



# Hopkins Highlights

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## Free Brush Pick-Up Begins September 19

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 19. 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. One large pile is preferred, but 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. 🍷



## 2022 Election Information

Plan ahead for the 2022 General Election on Tuesday, November 8.

### Polling Location Changes

Some residents may be voting in a new location this year after the City Council adopted new precinct boundaries and polling places in March.

Use the state's pollfinder tool at [pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us](http://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us) to confirm your precinct and polling location. All voters should have received a postcard this summer notifying them of their polling location.

### Register to Vote

Check your registration status or register to vote at [sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote](http://sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote).

### Vote Early by Mail or In-Person

Information on voting early by mail or in-person can be found on the City's website at [www.hopkinsmn.com/352/voting-elections](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/352/voting-elections).

Voting for the November 8 General Election begins on September 23. In-person absentee voting will be available at City Hall during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

You also have the option to have a ballot mailed to you. Visit <https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/other-ways-to-vote/vote-early-by-mail/> to request a ballot. You can track your ballot online through the entire process.

More information about voting in Hopkins can be found at [www.hopkinsmn.com/352/Voting-Elections](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/352/Voting-Elections). 🍷

## Register for Youth Basketball League

Hopkins-Minnetonka Recreation's Youth Basketball League for grades 2-6, in partnership with Plymouth Parks and Recreation, is a great opportunity for new and experienced players to develop their basketball skills, character and build new friendships. Teams are formed by grade level.



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

Visit [minnetonkamn.gov/register](http://minnetonkamn.gov/register) or call 952-939-8203 to learn more, or to register for the league and volunteer coaching. The registration deadline is October 3. 🍷

## 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 10. After October 10, 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 six inches in diameter.

**Unacceptable items** include:

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

Visit the City website at [www.hopkinsmn.com/599/Drop-Off-Site](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/599/Drop-Off-Site) for more information. 🍷



## Upcoming at the City

### City Offices Closed

Monday, September 5  
Labor Day

### City Council Calendar

Tuesday, September 6, 6:35 p.m.  
Meeting

Tuesday, September 13, 6:30 p.m.  
Work Session

Tuesday, September 20, 6:30 p.m.  
Meeting

Find agendas and minutes at [www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/343/City-Council).  
Watch City Council meetings live at [www.hopkinsmn.com/349/Watch-Meetings-Live-On-Demand](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/349/Watch-Meetings-Live-On-Demand).

### Boards and Commissions Calendar

Tuesday, September 6, 6:30 p.m.  
Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Monday, September 26, 6:30 p.m.  
Park Board

Tuesday, September 27, 6:30 p.m.  
Planning and Zoning Commission

Find agendas and minutes at [www.hopkinsmn.com/346/Boards-Commissions](http://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 p.m.; Thursdays at 2 p.m.; and Sundays at 1 p.m.

## Elected Officials

Mayor  
Patrick Hanlon

City Council  
Gerard Balan      Alan Beck  
Heidi Garrido     Brian Hunke



## Bulk Item Drop-Off is September 23-24

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!*

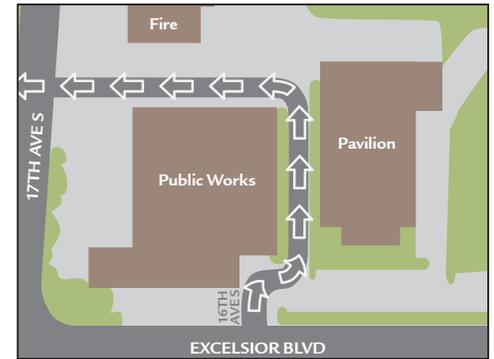
### When and Where

- Friday, September 23, 3 to 7 p.m.
- NEW HOURS: Saturday, September 24, 9 a.m. to noon

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

### Guidelines

- A valid Minnesota ID or current 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).
- Payment will be processed at the event. Debit cards, MasterCard, Visa, American Express and Discover are all accepted.
- Residents are asked to stay in their vehicles for safety. Staff will unload and sort materials.
- 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, car batteries, metal barrels/drums, and hazardous waste. (Hazardous wastes must be taken to Hennepin County Transfer Station. Call 612-348-3777.) 🍷



Traffic drop-off route for disposal

## Shred-n-Go!

As part of the \$20 gate fee (plus taxes), a shredding truck and operator from Shred-N-Go will be on-site for the confidential destruction of documents.



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

## Take Note: Garbage and Recycling Schedule

City offices will be closed on Monday, September 5 for Labor Day. **Garbage and organics collection for the week of Labor Day will be delayed by one day.**

September recycling pick up weeks are **September 12-15 and 26-29.** ♻️

## New Fall Programming at the Activity Center

**Zumba for Women:** Thursday, September 1-November 17, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Get your groove on at this enjoyable workout for women of all cultures, fitness abilities and sizes. Zumba is a fun and active way to workout. Follow along as instructor Nicole teaches some dance steps to Latin American music. No experience necessary. Activity fee: \$50, Members: \$40.

**Crystal Sound Bowl Meditation:** Monday, September 12-November 28, 3 to 4 p.m.

Music therapy is a way to relieve stress, anxiety, depression and even physical discomfort. Crystal Sound Bowl Meditation is a relaxing class that works through sending sound waves throughout your body. This therapy method restores the body's balance, which in turn supports healing. Activity fee: \$70, Members: \$55. Drop-in: \$7, Members: \$5.

Registration for senior adult recreational programs can be found at [www.hopkinsmn.com/activitycenter](http://www.hopkinsmn.com/activitycenter). 🍷

## Ice Season Returns to Hopkins Pavilion

Weekday Open Skates at the Hopkins Pavilion will begin September 7. All Open Skates are \$5 for adults, \$4 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). 🍷