CITY OF SAINT PETER, MINNESOTA
AGENDA AND NOTICE OF MEETING

City Council Goal Session, Monday, June 6, 2022
Governors’ Room, Community Center – 3:00 p.m.
The Council will recess from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

I. WELCOME
II. RULES FOR THE DAY
III. LEGACY GAME
IV. DISCUSSION
   A. Issues of Vital Importance
   B. SMMPA on Future of Power Mix
   C. Solar Development
   D. Park/Stormwater Connection
   E. Property Cleanup Ordinance Review
   F. DEI Community Conversations and Training
   G. ARP Funding Review/Plan
   H. The Big Picture Review
   I. Enterprise Fund Updates/Capital Plan Impact
   J. Housing Update
   K. North Industrial Park Activity
   L. Comprehensive Plan and Climate Change
   M. Organizational Health
   N. City Communication Reviews
   O. Brainstorming New Things You May Have Interest In
   P. Setting Priorities

V. ADJOURNMENT

Todd Prefke
City Administrator
I. WELCOME

II. RULES FOR THE DAY

Typically, the Council will take a few moments to review the brainstorming rules. We might also delve into "Hurling Day" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C0vxyxELdaUY, its inner deeper secret meaning ☺️, and generally visit about how your time will be spent together.

III. LEGACY GAME

Each Councilmember was asked to answer a series of questions as preparation for a "Legacy Game" at your goal session. Try to think of this as fun ☺️. I hope to follow-up on the answers you gave me at your last goal session. I believe this is an important part of the process as it allows you opportunity to express some of your ideas and to share with one another what you see as goals and important discussion topics for your group and the community.

IV. DISCUSSION

A. ISSUES OF VITAL IMPORTANCE

A review of these values and discussion about what they mean to you and where you might want these or modified values to take you.

B. SMMPA ON FUTURE OF POWER MIX

Our friends and SMMPA partners in electric provision will be at your meeting to provide a short update. My goal for your discussion is to better know each other and to hear much more about SMMPA's movement - substantial movement - towards renewable energy resources. This link may be an easy way to see a bit more https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ckI5TJcMblq

C. SOLAR DEVELOPMENT

Our SMMPA partners will further discuss the solar development opportunity that you have been discussing for the last two years near the wastewater treatment plant facility. My goal for the discussion is for us to better understand the SMMPA process, how this would impact your utility and customers, and a timeline to move forward.

D. PARK/STORMWATER CONNECTION

This is an item that has been requested by the City Council. My goal for this discussion is to review some of your thoughts and staff's thoughts and plans related to stormwater development as an amenity and how we can develop projects that benefit the community not only aesthetically but environmentally as well.
E. PROPERTY CLEANUP ORDINANCE REVIEW

You will find included in the packet a copy of your nuisance ordinance. I also plan to provide some photographs of some of our most challenged properties at your meeting. My goal for this discussion is to update you on these properties and how we are approaching efforts to clean up with the properties. It is also my hope to give you a better understanding of the challenges that are faced legally and receive your input related to how you would like us to treat property owners that find themselves failing to meet the requirements of the ordinance and facing enforcement action.

F. DEI COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS AND TRAINING

This discussion will be a short update on the community conversations process and where we are relative to additional staff training or not :) https://www.saintpetermn.gov/528/Community-Conversations

G. ARP FUNDING REVIEW-PLAN

I hope to review the last documentation and discussion from the Council related to these funds and discuss that and future opportunities relative to utilization of these funds. As you may remember the funds have time limits attached to them.

H. THE BIG PICTURE REVIEW

This agenda item and the previous item are in some ways interconnected. My goal for your discussion is to review the big picture list and provide opportunity for discussion about prioritization in both time and funding. I also think it will help provide additional information related to the need for projects and how it interconnects with other activities you have within the city.

I. ENTERPRISE FUND UPDATES/CAPITAL PLAN IMPACT

1. Electric Fund
2. Water Fund
3. Wastewater Fund
4. Stormwater Fund

My goal for this discussion is to expand on your previous discussions related to long term funding which includes not only reserves and reserve targets as we discussed last time, but a look forward relative to capital improvement plans and future funding needs including potential debt issuance. As you may recall we have discussed this as a part of providing a higher-level view of the current and future financial position of the City General Fund and some of its’ larger enterprise funds.
J. HOUSING UPDATE

A review of some of the data and discussion about potential for housing and the importance of housing as it relates to economic development. My goal is to give you an update and solicit your thoughts focusing on the single-family development project that includes the School District, the St. Peter Development Corporation and other partners.

K. NORTH INDUSTRIAL PARK ACTIVITY

My goal for your discussion is to provide some history, current status, and an update on what staff sees as future opportunities within the North Industrial Park. I also hope to discuss the future of industrial space within and near the city. As some may know, citing industrial space can be a challenge and my hope is to point towards the Comprehensive Plan and provide history on the thought process of your latest Plan and previous plans.

L. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND CLIMATE CHANGE

This topic was suggested by multiple Councilmembers. My goal for your discussion is to very briefly review the value of, and what a comprehensive plan does. I also hope to start your discussion on setting the community up for a review and rewrite of this important plan in the next few years. It may be important to also review how the Plan impacts other issues that you regularly discuss. The discussion of climate change being attached to this plan is a relatively new and emerging issue. However, my goal will be to solicit your input as to how these things can be interconnected and whether you want to pursue your sustainability efforts here or in other ways which you have already started. The current plan can be found behind this link. https://www.saintpetermn.gov/DocumentCenter/View/119/2016-Comprehensive-Plan-PDF

M. ORGANIZATIONAL HEALTH

This is that time when we discuss our relationships and our ability to work within a group consensus model. It’s an opportunity to talk about how we treat each other and also about pure organizational structure issues that lie outside of the Council/Staff and Council/Council relationships and discuss staff morale, challenges and employment policy issues.

