



Celebrate Public Works Week, May 18-24! Meeting the needs of people is what gives public works its sense of purpose. Many times, public works professionals will never meet those whose lives have been impacted because when things are going right, no one knows that public works is there. Yet, with or without fanfare, public works is ever present, working in the background to advance quality of life for all.

2025 Council Retreat

The Shorewood City Council adopted its 2025 work plan based on seven strategic priorities that emerged from its annual one-day retreat in February. The strategic priorities and associated goals clarify values and guide the City's work over the next year and beyond.

The seven strategic priorities are:

1. Environmental Stewardship
2. Fiscal Responsibility
3. Safe and Secure Communities
4. Organizational Strength and Good Governance
5. Functionally and Financially Sound Infrastructure
6. Comprehensive Approach to Planning and Development
7. Effective Engagement and Communications

The 2025 work plan can be found at shorewoodmn.gov/StrategicPlan.



Fire District Gets New Engine

The Excelsior Fire District is excited to introduce new Engine 11, a state-of-the-art Pierce Enforcer fire truck, to the district. This advanced apparatus brings improved safety features, cutting-edge equipment, and enhanced pumping capabilities, allowing crews to respond to emergencies more efficiently—and most importantly—more safely. With its modern design and reliable performance, Engine 11 strengthens the district's commitment to protecting lives and property, ensuring the highest level of service.

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Share Your Thoughts in the 2025 Community Survey

The City of Shorewood is conducting a community survey to better understand priorities, help inform decisions, and track community opinions about the core responsibilities of

Shorewood city government. The survey is available to complete online or on paper. Survey results will be shared via email, the City's website, and a Shorewood City Council meeting in June. To get started with the survey online, or to download a paper copy of the survey, scan the QR code, or visit shorewoodmn.gov/survey. Printed copies are available at Shorewood City Hall. For questions or assistance, please contact 952-960-7900.

The deadline to complete this survey is May 23 at 4:30 p.m.



PROJECTS HAPPENING IN & AROUND SHOREWOOD

Three Projects Happening Along Highway 7

Highway 7 Road Safety Coalition

South Lake Minnetonka Police Department (SLMPD) and other law enforcement agencies along the Highway 7 corridor received a \$450,000 grant to improve safety on Highway 7. This grant funded officer time and the use of an AI camera that can detect distracted driving, including use of cell phones and seat belts. When a violation is observed, an officer positioned downstream from the camera is notified and may stop the vehicle for further investigation or enforcement. Drivers can expect to see the bright orange set of arms that the camera is mounted on change locations along areas Highway 7 over the next several months. For updates, follow @highway7safetycoalition on Facebook and Instagram. For questions, contact Sergeant Adam Moore at 952-474-3261.



Highway 7 Transportation Management Organization Study

The City of Shorewood, in partnership with the communities and school districts in Hennepin and Carver counties located along the Highway 7 corridor, are working to develop a comprehensive assessment and financial plan for a Transportation Management Organization (TMO) through engagement with stakeholders along the corridor. With a \$200,000 grant awarded by the state, these “corridor communities” are working to build on MnDOT’s previous and current planning work. The objective of the corridor communities is to advance improvements on Highway 7 that increase the safety and efficiency of the corridor for all users.

Highway 7 Corridor Study

MnDOT is conducting a corridor study of Highway 7 from Minnetonka to St. Bonifacius. This study seeks to understand the transportation needs of all users, identify opportunities for future improvements, establish a shared vision for improvement concepts among study partners, and develop and evaluate these concepts to plan for future improvements. A pavement resurfacing project is planned for 2029 from Christmas Lake Road in Shorewood to 1 mile east of Mills Street in the City of St. Bonifacius. This project is being led by MnDOT. Details and updates on this study are available at talk.dot.state.mn.us/hwy7study.

Fiber-Optic Buildout in Shorewood

Multiple internet service providers have begun to build their fiber optic networks throughout Shorewood. These are private utility projects, not city projects. Telecommunication companies have the legal right to use public right-of-way for their lines and equipment. Throughout the summer, you can expect to see contractors with City-issued permits installing cables throughout neighborhoods, which may require work in roadways, sidewalks, boulevards, and between lots. Workers’ uniforms and vehicles should be clearly marked with the appropriate internet service provider’s logo, making them easy to identify. If you have questions or need to report a concern, please contact the company directly.

- Mediacom: 800-790-8187
- MidCo: 888-425-1475
- Metronet: 877-386-3876

2026 Budget Process

At its March 24 Work Session, City Council discussed the draft 2026 budget calendar. As in years past, several budget work sessions will be held over several months, during which council and staff will review the various City funds, discuss the proposed property tax levy and tax rate, review tax impacts on properties, update the 10-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), update the Fee Schedule, etc.

Although there are numerous decisions to be made through the development of the 2026 budget, the two key scheduled actions are the approval of the preliminary budget and levy in September, and the adoption of the final 2026 budget and property tax levy in December. Along with these, council and staff will also be finalizing the 2026-2035 CIP, 2026 Fee Schedule, and other budget related actions.

