

CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET



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CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – Action taken by the City Council on November 9, 2015 included final acceptance of Part 2 of the Washington Avenue Link Project; acceptance of a donation for installation of an irrigation system on Field #3 at Jefferson Park; approval of the final plat of Magner Farm Second Subdivision; acceptance of the November 3, 2015 general election results; approval for modification of the position description for Production Assistant; approval for the Hospital to modify a former nursery space into an on-call room; approval to call for a public hearing for the City to act as a conduit bond issuer for Vista View LLC; and vacation of interior easements between two lots at Windsor Pond subdivision. The Council also met in closed session with the City Attorney to discuss threatened litigation.

The next City Council meeting is November 23rd at 7:00 p.m. in the Governors' Room of the Community Center. For more information on City Council meetings, please contact the City Administrator's office at 507-934-0663. Copies of the Council packet are also available on the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov/city.



HOLIDAY CLOSURES – All non-emergency City offices, including the Library, will be closed on Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th for Thanksgiving.

There will be no transit service on Thanksgiving Day, but normal hours will resume on Friday.

The Community Center will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, but will be open regular hours on Friday.

The Library will reopen for Saturday hours.

SNOW PREPARATIONS – It's not too early to be planning for heavy snowfalls this winter, and residents who would like to be notified of snow emergency declarations should sign up now for the Nixle community notification system if you haven't already done so. It's a free service and easy to do.



Go to www.nixle.com and follow the prompts to create an account for City notices. You can choose whether you wish to have notices sent by e-mail, by text, or both!

If you don't have an off-street parking space available to you, make arrangements now to find a spot to park your vehicle before snow emergency declarations are in place.

Property owners with sidewalks are also reminded of the City regulations that require sidewalks, including handicap ramps at intersections, to be cleared of all snow and ice within 24 hours after a snowfall. The walkway must be cleared the entire width and be kept clear of blowback and drifting snow. Property owners who don't clear their walks may face hefty fees from the City when City crews are dispatched to do the job. Minimum charge? \$75!

And for all those who plow snow for a living, please remember that it is illegal to plow the snow out into the street or onto the City owned boulevard. This creates a danger for the public and sight line issues for other drivers.

So get started on your winter preparations now and don't wait for the first snowflakes to make plans!

WINTER COAT DRIVE — River's Edge Hospital and Clinic and the Mankato Clinic Daniels Center are partnering to help local families in need of warm winter jackets and snow pants.



Now through December 11th, the Hospital and clinics will have collection bins located in the waiting areas for people to donate new or gently used winter jackets, snowsuits and snow pants. The collected

items will be distributed to local families the week of December 14th. Items for all ages will be accepted and should be clean and free of tears.

For more information, please contact Stephanie at 507-934-7645.

WALKING TRACK - Now that it is getting colder again please remember that the Community Center has a walking/running track that is available for use by the public at no charge. The track is available Monday-Friday from 6am-10pm (excluding Tuesday from 7am-10am when the track is cleaned). Saturday the track is available from 8am-8pm and Sunday from 12pm-8pm.

So don't let the cold weather take you away from your exercise routine. Come enjoy the indoor walking/running track at the Community Center!



THANKSGIVING WEEKEND OPEN GYM HOURS – The Community Center gym is available for open gym on Friday, November 27th from 1:30–5 p.m., Saturday, November 28th from noon–4 p.m., and Sunday, November 29th from noon–4 p.m.

Monthly calendars for scheduled Open Gym at the Community Center can be found on-line at

www.saintpetermn.gov/recreation or picked up at up at the Community Center. The Recreation Hotline, 934-0070, also lists open gym hours. There is no charge for open gym.

RIVER'S EDGE HOSPITAL AND CLINIC (REHC) RECOGNITION - REHC will be recognized on Thursday, November 19th by the National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health and iVantage for reaching top quartile performance status in the following areas:

- Excellence in Outcomes (Patient Safety Indicators, Readmissions, Mortality)
- Excellence in Patient Satisfaction (From HCAHPS "Willingness to recommend")

Follow this link for specifics:

https://nosorh.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/NOSORH-State-Award-Release_Minnesota.pdf

This is great news and validation of the REHC staff's hard and successful work in these critical areas. Congratulations to the staff of River's Edge Hospital and Clinic!



PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR RECEIVES AWARD – Public Works Director Moulton was recently recognized by the Minnesota Section of the American Water Works Association. Moulton was presented the Leonard N.

Thompson award by the organization in recognition of his services to the water industry, the City of Saint Peter, and the Association. The award, which

was announced during the Association's annual meeting earlier this year, was presented by officials from the AWWA as part of the November 9th regular Council meeting. Mayor Strand congratulated Moulton on the award and thanked him for his service to the Saint Peter community.