N. CITY COMMUNICATION REVIEWS

This is a regular agenda item where we discuss your communications and your goals and your review for how the communications may meet your needs and wants relative to keeping the community informed of what the City does and how we do it. Please find attached copies of some of our regular forms of communication.
O. BRAINSTORMING NEW THINGS YOU MAY HAVE INTEREST IN

This is the time set aside for you all to talk about what things you may be looking for in the future - future goals, future activities, future modification and things you already have in the works. This is really the time for you to stretch.

P. SETTING PRIORITIES

An effort to make sure we leave with the same ideas about priorities for work to be completed and so I can write the report for your Council meeting and make sure we are going in the direction you have collectively set.

V. ADJOURN

Office of the City Administrator
Todd Prafke
LIST OF VITAL IMPORTANCE

Saint Peter sees Vital Importance as striving to be…
  • a community that treats all people like neighbors
  • proactive in housing solutions
  • committed to providing quality health care
  • supportive of a thriving and sustainable business community
  • acting on the changes in our demographics
  • promoting an aesthetically distinctive community
  • always improving on environmental sustainability
  • a community that prioritizes available early childhood care, educational opportunities, and exceptional schools

Adopted 2020
Moving to a Less Carbon-Intensive Portfolio

2021 Capacity Mix

- Coal 39%
- Natural Gas 15%
- Renewables 23%
- Fuel Oil 8%
- Demand Side Management, 15%

Evolution of Energy Mix

- Coal
- Renewables
- Purchases
- Natural Gas
- Fuel Oil

Year:
- 2008
- 2009
- 2021
- 2031
Sec. 30-90. - Junk cars, household furnishings and appliances stored on public or private property.

It is unlawful to park or store any unlicensed, unregistered or inoperable vehicles, household furnishings or appliances on public or private property for more than 24 hours after written notice to the owner, unless housed within a lawfully erected building, and any violation is hereby declared a nuisance.

(Code 1989, § 10.81)
ARTICLE IX.- PUBLIC NUISANCES

Footnotes:
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State Law reference— Municipal authority to define nuisances and provide for their prevention or abatement, M.S. § 412.221.

Sec. 30-232. - Maintaining a public nuisance.

Whoever by his act or failure to perform a legal duty intentionally does any of the following is guilty of maintaining a public nuisance:

(1) Maintains or permits a condition which unreasonably annoys, injures, or endangers the safety, health, morals, comfort, or repose of any considerable number of members of the public;
(2) Interferes with, obstructs, or renders dangerous for passage, any public street or right-of-way, or waters used by the public; or
(3) Is guilty of any other act or omission declared by law or this article to be a public nuisance and for which no sentence is specifically provided.

(Code 1989, § 10.55(subd. 1); Ord. No. 124(2nd Ser.), § 2, 11-24-1986)

Sec. 30-233. - Unlawful act.

It is unlawful for any person to knowingly cause or create a nuisance, or permit any nuisance to be created or placed upon or to remain upon any premises owned or occupied by him.

(Code 1989, § 10.55(subd. 8); Ord. No. 124(2nd Ser.), § 2, 11-24-1986)

Sec. 30-234. - Health.

The following are hereby declared to be nuisances affecting health:

(1) Exposed accumulation of decayed or unwholesome food or vegetable matter;
(2) All diseased animals running at large;
(3) All ponds or pools of stagnant water;
(4) Carcasses of animals not buried or destroyed within 24 hours after death;
(5) Accumulations of manure, refuse, or other debris;
(6) Privy vaults and garbage cans which are not rodent free or fly tight or which are so maintained as to constitute a health hazard or to emit foul and disagreeable odors;
(7) Discharge of sewage, industrial waste, or other wastes from either point or nonpoint sources into any public well or cistern, or waters of the State so as to cause any nuisance conditions, such as the presence of significant amounts of floating solids, scum, visible oil film, excessive suspended solids, material discoloration, obnoxious odors, gas ebullition, deleterious sludge deposits, undesirable slimes or fungus growths, aquatic habitat degradation, excessive growths of aquatic plants, or other offensive or harmful effects.
(8) Throwing, depositing, placing, leaving, maintaining, or keeping any stockpiled material, refuse, rubbish, garbage waste, or any discarded or abandoned objects, articles, or accumulations, in or upon any street, alley, sidewalk, drain, inlet, catch basin, conduit or drainage structure, business place, or upon any public or private plot of land that it might inhibit proper stormwater drainage or become a pollutant, except when in containers, recycling other lawfully established waste disposal receptacles for scheduled collection.

(9) All noxious weeds and other rank growths of vegetation upon public or private property;

(10) Dense smoke, noxious fumes, gas and soot, or cinders, in unreasonable quantities;

(11) All public exposure of persons having a contagious disease; or

(12) Any offensive trade or business as defined by statute not operating under local license.

(CODE 1989, § 10.55(subd. 2); Ord. No. 124(2nd Ser.), § 2, 11-24-1986; Ord. No. 15(3rd Ser.), § 1, 3-23-2015)

Sec. 30-235. - Morals and decency.

The following are hereby declared to be nuisances affecting public morals decency:

(1) All gambling devices, slot machines, and punchboards, except as otherwise permitted by this Code.

