



# SHORE REPORT

City of Shorewood News



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## February council meetings virtual

Due to the rise in COVID cases, the Shorewood City Council has decided to return to virtual meetings through February. The meetings can be viewed live using Zoom. The link will be posted no later than 30 minutes prior to the meeting on the city website, [ci.shorewood.mn.us/current\\_meeting](http://ci.shorewood.mn.us/current_meeting). A call-in phone number will also be posted.

Residents can participate in public hearings and matters from the floor from the Zoom platform.

If you have questions, please contact the city at 952.960.7900 during regular business hours. The city council will review the policy at the second meeting in February to determine the need to continue remote meetings into the next month.

## Arctic Fever kicked off Shorewood community celebrations for 2022

The 2022 Arctic Fever winter festival had record attendance at Freeman Park, January 15. The popular event featured horse-drawn sleigh rides, llamas, dog sleds and more free activities. The annual event kicks off a year of community celebrations for Shorewood.

Watch newsletters and the website, or get on the park eNews email list from [ci.shorewood.mn.us/enews](http://ci.shorewood.mn.us/enews), for upcoming events such as Music in Freeman Park, Dog Days of Shorewood, Movie in the Park, Oktoberfest and a variety of great park programs.



Thank you to our 2022 sponsors who made Arctic Fever a free event: American Legion #259, ArtWorks, Bolton & Menk, Country Club Lanes, Excelsior Library & Friends of the Excelsior Library, Joey Nova's, Lucky's Station, Mediacom, WSB and Xcel Energy.

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### Grant received for Freeman Park

The city received a \$10,000 grant from the Twins Community Fund and their Cornerstone Partners to replace the backfield fence on Little League baseball field two in Freeman Park.

Installation of the new posts and fence will begin in the spring.

Cover photo by Dawn Reese.



## Minnesota precinct caucuses February 1

The 2022 Minnesota precinct caucuses are Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. They will take place at locations set by the parties. Some will be virtual this year. Find the location for your precinct using the caucus finder on the city website, [ci.shorewood.mn.us/elections](https://ci.shorewood.mn.us/elections).

Precinct caucuses are meetings run by Minnesota's political parties. They are the first in a series of meetings where parties may endorse candidates, select delegates and set goals and values.

To participate, you must be eligible to vote in the next general election and live in the precinct.

Learn more on the Minnesota Secretary of State website, <https://tinyurl.com/caucus22>.

## Tree sale orders begin March 1

Ordering for the annual tree sale for Shorewood residents begins at 8 a.m., March 1, 2022. Residents will be able to order container trees for wholesale prices. The purpose of the Shorewood tree sale is to increase the diversity of the city forestry.

Tree descriptions and order information are online, [ci.shorewood.mn.us/treesale](https://ci.shorewood.mn.us/treesale). Paper order forms are at city hall beginning February 23.

## Free organics drop-off locations coming to Shorewood

The City of Shorewood, through a grant from Hennepin County, will begin offering free residential organics drop-off locations in the spring. Drop-off sites will be at the community garden sites in Freeman Park and in South Shore Community Park. The city is also cooperating with the city of Deephaven to share the site near the Deephaven city hall. An island site is being explored.

All sites are free to residents. After brief instructions, residents are given the combination for the locked container and can bring organics for recycling at their convenience.

If you are interested in learning more about the free organics recycling program, sign up for the organics email at [ci.shorewood.mn.us/enews](https://ci.shorewood.mn.us/enews), or call city hall at 952.960.7900.

## Reduce trash costs

Staffing shortages, gas prices and supply issues have contributed to increasing costs for trash hauling companies. Residents have been seeing the results through increased prices for curbside collection. Prices can be reduced at the curb by contacting your hauler and getting a smaller trash cart.

To reduce the size of your cart, residents may need to reduce the amount of trash created at home. Removing organics from the trash and using the free drop-off locations coming to sites in Shorewood this spring is a free and easy way. Shopping wisely and buying materials that can be recycled also reduces the need for the largest cart.

For information on reducing your trash go to [ci.shorewood.mn.us/trash](https://ci.shorewood.mn.us/trash), or call the city at 952.960.7900.

## Grant Street drainage plan approved by council

In 2019 city staff began evaluating how to solve drainage problems in the area of Grant Street. The selected solution is to provide additional pond storage downstream near Highway 7. Directing stormwater to this pond should help prevent some of the drainage issues for residents in the area.

Plans were approved by the city council in January of 2022. Construction is expected to begin in Spring/early summer 2022 following project bids.

Residents can review the final plans online, [ci.shorewood.mn.us/drainage](https://ci.shorewood.mn.us/drainage). If you have questions about this project, please contact

the engineering department at city hall, 952.960.7900..

## Walnut Grove Villas development begins

Construction of a single-level home housing development on Eureka Road north of Highway 7 begins with the removal of some trees on the property to allow for the construction of the street, homes and other improvements. Dirt will also be brought to the site and grading will begin.

