

THE WAYZATA BAY WINDOW

Your Official City Newsletter

July 2006



Wayzata Happenings!

Locust Hills is the historic name of the property that formerly constituted the Sweatt family estate Locus Hills PUD/Preliminary Plat/ Shoreland CUP is before the City and moving forward. The "Villa Plan" includes 40 Villa Homes and 3 Large Lot homes in Wayzata and 7 additional Villa homes in Minnetonka. It conserves 69% of the site as open space, a significant portion of which will be protected by a conservation easement. It will contain access to the site to one entrance on Bushaway Road and one entrance on McGinty. It will provide a substantial internal private trail system within the conservation areas. There will be a private community center and pool and a common lot for access to Lake Minnetonka.

St. Bartholomew's Renovation and Improvement Project

The Parish of St. Bart's is undertaking a project to renovate and improve its existing church and school building. The Church will be enlarged by approximately 3,400 sq. ft. which includes the worship space, basement meeting rooms, parish offices, support spaces and circulation. The main axis of the worship space is rotated 90 degrees and will runs in an east/west

direction in order to bring more pews closer to the alter. The school building will increase a nominal 150 sq. ft. on the third level to accommodate elevator access to all three levels and includes 19 classrooms, school offices, gymnasium, cafeteria, support areas and circulation.

1313 Wayzata Blvd. (The old Denny's location)

Construction of a new retail services building for three new businesses has been approved and construction should begin soon.

315 Manitoba Ave. S. (Nolan) Construction of a new corporate

office building has started.

315 East Lake Street (Lowell Zitzloff)

The Council approved a new 3 story mixed use building with ground floor retail, offices on the second floor and a combination of offices and residential on the third floor and an indoor parking garage.

Burger King Corporation (1200 Wayzata Blvd.) & McDonalds (1450 Wayzata Blvd.)

New buildings are being proposed on these sites and are before the Planning Commission for review.

Get Ready for National Night Out!

August 1st marks the 30th year that National Night Out (NNO) will be celebrated in the city of Wayzata. NNO, "America's Night Out Against Crime," was celebrated last year by nearly 35 million people in 10,750 communities nationwide. 20 neighborhoods organized block parties in Wayzata on NNO in 2005. NNO is designed to:

·heighten crime prevention awareness ·generate support for, and participation in local anti-crime efforts ·strengthen neighborhood spirit and policecommunity partnerships ·send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back

While one night is not the answer to crime, NNO represents the kind of spirit, energy, and determination that is helping make many neighborhoods safer throughout the year. It is a night to celebrate safety and crime prevention successes, and to expand and strengthen programs for the next 364 days.

The Wayzata Crime Prevention
Coalition will be meeting with
neighborhood watch block captains
and organizing this year's events.
Wayzata Police Officers, Fire
Fighters, city staff, and local elected
officials will be visiting all of the
neighborhood gatherings and
distributing safety information as well
as trinkets for the kids. McGruff, the
crime fighting dog will also travel
with the entourage.

City of Wayzata Drinking Water Report

The City of Wayzata is issuing the results of monitoring done on its drinking water for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2005. The purpose of this report is to advance consumers' understanding of drinking water and heighten awareness of the need to protect our water resources. The Safe Drinking Water Act contains provisions that are designed to inform you of where your drinking water comes from and what is in it.

Wayzata Public Works has planned this report to fulfill our obligation to provide you with accurate and up-to-date information about Wayzata Drinking Water. For questions or concerns about water quality or for information about opportunities for public participation in decisions that may affect the quality of water, contact Jim Eibensteiner, Utilities Superintendent at 952-404-5360.

Drinking Water Regulations

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or humans.

No contaminants were detected at levels that violated federal drinking water standards. The following verbiage is mandated by the EPA to be in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. To find out more go to www.epa.gov.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide the same protection for public health. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If You Have Special Health Requirements

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants found in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons, such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline 800-426-4791.

