

CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET



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POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY – Mayor Strand has proclaimed May 15th as “POLICE OFFICER MEMORIAL DAY” in the City of Saint



Peter in recognition of the service our Officers provide to the community and their commitment to protecting those they serve. Police Week has also been proclaimed by Mayor Strand as the week surrounding this special day.

The holiday was created in 1961 when Congress asked the President to designate May 15th to honor peace officers. President Kennedy signed the legislation into law on October 1, 1962. In 1994, President Clinton added to the tradition when he ordered United States flags to be flown at half-mast in recognition of those law enforcement officers who made the ultimate sacrifice. The City of Saint Peter will lower flags to half-mast on May 15th to recognize our Officer's and all those who give so much to protect us.

Saint Peter residents are encouraged to recognize and thank our local Police Officers for their commitment to keeping us all safe as we honor their sacrifices on Police Officer Memorial Day.



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ADMINISTRATOR TODD
PRAFKE – Comprehensive
Plan and future
growth.....Have you ever
looked at the great maps
included in the Saint Peter**

Comprehensive Plan? They show lots of stuff, but let me focus on one of the big things I see in the map shown here.

It shows, in the white urbanized area, about 2,800 acres of land that we live, work and have parks and other things on. It shows the area, between that

urbanized area and the second bluff (the area in yellow), that the city can grow into in the future. That area is about 2,300 acres. The image shown here is one that I have started spending some discussion time on as I do the rounds speaking to Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis and others.

In rough numbers, we now I have 11,000 people on 2,800 acres. If we extrapolate a similar population density in the yellow “yet to be developed” area, you can project space for another 7,000 folks.

If that were to occur it would make our population about 18,000 and then we are full up.....no room at the inn.....no vacancy.

What is interesting to me is that as we look at transportation, electric, water and wastewater needs and the conservation that all of you have done when we built those things, we were required to plan for about 18,000 people or so. With conservation we end up being in the ballpark relative to the largest of expenditures and the overall capacity we have for those utilities. Not that it doesn't mean we will never have to make improvement to meet new standards or add additional treatment or build a bigger road, but it does mean we are on a pretty good planning track.

The next question might be how do we allow growth to happen that meets our goals but which



doesn't wreak havoc on the wonderful community we have going now?

It makes me wonder.....



PETS OF THE WEEK – The Saint Peter Police Department is seeking adoptive families for a white female Chihuahua and four adorable little kittens.

If you can help any of the animals in the pound find a forever home, please contact



Community Service Officer Malinda Meyer at the Police Department (931-1550), or Alaina at Kind Veterinary Clinic at 931-4700 during regular business hours.



All animals are spayed/neutered and up-to-date on vaccinations before being adopted out.

COMMUNITY CENTER HOURS CHANGING - Beginning Friday, May 3rd, the Community Center weekend hours will change for the spring season. During the month of May, the building will close at 6 p.m. on Fridays. On Saturdays the building will open at 8 a.m. and close earlier at 4 p.m. The building will be closed on Sundays. Please note that the Community Center will be closed over the Memorial Day weekend, (May 25th, 26th and 27th).

Official summer hours begin on Saturday, June 1st and run through Labor Day weekend. The building will open at 6 a.m. Monday through Thursday and close at 8 p.m. On Fridays, hours will be 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday hours will correspond to the Library hours - Saturday 9 a.m.–4 p.m. and the building will be closed on Sundays (except for reservations).

If you have any questions, or to inquire about room rentals, please contact the Recreation and Leisure Services Department, Suite 200 of the Community Center, call 934-0667, or email heidis@saintpetermn.gov. Hours are also listed on the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov.

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DOG LICENSE DEADLINE MISSED – Many, many dog owners in Saint Peter missed the April 30th deadline for licensing their pets. That doesn't mean they don't have

to get a license, but it does mean they will pay even more.

In addition to the license fee, dog owners will now have to pay an additional \$5 late fee. And if they do not license the dog by May 17th, they will have to pay both the license and late fee and will be cited by the Police Department for having an unlicensed dog.

If you are one of these pet owners, please stop down at the Community Development Department at City Hall today and get your pet licensed. You'll need written proof from your vet that the animal is current on rabies vaccinations.

And, in the unfortunate situation where the dog has died, please call the Community Development Department at 934-0661 and let staff know.



FLUORESCENT BULB RECYCLING-

Saint Peter residential and small business (for profit with less than 20 full-time employees) utility customers are eligible for free fluorescent bulb recycling on Wednesday, May 8th between 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

The recycling event will take place at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, east entrance, located at 400 West Saint Julien Street. Customers are asked to have the bulbs in the original package if possible and to not tape bulbs together. CFL's contain hazardous materials and must be disposed of properly by recycling.

UPCOMING CLEAN UP OPPORTUNITIES – The City, in conjunction with the Tri-County Solid Waste Office, has arranged for the following opportunities for Saint Peter residents to clean-up their properties this spring. If you have materials to dispose of, you'll want to take note of these dates and times....

- Household Hazardous Waste - Saturday, May 18th, 9 am-2 pm - Tri-County Solid Waste Office is sponsoring this collection event for residents of the tri-county area. This household hazardous waste collection will take place at the Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 400 West St. Julien Street. Residents must show proof of residence for this free event. Vehicles will enter on Swift Street (by the Armory) and exit onto St.



Julien Street. Materials that will be collected at no charge include paint, stains, rechargeable batteries, fluorescent bulbs, lawn and garden chemicals, old gasoline, mercury thermometers and thermostats. Contact Tri-County Solid

Waste office (507-381-9196) for questions on this collection.

