase of BWCs, but will engage the public in a discussion regarding their use and related policies prior to any final approval.

The White Bear Lake Police Department is in the process of drafting a written policy that will guide the use of BWCs. The draft policy will be available for public review and comment mid-summer. Once thoroughly vetted, the policy will be brought to the City Council for consideration, at which time the public will have another opportunity to comment. Stay tuned for more information in the coming months.

Business Partnership Meeting

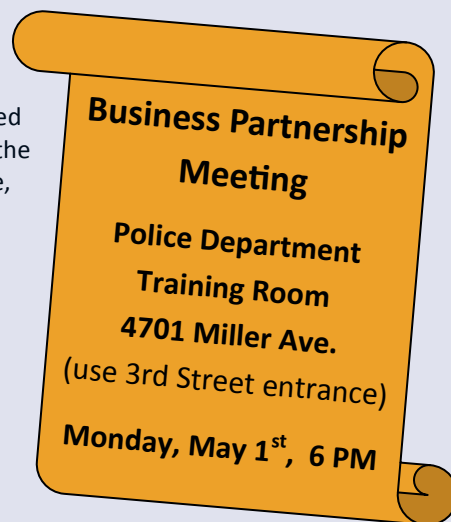
The White Bear Lake Police Department, in conjunction with the City of White Bear Lake, will conduct a partnership meeting for our business community members.

The City of White Bear Lake values our business community and the partnerships created with the Police Department. Let's discuss current events, trends and projects affecting the business community. We strive to receive your input on issues affecting your workplace, and answer any questions that you might have.

Topics to be discussed will include:

- Massage parlor licensing ordinance update
- Rental license ordinance
- Comprehensive Plan for the City
- Hwy 61 Rush Line and Co Road E Corridor project
- City Sign Code update
- Police tactics with video technology and online tools
- Crime prevention tips
- Question and answer session

Cost is FREE! Business organizational members are invited to attend. Dinner will also be provided for free. Please RSVP to jvette@whitebearlake.org. Questions? Contact Sergeant John Vette at 651-429-8511.



Citizens Police Academy

The White Bear Lake Police Department is sponsoring a Citizen's Police Academy this October! This FREE eight week academy is offered to residents, those employed in our city and community partners. The objective of the academy is to advance a better understanding of policing in the City of White Bear Lake and to foster a closer partnership with the community.



Beginning in October, this eight week course meets every Monday or Tuesday (TBD) , 6 PM – 8:30 PM to cover a variety of police and fire procedures. Consisting of classroom lectures and "hands on" law enforcement experience, topics covered include:

- Police response to resistance
- Traffic enforcement
- Narcotics
- Criminal investigations
- Emergency response
- Crime prevention
- Participation in SWAT and Mobile Field Force Divisions

Participants will also have an opportunity to "ride along" with the White Bear Lake Police Department!

Must be at least 18 years of age to apply for this opportunity. Contact Sgt. John Vette of the White Bear Lake Police Department at 651-429-8511 or email jvette@whitebearlake.org to request an application. All applicants must submit to a criminal background check. Participation in the Academy is subject to final approval by the Chief of Police.

Night to Unite in WBL - August 1st!

As part of National Night Out, please join us in celebrating Night to Unite in White Bear Lake on Tuesday, August 1, 2017!

Night to Unite is an effective and fun way to get to know your neighbors and prevent crime. This is a chance for neighbors to turn on their lights, lock their doors, and come together to strengthen their neighborhood bonds.

Each neighborhood decides how they want to celebrate Night to Unite. Gatherings can be as elaborate or as simple as you like -- block parties, ice cream socials, live music, parades, kids' games, potlucks, pizza parties, and barbecues.

Registered gatherings will be visited by the Police Department, the Fire Department, elected officials and other City staff.

The benefits derived from Night to Unite will most certainly extend well beyond the night. For more information, or to sign up your neighborhood, please contact Carrie Varco at 651-429-8511 or cvarco@whitebearlake.org.



Spring Used Bike Sale

Saturday, May 6 · 9 AM until bikes are sold (come early!)

