



Shore Report

News for Residents of the City of Shorewood

May 2020 Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 5/5 7 p.m.
Planning Comm Meeting
- 5/11 7 p.m.
City Council Meeting
- 5/12 (tentative) 7 p.m.
Park Commission Meeting
- 5/16 9-11 a.m.
Bag It! clean up day
- 5/25 Memorial Day
City Hall/Public Works
Closed
- 5/26 7 p.m.
City Council Meeting

Please check for online instructions and meeting updates on agendas from the city website or call city hall.

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highlights

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- Summer Parks * SCEC Insert

“Bag it!” community litter pick-up May 16

Between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Saturday, May 16, residents are encouraged to grab a garbage bag and walk their neighborhood, trails and parks and pick up trash to help clean up Shorewood. “Poop” bags for those who can help pick up pet waste in public areas are available in many Shorewood parks or along the LRT trail.

Practice social distancing and be extra cautious near roadways. Wear bright colors so that you are visible to traffic and so that fellow community members notice you as a “Bag it!” participant. Participants are encouraged to snap selfies and photos and post them on the city Instagram or Facebook pages with #BagItShorewood.

If you have more trash than you are comfortable adding to your own trash container at home,

contact the city Monday morning and arrange a pick-up by public works. Leave a message on the city voicemail over the weekend if there is an area you find large items. Please do not pick up broken glass or sharp items. Notify the city of the location of these items.

No household trash is collected at this event and this does not take place of the annual spring clean-up, which is being re-scheduled for a later date due to COVID-19 restrictions.

A BIG Thank You for being part of our community and for helping clean up Shorewood.

Please contact the city at 952.960.7900 with questions.

Open Book meeting canceled by Hennepin

In support of the health and safety of taxpayers and the Hennepin County staff, the Open Book meeting scheduled for Monday, May 4, 2020, has been canceled.

What you can do instead:

- Hennepin County appraisers are conducting virtual valuation and classification reviews with no face-to-face contact. You may call the assessor’s office to schedule a conversation regarding your property. Call your assessor, 952.249.4640 or email michael.smerdon@hennepin.us prior to May 20, 2020.

- Discuss your concerns and share information about your property’s assessment.

For valuation and property sale information, please visit the Hennepin County website, hennepin.us. You may appeal to the Hennepin County Board of Appeal and Equalization by calling 612.348.7050 or e-mailing countyvalueappeal@hennepin.us by May 20, 2020. The Hennepin County Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2020, at the Hennepin County Government Center. Notice will be given by June 1, 2020, on the Hennepin County website if the meeting will be held by telephone or other electronic means.

Spring clean-up and shredding postponed

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, the annual spring clean-up and shredding events originally scheduled for Saturday, May 16, are postponed. Should the restrictions continue, alternative methods will be developed. The hope is that the events will take place in the early fall.

Hennepin and Carver household hazardous waste and recycling drop-off locations are closed to the public. Watch the city website under

Environment>Household Hazardous Waste for information on alternatives as they are available, or for re-opening information.

The HHW portion of the website also has tips on safe storage of unwanted hazardous waste items. Please do not put chemicals down the drain, toilet, stormdrain, or in the trash/recycling.

Contact the city with questions, 952.960.7900, or email jmoore@ci.shorewood.mn.us.

Election 2020

The primary election is Tuesday, August 11, 2020. The general election is Tuesday, November 3, 2020. With the recent COVID-19 pandemic, discussion is taking place regarding elections. City staff will keep you informed with updates through the website, newsletter and social media.

The 2020 general election includes one mayor and two city council seats up for election. Candidate filing for these seats begins July 28, 2020, through 5:00 p.m. on August 11, 2020 (Primary Election Day). Contact the city, 952.960.7900, for additional information.

County and city election departments are encouraging voters to vote early by mail if possible. You may apply for a ballot at any time of the year at mnvotes.org. If you decide to vote by mail, please be reminded to read the instructions carefully and complete all forms that are required. You will need a witness when you vote and sign your ballot. The witness can be either a Minnesota registered voter or a notary and they must sign the signature envelope and list their address. If you are not registered to vote, you will receive a registration application with your materials. Show your witness qualifying ID and have them mark which ID option is used. When completed, mail the ballot and forms, making sure they are received before Election Day.

Apply for absentee before:
Primary, 7/10/2020
General, 10/2/2020

Ballots must be received by Election Day:
Primary: 8/11/2020
General: 11/3/2020

For additional information, or to review instructions, go to the city website under Government>Elections.



