

# Shore Report

News for Residents of the City of Shorewood

## Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 4/2 7 p.m.  
Planning Comm Meeting
- 4/8 7 p.m.  
City Council Meeting
- 4/9 7 p.m.  
Park Commission Meeting
- 4/19  
City Hall closes at noon
- 4/22 7 p.m.  
City Council Meeting

Please check for meeting updates on the city website, [www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us).

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## Keep your snow to yourself

The snow this winter has homeowners trying to figure out where they can put the next pile. One place you cannot put it is across the street. Even if snow is not left on the road, it is against Minnesota state law to move snow across the roadway. The dragging of plows or snowblowers across the road leaves ridges that form ice and cause hazards to drivers and to city plows. Snow blowing into the

street is also illegal.

Please make sure any snow removal contractors that service your property are aware of the state law. The offense is a misdemeanor and is enforceable by South Lake Minnetonka Police Department. Please call the city at 952.960.7900 if you have questions.

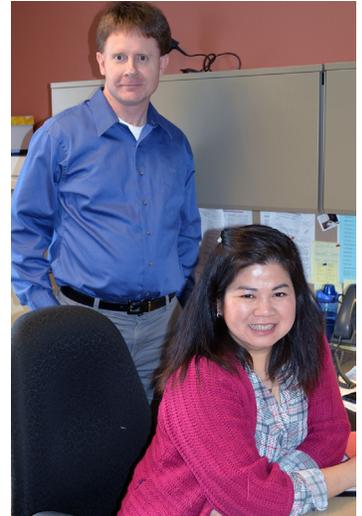
## Keeping Shorewood financially sound

The services of the Finance Department allow the City Council and other departments to make responsible management decisions and to achieve their goals and objectives while maintaining the integrity of the City's financial management system.

The department is responsible for financial management, accounting, payroll, utility billing, investing of City funds, cash flow and debt service management, and coordination of the City's annual financial audit. The finance department also produces the following documents, with the assistance of other City departments:

- Operating budget
- Annual financial statements
- Monthly financial reports
- Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
- Financial Management Plan

If you have any questions about utility billing, the finance department or the financial health of the City, contact city hall at 952.960.7900, or email Finance Director, Joe Rigdon, at [jrigdon@ci.shorewood.mn.us](mailto:jrigdon@ci.shorewood.mn.us).



Finance Director Joe Rigdon and Senior Accountant Michelle Nguyen.

## Want to discuss property tax valuation?

The Open Book meeting for the City of Shorewood is Monday, April 29, 5 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall. This meeting is to determine whether your property has been properly valued and classified by the Hennepin County assessor for your 2020 property taxes.

If you believe the value or classification of your property is incorrect, please contact the assessor's office to discuss your concerns prior to this meeting, 952.960.7919. If you disagree with the valuation or classification after discussing it with the assessor please attend the Open Book meeting. If you do

not reach an agreement, you may move through the appeals process. The complete process is available on the Hennepin County website, [www.hennepin.us/residents/property/property-value](http://www.hennepin.us/residents/property/property-value). If you are unable to access the appeals process online, contact the City at 952.960.7900 for assistance.

For more information contact the Hennepin County Assessor's office at 952.249.4640.

## City tree service

For the third year, Shorewood residents who have concerns with oak, ash or elm trees on their property are able to have an arborist from The Davey Tree Service evaluate the tree at no charge. In an effort to keep diseased trees out of the Shorewood urban forest, the free evaluation services on the three trees that are of major concern will be offered through the summer months beginning in June.

To make an appointment for tree evaluation beginning in June, please call city hall at 952.960.7900. Only appointments made through the City will be covered by this program. Evaluation of other tree types will not be covered in this free service. If you have questions about other tree species, please see the City website under Environment for a list of licensed arborists.

## Pet clean up

Spring is here, and that means more people walking, biking, and enjoying the outdoors. If you are a pet owner, please be respectful of others using area sidewalks, trails and roadways and pick up after your pet. Not only does this make outdoor activities more pleasant, it takes a huge step in protecting our water quality.