- **Bicycle Recycling** – The City has arranged for bicycle recycling for Saint Peter residents on Saturday, May 18th, between the hours of 9:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, 400 West St. Julien Street. All bicycles and bike parts will be accepted. The bikes will be refurbished or recycled by an area non-profit organization depending on condition.



- **Appliance and Electronics Collection** - Saturday, May 18th, 9:00 am–2:00 pm for residents of Nicollet County. Appliance and electronics will be collected at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Vehicles should enter on Swift Street (by the Armory) and exit onto St. Julien Street. Electronics that



will be accepted include TVs, computer equipment, VCR/CD/DVD, stereo, copier, cell phone, boom box, fax machine, etc. Appliances that

will be accepted include washers, dryers, hot water heaters, stoves, furnaces, microwaves, dehumidifiers, refrigerators, freezers and air conditioners. Appliances must be empty to be accepted. Charges for this electronics and appliances collection at the Wastewater Treatment Plant are listed on the City's website at <http://www.saintpetermn.gov/news/spring-cleaning-opportunities-saint-peter-residents>.

The contractor may reject any appliances that do not conform to their permit requirements.

- **Curbside Appliance Collection** – The City is offering a curbside appliance pickup for Saint Peter residents on Friday, June 7th. Cost is \$15.00 for each appliance and residents must pre-register and pay for their appliance collection at the Finance Department at City Hall, 227 South Front Street by Wednesday, June 5th. Appliances must be curbside by 8:00 am on the collection date or the fee will be forfeited.



- **Curbside Furniture Collection** – The City is offering a curbside appliance pickup for Saint Peter residents on Saturday, June 8th. Prices are available on the City's website at



<http://www.saintpetermn.gov/news/spring-cleaning-opportunities-saint-peter-residents>.

Residents must pre-register and pay for their furniture collection at the Finance Department at City Hall, 227 South Front Street by Wednesday, June 5th. Furniture must be curbside by 8:00 am on the collection date or the fee will be forfeited.

HELP WANTED – The City of Saint Peter is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

- **HOSPITAL CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** - River's Edge Hospital and Clinic in Saint Peter, Minnesota. River's Edge Hospital and Clinic is a 17 acute care bed facility with two clinic locations in St. Peter and Le Center. Successful candidates will have leadership, long range strategic planning skills and have experience in managing a budget process, planning net revenue and cash flow to ensure financial viability. Interested candidates are asked to visit the Hospital's website at www.riversedgehealth.org and click on the career tab, CEO Position Profile to submit an online application. Applicants must **also** submit a resume to barbaral@saintpetermn.gov. Applications and resumes will be accepted through May 31, 2013. For more information contact Jackie Kimmet, Rivers Edge Director of Human Resources at 507-934-7604 or City Administrator Todd Prafke at 507-934-0663.
- **TRANSIT COORDINATOR** - MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: High school diploma or equivalent; Possession of a valid State of Minnesota Class C or D driver's license; Basic knowledge of vehicle mechanics and functions; One year of management experience; Knowledge of word processing and spreadsheet operations; Experience working with the public. DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS: Training in vehicle mechanics; previous bus driving experience in municipal or educational setting; previous computer experience. Starting wage \$17.79 per hour. Applicants are required to complete a City application form which is available from the City Administrator's office at 227 South Front Street between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon and 1-5 p.m. or by calling (507)934-0663. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator's office by 5:00 p.m. May 10, 2013. Faxed, emailed, and/or late applications will not be accepted.
- **PART-TIME BUS DRIVER** - MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: High school diploma or equivalent; possession of valid State of Minnesota Drivers' license. DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS: Experience working with

the public; experience operating two-way radio/phones; training in vehicle mechanics; previous bus driving experience. This position is approximately 10 hours per week. Starting wage \$13.52 per hour. Applicants are required to complete a City application form which is available from the City Administrator's office at

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CITY MEETING CALENDAR - This calendar is subject to change. Should you have a question on a meeting date/time, please contact the City Administrator's Office at 934-0663 or visit the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov.

Monday	May 13	5:00 p.m.		Human Rights Commission
Monday	May 13	7:00 p.m.		City Council Meeting
Tuesday	May 14	6:00 p.m.		Library Board
Wednesday	May 15			POLICE OFFICER'S MEMORIAL DAY
Monday	May 20	5:30 p.m.		City Council Workshop Session
Monday	May 20	7:00 p.m.		Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Thursday	May 23	12:00 noon		Economic Development Authority
Friday	May 24	8:00 a.m.		Tourism and Visitor's Bureau
Monday	May 27			MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY – City Offices Closed
Tuesday	May 28	7:00 p.m.		City Council Meeting
Wednesday	May 29	12:00 noon		Hospital Commission
Wednesday	May 29	5:30 p.m.		Heritage Preservation Commission
Monday	June 3	3:30 p.m.		Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Monday	June 3	5:30 p.m.		City Council Workshop Session
Tuesday	June 4	5:30 p.m.		Planning and Zoning Commission
Monday	June 10	5:00 p.m.		Human Rights Commission
Monday	June 10	7:00 p.m.		City Council Meeting
Monday	June 17	5:30 p.m.		City Council Meeting
Monday	June 17	7:00 p.m.		Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Monday	June 24	7:00 p.m.		City Council Meeting
Tuesday	June 24	5:30 p.m.		Heritage Preservation Commission
Wednesday	June 25	12:00 p.m.		Hospital Commission
Thursday	June 26	12:00 noon		Economic Development Authority

Friday

June 27

8:00 a.m.

Tourism and Visitors Bureau