Recycling Weeks for May 2020

All recycling must be curbside no later than 7 a.m. on recycling day. Mainland residents recycle May 13 and 28*; Island residents recycle May 14 and May 29*.

Report misses: 952.960.7900

*Recycling is delayed one day due to Memorial Day.

Yard waste solutions

You can compost organic material including fruit and vegetable peelings, grass clippings and leaves right in your own backyard. Gardeners have used compost for centuries to improve their soil and to supply essential nutrients for plant growth. It can be confusing about what NOT to compost.

Not in the backyard

- Meat, dairy, bread, oil
- Large pieces of wood
- Paper and paper products
- Pet feces

The city website has complete instructions on backyard composting under Environment>Yard and Tree Care. If you do not have internet access

and would like information mailed to you, please contact the city at 952.960.7900.

The city encourages mulching of grass and leaves rather than collecting when possible. Trash haulers in Shorewood offer yard waste collection for a fee.

Stay informed on road and drainage projects

City road construction and drainage projects continue during the COVID-19 closures. Residents are encouraged to register for email and emergency alerts with the city. If you do not have email or internet access, please contact the city at 952.960.7900 to be added to a call list.

The following projects have active email sign-up lists:

- Beverly/Cajed drainage
- Enchanted and Shady Islands

Sign up for construction eNews alerts on the city website.

- Mary Lake outlet
- Shorewood Oaks drainage
- Strawberry Lane drainage
- Western Shorewood drainage
- Woodside Road area

Web pages for each project are on the city website under Services>Roads and City Projects.

Email is used for updating residents of ongoing construction. The city public alert system provides email, voicemail and text messages for emergency and last minute notices. If you are unsure if you are signed up, email cityhall@ci.shorewood.mn.us, or call city hall.

Narrows Bridge closing in June

Hennepin County is planning to rehabilitate the Shadywood Road Bridge (County Road 19) over the Narrows, frequently referred to as the Narrows Bridge. The bridge was originally constructed in 1964.

Rehabilitation includes:

- Repairing the abutment foundation

- Restoring the bridge bearings
- Repainting all steel structures under the bridge
- Pouring the bridge deck
- Replacing traffic barriers on the bridge

Sign up for email updates from Hennepin County online: hennepin.us/narrowsbridge.



Island public safety during construction

The Narrows Bridge construction project, which is slated to begin on or around June 1st of 2020, will have some impacts on emergency response to portions of Enchanted Island and Shady Island in the City of Shorewood. During the project, emergency calls for police services

will be fielded by the Orono Police Department with South Lake Minnetonka Police assisting as needed. Non-emergency calls for service will be fielded by the South Lake Minnetonka Police Department.

Fire response should not be

significantly affected, as both Enchanted Island and Shady Island are serviced by the Mound Fire Department.

Questions or concerns should be directed to South Lake Minnetonka Police administration, 952.474.3261

Lawn watering restrictions begin May 1

Lawn watering uses a significant portion of our water supply. It is important that residents and businesses follow the city's watering ordinance. This allows Shorewood's water system not only an adequate opportunity to replenish the supply in the city's water storage tanks, but also ensures there is enough water for all uses.

The city's ordinance states that residents and businesses can water before 11:00 a.m. and after 4:30 p.m., May 1 - September 30. Residents should work with their sprinkler system provider to make sure watering times are scheduled to water

within ordinance hours. Remember to check the timer on your watering system after power outages so that you are not in violation of the restriction.

Fees for violating the water use restrictions are determined by the number of water restriction violations issued to the owner:

- First offense - \$50
 - Each additional offense - \$25 increase (e.g. 2nd violation \$75, 3rd violation \$100, etc.)
- No warnings are given for violation of watering restrictions.



EXEMPTIONS: Private wells are exempt from the ordinance; however, the city encourages homeowners to conserve their water resources during peak hours. Activities such as play toys, car washing, and hand watering are exempt if attended.

Toilet and sprinkler system rebates

Purchasing a new toilet for your home or business? Have a sprinkler system? Rebate dollars are available to Shorewood property owners, commercial and residential, for WaterSense toilets, sprinkler heads and sprinkler system controllers. These devices must be WaterSense labeled.

Get complete information and a link to WaterSense qualified items on the city website under Environment>Water efficiency

rebates. If you do not have internet access, contact the city at 952.960.7900 for information and a rebate form.

Commercial property owners should contact the city, 952.960.7900, for details. Residential owners can call the city, or go online for rebate amounts.