Source Water Supply

The source water supply for the City of Wayzata is groundwater wells. We operate three wells. Two draw water from Quaternary Buried Artesian aquifer (100 and 140 feet deep) and one draws water from the Prairie DuChien-Jordan aquifer (507 feet deep). After the water is pumped from the ground, fluoride is injected at state-mandated levels to promote dental health. Fluoride helps teeth retain calcium and reduces the effect of acids on tooth enamel. The water is then pumped directly to customers or to storage for later use as demand dictates.

Water Testing

Before a water source is used for a supply, it is tested for contaminants and other water quality parameters. These include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can occur naturally or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as: agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial and petroleum process and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems. Radioactive contaminants, which can occur naturally or result from oil and gas production and mining activities.

Laboratory Testing Results: The table on the following page is the lab test results for Wayzata tap water during 2005. The Minnesota Department of Health monitors our tap water for about 80 regulated substances, along with several more unregulated ones; only those detected are listed in the table. No substances have been found that violate state or federal regulations for tap water quality. Testing for some contaminants is not required annually. If a contaminant was detected the last time it was tested, the test date is listed if prior to 2005.

Radon

Radon is a radioactive gas which is naturally occurring in some groundwater and is caused by the erosion of natural deposits. Testing during 2005 showed average radon levels of 1892.25 pCi/L, ranging from 89-4750 in Wayzata water. It poses a lung cancer risk when gas is released from water into air (as occurs during showering, bathing, or washing dishes or clothes) and stomach cancer when it is ingested. Because radon in indoor air poses a much greater health risk than radon in drinking water, an Alternative Maximum Contaminant Level (AMCL) of 4000 pCi/L may apply in states that have adopted an indoor air program which compels citizens, homeowners, schools and communities to reduce the radon threat from indoor air. For states without such a program, the MCL of 300 pCi/L may apply. Minnesota plans to adopt an indoor air program once the radon rule is finalized.

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Lab Test Results for Wayzata Tap Water

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Detected Substance	Year Tested	Units of Measure	Highest Level Allowed (MCL)	Detected Amount Used to Determine Compliance	Range Detected	Ideal Maximum (MCLG)	Typical Sin Drinkii	ource of Substance ng Water
Nitrate as Nitrogen	2005	ppm	10.0	0.08	nd-0.08	10.0	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.	
Nitrite as Nitrogen	2001	ppm	1.0	0.02	N/A	1.0	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits.	
Fluoride	2005	ppm	4.0	1.2	1.1-1.3	4.0	State-required additive; erosion of natural deposits; discharge from aluminum and fertilizer factories.	
Arsenic	2005	ppb	50	3.62	N/A	0	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.	
Barium	2005	ppm	2.0	0.12	N/A	2.0	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits.	
Sulfate	2005	ppm	No limits set	9.2	nd-9.2	No limits set	Erosion of natural deposits.	
Combined Radium	2003	pCi/L	5.4	2.0	N/A	0	Erosion of natural deposits.	
Alpha Emitters	2003	pCi/L	15.4	5.2	N/A	0	Erosion of natural deposits.	
Sodium	2005	ppm	No limits set	9.6	8.1-9.6	No limits set	Erosion of natural deposits	
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2005	ppb	60	1.7	N/A	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	
Total (TTHM) Trihalomethanes	2005	ppb	80	1.8	N/A	0	By-product of drinking water disinfection.	
Chlorine	2005	ppm	MRDL 4.0	0.83 Highest Quarterly Avg.	0.5-1.3 Highest/ Lowest Monthly Avg.	MRDLG 4.0	Water additive used to control microbes.	
	Lead	and Copp	er Measure	d in the Distr		emAll sam	ples tested	l in 2005
Detected Substance	Units of Measure	Action Level (AL): 90% of samples must be below this level		# of sites over the action level	90% of sam below th		Typical Source of Substance in Drinking Water	
Lead	ppb		15		0 out of 20 tested	3.0	of natural deposits.	
Copper	ppm		1.3		2 out of 20 tested	1.2	1.27 Home plumbing corrosion, erosion of natural deposits.	