(2) Betting, bookmaking, and all apparatus used in such occupations;

(3) All houses kept for the purpose of prostitution or promiscuous sexual intercourse, gambling houses, houses of ill fame, and bawdy houses;

(4) All places where intoxicating liquor is manufactured or disposed of in violation of law or where, in violation of law, persons are permitted to resort for the purpose of drinking intoxicating liquor, or where intoxicating liquor is kept for sale or other disposition in violation of law, and all liquor and other property used for maintaining such a place;

(5) Any vehicle used for the transportation of intoxicating liquor, or for promiscuous sexual intercourse, or any other immoral or illegal purpose.

(CODE 1989, § 10.55(subd. 3); Ord. No. 124(2nd Ser.), § 2, 11-24-1986)

Sec. 30-236. - Peace and safety.

The following are declared to be nuisances affecting public peace and safety:

(1) All trees, hedges, billboards, or other obstructions that prevent persons from having a clear view of all traffic approaching an intersection;

(2) All wires and limbs of trees which are so close to the surface of a sidewalk or street as to constitute a danger to pedestrians or vehicles;

(3) All unnecessary noises and annoying vibrations;

(4) Obstructions and excavations affecting the ordinary use by the public streets, alleys, sidewalks, or public grounds, except under such conditions as are permitted by this Code or other applicable law;

(5) Radio aerials or television antennas erected or maintained in a dangerous manner.

(6) Any use of property abutting on a public street or sidewalk or any use of a public street or sidewalk which causes large crowds of people to gather, obstructing traffic and the free use of the street or sidewalk;
All hanging signs, awnings, and other similar structures over streets and sidewalks so situated so as to enda
safety, or not constructed and maintained as provided by this Code;

The allowing of rainwater, ice, or snow to fall from any building or structure upon any street or sidewalk
or to flow across any sidewalk;

Any barbed wire fence less than six feet above the ground and within three feet of a public sidewalk or
way;

All dangerous, unguarded machinery in any public place, or so situated or operated on private property
so as to attract the public;

Wastewater cast upon or permitted to flow upon streets to other public property;

Accumulations in the open of discarded or disused machinery, household appliances, automobile bodies
unregistered or inoperable, household furnishings, or other material, or the rank growth of vegetation
among the items so accumulated, or in a manner creating fire, health, or safety hazards from such
accumulations;

Any well, hole, or similar excavation which is left uncovered or in such other condition as to constitute a
hazard to any child or other person coming on the premises where it is located;

Obstruction to the free flow of water in a natural waterway or a public street drain, gutter, or ditch with
trash or other materials;

The placing or throwing on any street, sidewalk, or other public property of any glass, tacks, nails, bottles,
or other substance which may injure any person or animal or damage any pneumatic tire when passing
over such substance;

The depositing of garbage or refuse on a public right-of-way or on adjacent private property;

All other conditions or things those are likely to cause injury to the person or property of anyone.

(Code 1989, § 10.55(subd. 9); Ord. No. 124(2nd Ser.), § 2, 11-24-1986)

Sec. 30-237. - Duties of city officers.

The City Clerk-Administrator or his designated department head or official shall enforce the provisions of this article.
The Police Department shall enforce provisions relating to nuisances as appropriate and shall assist the other
designated officers in enforcement of provisions of this section. Such officers shall have the power to inspect private
premises and take all reasonable precautions to prevent the commission and maintenance of public nuisances.

(Code 1989, § 10.55(subd. 5); Ord. No. 124(2nd Ser.), § 2, 11-24-1986)

Sec. 30-238. - Abatement.

Subd. 1. Whenever the officer charged with enforcement determines that a public nuisance is being maintained or
exists on premises in the City, the officer shall notify, in writing, the owner or occupant of the premises of
such fact and order that such nuisance be terminated and abated. The notice shall be served in person or by
certified or registered mail. If the premises are not occupied and the owner is unknown or should the
property owner refuse to accept the in person or mailed notice, the notice may be served by posting it on the
premises. The notice shall specify the steps to be taken to abate the nuisance and the time, not exceeding 30
days, within which the nuisance is to be abated. If the nuisance activity is on a property with an active City permit, the enforcement actions available under that permit shall be immediately invoked upon failure to comply with the notice.

Subd. 2. If the notice is not complied with within the time specified, the enforcing officer shall report that fact forthwith to the City Clerk-Administrator. Thereafter the Clerk-Administrator may, after notice to the owner or occupant and an opportunity to be heard, provide for abating the nuisance by the City. The notice shall be served in the same manner as notice by the enforcing officer is served and shall be given at least ten days before the date stated in the notice when the City will consider the matter. If notice is given by posting, at least 30 days shall elapse between the date of posting and hearing.

Subd. 3. If the notice is not complied with within the time specified, the enforcing officer shall report that fact forthwith to the City Clerk-Administrator. Thereafter the City may pursue the legal remedies provided by statute in accordance with this article.

(Code 1989, § 10.55(subd. 6); Ord. No. 124(2nd Ser.), § 2, 11-24-1986; Ord. No. 15(3rd Ser.), § 2, 3-23-2015)

Sec. 30-239. - Recovery of cost.

Subd. 1. Personal liability. The owner of premises on which a nuisance has been abated by the City shall be personally liable for the cost to the City of the abatement, including administrative costs. As soon as the work has been completed and the cost determined, the City Clerk-Administrator or other official designated shall prepare a bill for the cost and mail it to the owner. Thereupon the amount shall be immediately due and payable at the office of the City Clerk-Administrator.

Subd. 2. Assessment. If the nuisance is a public health or safety hazard on private property, the accumulation of snow and ice on public sidewalks, the growth of weeds on private property or outside the traveled portions of streets, or unsound or insect-infected trees, the Clerk-Administrator shall, on or before September 1 next following abatement of the nuisance, list the total unpaid charges along with all other such charges as well as other charges for current services to be assessed under M.S. § 429.101 against each separate lot or parcel to which the charges are attributable. The Council may then spread the charges against such property under that statute and other pertinent statutes for certification to the County Auditor and collection along with current taxes the following year or in annual installments, not exceeding ten, as the Council may determine in each case.

