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LABOR DAY

LABOR DAY CLOSURES - The upcoming Labor Day holiday (Monday, September 6th) will have an impact on City services as follows:

- City offices will be closed on Labor Day. The Council workshop that would regularly have taken place on Monday will take place on Tuesday, September 7th
- Transit buses will not operate on Labor Day.
- The public library will be closed Saturday, September 4th – Monday, September 6th.
- The Community Center will be closed for the Labor Day weekend (Saturday, September 4th – Monday, September 6th).

Enjoy your Labor Day holiday and if you are traveling, remember to put the cell phone down and buckle up!

CAR SEAT CHECKUP – The Police Department, River's Edge Hospital and Nicollet County Public Health have teamed up to present a free car seat checkup event on Saturday, September 25th from 9-11:00 a.m. The event will take place at the Saint Peter Fire Department at 227 West Mulberry Street.

Certified child passenger safety technicians will check for recalls and ensure all child safety seats are installed to manufacturer's specifications. Each seat check will take approximately 30 minutes and appointments, while not required, are strongly encouraged.

To schedule an appointment, please contact the Saint Peter Police Department at 507-931-1550 or email janett@saintpetermn.gov.

Participants are asked to bring all manuals for their vehicles and, of course, the car seat you need check.

We've helped hundreds of families ensure their children are safe in their car seats. Your family can be next!

MINNESOTA SQUARE PARK UPDATE – Construction within Minnesota Square Park will continue into the fall of 2021 and spring of 2022 thanks to funding received from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Outdoor Recreational grant program. Improvements will include sidewalks to aid in accessibility for those with mobility limitations.

The concrete planters in the plaza have been stained and sidewalk and landings bases have been installed and/or graded for concrete installation later this week.

The plaza concrete will have a clear concrete sealant applied this week and the planter top caps will be installed the week of September 6th. City Staff will also install irrigation systems, connect electric outlets and plant the planters the week of September 6th.

For more information on this park project, or other public infrastructure projects, please contact the Public Works Department at 507-934-0670.

MASKS REQUIRED IN CITY BUILDINGS – Due to Nicollet County reaching the highest level of COVID-19 community transmissions, masks are once again required in all City buildings regardless of vaccination status. This applies to staff and visitors alike.

If you feel you cannot safely or willingly comply with this requirement, we ask that you contact the department by phone to conduct your business in

other ways. Direct dial department numbers are as follows:

Finance Department	934-0664
Building Department	934-0662
Community Dev Dept.	934-0661
City Administrator's Office	934-0663
Public Works Department	934-0670
Recreation/Leisure Services Dept.	934-0667
Transit	1-888-880-4696
Police (non-emergency)	931-1550
Public Library	934-7420

This process worked really well the last time we were forced to implement restrictions and we expect the same this time around.

Note....City Council meetings and those of our advisory boards and commissions, will continue to be held in person at this time.

If you have any questions about the City's COVID-19 response, please contact the City Administrator's Office at 507-934-0663.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – The City Council meeting of August 23, 2021 included action to adopt an updated position description for Patrol Sergeant in the Police Department; establish authorized staffing levels for licensed Officers at the Police Department; approve preliminary engineering for a utility project in connection with MDNOT'S project at the intersections of Highways 169, 99 and 22; authorize conversation of some of the Veteran's Park tennis courts into pickleball courts; and a closed session and ultimate action to authorize sale of the former wastewater treatment ponds to Warren W. West Revocable Trust.

The next regular City Council meeting will be Monday, September 13, 2021 beginning at 7:00 p.m. As a reminder, Council meetings are once again back to in-person only. No virtual participation will be available.

Agendas for all City Council meetings are available on the City's website (www.saintpetermn.gov) the Friday before the Council meeting.

COMMUNITY CENTER FALL HOURS: Beginning Tuesday, September 7th, the Community Center will switch to fall operational hours as follows:

Monday – Friday	6:00 am- 9:00pm
Saturday	8:00 am-6:00pm
Sunday	Noon - 6:00pm

For more information on the Community Center, please visit the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov or contact the Recreation and Leisure Services Department at 507-934-0667.

PLEASE BE A GOOD PET OWNER – It's unfortunate, but the continuing number of complaint calls being received by the City indicate some people just don't want to be good pet owners. Please remember the following rules of the road when you take your dog off your property:



- Pet owners are not allowed to let their dogs or cats run at large (unleashed).
- Dogs (and cats, but this might not be such a good idea), are only allowed to be off-leash in a designated dog park.
- Leashed dogs are allowed in Riverside Park, Riverside Park Extension, Traverse des Sioux Park, McGill Park, Hallett's Pond on the trail only; and the Public Conservancy Area in Nicollet Meadows 2 Subdivision directly west of Jefferson Park). Not sure where these parks are? Please use this link [Parks Map](#).
- Dogs old enough to be vaccinated against rabies must be licensed by the City and under control of their owner at all times.
- Owners MUST pick up after their dog's waste and properly dispose of said waste.

Being a responsible pet owner means being a good neighbor so we ask for all pet owners to comply with these regulations.



RIDE THE BUS FOR FREE! – Yup...it's true. You can ride the Minnesota River Valley Transit buses for free through the end of the year. As part of COVID recovery efforts, extra funding is being provided to the transit system that allows fares to be

waived through December 31st.

If your car is in the shop, or you've lost your license, or you've just decided to give up expensive auto related bills and sold your car, Minnesota River Valley Transit is the solution you need.

Service is door to door (like a taxi), and all you have to do is call a toll free number (1-888-880-4696) to schedule your ride! For more information on Minnesota River Valley Transit, please visit www.saintpetermn.gov/322/Minnesota-River-Valley-Transit.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR ***PLEASE NOTE...Until further notice, City meetings may be conducted electronically as authorized under Minnesota Statutes 13D.021. Log-in information for meetings being held either virtually or as a hybrid virtual/in-person will be included at the bottom of the agenda page. Agendas are all posted on the City's website at www.saintpetermn.gov.

Thursday	September 2	5:30 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Commission
Monday	September 6		LABOR DAY HOLIDAY – City offices closed
Tuesday	September 7		City Council Workshop
Monday	September 13	3:30 p.m.	Housing and Redevelopment Authority
Monday	September 13	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting
Tuesday	September 14	5:30 p.m.	Library Advisory Board
Monday	September 20	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop
Monday	September 20	7:00 p.m.	Parks and Recreation Advisory Board – cancelled!
Wednesday	September 22	12:30 p.m.	Hospital Commission
Thursday	September 23	12:00 noon	Economic Development Authority
Friday	September 24	8:00 a.m.	Tourism and Visitors Bureau
Monday	September 27	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meetings
Tuesday	September 28	5:30 p.m.	Heritage Preservation Commission