Understanding the Lab Data

The Detected Amount Used to Determine Compliance is the highest amount found or the average of all samples analyzed, depending on the regulation for that substance. If it is an average, results from last year may have been used to calculate it. Regulated substances have Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs) set by the Safe Drinking Water Act. This is the highest level allowed in drinking water. Some contaminants also have MCL goals (MCLGs). This is the level of a substance where there is no known or expected health risk. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. MCLs are set as close to MCLGs as feasible using the best available water treatment processes. Unregulated substances do not have MCLs. They are assessed using state standards known as health risk limits. If an unacceptable amount of anything is ever found in our water, the City of Wayzata will notify residents immediately and take corrective action to eliminate the problem. Lead and copper are evaluated with a regulation known as the Action

Level (AL). If this concentration is exceeded, the water system must implement water treatment or other action to address the problem. Lead and copper get into tap water primarily by corrosion of home plumbing systems. Health Department lab tests show Wayzata's water is in compliance for lead and copper. MRDL: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level MRDLG: Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal Other Definitions: ppb: parts per billion ppm: parts per million pCi/L: picoCuries per liter, a measure of radioactivity. nd- not detected N/A- not applicable

The Minnesota Department of Health has determined that the sources used to supply your drinking water are not particularly susceptible to contamination. If you wish to obtain the entire sources water assessment regarding your drinking water, please call 651-201-4670 during normal business hours. Also, you can view it online at www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/water/swp/swa.

Construction Updates



Wayzata Blvd Trunk Watermain – Phase II

The City of Wayzata has contracted with Minncomm Underground Utility Construction to extend a 12inch water main from Benton Avenue to Minnetonka Avenue. Connections will be necessary at Minnetonka Avenue, Broadway Avenue, Grand Avenue, and Benton Avenue. These connections will cause road closures at various times. Broadway Avenue South, from Wayzata Blvd to Rice Street, will be closed for the longest period of time. Alternate routes will be available on Superior Blvd, Grand Ave, Chicago Ave, Walker Ave, Minnetonka Ave, and Barry Ave.

2006 Lift Station Projects

The City of Wayzata has contracted with Engineering and Construction Innovations, Inc. to upgrade two existing lift stations, on Reno Street and Ferndale Road North, and install a new lift station on the South Frontage Road near Holdridge Terrace.

The two projects, mentioned above, are scheduled to begin after the July 4th holiday and be completed by September 30, 2006.





Railroad "Quiet Zones"

The City of Wayzata is pursuing the possibility of creating Quiet Zones at each of the four railroad crossings (Ferndale Road, Barry Avenue, Broadway Avenue, and Arlington Circle). This would remove the need for the trains to blow their whistles at each crossing. New safety measures would need to be installed before the Federal Railroad Authority (FRA) could formally adopt Quiet Zones in Wayzata. Staff will be working to prepare an assessment of the City's crossing with cost estimates for possible improvements. More information will be available in the coming months.

Here are some questions and answers about the Federal Railroad Authority's (FRA) Use of Locomotive Horns at Highway-Rail Grade Crossings; Final Rule:

Q. Is there a specific pattern to the horn that is supposed to be blown at crossings?

A. Yes, the FRA requires the sounding of the locomotive horn in a pattern of two long, one short, and one long blast. The locomotive horn sounding pattern shall be repeated or prolonged until the locomotive or train occupies the crossing. However, the horn sounding pattern may be varied as necessary where crossings are spaced closely together.

Q. How far ahead of the crossing is the engineer required to blow the horn?

A. The locomotive horn shall begin sounding at least 15 seconds, but no more than 20 seconds, before the locomotive enters a public highway-rail grade crossing. Locomotives traveling at speeds in excess of 45 mph shall not begin sounding the horn more than one-quarter mile in advance of a public grade crossing, even if the advance warning provided by the locomotive will be less than 15 seconds in duration.

Q. What is the decibel range for train whistles?

A. The FRA maintains a 110 dB(A) maximum sound level requirement and a minimum horn sound level of 96 dB(A). According to the FRA, the 96 dB(A) is already 12 dB(A) lower than the optimal locomotive horn sound level of 108 dB(A). A locomotive horn set to the optimal sound level of 108 dB(A) would have a sound level of approximately 95 dB(A) at the motorist decision making point (50 feet in advance of the grade crossing).