(Code 1989, § 10.55(subd. 7); Ord. No. 124(2nd Ser.), § 2, 11-24-1986)

Secs. 30-240—30-256. - Reserved.
TO: Honorable Mayor Nowell  
Members of the City Council  

FROM: Todd Prafke  
City Administrator  

RE: American Rescue Act Funding Update  

ACTION/RECOMMENDATION  

None needed. For your information and discussion only.  

BACKGROUND  

As you may be aware, the City of Saint Peter received approximately $1,200,000 in funding in American Rescue Act money. The rules provide that payments from the Fund may only be used to cover costs that help the US economy recover from COVID-19 economic downturn. We will get this money in two installments.  

We have discussed this issue on a number of occasions. My goal for your discussion at the goal session continues to be to update you and provide opportunity for you to prioritize use of these funds.  

Our effort so far has been to identify uses that fall within the rules focusing first on activities and programs already in place, and then looking at ways to effectively use these dollars for the benefit of the community, community members and the City organization. In addition we have consulted with your audit firm related to their understanding of the rules and what they see in other communities.  

The list of projects or current or ongoing activities we have identified to date are:  

- Responding to the public health emergency.  
- Responding to the negative economic impacts of the pandemic.  
- Premium pay for essential workers.  
- Revenue replacement for the provision of government services to the extent the reduction in revenue is due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency  
- Help address the disparate impact of COVID-19 on certain populations and geographies  
  - Promote healthy childhood environments  
- Investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure
A really high-level review of eligible expenses can be found at https://www.lmc.org/resources/american-rescue-plan-act-of-2021-info-for-cities/#Q4

I proposed the use of funding as follows:

- Township Road 361 Stormwater portion of project - $200,000 (investments in water, sewer)
- Parks equipment repairs and upgrades - $300,000 (promoting healthy childhood environments)
- Safe Routes to Schools - $150,000 (promoting healthy childhood environments)
- Brown Street Detention Basins - $400,000 (investments in water, sewer)
- Yet to be determined - $214,000
- Others you may have

The Council, at a Goal Session late last year, suggested modifications as follows.

- Township Road 361 Stormwater portion of project - $200,000 (investments in water, sewer)
- Parks equipment repairs and upgrades - $300,000 (promoting healthy childhood environments)
- Safe Routes to Schools - $150,000 (promoting healthy childhood environments)
- Water Distribution Work - undetermined dollar amount (investments in water and/or sewer)

The committed amount is $650,000 of an estimated $1,200,000.

It may also be important to remember that as a part of the Fire Station project a number of members mentioned or questioned whether ARP funds could be used to cover what at this point appears to be an approximate $450,000 overrun related to the Fire Station construction budget. I do not have new or improved numbers on the Fire Station project at this point, but we will have additional information within the next month or two. I think $450,000 is a very good planning number for now.

One area of use you discussed was potential business assistance related forgiveness of COVID loans. In your last round of COVID assistance you provided about $700,000 in loans and grants. While businesses can use additional funding at any time and funding like you have used in the past is certainly eligible, our businesses seem to be doing okay and my target has been to help a broader population with these funds by investing in currently identified projects that inject money into the local economy or offset cost for infrastructure.

All that said, I am not against putting some of these dollars into business assistance programs. I just see a different priority than we may have implemented previously. Please also remember there is about $650,000 which is not yet "earmarked" in this memo which could be used. This issue seems to have been removed from consideration in past discussion, but my goal is to check to ensure an overt discussion that takes place.

My goal for your meeting is to provide you with an update on potential uses for funding and solicit input from the Council. Based on your discussion and input it would be my goal to start moving various actions through the Council so that we can complete expending the dollars on eligible uses prior to the deadline for use.
One last note. My recommendations are viewing this through a lens of being good stewards of resources and a conservative application of the Federal requirements. That means we are not trying to be overly clever because we do not want to be in a position of spending these dollars and then being audited later only to find out the expenditure does not meet the criteria under the rules. We want to avoid putting ourselves into a position where we have to pay money back.

Of course, there are a thousand different ways to slice and dice use of these funds. This discussion is intended to move you towards a final determination on use of these funds.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about this agenda item.

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Annual Debt Payments by Fund and Total

Debt Payments by Fund

- CIP
- Water
- WasteWater
- StormWater
- Electric
- Levy
- TIF
- MSA
- TOTAL DEBT PAYMENTS
- CIP

Total $ Debt Payments

- 6,000,000
- 5,000,000
- 4,000,000
- 3,000,000
- 2,000,000
- 1,000,000

Years: 2019 to 2043
WasteWater Fund Key Indicators

- Revenue
- Operating Income
- Expenditures
- Capital Expenditures
- Unrestricted Cash
- Goal Unrestricted Cash (Avg Expend)

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S 295' of Outlot F | 107,593.20 | 2.47 | St. Peter Clinic Partners |
Outlot F | 805,555.00 | 18.49 | $845,832.83 |
Outlot G / Various RLS's | 1,217,589.12 | 27.95 | Rivers Edge Campus |
POLICE RESERVE OFFICER RECOGNITION – Long-time Police Reserve Officers Mary and Nick Klaseus were honored for their service to the community at the May 23, 2022 regular City Council meeting.

Nick Klaseus began his career on the Police Reserve in 1997 and became Reserve Chief in 2001. Mary Klaseus began her career in 2004 and has served as Captain since 2014. Each of them volunteered thousands of hours during their careers to help the Police Department with community events, securing crime scenes and assisting Officers with patrol duties. Their efforts were invaluable to the men and women of the Police Department.