Residents can see approved plans for the development on the active applications page of the city website, [ci.shorewood.mn.us/activeapplications](https://ci.shorewood.mn.us/activeapplications).

## Shorewood Community & Event Center Events

### Reserve the community center for your grad party

SCEC is the perfect place for your graduation party! Reserve your space now. Weekends are going fast. SCEC is affordable, spacious and you do not have to worry about tables, chairs or cleaning! Contact the center at 952.474.7635 for details or to arrange a free tour.



### Upcoming programs

#### EngAGE Well Balance Agility and Fun Thursdays from 9 - 9:45 a.m.

Join Sue Kanter from Engage Physical Therapy and Wellness in a group class for 55 and older that focuses on improving your abilities for everyday life and beyond. Build strength, endurance, mobility, balance and functional ability. Cost: Package of 8 classes is \$96 or \$14/class. Contact Sue Kanter to register at 612.888.9882.

#### AARP Tax Preparation Thursdays, Feb. 17 – April 14 by appointment

Call the Shorewood Community & Event Center to schedule an appointment, 952.474.7635. Limited space available.

#### Fall and Fire Prevention Thurs., Feb. 10, 10 - 11 a.m.

AED orientation, hands-on CPR, and information on fall and fire prevention will be instructed by Fire Marshall Kellie Murphy-Ringate. Call the center to RSVP 952.474.7635

#### Driver Refresher Class Thurs., March 3, 1 - 5 p.m.

Call MN Safety Center to register. 1.888.234.1294

#### Happy Feet Foot Care Mon, Feb. 21, by appointment; \$40

Clients who regularly receive nursing foot care express an increased sense of comfort and well-being. 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. Make your appointment today, and take care of your feet! Call 763.560.5136.

**Daily programs, such as games, quilting, beading, knitting, woodcarving, support groups and more are in the Shorewood Senior Partners newsletter or online at ShorewoodCEC.com. Call the center at 952.474.7635 for details or to get a copy of the newsletter.**

#### The Community Center is closed for the Presidents' Day holiday February 21 (open for Happy Feet).

*The community center is located at 5735 Country Club Road next to Badger Park. It is available for rent. Call to arrange a tour or for more information on pricing and availability. Shorewood residents receive a discount on rental fees.*

## Drop off your batteries

Household batteries, especially button batteries and any type of rechargeable battery, should not be placed in the household trash. Instead, take the used batteries to the county drop-off center for recycling. The closest drop-off for Shorewood residents is the Carver County Environmental Center at 116 Peavey Circle in Chaska.

Batteries are a trash problem due to fire danger. This is why the drop-off sites at many libraries and city halls were removed. Residents are discouraged from collecting a large number of batteries due to fire. For more information, go to [ci.shorewood.mn.us/batteries](http://ci.shorewood.mn.us/batteries).



## Road weight restrictions in Shorewood

Watch the city website for road weight restrictions this spring. Although generally beginning in March, the city of Shorewood follows the MnDOT guidelines for restriction dates. Temperatures are unpredictable, so residents having construction work performed, moving, or having heavy deliveries will want to make sure the contractors know the restriction weights. You can find the weight restriction map on the city website, [ci.shorewood.mn.us/citymaps](http://ci.shorewood.mn.us/citymaps). Roads will be posted with weight limits when restrictions are in effect. You can also call the city, 952.960.7900, for information.

### February recycling dates:

Mainland recycling: Feb. 2 and 16

Island recycling: Feb. 3 and 17

## Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 2/1 7 p.m.  
MN Precinct Caucuses
- 2/8 7 p.m. (Zoom)  
Park Comm meeting
- 2/14 7 p.m. (Zoom)  
City Council meeting
- 2/15 7 p.m. (Zoom)  
Planning Comm meeting
- 2/21 City offices closed  
Presidents' Day
- 2/28 7 p.m. (Zoom)  
City Council Meeting

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

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## Do you need a permit?

If you are planning a construction or remodeling project for your property this year, contact the city Planning and Protective Inspections Department prior to the plans to check permit requirements, setbacks and zoning restrictions that might affect the project.

Projects such as sheds, windows, plumbing, outside structures including fences and some fire pits and many more often require a permit or must meet certain setbacks. Not only does the permit make sure the work meets zoning or building codes, it is often requested by home buyers to make sure the work was done properly.

Contact city hall, 952.960.7900, to check on requirements for your building project.



## Trash cart rules

A reminder that trash carts cannot be placed curbside more than 12 hours prior to trash collection and must be removed from the curb within 12 hours after collection. City staff gets regular complaints about trash carts left curbside. Dumpsters/bagsters are allowed during a project, but must be removed immediately following. If you have questions, please contact planning, at 952.960.7900.

## City Council

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Report road, park and other non-emergency city issues online at [ci.shorewood.mn.us/SeeClickFix](http://ci.shorewood.mn.us/SeeClickFix).

## City Information

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