



# Hopkins Highlights

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## Activity Center Health Fair is September 24

The Activity Center invites adults age 55+ to attend its free **Cruising Toward Healthy Living Health Fair & Flu Shot Clinic** on Tuesday, September 24, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. At the event you can receive important free health screenings, visit vendor booths and register for door prizes. Come back on Tuesday, October 22 from 1 to 3 p.m. for a Flu Shot Clinic. High dose Flu Shots will be available for adults age 65+, on a first come, first served basis. *Events sponsored by the Hopkins Activity Center, Park Nicollet and the Minnesota Visiting Nurses Association.*

## Free Brush Pick-Up Begins September 23

The City will be picking up brush free of charge for residential garbage customers the same day as your garbage day the week of September 23. No call-in is required for the free pick-up.

**Brush may be no longer than 15 feet and no larger than six inches in diameter. If you must make multiple piles, make sure they are clearly separated. Piles can NOT touch.**

Piles must be stacked in the boulevard, lying parallel with the street (see photos) with a minimum of five feet around and above them for accessibility—do not stack near trees, poles, vehicles, fences, etc.



## Free Brush & Yard Waste Drop-Off Site

The free brush and yard waste drop off site at 3100 Hopkins Crossroad will remain open from 2 to 7 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays, until October 14. (After October 14, Monday and Wednesday hours will change to 1 to 5 p.m., weather permitting).

Brush must be no longer than 15 feet or larger than 6 inches in diameter. **Unacceptable items** include:

- Vegetable garden products (place unused produce in garbage can)
- Stump grindings or wood chips
- Animal feces
- Sod and dirt
- Lumber
- Logs

Check the City website for updates at [www.hopkinsmn.com/599/Drop-Off-Site](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/599/Drop-Off-Site).

## Ice Season Returns to the Pavilion

Weekday Open Skates at the Hopkins Pavilion will begin September 3. Adult Open Skate with sticks and pucks takes place Monday–Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Open Skate for any age with sticks and pucks is held weekdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Sunday Open Skates begin on October 6.

All Open Skates are \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors and students, and free for kids under 5. Learn more about activities at the Pavilion at [www.hopkinspavilion.com](http://www.hopkinspavilion.com).

## Register for Youth Basketball League

Hopkins-Minnetonka Recreation’s in-house Youth Basketball League for grades 2-6 is a great opportunity for new and experienced players to develop their basketball skills, character and build new friendships. Boys and girls teams are formed by grade level.

Games for all ages are Saturdays between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at Hopkins West Junior High. Grades 3-6 will have one night of practice each week and second graders will practice Saturdays before each game. Volunteer coaches are needed.

To register, or for complete league details, call 952-939-8203 or visit [eminnetonka.com/register](http://eminnetonka.com/register). The registration deadline is Friday, October 4.

## House (and Garage) Numbers: Not Just for Looks

In an emergency, every minute counts. To make sure emergency vehicles do not spend precious time locating a home, **City Code requires every house and alley-facing garage to have house numbers** that are at least four inches high and of contrasting color so they can be read easily from the street or alley.



## Upcoming at the City

### City Offices Closed

Monday, September 2  
Labor Day

### City Council Calendar

Tuesday, September 3, 7:05 p.m.  
Meeting

Tuesday, September 10, 6:30 p.m.  
Work Session

Tuesday, September 17, 7 p.m.  
Meeting

Tuesday, October 1, 7:05 p.m.  
Meeting

Find agendas and minutes at [www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council).

### Boards and Commissions Calendar

Tuesday, September 3, 7 p.m.  
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Monday, September 23, 6:30 p.m.  
Park Board

Tuesday, September 24, 6:30 p.m.  
Planning and Zoning Commission

Tuesday, October 1, 7 p.m.  
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Find agendas and minutes at [www.hopkinsmn.com/346/Boards-Commissions](http://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



## Bulk Item Drop-Off is September 27-28

Broken grill taking up space in the garage? Old microwave in the basement you need to toss? Twice a year the City holds a bulk drop-off event for **City of Hopkins residential garbage customers only**. For \$20, plus taxes, you can drop off one appliance and up to three cubic yards worth of trash (the equivalent of one pick-up truck load). Additional appliances are \$20, plus taxes, each. This is a great opportunity to get rid of your extra or oversized garbage for *cheap!*

### When and Where

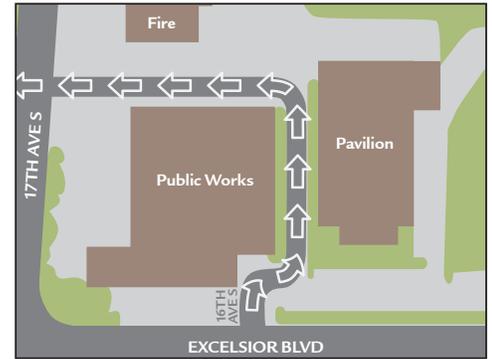
- Friday, September 27, 3–7 p.m.
- Saturday, September 28, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

**Drop-Off Site:** 11100 Excelsior Boulevard (Public Works)

### Guidelines

- A valid Minnesota ID or current paid utility bill must be shown for eligibility.
- Each eligible residence is allowed disposal of 3 cubic yards of material, equivalent of one pick-up truck load.
- \$20 gate fee (plus taxes) per vehicle includes one appliance. Additional appliances will be \$20 each (plus taxes). Fees will be placed on your utility bill under “additional billing” (see image below).
- Residents must separate materials into the proper areas at the site.
- Small engines and lawn mowers must have fluids removed.
- Electronics and concrete products will be accepted. (Concrete products containing steel will not be accepted.)
- Items not accepted include tires, waste oil, car parts, fluorescent bulbs, paint products, gas refrigerators, batteries, metal barrels/drums, and hazardous waste. (Hazardous wastes must be taken to Hennepin County Transfer Station. Call 612-348-3777.)

BILL SUMMARY	
PREVIOUS BALANCE	65.44
PAYMENTS RECEIVED	-65.44
ADJUSTMENTS	0.00
ADDITIONAL BILLING	0.00
CURRENT CHARGES	61.19
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT DUE</b>	<b>61.19</b>



Traffic drop-off route for disposal

## Shred-n-Go!

As part of the \$20 gate fee, a truck and operator will be on-site courtesy of Shred-N-Go for confidential destruction of documents.



**SHRED-N-GO, Inc.**  
Secure - Mobile - Document Destruction Car

## Services Return to City Hall in September

Construction is finishing up at Hopkins City Hall and services will be available at the newly renovated building beginning in September. Check the website and our social media in September for an official date.

City Council, Park Board, and Planning and Zoning Commission meetings will resume at City Hall beginning with the City Council meeting on October 1.

A grand reopening event will be held on Tuesday, October 1, from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

### Take Note: Garbage and Recycling Schedule

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 2 for Labor Day. **Garbage and recycling collection for the week of Labor Day will be delayed by one day.**

September recycling pick up weeks are **September 3–6, 16–19 and September 30–October 3.**

## Heat Required October 1-May 15

Heat is required to be provided in all residential and nonresidential structures from **October 1 through May 15**, per City of Hopkins Property Maintenance Code 405 IPMC 602.3 Heat supply: *The temperature shall be not less than 68 degrees Fahrenheit; measured three feet from the floor and three feet from the outside wall, except when the temperature is below -12 degrees Fahrenheit and the heating system is operating at its full capacity.*