Several members of the Police Department were on hand to witness their recognition and to thank Nick and Mary for their dedicated and unwavering service to the Police Department and to the St. Peter community as they retire from the Police Reserves.

On behalf of the City Council, City staff, and the residents of Saint Peter, thank you Mary and Nick for your many years of service and best wishes for an enjoyable retirement!

SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION TURNOUT – Saint Peter has long had a tradition of high voter turnout…at least until yesterday’s special primary election to fill the remainder of former Congressman Jim Hagedorn’s term.

Overall, Saint Peter had a 10.21% voter turnout which is less than half of the percentage for a normal primary election which normally runs in the mid-20% range. Of course, both of those numbers are dramatically under the 85-90% voter turnout of a November general election.

For those interested in detailed numbers, here is the voter turnout breakdown by precinct:
- Ward 1 Precinct 1: 8.29%
- Ward 1 Precinct 2: 10.59%
- Ward 2 Precinct 1: 8.58%
- Ward 2 Precinct 2: 12.85%

Please note that these numbers include absentee voters in each precinct as well as the election day, in person, voters.

If you were one of the registered voters who failed to cast a ballot yesterday, never fear. August 9th is the next chance to participate in the democratic process!

BOARD VACANCIES – Have you wanted a chance to help shape the future of Saint Peter? If so, we need you!

Vacancies currently exist on the Heritage Preservation Commission, Library Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The Heritage Preservation Commission was created as an advisory commission to the City Council consisting of seven (7) members appointed and are tasked with developing guidelines or standards to carry out the Heritage Preservation guidelines. Those guidelines or standards address the application of City Code regulations related to historic preservation by developing and preserving structures within the Heritage Preservation District through the provision of standards for design, signs, materials, and the like. Meetings are on the last Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

The duties of the Public Library Board are to make recommendation regarding policy of the library, programs and operation of the library and library buildings; monitor and advocate for legislation that is
appropriate to public libraries; cooperate with other public officials and boards; maintain positive community relations; and carry out other duties as assigned by Ordinance or resolution of the City Council. The Library Board meets on the second Tuesday of every other month at 6:00 p.m. but their next meeting will not be until September.

The function and duties of the Planning and Zoning Commission include preparation of a Comprehensive Plan for the physical development of the City, including proposed public buildings, street arrangements and improvements, public utility services, parks, playgrounds, and other similar developments, the use of property, the density of population, and other matters related to the physical development of the City. The Commission may also prepare a revised Zoning Plan and an official map of the platted and unplatted portions of the City and adjoining territory, or portions thereof, indicating upon such map the proposed future extensions or widening of streets of the City. The Planning and Zoning Commission also reviews all proposals for land development that are affected by zoning, conditional use permits, annexation, and subdivision regulations. Also, every proposed plat of land within the City or within two miles of the City limits and not within a town which itself requires the approval of plats, which are submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Council. The Planning Commission meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Governors' Room of the Community Center.

Applications for City Council advisory boards are available on the City's website at https://www.saintpetermn.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1118/ADVISORY-BOARD-APPLICATION?bidId=

Who Won The Battle Of The Badge? – Thank you to all those who donated blood as part of the St. Peter Police Department’s May 19th “Battle of the Badges” blood drive for the American Red Cross. This year’s battle was an extremely successful drive, with 39 registered and 5 walk-in donors. The goal of the drive was to collect 29 units of blood, but the day ended with an amazing 38 units collected!

Now to the answer that everyone has been waiting for…. who won the battle of the badges? It was a strong tie between the Saint Peter Police Department and the Nicollet County Sheriff’s Office. Most importantly though, thank you to all of the donors that participated. You are all lifesavers!

OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL - It is opening weekend at the Roy T. Lindenberg Memorial Outdoor Pool (300 North 4th Street). Memorial Weekend Open Swim and Wading Pool Hours are Saturday-Monday 12:00-7:00 p.m.

For more pool information, including purchasing your summer pool pass, swim lessons, and more please visit the City’s website at https://www.saintpetermn.gov/368/Outdoor-Pool.

MEMORIAL DAY CLOSURES – All non-emergency City offices, including the Public Library, will be closed on Monday, May 30th in recognition of the Memorial Day holiday.

In addition, the Community Center will be closed the entire weekend (Saturday, May 28 - Monday, May 30).

Minnesota River Valley Transit service will also be closed on Memorial Day.

ELECTION JUDGE THANK YOU – The City, along with Secretary of State Steve Simon, extend a thank you to our Election Judges who spent a very long day with little to do during yesterday’s Special Primary Election.

Secretary Simon paid an unexpected visit to the City’s Ward 1 polling place on Election morning to personally thank each Election Judge for their service. City Judges are a small but vital part of the election process, and they join over 30,000 others who serve on Election Day across Minnesota.

If you are interested in serving as an Election Judge for the August primary and November general elections, keep an eye on upcoming editions of the Hot Sheet for more information on how to apply!

MINNESOTA SQUARE PARK UPDATE – Spring construction within Minnesota Square Park is almost complete. The circular sidewalk and new pedestrian
accesses on Elm Street are installed and black dirt and grass seed has been placed. The parking lot, curb and gutter is installed and will soon get paved by City staff.

The City received a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Outdoor Recreational Grant that will help with funding to improve accessibility within the park.

If you have any additional questions on these projects, please contact Public Works at 507-934-0670.

DOG PARK IMPROVEMENTS – A portion of the Thompson Dog Park located on the 1100 block of North Swift Street, is now a construction zone.

