



Hopkins Highlights

Inspire Educate Involve Communicate



New Artwork on Display

Check out the six new sculptures installed downtown by the Hopkins ArtStreet program, part of a long-term vision to incorporate public art into Hopkins to enrich the lives of residents and visitors. The new pieces will be in place for a year.

Interested in purchasing a sculpture? Contact Hopkins Center for the Arts Visual Arts Manager Jim Clark at 952-548-6489. *Pictured above: Treasure Tower by Gail Katz-James.*

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Check the Date Before Watering Your Lawn

Lawn watering has a large impact on the City's ability to supply water to the community. To ensure there is enough water for all uses, including firefighting, the City enforces year-round watering restrictions.

Residents and businesses are required to water on an odd/even system. If your address ends with an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7 or 9), you can water on odd-numbered days of the month (1st, 3rd, etc.). If your address ends in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6 or 8), you can water on even-numbered days of the month (2nd, 4th, etc.).

Lawn watering is also not allowed between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. when the evaporation rate is the highest.

Activities such as playing with water, car washing and hand-watering of flowerbeds are exempt from this policy as long as the activity is attended.



Keep Yard Waste Out of Your Refuse Cart



State law prohibits residents from placing yard waste in their refuse container. If yard waste is found in your refuse cart, the cart will not be picked up. The cart will be tagged with instructions to remove and dispose of the yard waste properly.

Exemptions are also available for private wells and watering new sod or seed.

Please call the Public Works Department at 952-548-6373 for an exemption or with any questions.

Enjoy the Outdoors With Senior Explorers

EXPERIENCE THE UPSIDE OF AGING AT THE HOPKINS ACTIVITY CENTER

Join the Hopkins Activity Center and reconnect and explore ways to enjoy the outdoors. Classes are guided by staff from the Three Rivers Park District.

Wild Edibles — July 20, 9–11:30 a.m.

Discover edible plants and learn responsible urban foraging techniques.

Archery — August 9, 9–11:30 a.m.

Did you know archery is one of the oldest arts still practiced today? Modern advancements in the equipment means this sport is even more accessible to archers of any age. Equipment provided.



Members \$5/class; others \$6. Register in advance at www.hopkinsmn.com/activitycenter.

National Night Out is August 6

Celebrate the 36th annual National Night Out against crime and drugs with your neighbors on Tuesday, August 6.

From 5:30–9 p.m., neighborhoods throughout Hopkins and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors. Many Hopkins neighborhoods will be hosting special events—block parties, cookouts, ice cream socials, potlucks and games.

Register your neighborhood celebration online at www.hopkinsmn.com/448/National-Night-Out or contact Anne Marie Buck of the Hopkins Police Department at 952-548-6407 or abuck@hopkinsmn.com.





Upcoming at the City

City Hall Services have moved to the Hopkins Fire Station. All City Council, Board and Commission meetings will be located at the Fire Station.

City Offices Closed

Thursday, July 4
Fourth of July

City Council Calendar

Tuesday, July 16, 7 p.m.
Meeting

Tuesday, July 23, 6:30 p.m.
Work Session

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

Find agendas and minutes at www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council

Boards and Commissions Calendar

Tuesday, July 16, 7 p.m.
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Monday, July 22, 6:30 p.m.
Park Board

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

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

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

Meeting Broadcasts

Meetings will not be broadcast while City Hall is being renovated.

Elected Officials

Mayor
Jason Gadd

City Council
Rick Brausen Kristi Halverson
Brian Hunke Aaron Kuznia

Celebration of Community is July 20

Join the Hopkins Police Department and the Joint Community Police Partnership on Saturday, July 20, at the Hopkins Center for the Arts, for a Celebration of Community. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., enjoy cultural exhibits, music, food, dance, crafts and storytelling from various members of the Hopkins community. 🍷

Filing for Mayor and Council Members Begins July 30

Election Day is Tuesday, November 5. The mayor and two City Council seats will be up for election in 2019. There will also be a special election for one City Council seat.

Candidate Filing Period

The candidate filing period runs from July 30-August 13.

How to File

File in-person at City Hall (currently located at the Hopkins Fire Station, 101 17th Avenue S) Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There will be extended hours until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13. The fee to file is \$25.

Qualifications

Candidates must be a Hopkins resident, age 21 or older and a qualified voter.

Visit www.hopkinsmn.com/352/Voting-Elections for more information. Contact City Clerk Amy Domeier at adomeier@hopkinsmn.com or 952-548-6304 with questions. 🍷

Take Note: Garbage and Recycling Schedule

Thursday garbage pick-up will be delayed one day for the 4th of July holiday.

Recycling collection weeks this month are **July 8-11 and 22-25**. 🌱

Lawn Care Tips That Are Useful All Year

Did you know that you and your neighbors have waterfront property? Your yard and the nearest lake, stream or wetland are connected by the nearest storm drain or ditch. That means the actions you take on your property affect the local water bodies.

You can help reduce the amount of pollutants entering local lakes, rivers and streams (and save money at the same time) by following a few simple steps:

- **Water wisely** – If your lawn needs water, do it in the morning when it's cooler to avoid evaporation. Lawns typically only need one inch of water per week.
- **Mow three inches or higher** – Mowing grass to a height of three inches or higher will encourage thicker and healthier grass.
- **Pick up pet waste regularly** – In addition to preventing lawn burns, regular pick-up of pet waste will keep bacteria from running off into storm drains and our local waters.
- **Sharpen your mower blades** – Sharper blades will cut grass to three inches or higher more effectively. Dull blades damage grass, which can give the grass a yellow or white tint.
- **Leave grass clippings on lawn** – This puts the same amount of nutrients back into your grass as one application of fertilizer. If you don't want grass clippings on your lawn, compost them. Be sure to sweep up any clippings that blow into the street so they don't run down the storm drain.
- **Fertilize smartly (if you need it)** – If you choose to fertilize, only do it in the fall when it's most effective. Apply only the amount directed and be sure to choose a zero-phosphorus fertilizer.



VISIT THE HOPKINS FARMERS MARKET

The Hopkins Farmers Market is open Saturdays, 7:30 a.m. to noon, in the parking lot next to Downtown Park.



Following these tips will help keep your lawn healthy while keeping our waters clean and safe this summer. Learn more at www.minnehahacreek.org/education. 🍷

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