

Hopkins Highlights

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Fire Department Open House is October 13

DON'T MISS ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE AND 125TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Hopkins Fire Department will host its annual Open House and celebrate 125 years of service to the community at the Hopkins Fire Station, 101 17th Avenue S, on **Saturday, October 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Stop by and enjoy fire truck and bucket rides, free hot dogs and popcorn, and lots of hands-on fun. Watch live fire demonstrations, including an auto extrication and car fire, and learn valuable health and life safety tips. *Plenty of parking is available adjacent to the fire station.*

Afterwards, a 125th anniversary celebration will be held at LTD Brewing Co., 8 8th Avenue N, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., featuring music, outside games and food trucks. 🍷

Plan to Vote Tuesday, November 6

The general election will be held Tuesday, November 6. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Visit mnvotes.org to find your polling place, request a ballot or view your sample ballot, or contact City Hall for more information

Register to Vote Now

Go to mnvotes.org to register to vote. You will need your Minnesota driver's license or Minnesota identification card number, or the last four digits of your Social Security number. Register to vote prior to October 16 to ensure you are registered on Election Day. Registration forms are also available at City Hall.

Vote Early by Absentee Ballot

You do not have to wait until Election Day to vote. You can vote early by absentee ballot. Eligible voters may vote in-person at City Hall or by mail. To vote early by mail, request an absentee ballot by visiting mnvotes.org or by contacting City Hall. Absentee ballots will be available at City Hall starting Friday, September 21, through Monday, November 5, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. City Hall will be open extended hours for absentee voting on Saturday, November 3 (10 a.m to 3 p.m.) and Monday, November 6 (open until 5 p.m.)

Questions?

City staff is available for voting questions. Please contact us at 952-548-6302 or visit our website www.hopkinsmn.com for more information. 🍷

Experience the UPSIDE of Aging

STAY ACTIVE + ENGAGED AT THE HOPKINS ACTIVITY CENTER!

The Hopkins Activity Center is located at 33 14th Avenue N in Hopkins. Call 952-939-1333 or email activitycenter@hopkinsmn.com with questions or to register.

Defensive Driving 8-Hour Class

Tuesday and Wednesday October 9 and 10, 6-10 p.m.

Taught by an instructor from the Minnesota Safety Council. Drivers over age 55 can qualify for a 10 percent, three-year auto insurance discount. Cost is \$26 (\$24 for members). Advanced registration is required.

What's New for Medicare

Thursday, October 25, 10 a.m.

Recognize why it's important to review your Medicare Prescription drug plan each year. Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging representatives will highlight how Part D works and explain Extra Help programs for people with lower incomes. Advanced registration is required.

Creative Chaos Crafting Weekend

Friday, October 26, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

Saturday, October 27, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

Sunday, October 28, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Bring your projects and join the fun in hours of dedicated crafting time! Tools and equipment for scrapbooking or card making are available for use. Cost is \$48 per table for the entire weekend (\$45 for members) or \$20 per day. Advanced registration is required.

Open Skating on Sundays



Sunday Open Skates are back at the Pavilion! Bring your whole family and skate from 1-2:30 pm. No sticks or pucks allowed. Cost is \$3/youth and \$4/adult. 🍷



Upcoming at City Hall

City Council Calendar

Tuesday, October 2, 7:05 p.m.
Meeting

Tuesday, October 9, 6:30 p.m.
Work Session

Tuesday, October 16, 7 p.m.
Meeting

Monday, November 5, 7:05 p.m.
Meeting

Find agendas and minutes at www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council. Watch City Council meetings live at www.hopkinsmn.com/349/Watch-Meetings-Live-On-Demand.

Boards and Commissions Calendar

Tuesday, October 2, 7 p.m.
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Monday, October 22, 6:30 pm
Park Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 23, 6:30 p.m.
Zoning and Planning Commission

Monday, November 5, 7 p.m.
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Find agendas and minutes at www.hopkinsmn.com/346/Boards-Commissions.

Meeting Broadcasts

Watch City Council and Zoning and Planning Commission meetings live on Cable Channel 16. Meetings are also replayed every day (except Tuesdays) at 7 pm; Thursdays at 2 pm; and Sundays at 1 pm.

Elected Officials

Mayor
Molly Cummings (952-933-4452)

City Council
Katy Campbell
Jason Gadd
Kristi Halverson
Aaron Kuznia

Fall Events with the Police Department

Mark your calendar for fun-filled fall events with the Hopkins Police Department, 1010 First Street S:

HALLOWEEN IN HOPKINS

Saturday, October 27

Hosted by the Hopkins Business and Civic Association and the Hopkins Police Department.

- 10 a.m.–3 p.m.: Trick or Treating along Mainstreet at various businesses
- 11 a.m.–2 p.m.: Haunted Jail tours at the Hopkins Police Department. Check out the police department Facebook page at www.facebook.com/hopkinspolice for more information on this annual event.