A new 10’ shelter is planned for the small dog area which will necessitate closure of this portion of the park for about four weeks. The larger fenced in area (large dogs) will remain open during construction. For those with questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 507-934-0670.

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION – Spring is a great time to get rid of all the junk and clutter that has clogged up our basements, garages and sheds and you don’t have to go far to dispose of any hazardous materials you need to get rid of. Tri-County Solid Waste will be offering a household hazardous waste collection on Saturday, June 18th from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the City of Saint Peter wastewater treatment facility located at 400 West St. Julien Street. Details are included on the flyer shown here.

AMERICANS AND THE HOLOCAUST – The St. Peter Public Library has been fortunate enough to be selected to host a traveling exhibition that examines Americans’ responses to Nazism, war, and genocide in Europe during the 1930s and 1940s. What did Americans know, and what more could have been done? The exhibition, from the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C., also presents stories of individual Americans, some of whom took actions that went against the grain at the time, daring to rescue Jews from Europe.

The exhibit, which will run through June 30th, will be open to the public during normal Library business Monday-Thursday from 10 am - 8pm, Fridays from 10 am - 5pm, and Saturdays from 9 am – 1 pm.

Americans and the Holocaust: A Traveling Exhibition for Libraries, is made possible by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and the American Library Association.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – The City Council meeting on May 23, 2022 included sale of temporary general obligation sales tax revenue bonds to serve as construction financing for the Fire Station Project (with final funding from USDA); retaining Bolton and Menk, Inc. to prepare a study of the section of Highway 22 between Highway 169 and CSAH 20; retaining Damon Farber to provide architectural analysis and design services related to Gorman Park; approval of City assistance for the Minnesota Original Music Festival and Ambassador’s BluesFest; Acceptance of donations from St. Peter Girls Fastpitch Association ($10,000) and the Adult Softball Association ($10,000) for materials to put structural roofs on the dugouts at Jefferson Park and $15,000 from the Nicollet County Trails Association for installation of a bridge and culverts in the Traverse des Sioux Park nature area; cancellation of a purchase agreement with Cambria for the City owned property at 101 North Front Street; approval of a temporary soft drink and show license for the Minnesota Original Music Festival; and a closed session to discuss sale of City owned property at 101 North Front Street.

The next regular City Council meeting will be Monday, June 13, 2022, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Governors’ Room of the Community Center.

Council agendas are available beginning the Friday before meetings on the City’s website (https://www.saintpetermn.gov/AgendaCenter).
HELP WANTED - The City of Saint Peter is accepting applications for several positions. For applications or for more information, please visit the City’s website (www.saintpetermn.gov/365/employment). Important note... once you have completed the online application, save it to your computer with a new title, and then email or deliver it as shown on the front page of the application. The following positions are open:

- **INFRASTRUCTURE TECHNICIAN** - in the Stormwater Utility of the Department of Public Works. Candidates for this position will spend the majority of their time working outdoors. Major duties include locating water, sewer, and stormwater lines, cleaning stormwater collection systems, checking and repairing stormwater sump basins and downstream deflectors, raising manholes and recording information on the City’s geographic information system (GIS). This position works closely with contractors and property owners in observing construction practices and work performed in the right-of-way and on private property. **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**: high school diploma or equivalent; Possession of a valid State of Minnesota Class A driver’s license with Air Brake Endorsement and Tanker Endorsement, or to obtain within six months of the date of employment with the City; Possession of Erosion/Sediment Control Inspector/Installer Certificate or the ability to obtain within six months of the date of employment with the City; Possession of the Erosion/Sediment Control Site Management Certificate or the ability to obtain within six months of the date of employment with the City; Knowledge of “as-built” records, ability to read blueprints, maps, and specifications used by contractors in the field of construction; and Possession of an American Heart Association Certification as a Basic Rescuer for cardiopulmonary resuscitation and emergency cardiac care or obtain within six months of the date of employment with the City. $22.90 to $35.36 per hour. Applicants are required to complete a City of Saint Peter application form (www.saintpetermn.gov/365/employment) or in the City Administrator’s Office or by calling (507) 934-0663. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator’s Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 22, 2022. Faxed or late applications will not be accepted. Interviews will be conducted on Wednesday, June 29, 2022. AA/EOE

- **TRANSIT COMPLIANCE MANAGER** - **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**: High school diploma or equivalent; Possession of a valid driver’s license; and possession of a valid Minnesota CDL Class C Driver’s License with passenger endorsement within thirty (30) days of employment; Basic knowledge of vehicle mechanics and functions; Demonstrated ability to use a personal computer; Knowledge of word processing and spreadsheet software; and experience working with the public. $25.24-$26.29 per hour. Applicants are required to complete City application form available in the City Administrator’s office at 227 South Front Street, by calling (507) 934-0663 or online at www.saintpetermn.gov/365/ Employment. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator’s office by 5:00 p.m. May 27, 2022. Fax ed and/or late applications will not be accepted. For more info: www.saintpetermn.gov/365/ Employment/ AA/EOE