## Spring Clean Up

City of Shorewood Spring Clean Up drop off date is Saturday, May 18, 2019, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., at Shorewood Public Works facility. Watch for complete details in the May Shore Report. A free shred event will take place the same day in the city hall parking lot 9 a.m.-noon.



## Recycling Weeks for April 2019

All recycling must be curbside no later than 7 a.m. on recycling day. Mainland residents recycle April 3 and 17; Islands recycle April 4 and 18.

*Report misses to city hall, 952.960.7900, by noon the following day*

## Spring clean before Spring Clean Up

The city Spring Clean Up event, the third Saturday of May, is a great place to get rid of trash, large recyclables not collected at the curb, and limited number of hazardous waste items, but residents are encouraged to first

look at drop off sources outside of the public works drop off.

The Hennepin County Green Disposal Guide is available online at [www.hennepin.us/green-disposal-guide](http://www.hennepin.us/green-disposal-guide).

The City has a list of disposal

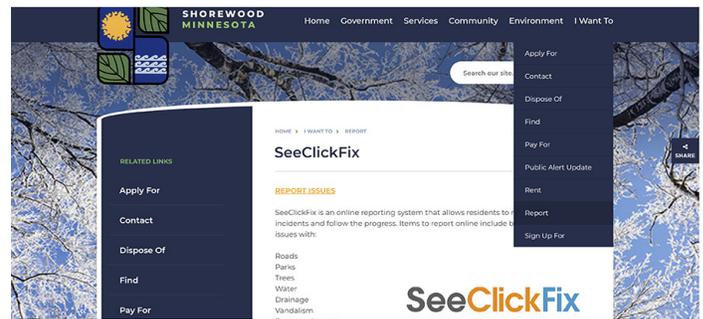
options for many items that are difficult or costly to get rid of. For help locating disposal options that were not in the county guide, contact city hall at 952.960.7900.

## Find your way around the new website

The goal of the new website is to be full of information for residents and to be user friendly, but the City wants continual resident input if there is an issue finding the information you are looking for on the site. Email suggestions or issues to [jmoore@ci.shorewood.mn.us](mailto:jmoore@ci.shorewood.mn.us), or call the City at 952.960.7900.

### Website tips of the month:

- Report any City issue (potholes, snowplow damage, park vandalism, drainage, traffic signal lights, etc.) using the SeeClickFix reporting system. A free app is available for your phone, or go to "I want to" and "Report" on the City website to access it on your computer.



SeeClickFix

- Find department contacts, emails, and phone numbers under "Contact us" on the home page, or under "Government" and "City Departments". Links to commissioners and elected officials are also available on the left hand side of that web page.

- Under the "I want to" section you can sign up for email lists, make payments, update your public alert information, find payment information, and much more. Take a look and see what you can do!

## Get fit and help Shorewood be a winner

Walk. Run. Swim.  
Bike. Garden. Clean.

You can do many things to get fit, and during the Hennepin County Step To It Challenge, you get credit for all of it.

The Step To It Challenge takes place each spring and each city in Hennepin County has the opportunity to compete for the most active community, the most actively engaged community and

the most active residents. The top Shorewood individual in their age group wins a pair of Twins tickets.

You are already active, so help Shorewood be the 2019 winner by keeping track of your activity during the month of May. Register beginning April 1 at [www.steptoit.org](http://www.steptoit.org), and beginning May 1 go to your online account and enter your activity each day. The site will calculate them into steps, and you are on your way! Everyone in the family can participate. You can also set up neighborhood or family teams to start your own



competitions.

If you have questions or do not have online access but would like to participate, contact the city at 952.960.7900.

Thanks for participating, and enjoy kicking off an active spring.