Are you looking for a used, inexpensive bike to ride as we head into spring and summer? This Sale is for you! The White Bear Lake Rotary will be hosting the White Bear Lake Police Department bike sale behind the Public Safety Building located at 4701 Miller Avenue. There will not be any opportunities to view or purchase bikes in advance, so come early!



White Bear Lake Fire Department Offers CPR Training

Friends and Family CPR classes are FREE and instructors are American Heart Association certified!

CPR classes for professionals are also offered at a cost of \$50, for those who require this credential. All classes are held at Fire Station 2 located at the corner of McKnight Rd. and County Rd. E.

Visit www.whitebearlake.org for more information or contact Chris Voss at 651-429-8568, or cvoss@whitebearlake.org.



Sanitary Sewers 101

SANITARY SEWER CLEANING—COMMON SYMPTOMS

When crews clean sewer mainlines, property owners may experience splashing in the toilet and a “sewer gas” odor. These symptoms are caused primarily by a blocked plumbing vent in the house. If the waste vent is plugged, it prevents the house plumbing system from relieving the pressure caused by the jetting equipment used to clean the sewer mainline. To avoid problems, homeowners should ensure their roof waste vent for the plumbing system is clean. Homeowners can also flush their floor drains with clean water or bleach solution.



SEWER BACKED UP? CALL THE CITY FIRST!

Public Works will respond 24 hours a day (at no charge) to ensure the City's main line is clear. If the blockage is not in the City's main line, you will be instructed to contact a sewer cleaning service to remove the blockage from your private service line. If you have your sewer line cleaned, please contact the Sewer Division of Public Works at 651-747-3650 so they can inspect the City's main line to ensure the debris that was blocking your private service line will not cause a backup problem for somebody else down the line.

Preventing Sewer Backups

- 1) Have your service line cleaned periodically
- 2) Store grease and oil in containers and dispose of hardened grease in the trash
- 3) Do not put paper products and personal cleansing wipes in the toilet.
- 4) Screen all drains and use a lint trap on your laundry hose to catch loose lint and hair
- 5) Avoid planting trees or shrubs over your sewer line. Roots are becoming the number one cause of backups in residential sanitary sewer lines.

Report Sewer Backups

Please call the City's Public Works Department first and foremost to report a sewer backup!

Normal hours:
M-F, 7am - 3:30pm
(651) 747-3650

After hours:
(651) 429-8511





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White Bear Lake, MN 55110

Administrative Offices

City Hall.....	651-429-8526
Administration.....	651-429-8508
License Bureau.....	651-429-8525
Passports.....	651-407-5300
Building.....	651-429-8518
Planning.....	651-429-8561
Engineering	651-429-8531
Police.....	651-429-8550
Fire.....	651-429-8568
Public Works.....	651-747-3650
Sports Center.....	651-429-8571
Armory Reservations.....	651-429-8538
City Website.....	www.whitebearlake.org
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Watering Restrictions Begin May 1st

In an effort to promote water conservation, the City of White Bear Lake prohibits outdoor irrigation between the hours of 10 AM and 5PM every day from May 1st through Sept 30th.

Yard Waste Disposal

Curbside yard waste collection service starts on April 17 and runs through December 1 (weather permitting). There is an additional fee for this service that is paid directly to Republic Services, the City's hauler. If you are interested in curbside yard waste service call Republic Services at 952-941-5174. You can also drop off yard waste for free at one of the Ramsey County compost sites. Visit RamseyRecycles.com or call 651-633-EASY (3279), answered 24/7, for more information.

Comprehensive Planning is Well Underway

Did you know White Bear Lake is anticipated to have 1,500 new households by 2040?

The City of White Bear Lake is in the process of updating our comprehensive plan that will guide the city through 2040. The comprehensive plan includes sections on Housing, Land Use, Transportation, Water Resources, Parks, Economic Competitiveness, and Resilience. We have held four open house events so far, and look forward to engaging with residents at pop-up meetings throughout the spring and summer.

We want to hear from you!

Take our survey, visit www.whitebearlake.org and click on "Survey for City of White Bear Lake."

Help us evaluate our parks by completing a park audit on one of our 22 parks. Email compplan@whitebearlake.org and ask for the park audit tool.

Sign up for updates by emailing compplan@whitebearlake.org.