- **WATER RESOURCES SUPERINTENDENT** - in the Department of Public Works. Minimum qualifications include high school diploma or equivalent; four years of responsible experience in operation of Class A, B, or C system facility or similar sized industrial facility; possession of a State of Minnesota Class C Water Supply System Operator Certificate or ability to obtain within six months of date of employment with City; possession of State of Minnesota Class C Wastewater Treatment Facility Operator Certificate or ability to obtain within six months of date of employment with City; possession of a valid driver’s license upon beginning employment and possession of a valid State of Minnesota driver’s license within one month of employment with the City. Desirable qualifications: Demonstrated knowledge of: methods, materials, and tools used in construction, operation, and maintenance of water wells, distribution, and treatment systems; wastewater collection and treatment systems; stormwater collection systems, detention, and treatment; Demonstrated knowledge of the principles, practices and equipment used in testing water, wastewater, and stormwater; Demonstrated knowledge of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems; Demonstrated experience in supervision of more than three employees for more than three years;
Demonstrated knowledge of applicable regulatory codes; Demonstrated ability to read and interpret engineering plans and specifications; Demonstrated knowledge of OSHA regulations and municipal safety policies; Demonstrated knowledge of computer operations; Demonstrated knowledge of laboratory certification procedures; B.S. degree in engineering, public administration or related field; possession of State of Minnesota Type IV Waste Facility Operator Certificate; Possession of State of Minnesota Class B Water Supply System Operator Certificate; Possession of Minnesota Class A Wastewater Treatment Facility Operator Certificate; Possession of Minnesota Class B Wastewater Treatment Facility Operator Certificate. Starting salary $87,600 to $101,040. A full job description and required application packet is available from the City Administrator’s Office, 227 South Front Street, Saint Peter, Minnesota 56082-2538 or by calling (507) 934-0663 or online at www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator’s Office no later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2022. Interviews to be conducted Monday, June 6, 2022. Faxed or late applications will not be accepted. AA/EOE

- **POLICE PATROL OFFICER**—$32.84-$40.30/hr, plus educational incentives and longevity steps at 8 years and 20 years of service. Qualified candidates could begin as lateral transfers at top pay rate. $1,500 sign-on bonus; 40 hours banked sick leave; 40 hours banked vacation leave. For more information, or for an application, please visit www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment. Open until filled. AA/EOE

- **PART-TIME METER READER** - in the Finance Department. Minimum qualifications: high school diploma or equivalent; experience working with the public; and valid Class D driver’s license. Desired qualifications: record keeping experience and previous meter reading experience. Position works from the 7th of the month to the 15th of the month (Monday – Friday) and then back for rechecks as needed the following week; with occasional hours scheduled during the month for final read outs. Meter Readers must work in all weather conditions. $15.90/hour. Applicants are required to complete a City application form available from City Administrator’s office (227 South Front Street), by calling (507) 934-0663, or online at www.saintpetermn.gov/365/employment. Qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview within one week of application submissions. Position will remain open until filled. AA/EOE

- **PART-TIME BUILDING SUPERVISOR** —at the Saint Peter Community Center. Evenings and weekends. For an application or for more information please visit www.saintpetermn.gov/365/employment.

- **PART-TIME BUS DRIVER** - for the Minnesota River Valley Transit system. This position will work various shifts including day, nights and occasional weekends. This position works primarily in Saint Peter. For an application or for more information please visit https://www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment.

- **PART-TIME TRANSIT SUPPORT SPECIALIST (DISPATCHER)** — for Minnesota River Valley Transit system. (Dispatcher). This position will work mostly late afternoon, evening and weekend hours. For an application, or for more information www.saintpetermn.gov/365/employment.

- **SEASONAL POSITIONS** — The following seasonal positions at the Public Works and Recreation and Leisure Services Departments remain open: Applications and additional information on each of these positions are available online at www.saintpetermn.gov/365/Employment.
  - PUBLIC WORKS SEASONAL LABORER
  - TREE WORKER
  - LANDSCAPE GARDENER
  - PARK RANGER
  - LIFEGUARD/WSI
  - LIFEGUARD (without WSI)
  - RECREATION COORDINATOR
  - RECREATION LEADERS

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**CITY MEETING CALENDAR**

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PLEASE NOTE...Meeting dates and times may change due to unforeseen circumstances. For up-to-date information on meetings please visit the City’s website at www.saintpetermn.gov or call the City at 507-934-0663.

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FURNITURE AND APPLIANCE CURBSIDE PICK UP
TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022

Stop in the Finance Department at 227 S. Front Street to register and pay by the end of the day on Friday, May 20th. Fees listed below. You must register and pay in advance for this collection. Please put your furniture and appliances out by 7:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 24th. Pick-up will happen rain or shine.

IF ITEMS ARE OUT EARLY AND ARE PICKED UP/TAKEN PRIOR TO TUESDAY, MAY 24TH THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS ISSUED.

*FEE INCLUDES SALES TAX *

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2022 Rain Barrel Rebates

Beginning May 15 – July 15, City utility customers may purchase a 45-gallon or 50-gallon rain barrel from Arrow Hardware. At the time of purchase, a rebate form will be filled out at the store and the form will be provided to the City Finance Office for processing. Purchasing one of the qualifying barrels entitles the utility customer to receive a $25 rebate on their utility bill. Rebates are available to the first 50 qualified purchasers and there is a limit of two rebates per household.

Why Rain Barrels?
- Rainwater is great for gardens, houseplants, auto cleaning, window washing, and other household chores.
- Store water away for a sunny day.
- Stop stormwater from polluting neighboring waters by keeping it where it falls.
- Recycling rainwater reduces your personal energy consumption by using less treated water.
- Reduce erosion and increase water quality.
- It reduces stress on the municipal storm drain and sewer systems.

It’s that easy to have a positive impact on the environment.
Participating Business: Arrow Hardware

Inviting all children and their families to
THE ECFE VEHICLE FAIR
Thursday, May 5th, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
(rain date: May 12th)
First Lutheran Church Parking Lot, 1114 West Traverse Road

Come and look at, climb on and even sit in a fire truck, police car, school bus and more! Food will be for sale at the concessions stand. This is a FREE event sponsored by the Early Childhood Family Education/School Readiness Advisory Council.
The local Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is so excited to have you back for **Great Strides 2022**! We have been busy planning a creative and safe day for everyone, including all our CF families and we cannot wait to see you on **Saturday, May 14th at Gorman Park, St. Peter**! **Registration begins at 9 a.m., walk starts at 10 a.m.** with a pre-walk program including all the recent updates as we have so much exciting news to share!