Direction for each budget comes from City Council discussions with staff which are informed by past results and input from residents in various ways, such as online engagement and direct communication with the City. While the City Council takes final action on the budget each December, developing the budget is a year-round process.

The public is invited to attend all City Council meetings where the budget is discussed, contact council members or city staff, and participate in project planning, such as the 2025 Parks Master Plan update or the Highway 7 Corridor Study. 2026 budget updates will be provided in ShoreReports and available to view on the City’s website.



Project and other road construction information is available at shorewoodmn.gov/publicprojects. Budget information can be found at shorewoodmn.gov/citybudget. Sign up for email updates at shorewoodmn.gov/signup or scan the QR code.

CONNECTING WITH COMMUNITY



Celebrate SLMPD Chief Tholen's Retirement on May 23

After nearly three decades of dedicated law enforcement service, Chief Brian Tholen is retiring on May 23. Join the South Lake Minnetonka Police Department as we celebrate Chief Tholen's retirement on **Friday, May 23 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Shorewood Community and Event Center.**

Connect with the Lake Minnetonka Conservation District!

Maintaining a positive and safe Lake Minnetonka experience is important to our community. Shorewood is represented on the Lake Minnetonka Conservation District (LMCD), a regional governmental agency that brings together 14 different cities, two counties, and many state and local agencies to protect, preserve and enhance Lake Minnetonka's economy and vitality.

Sign up for the LMCD newsletter at lmcd.org to receive important lake and safety updates throughout the year, such as law and ordinance updates and community-led boater education classes to prepare for the license exam. LMCD also shares updated rules and safety reminders every summer and winter along with watercraft operating regulations and permit information.

Watch the 2025 State of the City Address

Every spring, the Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission assists their member cities by helping each city film an informative State of the City Address. This year, Shorewood's short video gives an overview of road construction and development projects, the city budget, the status of Highway 7, upcoming events and more. Watch the State of the City video at shorewoodmn.gov/StateOfTheCity.

Parks & Recreation Summer Activities



South Lake Safety Camp

Safety Camp will be held on **August 13 from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.** at the South Lake Safety Building. This fun-filled day provides kids entering 3rd through 5th grade with ways to learn about fire, water, personal, and bike safety. The cost is \$30 per child and includes lunch, snacks, a bike helmet, t-shirt, and more! **\$25 early-bird pricing** is available for residents of Deephaven, Excelsior, Greenwood, Shorewood, and Tonka Bay before May 31. Visit shorewoodmn.gov/register

Concert in the Park

Pack your blankets, lawn chairs, bug spray, dancing shoes, and invite your friends and family to enjoy live music in Freeman Park on **July 17 at 6 p.m.** In partnership with Bach to Rock, a local youth band will hit the stage at 6 p.m. with Shalo Lee Band to follow.

Movie in the Park

Join friends, family, and neighbors as you watch Lilo & Stitch in Freeman Park on **August 22 at dusk.** Food trucks will be in attendance to provide some tasty treats while you enjoy the movie, and a variety of activities will take place to help get you in the Hawaiian spirit.

Visit shorewoodmn.gov/events

ONLINE SERVICES

Visit the City's website to complete these tasks online.

Review the 2024 Water Report

Shorewood's 2024 Consumer Confidence Report covers testing of the City's public drinking water system in 2024. Paper copies of the water report are available upon request at City Hall. Visit shorewoodmn.gov/WaterReport

Apply for a Fire Permit

Restricted recreational fires with a total diameter of 3 feet or less are allowed in the city by permit. Permits are free and expire on December 31 of the year in which they were issued. The Excelsior Fire Department processes all recreational fire permits. To apply for a recreational fire permit, visit excelsiorfire.org/permit-forms

Permits for Large Gatherings

If you are planning on hosting an event with more than 75 people in attendance, please contact the City about obtaining a Special Event Permit. There is no charge for the permit for events on private property. Many neighborhoods have narrow roads and permits help alert public safety officials of the event. "No Parking" signs can be obtained to put along one side of the road to ensure your road remains safe and passable.

Zoning Permits

Many projects that don't require building permits require zoning permits. Improvements like driveways, patios, fences, sidewalks/steps, some retaining walls, pergolas, constructed (not portable) fire pits, etc. are all required to have zoning permits. Zoning permits are a low-cost permit and staff review the proposal and make sure it conforms to setbacks, impervious surface requirements, easement restrictions and the like. The City has a variety of information on what is required for many improvements. Submitting a request for a zoning permit is quick and easy through the City's online permit portal, which is located on the planning and protective inspections page of the City's website.