# Shorewood Community & Event Center

5735 Country Club Road • 952.474.7635 • [www.southshore-center.org](http://www.southshore-center.org)

## Let's Instant Pot!

Tuesday, April 23, 6-8 p.m., \$8

Bring your Instant Pot, even if you haven't taken it out of the box! Let's get cooking. We will try a variety of items and enjoy them as a meal. Maximum 8. Call the center at 952.474.7635 to register.



### Paint, Paper, Scissors Painting Monday, April 15, 1-3 p.m.

No experience necessary! Make and Take Art; You will be painting "Cozy Chair". Call the center to register; \$25

### Happy Feet

Monday, April 15; \$40

Appointments: 763.560.5136;

Age: 55+

Clients who regularly receive nursing foot care express an increased sense of comfort

and well-being. The health and appearance of the feet are restored so that the client may once again participate in improved daily living. Care includes foot soak, foot massage, care for corns, calluses or problem nails.



### Busy Bee Quilters

Monday and Wednesday

9 a.m.-12 p.m.; Ages: All

Have a great time sharing personal quilt projects, helping each other, and making various service projects. For more information, call Linda, 952.475.1430.

### Chair Fitness

Wednesdays, 10-10:30 a.m.; \$6

This class addresses the needs and challenges of those in need of the stabilizing safety of a chair during workouts. Light weights, stretching and wonderful music is incorporated into the workout.

### Bridge

Thursdays, 1 p.m.; Ages: All

Love the game of bridge? Want to join a table or improve your skill? Call the Center to reserve a spot for weekly games, 952.474.7635.

### Fitness Class

Monday, Wednesday, Friday,  
8:30 a.m.

**\$6 per class or purchase a discount package with monthly sign up at class; Ages: 55+**

This program, designed for active adults, uses low impact exercises to get your heart pumping!

Exercises can be adapted for all levels of fitness and physical ability. Call the Center, 952.474.7635, with questions.

### Woodcarving

Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.; Ages: All  
Have you thought of woodcarving as a hobby or already carve? Stop in and join this community of carvers. Learn how or carve and share your knowledge. No fees or sign up necessary.

### Knitting

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.; Ages: All  
Open to all interested in the needle arts. All levels of expertise welcome. Bring your favorite pattern to share and learn great tips from fellow knitters. No RSVP necessary.

### Mahjong

Wednesdays, 1 p.m.; Ages: All  
Mahjong is a tile-based game which originated in China. It requires tactics, observation, memory, teamwork and is generally played with four players. Join a table each week for a fun and challenging game. Instruction is available.



### Beading

Tuesdays, 1 p.m.; Ages: All

No experience needed for this fun group. An instructor is available if you are new to beading. Supplies available, or bring your own. For more information contact Linda, 952.475.1430. No RSVP necessary.

### Toastmasters

Thursdays, 12-1 p.m.; Ages: All

If you have wondered what Toastmasters is all about, or used to be in a group and are looking for a local group to join, a Toastmasters group is now at Southshore Center weekly. Stop by any Thursday.

### Dementia Support Group

Fridays, April 5 and April 19

10 a.m.; Ages: All

First and third Fridays monthly  
If you are caring for a loved one with dementia, or someone close to you is suffering from dementia and you could use some support, meet with other concerned caregivers. Learn from each other on ways to be a better caregiver, and to better take care of yourself. Questions? Call Jane at 952.474.4673, or Joanne, 952.474.6022

**The center closes at noon on Friday, April 19.**

**Don't miss what is going on at the community center. Sign up for email updates on Constant Contact. Go to the City website, [www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us), and select "I want to" and "sign up for" and "city emails". You can then select the Shorewood Community and Event Center list.**

## Council Activities

Since the last council meeting the city council:

- Approved hiring of new part-time Administrative Assistant and revising various administrative job descriptions.
- Received Bronze level SolSmart designation for the City's work on becoming solar friendly.
- Accepted a professional services agreement for the Glen/Amlee/Manitou summer 2020 road project.
- Authorized a phone survey conducted by Morris Leatherman Company regarding the City's solid waste system.
- Recognized the service of Sue Davis (Planning Commission) and Holly Ashmore (Park Commission).