LIBRARY STORYTIME WITH TEDDY BEAR CLINIC. - Join Library staff on Tuesday, November 24th at 1:30 p.m. for a special story time with Nicollet County Public Health! Bring your Teddy Bear (or other stuffed animal) for stories about staying healthy. Stay for the teddy bear clinic stations to give your teddy a check-up!

UPCOMING HOLIDAY EVENTS - Come and enjoy treats and music at the Library holiday open houses (601 South Washington Avenue) on Thursday, December 10th from 2-4:00 p.m. and from 6-8:00 p.m. The afternoon event will feature sweet treats, hot beverages, and live music by the St. Peter High School Madrigal Singers. The evening event will be a special family open house where children can make holiday crafts and decorate cookies.

Join in "The Great Candy Cane Hunt" on Saturday, December 5th at the Community Center (600 South Fifth Street). Over 7,500 candy canes will be hidden throughout the building. Families can pick their own "hunt" time at either 9:00 am, 9:30 am, 10:00 am or 10:30 am and participants are asked to meet in the gym just before your scheduled start time. All children must be accompanied by an adult and this event is free!



If you wish to participate in the hunt please enter through Door B. (Door numbers are located above each of the outside doors to the building.) This event is sponsored by the Recreation Department.

BONDING COMMITTEE TOUR – If you were in and around the area of Minnesota Square Park on Tuesday morning you might have seen a large contingent of folks at the pavilion. They were the Senate Bonding Committee members who were touring the State to look at sites that have requested State bond funds to finance public projects. The Committee received information from the City Council and City staff on the City’s plan to rebuild the Minnesota Square Park pavilion. Representatives from the Veteran’s Memorial Committee also provided information on plans to build a Veteran’s memorial.

It will be a while yet before the City finds out if funding for the pavilion project will be included in the final bonding recommendation.

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

- **PART-TIME BUS DRIVERS** (no benefits) -
MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: High school diploma or equivalent; possession of valid State of Minnesota Driver’s license. **DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:** Experience working with the public; experience operating two-way radio/phones; training in vehicle mechanics; previous bus driving experience. Starting wage \$14.48 per hour. Applicants are required to complete City application form 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. November 20, 2015. Faxed, emailed, and/or late applications will not be accepted. AA/EEO
- **VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER** - in the Fire Department. Up to five (5) Firefighters will be hired. Minimum qualifications: High school diploma/GED; at least 18 years of age; reside within a six (6) minute response time from the Fire Station; possess a valid driver’s license; and ability to read and write the English

language. An open meeting for interested candidates and their significant others will be held on Thursday, November 5, 2015 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Fire Station (227 West Mulberry Street). Successful candidates will begin service January 1, 2016 and will be required to successfully complete required Firefighter schooling within one year. Applicants are required to complete a City application form which is available in the City Administrator’s office at 227 South Front Street or by calling (507)934-0663. Applications must be received by the City Administrator’s office by 5:00 p.m. on November 20, 2015. Faxed, emailed and/or late applications will not be accepted. AA/EOE

- **PART-TIME PAYROLL CLERK** – in the Finance Department. 20 hours per week. **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** High School Diploma or equivalent; One year payroll experience or Associates degree in Accounting; Demonstrated experience working with the public; Demonstrated experience working with benefits provided to employees; Knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel software. **DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:** Previous municipal accounting experience; Knowledge of fund accounting principles, practices, and terminology; 2 or more years’ experience working with employee benefits. Starting wage \$12.45 to \$12.86 per hour. Applicants are required to complete City application form available in the City Administrator’s office at 227 South Front Street or by calling (507)934-0663. Completed applications must be received by the City Administrator’s office by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 20, 2015. Faxed, emailed, and/or late applications will not be accepted. AA/EEO

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.

Thursday	November 19	12:00 noon	Economic Development Authority
Friday	November 20	8:00 a.m.	Tourism and Visitors Bureau
Monday	November 23	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	November 24	5:30 p.m.	Heritage Preservation Commission
Wednesday	November 25	12:20 p.m.	Hospital Commission

Thursday-Friday	November 26- November 27		LEGAL HOLIDAY - THANKSGIVING City Offices Closed
Monday	November 30	3:00 p.m.	City Council Goal Session
Thursday	December 3	5:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
Monday	December 7	3:30 p.m.	Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Monday	December 7	4pm – 5 pm	City Council Reception
Monday	December 7	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop Session
Monday	December 14	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting



***PLEASE NOTE – Holiday schedules in November and December may impact regular meeting dates and times. If unsure of the meeting date/time for the advisory board or commission meeting you are interested in, please contact the City Administrator's Office at 934-0663.