Great Strides is a fun event that provides a fantastic opportunity for family, friends, students, and colleagues to come together to make a difference in the lives of people with CF.

By joining with us for the Cystic Fibrosis Great Strides walk and making a donation, you will be part of a tenacious and passionate group of people committed to ending this disease. Ninety cents of every dollar raised is used for research. The event harnesses the power of people with a shared vision and encourages collaboration, team building, and leadership, as we take steps to find a cure. Together let’s make CF stand for Cure Found!
Coming up at the Saint Peter Senior Center

**Powerful Tools for Caregivers - Six Week Course**
Caring for an older relative or friend can be stressful and isolating, often leading to depression and negative health impacts. Powerful Tools for Caregivers is an education program for family caregivers of older adults. The program empowers family caregivers to reduce negative effects of caregiving and to practice self-care. Registration required, call the Recreation Office at 934-0667 or online using the QR code. Mary Cassem, Active Aging Programs, Catholic Charities of Southern MN

Thursdays, May 5 – June 9, 3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m., SPCC Rm. 219, Free

**Diabetic Shoe Clinic**
Diabetics with Medicare may be entitled to one pair of therapeutic shoes and 3 pairs of inserts every year. It is important that you wear good shoes. Pick the style and color of shoe you want. All sizes and widths available. Multiple selection of shoes featuring vendors such as New Balance, Propet, Dr. Comfort, Drew and many more. A certified shoe fitter will measure and examine your feet. We take care of all the paperwork, and personally deliver and fit the shoes for you. Please call Lindsay at 952-237-9865 for more information.

Wednesday, May 18, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., SPCC Rm. 219, Free

**Historical Presenter: Helen Keller**
In the late nineteenth century a little girl struggled out of the depths of fear. At the age of two, Helen experienced a life-threatening illness. She was plunged into a dark, silent world. Anne Sullivan, a determined young teacher would find the key to unlock Helen’s prison. Through Anne's diligence and perseverance, Helen would become a world-renowned speaker and advocate for the disabled. Jessica Michna, Historical Presenter

Wednesday, May 25, 2 p.m., SPCC 219, Free

**May Lunch and Learns**
Enjoy a free lunch while listening to the experts!
Registration is required for these free events. Use the QR Code to register or call 934-0667!

**Estate Plans: Establishing, Updating, and Looking Beyond**
Each individual and family are unique, so estate planning isn’t a one-size-fits-all process. Additionally, estate plans don’t always age like a fine wine and often need updating as you enter new chapters of life. It’s never too late to establish an estate plan, update your existing documents, or look beyond your will to other planning options and tools. Join members of the Biethen Berens estate planning team to dive into these topics and more. (Max. 30). **Gustavus boxed lunch will be served.**

Jared Koch, Macy Anderson, and John Christian, Biethen Berens

Tuesday, May 3, 11 a.m., SPCC Rm. 219, Free Please register.
Learn More: City’s Urban Forest and Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)
This lunch session will cover the topics of the City’s Urban Forest and Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). Sara Arsenault, the City’s Community Forestry Intern and an AmeriCorps volunteer oversees the project and will talk about her work in the community. The tree inventory system will be explained with a brief description of the most popular trees and how to identify them. We will also talk about the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) pest and the details of how we are managing it within the City. Anyone interested in trees or learning more should attend. A tree planting event will be held on Thursday, May 19th at Gault Park at 11 a.m. (Max. 30). Gustavus boxed lunch will be served.
City Staff and Sara Arsenault, Community Forestry Intern, AmeriCorps
Tuesday, May 17, 11 a.m., SPCC Rm. 219, Free Please register.

PET WASTE AND WATER QUALITY

PET WASTE AND WATER QUALITY - Pollution from pet waste provides a very serious threat to our environment and does not simply disappear. Although it is not the most noticeable form of pollution, animal waste left on the ground can be washed into storm drains from rain and melting snow and ice. Once it has been washed into storm drains, the waste flows to rivers, lakes, oceans, and even drinking water. With its high concentration of bacteria and disease-causing microorganisms, animal waste poses a serious pollution threat to everyone within the community. Nutrient loaded waters can become cloudy, green and unattractive for swimming, boating and fishing.

There are approximately 800 licensed dogs in Saint Peter and when you consider the number of unlicensed pets, that number is probably closer to 1,000. Considering that a dog creates an average of three-quarter pounds of waste daily, that means approximately 600 pounds of dog waste is generated in Saint Peter each day just from the licensed dogs.

To keep animal waste from contaminating the community, the City Code (Section 8-80) requires pet owners and those who care for them to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste. The bare material can be flushed down the toilet or wrapped and placed in the refuse bin.

PLEASE NOTE: Dog owners are asked to use the Saint Peter Area Dog Park located at 43358 Rabbit Road when the new dog park is closed. For any further questions on dog park availability, please contact the Public Works Department at 507-934-0670.

P.A.W.S. (PROVIDING ANIMALS WITH SHELTER)
CARNIVAL
Help us raise funds for the animals!

Saturday, May 7th, 10:30am - 1:00pm
Thompson Dog Park
1125 North Swift Street, Saint Peter
Join us for a fun day at the park! There will be something for everyone! We will kick off with a short walk. The day will be filled with demonstrations, food, vendors, local animal organizations, entertainment, and of course fun for our four legged friends.