A copy of the FRA's Use of Locomotive Horns at Highway-Rail Grade Crossings; Final Rule can be obtained by contacting Mike Kelly, City Engineer at (952) 404-5316 or mike@wayzata.org.

Road Closures

Thank you to all the residents who endured road closures at Ferndale Road and Gleason Lake Road! Please contact Mike Kelly, City Engineer, with any construction questions at 952-404-5316 or mike@wayzata.org.

City Hall Closed July 3 & 4th

City of Wayzata Meeting Calendar

Wednesday, July 5th Monday, July 17th Tuesday, July 18th Tuesday, August 1st Wednesday, August 2nd Monday, August 7th Tuesday, August 15th Monday, August 21st

Regular City Council Meeting Planning Commission Meeting Regular City Council Meeting National Night Out Regular City Council Meeting Planning Commission Meeting Planning Commission Meeting Planning Commission Meeting



New Voting Equipment for September Primary

Starting in 2006, the federal Help America Vote Act (HAVA, 2002) requires every polling place in the nation to provide at least one voting machine that is accessible to voters with disabilities. Beginning with the September primary, voters with disabilities will now have the option to use a new ballot-marking device designed to help voters with specific needs to vote independently and privately. The new ballot marking device will work in conjunction with the same optical scan ballot counting machine that has been in use for many years in Wayzata.

To see a demonstration of the AutoMARK stop in City Hall during

regular business hours between August 1, 2006 and the September 12, 2006 primary. Demonstrations will also be televised on the cable show Welcome Wayzata during August.

In addition to the AutoMARK being used beginning with the Primary election, the AutoMARK will also be available for use during absentee voting at City Hall.

Other Important Voter Information: Candidate filing for two open council member seats is as follows: August 29 – September 12, 2006 (Withdrawal period is until 5:00 p.m. on September 14, 2006)

Absentee voting will be available in City Hall and by mail during the 30 days preceding the elections:

The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the following election dates:

Primary election is September 12th General Election is November 7th This ballot-marking device, or the AutoMARK, provides multiple ways for voters to mark their paper ballot, including:

A touch screen interface

- A Braille touch pad
- · An option to use other assistive devices such as a sip/puff

The AutoMARK also assists voters by providing:

- An audio function that allows voters to listen to instructions and ballot selections while marking their ballot (headphone is provided)
- · a zoom feature to increase screen and font size
- · a contrast feature to improve screen readability

Wayzata Motor Vehicle

Boating season is here once again! Come visit us to update your registration or get a current fishing license!

We are open Monday through Thursday from 8 AM to 4:30 PM and Fridays from 8 AM to 2 PM. We offer a convenient location for all your motor vehicle transfers and renewals, including registration and transfers for boats, snowmobiles and ATV's. Hurry in and don't miss the summer fun!!!! Feel free to call or e-mail with any questions. Telephone No. 952-404-5320 or motorv@wayzata.org



Lawn Mowing Info & Tips

Keep grass clippings off street and other paved areas

- · Grass clippings contain phosphorus, the nutrient that turns lakes green with algae.
- Grass clippings from actively growing lawns have 4 to 5 times more phosphorus content than fallen autumn tree leaves.
- One bushel of fresh grass clippings can contain 0.1 lbs of phosphorus enough to produce 30 to 50 pounds of algae growth if it finds it way to a lake or river.
- When mowing, grass clippings should be directed away from the street, driveways, sidewalks, or other paved areas. Curbside storm sewers can transport grass clippings (along with other street debris and dirt) to nearby lakes, rivers and wetlands.
- · Grass clippings blown on the street, driveways, sidewalks or other paved areas during mowing should be swept up and returned to the lawn or composted.