## Utility bill increases

At the March 25 council meeting, council will consider the approval of a utility charge increase to begin with April city water usage. See the City website under "Services" and "Public Utilities" for up-to-date information.

## Summer help wanted

The City is accepting applications for seasonal employment in the Public Works department. Positions are up to 40 hours per week. Applicants must be at least sixteen years old, eighteen and older preferred. A valid driver's license is required. A job description and application are available at Shorewood City Hall, 5755 Country Club Road, Shorewood, MN 55331, or [www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us). Applications will be reviewed as they are received, and positions are open until filled. Call 952.960.7900 with questions.



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### Spring Road Restrictions

Shorewood follows MnDOT's road restrictions. Spring Load Restriction started March 15, 2019. Please discuss restrictions with services you hire (moving trucks, delivery and construction vehicles). Information can be obtained by calling MnDOT's Seasonal Load Limits automated message center, 651.366.5400 or by checking the MnDOT Seasonal Load Limits website: [www.mndot.gov/loadlimits](http://www.mndot.gov/loadlimits).

### Half price community center rental

Through Friday, August 30, 2019, Community Center room rentals are half price Fridays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Simply mention you would like the half price deal when you reserve the space. Deal applies to the following rates: resident, non-resident or non-profit. Full damage deposit is required. Contact the center director at 952.474.7635 to make a reservation or for more information.

*This offer is good while space is available. No half price rentals for dates after the promotional period are accepted. Shorewood Community and Event Center is located at 5735 Country Club Road next to Badger Park.*

### State Tornado Drill Day

For more than 20 years, the state of Minnesota has conducted a Severe Weather Awareness Week. This year, City of Shorewood and the National Weather Service celebrate the week April 8-12. A statewide tornado drill is part of that event.

On Thursday, April 11, most local and statewide radio, TV and cable stations will be participating in the drill. Television viewers and radio station listeners should see or hear a simulated tornado warning message at 1:45 p.m. This tornado drill warning should last about one minute. When the test is completed, stations should return to normal programming. In addition, alerts for both the simulated tornado watches and warnings will be issued over the NOAA Weather Radios in the area which will activate the radio alerts. Watch for safety tips all week on the City Facebook page.



### Siren Schedule

Sirens will be tested at 1:45 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. on Thursday, April 11. If real severe weather is a threat on or before the drill day, the tests may be postponed to Friday, April 12 or canceled.

### Refrigerator Recycling bonus

The recycling program offered by Xcel Energy will offer a bonus April 1 to June 30. Get that second working refrigerator that is in your basement or garage picked up and recycled by Xcel during this time period and you will get \$50 in energy saving cash, rather than the usual \$35! Get details at [xcelenergy.com/Fridge](http://xcelenergy.com/Fridge).

Scott Zerby, Mayor; Patrick Johnson, Jennifer Labadie; Debbie Siakel; Kristine Sundberg  
City Administrator: Greg Lerud; Newsletter Editor: Julie Moore

# Shorewood Tree Order Form

# Sale pick-up May 17 and 18

**Numbers of trees are very limited.** Please supply a first and second choice if desired. Your check will be returned if your choices are not available. Trees are first come first served.

Prior to the pick-up dates, you will receive a mailed reminder with details about your order. Please bring that paperwork to the pick-up event, or give it to your designated representative (if someone else is picking up the trees for you) to ensure a smooth pick-up process. Trees that are not collected on the designated dates will be planted in Shorewood parks. No refunds.