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 Shorewood, MN 55331
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Shorewood City Council

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To report road, park, and other non-emergency city concerns online, visit shorewoodmn.gov/report

The ShoreReport is the City of Shorewood's bimonthly newsletter. For more information on City events, activities, and news, visit our website at shorewoodmn.gov

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May

Planning Commission Meeting
 May 6, 7 p.m., City Hall

City Council Meeting
 May 12, 7 p.m., City Hall/Virtual

Spring Cleanup
 May 17, 8 a.m., Public Works

Paper Shred Event
 May 17, 9 a.m., City Hall

Park Commission Meeting
 May 20, 7 p.m., City Hall

Memorial Day (City Offices Closed)
 May 26

City Council Meeting
 May 27, 7 p.m., City Hall/Virtual

June

Planning Commission Meeting
 June 3, 7 p.m., City Hall

City Council Meeting
 June 9, 7 p.m., City Hall/Virtual

Juneteenth (City Offices Closed)
 June 19

City Council Meeting
 June 23, 7 p.m., City Hall/Virtual

Park Commission Meeting
 June 24, 7 p.m., City Hall

Recycling Pick-Up Schedule

Please have recycling carts curbside on recycling day no later than 7 a.m. Recycling is collected every other week on Wednesday (for mainland) and Thursday (for islands). Shorewood service weeks are highlighted in blue. Full 2025 calendar is available at shorewoodmn.gov/recycling.

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2025 Residential Spring Cleanup

Saturday, May 17, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Shorewood Public Works, 24200 Smithtown Road (enter from east on Smithtown Road)

The City of Shorewood organizes a citywide drop-off event for residents to recycle appliances, electronics, and other accepted materials the third Saturday in May each year. A free paper shred event is held on the same day at Shorewood City Hall (details on other side). Photo ID with proof of Shorewood residency is required for the citywide drop-off event.

ITEMS ACCEPTED

Fees may apply. Cash or check only.

APPLIANCES (\$15 EACH)

- Air Conditioners
- Dehumidifiers
- Dryers
- Furnaces
- Microwaves
- Stoves
- Refrigerators
- Vacuums
- Washers
- Water Heaters

POWER EQUIPMENT (\$10 EACH)

- Air Compressors
- Chainsaws
- Generators
- Leaf Blowers
- Mosquito Traps/Magnets
- Power Tools
- Pressure Washers
- Weed Wackers

CARPET/RUGS (\$10/SQUARE FOOT)

ELECTRONICS (\$5 EACH)

- Cable boxes
- Cellphones & Tablets
- Chargers, Adapters & Headphones
- Computers & Laptops
- Computer Accessories (mice, keyboards, speakers, etc.)
- Fax Machines
- Gaming Consoles
- Printers & Scanners
- Smoke Detectors
- VCR's, DVR's & Blu-ray players

PROPANE TANKS (CHARGES VARY)

- 1 Lb Propane Tank (\$5 each)
- 20 Lb Propane Tank (\$10 each)
- Over 20 Lb Propane Tank (\$50)

SNOW BLOWERS (\$35 EACH)

TELEVISIONS (\$30 EACH)

TIRES (PRICES VARY)

- Car & Truck Tires (\$10 Each)
- Tractor Tires (\$40 Each)

EXERCISE MACHINES (\$15 EACH)

FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS (\$3 EACH)

FURNITURE (\$20 EACH)

LAWN MOWERS (CHARGES VARY)

- Push Lawn Mower (\$35 each)
- Riding Lawn Mower (\$75 each)

MATTRESSES & BOX SPRINGS (\$15 EACH)

Must be dry. Bed frames priced as furniture.

ITEMS ACCEPTED BY LOAD

Additional items delivered by vehicle load will be priced on site. The minimum charge for a car is \$75. The minimum charge for a truck is \$150.

ITEMS ACCEPTED (NO CHARGE)

- Batteries (Lead-Acid)
- Bikes
- Scrap Metal

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED

- No Batteries (Alka-Line)
- No Building Materials
- No Clothes or Textiles
- No Concrete
- No Paint
- No Printer Cartridges
- No Household Hazardous Waste



Free, Secure Paper Shredding

Saturday, May 17, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Shorewood City Hall, 5755 Country Club Road
(enter from south on Country Club Road)

A free, confidential and secure paper shred event is held in the City Hall parking lot on the same day as the drop-off event. Shredding takes place on-site. All shredded paper is baled and shipped directly to the paper mill for recycling.

Although opinions differ on exactly what to shred, basically know that you should:

- Gather up and shred any documents containing signatures, account numbers, social security numbers, credit information, and any legal or medical information (including tax forms, checks, pay stubs, etc.).
- Dispose of general mail, newspapers, catalogs, and flyers in your recycling cart. These items do not need to be shredded.
- Bring items you'd like to shred in paper bags or boxes.
- Do not bring any three-ring binders, plastics, trash, plastic bags or non-paper items. These will be returned to you.
- Do not bring paper that is already shredded.

Event Map & Guidelines

Follow the signs and cones at both the drop-off and paper shred events in order to help ease the flow of traffic.

Stay in your vehicle. Volunteers will remove your items for you at the drop-off and paper shred events.

The event will close if dangerous weather.

Photo ID with proof of Shorewood residency is required for the citywide drop-off event.

Fees may apply. Cash or check only.

★ Spring Cleanup
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★ Paper Shred Event
Shorewood City Hall
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Questions?

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Volunteers are always needed!

Contact cityhall@shorewoodmn.gov or sign up at shorewoodmn.gov/volunteer

