

2016 Infrastructure Improvements

Coming soon the City of Waconia will embark on another season of roadway and utility improvement projects throughout the community. Items of particular interest are the completion of TH 5 and 10th Street. The remaining improvements include the roadway construction of 10th Street, median installation and paving of TH 5, and trail and intersection lighting of TH 5 and 10th Street.

Second, is the 2016 Infrastructure Improvement Project which includes Maple, Cherry, and 5th Streets in and around the Medical Area of the community. Aside from this, we have:



Photo of Vine Street between Alley and 1st Street, part of last year's Infrastructure Improvement Project.

- ⇒ A short roadway improvement to Cherry Street between First & Second Streets
- ⇒ Improvements to Old Airport Road & the New Airport Road adjacent the new ISD 110, Laketown Elementary
- ⇒ Street overlays for Industrial Boulevard, Sunset Boulevard, and the Wildhurst Development.
- ⇒ Information and progress reports on both of these improvements may be found on the City's website with links to the City Engineer, Bolton & Menk. www.waconia.org.

Waconia Waters Forum

Saturday, April 16 (9-11:30 a.m.)

Did you know that Lake Waconia is the 3rd Largest Lake in the metro area with a size of 3,080 acres of water and a maximum depth of 37 feet? Join the City and Carver County Water Management Organization to find out more on the community's Lakes and Receiving Streams. Lake Waconia is a vital part of the local community with recreational, economical, and health benefits, which is enjoyed by more than just the local residents. Take a couple of hours of your Saturday to find out the health status of Lake Waconia, the surrounding Lakes and Receiving Streams. Discover the threats to the Lake and Creeks, and find out what the County Water Management Organization and City of Waconia have been doing to assist in protecting the Lake. See how you, as a resident, may assist in reducing impacts to the Lakes and Receiving waters.

Event Details

Clearwater Middle School
1650 Community Drive

Registration

www.co.carver.mn.us/water
(requested, but not required)

Fire Department Pancake Breakfast

Join the Waconia Fire Relief Association on Sunday, April 10 for pancakes, sausage, french toast, and all the fixings.

Sunday, April 10, 2016
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Waconia Fire Station
26 S. Maple Street

Tickets for adults are \$7 in advance from a Fire Fighter and \$8 at the door. Children 5 and under are FREE!

Celebrate Arbor Day

Arbor Day is celebrated each spring and Waconia's Park and Recreation Department will recognize this special day by planting trees at Waterford Park. We invite various groups, organizations, and the Waconia community to participate. This free celebration is used as an educational tool to teach our community, its leaders, and youth about the value of trees and fulfills Waconia's requirement as a member of Tree City USA for the 11th consecutive year! At the conclusion of our celebration, groups and the community are invited to join the Parks and Recreation staff in conducting a spring cleaning of the department's Adopt-A-Trail section of the Dakota Rail Regional Trail. All equipment and supplies are provided for participants.



Thursday, April 21
6:00 p.m.
Waterford Park
1702 Ravencroft Road

Compost Collection

Residents are able to bring grass clippings, shrub and garden waste, as well as branches no larger than 3" in diameter and 4' in length to Public Services, located at 310 E 10th St on the following dates:

Wednesdays

April 27 & May 11
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturdays

May 7, 21 & 28
8:00 a.m. - noon

Compost fees are as follows: \$1 per bag and \$10 per pick-up truck bed/small trailer load. For a complete schedule please visit www.waconia.org.

Meter Replacement Project to Start Soon

As you may recall in our February Newsletter the City of Waconia has contracted with Ferguson Waterworks to complete water meter replacements in individual homes and businesses over the next twelve months. As stated in February, homeowners and businesses will receive a City Logo letter informing them of the meter replacement project which includes information on who to contact, phone numbers, a QR Code, and an e-mail link to Ferguson Water Works.

The new meter installations will allow the City to maintain a consistent meter lifecycle for each household and business. A new fixed-based/mobile application will be put into service allowing greater efficiencies in reading meters and for water utility use tracking. We appreciate your support as the meter replacement project will begin soon, and affect most homeowners and businesses.

Summer Sewer Rate

Green grass, flowers, and tree buds will be on the horizon! Summer sewer use pro-ration will go into effect the 1st of May. Any April usage will be billed for sewer usage at regular rates. For more information on City conservation efforts and tiered rates please visit the City website at www.waconia.org or call 952-442-3107.



Hydrant Flushing ... Why Is This Completed?

Coming this Spring Public Services Staff will be completing a very important activity called "Hydrant Flushing" on the communities 862 Fire Hydrants. The emphasis for flushing hydrants is two-fold. First, it is a routine maintenance program required to remove fine sediments from the water mains below the ground. Second, it allows staff to note repair needs for the individual Fire Hydrants. This is a major focus for Fire Protection for the Waconia Community.

These processes allow Public Services to deliver the highest water quality possible to our residents. As you notice Public Services in your neighborhood you may experience some discoloration of the water. This does not affect the safety of the water, however it is best to avoid doing laundry until the discoloration has disappeared. If you have questions regarding this maintenance process, or experience extended discoloration of water, feel free to contact Public Services at 952-442-2615.