TRICK-OR-TREAT AT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Wednesday, October 31

Stop by the police department lobby between 5 and 8 p.m. for a treat and meet the officers patrolling your neighborhood.



Take Advantage of Free Leaf and Yard Waste Pick-Up This Fall

Free Leaf and Yard Waste Pick-Up (Dates Vary by Location)

City Service Area Resident Free Bag Pick Up

Free fall leaf/yard waste bag pick-up will be on your regular garbage day October 29 through November 21. You do not need to schedule this pick-up.

If you live in Bellgrove, Hobby Acres, Park Ridge and Interlachen Park:

There will not be free leaf and yard waste bag pick-up in these areas. The City provides free street leaf and yard waste pick-up in your area using front-end loaders and dump trucks. Pick-up in these areas will be November 5-8. Refer to schedule below for your neighborhood's pick-up day:

- Bellgrove: Monday, November 5
- Interlachen Park: Tuesday, November 6 (Meadowbrook Rd. up to and including Maple Hill Rd.)
- Park Ridge: Wednesday, November 7
- Hobby Acres: Wednesday, November 7
- Interlachen Park: Thursday, November 8 (Interlachen Rd. to Blake Rd.)

Yard Waste/Brush Drop-off Site

The free brush and yard waste drop-off site (3100 Hopkins Crossroad) will be open regular hours (Monday and Wednesday 2-7 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.–3 p.m.) through October 13.

From October 13–November 24, the free brush and yard waste drop-off site will be open Monday and Wednesday 1-5 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.–3 p.m. (closed on Veterans Day).

The drop-off site will be closed after November 24. All services are subject to change or cancellation due to weather. 🍁

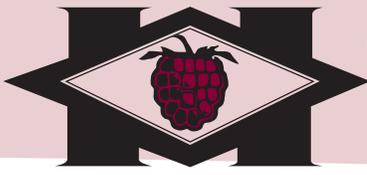
Place leaves in loose, unbagged piles in the street along the curb line. Leaves should be placed on the street no later than 7 a.m. on your scheduled pick-up day and no earlier than the day before your scheduled pick-up day.

For 5th Avenue North, County Road 73, Minnetonka Mills Road, Oakridge Road and Blake Road Residents: Due to county restrictions and high traffic levels, residents will have free leaf and yard waste bag pick-up October 29 through November 21.

NOTE: The last week of all yard waste bag pick up will be November 19-21. 🍁

TAKE NOTE: October Garbage & Recycling Schedule

Recycling collection is October 1-4, 15-18, and October 29–November 1. Refuse collection will take place Monday through Thursday, as usual. 🗑️



Hopkins Highlights EXTRA

City Hall Renovations Scheduled to Begin in 2019

We're packing up boxes and cleaning out storage to prepare for a remodel! In 2019, Hopkins City Hall will undergo much-needed upgrades and a small entrance expansion to make the front entrance of the building more noticeable.

City Hall was originally built in 1964, with some areas renovated in 1989. The 2019 project includes renovations to the lobby, council chambers, conference rooms and staff areas, and the replacement of windows, landscaping and the roof.

"A lot has changed over the last 30 years to our operations and technology, and our physical environment needs to be updated to better suit the changing needs of the community," said City Manager Mike Mornson. "The renovations will allow us to more efficiently utilize our space to serve the residents of Hopkins, along with numerous other benefits, including energy efficiency and improved security."

The project also includes a small vestibule addition (300 square feet) to the main entrance. The Hopkins Police Department, which is not included in this project, was previously renovated in 2005 when they took over the Hopkins Fire Department space and added a separate entrance. Since the 2005 renovation, there has been confusion about where residents enter City Hall. By making a slightly more prominent main entrance and adding additional signage, residents will have a better idea where to find the services they are looking for.

The cost of the renovation project is currently estimated at \$4.5 million. To fund the upgrades, the City Council plans to increase the City's franchise fees for Xcel Energy by \$1.30 per month and CenterPoint by \$1.30 per month for residential customers (amounts vary for all additional account types depending on size).

Construction is scheduled to begin in February and is expected to take seven months to complete. City Hall operations will be relocated temporarily. Customers should access services from the Hopkins Fire Station, 101 17th Avenue S, beginning in January 2019.

More information about the project can be found on the City's website at www.hopkinsmn.com/883/City-Hall-Remodel.



Rendering of City Hall from the north side of the building

Calling all Depot Youth Advisory Board
Members, Alumni and Staff! It's the Depot's...

20TH ANNIVERSARY

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SAVE THE DATE!

October 20, 2018 • 3-5 p.m.

@ The Depot Coffee House

Learn more at www.thedepotcoffeehouse.com