Submit payment in the form of a check payable to City of Shorewood and mail to City of Shorewood Tree Sale, 5755 Country Club Road, Shorewood, MN 55331, or order and pay by credit card online at [www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us). Print orders may be mailed or delivered in person to city hall. **A 24-hour drop box is located at city hall for your convenience.**

*Please print*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Species	Price	Quantity	Total
American Elm *	\$85		
Thornless Hawthorn *		SOLD OUT	
Red Maple Brandywine *		SOLD OUT	
River Birch*		SOLD OUT	
American Larch (Tamarack) *		SOLD OUT	
Bald Cypress		SOLD OUT	
Norway Spruce		SOLD OUT	
White Pine		SOLD OUT	
Plastic tree guards (for trees marked *)	\$3		

### Ordering Trees

- A very limited number of trees have been ordered and are offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. The intent of the sale is to diversify Shorewood's tree stock in an effort to reduce the effects of tree diseases such as Emerald Ash Borer and Dutch Elm Disease. Orders will be processed for single family homeowners. Townhouse and association properties should contact the city for order.
- Unlike a retail nursery, these trees do not have a warranty.

**Total Due**

Comments:

### Orders are first-come, first-served until sold. Send order to:

City of Shorewood Tree Sale  
5755 Country Club Road  
Shorewood, MN 55331

**OR**

Order and pay online at  
[www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us)

Questions?  
952.960.7900

**Quantity of species is limited. Some trees are more popular than others. Complete one of the options below in case your selection is sold out:**

If one or both of your selection is sold out, please note a second and third choice in the quantity column. You will be notified of the change by phone or email.

- If my first choice is not available, please cancel my order and mail my check back to me.

### Before you mail the order, please confirm:

- Filled out order form completely?
- Checked [www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us) to see if selection is sold out (or call city hall, 952.960.7900)?
- Enclosed check payable to City of Shorewood for exact amount or pay online?
- Checked your calendar to make sure someone can pick up your trees on May 17 or May 18?

**Last Chance**

# Shorewood's 2019 Tree Sale

All trees are selected for the west metro area by an arborist. To view photos of the tree species, see the link on the city web site, [www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us). All trees are supplied on a first-come, first-serve basis. The earlier your order is received, the better your chance of getting your top selections. **Note the pick-up location is at Minnetonka Public Works.**

You will receive a postcard with your order and pick-up information in early May. **Please bring the materials with you to the tree pick-up.** If you have questions, please contact the city at 952.960.7900, or see the city web site: [www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us).

**Use the chart below to determine which trees are best for your site:**

**Tree Pick-Up**

Trees **MUST** be picked up on designated dates or you **forfeit the tree and the money you paid for it.** Leftover trees will be planted in Shorewood parks.

Friday, May 17, 9 am-12 pm  
Saturday, May 18, 9 am-12 pm

Minnetonka Public Works, East Driveway  
11522 Minnetonka Blvd., Minnetonka, MN 55305

Species	Cost	Sun or Shade?	Significant features	Height/Spread	Approx at pick up	Container
American Elm	\$85	full sun to part shade	Good for clay, sandy or peat/moist soil; small green flowers; round papery fruits; yellow-gold in the fall	60'X60'	6-8'	#10
Thornless Hawthorn			SOLD OUT			
Red Maple Brandywine			SOLD OUT			
River Birch (clump)			SOLD OUT			
American Larch (Tamarack)			SOLD OUT			
White Pine			SOLD OUT			
Norway Spruce			SOLD OUT			
Bald Cypress			SOLD OUT			

- Growing tips for the type of tree you purchase will be emailed to those who purchase.
- Watering bags are available for purchase at the tree sale, cash only. Watering bags and plastic tree guards do not fill pine trees or river birch well.
- More information and photos of trees are available on the city website, [www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us) under "Community". Trees were selected for Shorewood soils and we hope will accommodate the varying soil types found in Shorewood. If you have any questions, please email [jmoore@ci.shorewood.mn.us](mailto:jmoore@ci.shorewood.mn.us), or call the city at 952.960.7900.
- When planning where to plant your trees, make sure they will not interfere with overhead wires as they grow and no trees should be planted in the city right-of-way.

**Thank you for helping diversify the forestry in Shorewood. Although the Emerald Ash Borer has not yet reached our community, it is expected that eventually it will. Shorewood has a large number of Ash trees and planting new trees now will help keep our great wooded landscape.**