Mowing high – over 2.5 inches – promotes healthier lawn, cleaner water

- Cut grass to a height of 2.5 to 3 inches. An easy guide is the width of a dollar bill, which is slightly wider than 2.5 inches.
- · Lawns mowed higher withstand heat stress better and need less watering.
- Lawns mowed higher are more competitive against weeds, reducing the need for herbicide use.
- Lawns mowed higher are more robust and resilient, reducing bare spots and soil erosion.



"GREAT PUBLIC SERVANT OPPORTUNITY!"

The Wayzata Volunteer Fire Department is seeking members!!! This is a great opportunity to give back to your community in a meaningful way. . . serving the citizens in the arena of public safety! The requirements are as follows:

- -pass a physical
- -pass an agility test
- -attend 50% of all scheduled training and meetings, approximately 50 per year
- -show progress towards firefighter certification
- -learn all department bylaws and procedures

Other Expectations:

-be involved in department community service functions. . . ie: education, special details,

Fire Fighters Needed:

community events & fund raisers.

- -Stay current in CPR
- -engage in training beyond "in house" training
- -respond to calls in accordance with department bylaws and procedures Benefits:
- -satisfaction of helping others -paid for emergency calls paid for training and meetings
- training and meetings
 -retirement pay via a defined
 contribution relief association
 If these requirements, expectations &
 benefits interest you . . . please call
 Wayzata Fire Chief, Kevin
 Klapprich, to discuss further details
 and answer any questions you may
 have. We look forward to hearing
 from you. . . YOUR SERVANT
 LEADERSHIP IS NEEDED AND
 VALUED!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Kevin Klapprich, Fire Chief, (952) 404-5337

Picnic In the Wayzata Library Children's Garden

The Friends of the Wayzata Library invite you to a summer celebration of this unique community space. Indulge in light picnic fare & music by Michael Monroe, a reading by award-winning writer Joyce Sidman, an "I Spy" challenge, and more!

Wednesday, July 12 4-6:30 PM Garbage &
Recycling for
July 4th Holiday
will be on schedule!



Home of the six bottle Discount!



National Night Out Luncheon Set

The National Night Out luncheon is set for Tuesday, August 1st at 12 Noon at the Wayzata Country Club. The program will include the presentation of the Jim Fish Award, recognizing a Wayzata resident or business person for their leadership and dedication to crime prevention in Wayzata. Chief Risvold will also be recognizing two of his officers for their part in

saving the life of a Wayzata resident earlier this year. Tom Lyden, crime reporter for Fox 9 News for the past 10 years, will be this year's keynote speaker. He has won a regional Emmy Award as well as awards from the Associated Press, the Minnesota Broadcaster's Association, and the Northwest Broadcaster's Association. He will talk about his work in the television news industry relating to reporting on crime as well as law enforcement and media relations.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$18 and can be obtained by contacting the Wayzata Chamber of Commerce at 952-473-9595. Reservation deadline is Thursday July 27.

Municipal Boat Slips Update

City Staff is working on changes to amend our Boat Ordinance and Policy regarding the dates for getting the boating applications to the City and the handling of the lottery at an earlier date. This will give residents more time to know if they need to purchase a boat or find an alternative slip space before the boating season starts.



Skate Plaza

On 6/20/2006 A Public Hearing For Design funding was approved by the Wayzata City Council.

More information and next steps to come soon on this web site: www.

wayzataskateplaza.org

As a safer alternative to kids skating on public and private retaining walls, stairs, driveways and sidewalks, etc., the City of Wayzata is considering the development of a City-owned skate plaza located near Wayzata West Jr. High.

The construction cost estimate for the skate plaza concept plan is between \$150,000 - \$300,000 plus \$30,000 for design. The range for the construction cost is primarily a function of the skate plaza's square footage which will not be determined until after the design process is complete. No property taxes would be used to build a skate plaza. The skate plaza would be financed by the City's Park & Trail Capital Improvement Plan which currently has a \$600,000 reserve balance as of 12/31/05.

You can e-mail or mail your comments:

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CITY MEETINGS

The Wayzata City Council meets twice a month on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 PM. The public is invited.

The Planning Commission meets the first Monday of each month, beginning at 7:00 PM. *The public is invited*.

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