Funding for the grant is provided by City of Shorewood, Metropolitan Council through the Clean Water Legacy Fund,

and Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District.



Submit spring and summer photo contest pics

We are looking for photos that show off the splendor of living in Shorewood. Submit photos in the following four categories:

- People and Pets
- Wildlife
- Spring Wonders
- Summer Delights

Winners in each category will have their photos framed and displayed at city hall and will each receive a framed print. Submissions will be accepted through September 25, 2020, at 4:30 p.m.

2020 Photo Contest

Rules

- Entrants must live, work, or attend school in Shorewood.
- Photos must be taken in Shorewood between March 19 and September 22, 2020.
- Each photo entry must include photographer's name, address, phone number, email

address, age (if under 18), intended category and title of the photo.

- Photo submissions with



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professional logos or watermarks will not be considered.

- Photos must be submitted to cityhall@ci.shorewood.mn.us, or on a flash drive brought to city hall. Files must be in high resolution jpeg format. Include

the exact location of photo being submitted.

- Participants must have permission from any persons pictured in the photo to use that photo and permission of a parent in case of minors. Subject permissions must be obtained before submitting photos. Once submitted, entrants grant reproduction rights (both print and digital) to City of Shorewood.
- Each person may submit up to five photos.

For additional information, contact city hall at 952.960.7900. See the city website under Community: Photo Contest for more information and to see past winners.

Council Activities

Since the last council meeting the city council:

- Approved plans and specifications and authorized the advertising of bids for roofing of the public works building.
- Held a public hearing and approved an assessment for a property on Wedgewood Drive.
- Recognized former park commissioner Ed Rock for his service to the city.
- Accepted the appointment of Luke Weber as a staff member in public works.
- Accepted proposal for geotechnical services for the Mary Lake and Beverly Drive outlet projects.

During the COVID-19 shelter in place order, meetings are online using Zoom Meetings. Links are on the city website, or call city hall for a call-in number.

Disease tree evaluation

Free disease tree evaluations for oak, elm and ash trees are available for residents beginning in mid-May. CDC social distancing guidelines will be practiced. Call the city at 952.960.7900 to set up an appointment with a certified arborist. No other tree types are evaluated with this free service. A list of licensed tree services is on the website under Environment:





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Report Potholes

This is a particularly bad spring for potholes. They seem to grow overnight. Public Works crews are patching roads throughout the city. If you notice a particularly bad hole, report it using the SeeClickFix app, available for your phone or from the city website, or call city hall, 952.960.7900.

State and county roads should be reported to those jurisdictions. See "I Want To: Report" on the city website for links to those reporting sites.

Active Planning Applications

See Active Applications under Planning and Building on the city website for links and more information.

Active Development Applications			
Location	Type of Application	Tentative Review Schedule*	
		Planning Commission	City Council
5815 Country Club Road	Home occupation permit renewal	05/05/2020	05/25/2020
20940 Ivy Lane	Variance for garage expansion	TBD	TBD
5815 Howard's Point Road	Variance to front setback	TBD	TBD

Other Projects			
Project and location	Phase	Tentative Review Schedule*	
		Planning Commission	City Council
Fire Lane Study: 10 sites	Surveying	Tours in May (tentative)	
Comp Plan Update: citywide	Incorporating Met Council comments	06/02/2020	06/22/2020
Zoning/subdivision regulation updates: citywide	discussion stage	05/05/2020	not set
Mill Street trail	feasibility study complete	not set	not set



Summer *in* #ShorewoodParks

Due to the unknown COVID19 situation, please watch the June newsletter or the city website for changes, virtual events or cancellations.

Register at www.ci.shorewood.mn.us/parks or call city hall at 952.960.7900 unless otherwise directed.

Freeman Park @ Eddy Station
6000 Eureka Road

MCE Summer Rec Program

Tuesday's: June 16 - August 11, 9 a.m. – Noon
Wednesday's: June 17 - August 12, 9a.m. – Noon
Thursday's: June 18 - August 13, 9:00 am – Noon.
For more information: www.minnetonkaschools.org/

Pollinator Program

Friday, June 26, 10 -11 a.m. at Eddy Station
Registration required

Learn who bees are, why they're important, what's going on with them and how you can help. Try on a beekeeping suit, sample some honey and observe the hive of live honeybees.

Kite Making

Friday, July 10, 10 a.m. – Noon; \$5 per child; ages 7-11
Registration required

Make a 28" tall x 35" wide sled kite and learn kite flying safety tips.

