

# CITY OF SAINT PETER HOT SHEET



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**CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS** – Action taken by the City Council on November 23, 2015 included public hearings and subsequent actions to approve assessment of unpaid utility bill, miscellaneous and improvement project charges; authorization for an inter-fund loan to finance City costs associated with development of a new housing subdivision; approval for a six month extension of the cable television franchise agreement with Consolidated Communications; approval of several new business license applications; and a closed session to discuss land purchase negotiations and union contract negotiations with the Police, Communications Technicians, Streets, Utilities and Parks unions.

The next City Council meeting is December 14th 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](http://www.saintpetermn.gov/city).

**\*\*\*Please note....the December 14th Council meeting will be the last meeting and/or workshop of the City Council in 2015.**



**CHRISTMAS TREE CURBSIDE COLLECTION** - Here's a bit of advance notice about the collection of Christmas trees after the holidays. City crews will collect real Christmas trees curbside on January 4th and 5th. The trees are chipped and used for composting.

Residents need to have all decorations removed from the trees and then place

them curbside (not in the street). Trees should NOT be in bags.

No artificial trees, garlands or wreaths will be accepted.

And for those who need or want to dispose of their tree before this time, real trees may be taken to the City's compost site located at the southwest corner of the West St. Julien/North Swift Street intersection.

**HOLIDAY CLOSURES** – The upcoming Christmas and New Year's holidays will impact City services. Here are the closings:

Christmas:

- All non-emergency City offices will be closed beginning at 12:00 noon on December 24th through December 27th.
- The Community Center will be closed from noon on December 24th through December 25th.
- Transit service on December 24th will be 10am – 4 pm for the route service and 7 am – 4:30 pm for the dial-a-ride service. There will NOT be transit service available on Christmas Day.
- The Library will close at 12:00 noon on December 24th and be closed on Christmas Day. The Library will have regular hours on Saturday December 26th

New Year's:

- All non-emergency City offices will be closed on Friday, January 1st.
- The Community Center will close at 5:00 p.m. on December 31st and be closed all day on Friday, January 1st.
- Transit will run normal hours on December 31st, but there will be no transit service on January 1st.

- The Library will close at 5:00 p.m. on December 31st, and will be closed all day on January 1st.

**ADVISORY BOARD OPENINGS** – The City Council is seeking volunteers to serve on advisory boards and commissions beginning in 2016. To qualify for appointment, individuals must live within the corporate limits of the City of Saint Peter; must commit to making monthly meetings that last anywhere from ½ to 2 hours in length; and commit to a term of 3-5 years.

Openings exist on the following boards:

- Civil Service Commission (3 year term)
- Heritage Preservation Commission (3 year term)
- Hospital Commission (5 year term)
- Housing and Redevelopment Authority (5 year term)
- Public Library Board (3 year term)
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (3 year term)
- Planning and Zoning Commission (3 year term)
- Tourism and Visitors Bureau (3 year term)

Applicants must complete an application card which is available in the entryway of City Hall or from the City Administrator's office. More information on the responsibilities of the boards, as well as the meeting schedule for each board, is available on the City's website at <http://www.saintpetermn.gov/boards-commissions>.

**HOT SHEET HIATUS** – This is the last Hot Sheet for 2015 as we take a winter break. New issues will be published again starting in January, 2016.

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**PARKS BOARD MEETING CANCELLED** – The December meeting of the City's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has been cancelled. The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, January 19, 2016. For more information on meetings of the Parks Board, please contact the Public Works Department at 934-0670.

**COMMUNITY CENTER GYM CLOSING** - The Community Center gym will be closed for maintenance from December 16th through December 26th. This period will be used to fix problems with the gym floor sealant that occurred

after the maintenance used defective for the annual that was done summer.



company materials resealing earlier this

Because of the need to eliminate any dust or debris falling onto the wet sealant, the walking track will also be closed for a period of time. More information on the track closure is posted at the Community Center and will be provided on the City's Facebook page and website.

The gym will re-open on Sunday, December 27th. We apologize for the inconvenient timing of this work.

**WARMING HOUSE/SKATING RINKS** – Got the itch to play a pick-up game of hockey or lace on your figure skates? Watch the City's Facebook page, website, and future Hot Sheets for more information on the opening of the City's skating rinks and warming house located at Veteran's Memorial Park. And oh yea....pray for colder weather too!



**CHRISTMAS LIGHT RECYCLING PROGRAM** - Have you replaced your old Christmas light strings with new LED lights? The City has a program to help you recycle the old lights. Collection bins are located in the entryway of City Hall (227 South

Front Street), the entryway of the Public Works Department (405 West St. Julien Street) and in the lobby of the Community Center (600 South Fifth Street). Lights will be accepted until January 15, 2016 and the program is free.

And check with the City's Finance Department (934-0664) if buying new LED lights as rebate funds are available for a limited time!

**UPCOMING HOLIDAY EVENTS** - Come and enjoy treats and music at the holiday open houses at the Library (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 for the holidays where children can make holiday crafts and decorate cookies.

Monday	December 14	7:00 p.m.		City Council Meeting
Thursday	December 24			CHRISTMAS EVE – City offices closing at noon
Friday	December 25			CHRISTMAS DAY - LEGAL HOLIDAY – City Offices Closed
Friday	January 1st			NEW YEAR'S DAY – City offices closed 
Monday	January 4th	3:30 p.m.		Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Monday	January 4th	5:30 p.m.		City Council Workshop Session
Thursday	January 7th	5:30 p.m.		Planning and Zoning Commission
Monday	January 11th	7:00 p.m.		City Council Meeting
Tuesday	January 12th	5:30 p.m.		Library Board
Monday	January 18th			MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY – LEGAL HOLIDAY City Offices Closed
Tuesday	January 19th	5:30 p.m.		City Council Workshop
Tuesday	January 19th	7:00 p.m.		Parks Board
Friday	January 22nd	8:00 a.m.		Tourism and Visitors Bureau
Monday	January 25th	7:00 p.m.		City Council Meeting
Tuesday	January 26th	5:30 p.m.		Heritage Preservation Commission
Wednesday	January 27th	12:20 p.m.		Hospital Commission
Thursday	January 28th	12:00 noon		Economic Development Authority

\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE – Holiday schedules in December and January 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.