Young Explorer's Nature Camp

Wednesday, August 5, Noon - 4 p.m.; \$5 per child; ages 8-13
Get the kids outside for an afternoon of exciting recreation activities! Find hidden treasure while geocaching, discover your balancing skills on the slackline, cook a tasty treat over a fire and build an awesome outdoor shelter! This program is offered in partnership with Carver County Parks.

Save the date!

South Lake Safety Camp

Kids entering grades 3-5
Wednesday, August 12
8:15 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Manor Park
20630 Manor Road

Paint, Paper Scissors

Wednesday, July 1, 10-11:30 a.m.
Watch for details online or in the next ShoreReport.

Bubble Science with Science Explorers

Wednesday, July 15, 10 – 11:30 a.m.; \$5 per child;
kids entering grades 1-5; Registration required
Take bubble making to the extreme through hands-on learning. Explore surface tension, why bubbles form spheres and how bubbles behave.

Paint, Paper Scissors

Friday, August 7, 10 – 11:30 a.m.; \$5 per child
Registration required
Kite painting with paper kite cutouts for a 3-dimensional project.

Crazy Catapults with Science Explorers

Wednesday, August 19, 10 – 11:30 a.m.; \$5 per child;
kids entering grades 1-5; Registration required
Join Science Explorers for Crazy Catapults. Investigate science and learn about energy and Newton's Laws of Motion. Discuss technology and engineering and build simple catapults using math to practice skills of trajectory against a castle wall.

Badger Park

5745 Country Club Rd

Dog Days of Shorewood

Saturday, June 20, 9 - 11 a.m.
Have a dog? Bring them along! Don't have a dog but love them? Come enjoy the pups! Fun events for pets and their humans, vendors and giveaways! Details online, www.ci.shorewood.mn.us/parks.

Orienteering & Navigation Games

Friday, August 14, 10:00-11:30; Grades 3 and up \$5 per child
Registration required

Knowing how to navigate is a life skill. Learn how to make quick decisions and solve problems. Navigation games and challenges are a fun way to practice how to move around confidently.



The center is closed during the state shelter in place order. Please refer to the community center website for information on the reopening of the center and on many virtual opportunities for all ages.

Planting Challenge



See our weekly planting challenges and post pictures of your seeds sprouting! By the end of the summer we should have quite a garden to share. Go to ShorewoodCEC.com under Activities>Art and Garden for the latest challenge.

PenPals & Parks

No matter what your age, write a PenPal letter, send it to the community center and you are guaranteed a return letter in our PenPal program. Letters will also be posted on park bulletin boards to share the joy. Send letters to 5735 Country Club Road, Shorewood, 55331, or drop in the utility payment box at city hall.



Photo Scavange

Go to the SCEC website under Activities>Scavenger Hunt for the list of photos to recreate. A list of prizes for meeting the challenge is also online.



Summer in #ShorewoodParks

Watch the city website, ci.shorewood.mn.us under Parks for updates due to the COVID19 pandemic.



STEP TO IT

Get active with your community! May 1 to May 28

Do you have a competitive spirit? Do you want a fun and easy way to kick start a springtime exercise program? Then the four-week Step To It Challenge is for you! Step to it is an activity challenge that motivates people of all ages and abilities to become more physically active during the month of May. This fun, free, four-week challenge encourages all residents to be physically active as local communities engage in a friendly competition to determine which is the most active. Register at steptoit.org and help Shorewood be the top Hennepin participating city. Don't forget to take pictures of your activity and post to the city Facebook page with #ShorewoodSteps!

Music in the Freeman Park

Shalo Lee Band

Thursday, July 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Bring lawn chairs, blanket, snacks and family and enjoy the great country rock sound of Shalo Lee and her band. This popular band has been a sound of joy to Shorewood for many years. Should COVID-19 restrictions be in place, watch the city website under Parks for updates on a social distancing or virtual concert.



Movie in the Freeman Park

Friday, August 28, dusk (approximately 8 p.m.)

Back to the Future (PG)



All ages love this movie starring Michael J. Fox and Christopher Lloyd. After mad scientist 'Doc' Brown demonstrates his DeLorean time machine to high-schooler Marty McFly, Marty inadvertently winds up in the year 1955. Stuck in the past, Marty seeks out Doc to find a way back to the '80s. But when Marty's actions prevent his parents' chance meeting, he must play matchmaker to make them fall in love—or he'll be erased from existence. Should COVID-19 restrictions be in place, watch the city website under Parks for updates on a social distancing options for the movie.

See the city website under Parks for many virtual activities and challenges for the entire family!