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The Medina Message

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Bike Safety Rodeo & Police Open House Saturday, May 18th 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Please join us for our annual Bike Safety Rodeo on May 18, 2019 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Police/Public Works Facility, 600 Clydesdale Trail. This is a free event. The day will include a bike safety course along with bike inspections. This year, we will be offering tours of our police department. There will be police and fire vehicles, bouncy house, food vendors (for purchase), area businesses and a raffle at the end of the day. A registration form is available on the City of Medina's website or you can register at the event.



<https://medinamn.us/citygov/departments/police-dept/bike-safety-rodeo/>

Spring Road Weight Restrictions

Spring road weight restrictions are now in effect. The City does not issue permits during road weight restrictions, other than for emergency utility situations. The reason for the restrictions is to protect our roads and to keep the cost of road repair down for all taxpayers. We ask all of our residents and business owners to keep an eye out for large trucks using the roads during the restriction period. If you see them using a restricted road, please call 9-1-1 and report it. Help protect your roads!

When will road weight restrictions be lifted? There are a lot of variables that determine when the signs for the restrictions are posted and when they are taken down; such as: how long the cold weather holds out, how fast the frost starts coming out of the ground as the weather starts warming up, which vulnerable roads will need to have the restrictions kept on longer than the State, etc. Please watch the City's website for up-to-date information on which streets are posted and when those streets get lifted at: <https://medinamn.us/road-restrictions/>.

For questions, you can call the Medina Police Department at 763-473-9209.

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City Council Meetings

First & third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings

Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Park Commission Meetings

Third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

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City Meeting Calendar

April

- 2nd Tues—City Council 7 pm
- 3rd Wed—Board of Appeal 6:30 pm
- 9th Tues—Planning Commission 7 pm
- 16th Tues—City Council Work Session 6 pm
- 16th Tues—City Council 7 pm
- 17th Wed—Business Forum 7:30 am
- 17th Wed—Park Commission 7 pm
- 27th Sat—Clean-up Day 8 am-noon

May

- 7th Tues—City Council 7 pm
- 14th Tues—Planning Commission 7 pm
- 15th Wed—Park Commission 7 pm
- 21st Tues—City Council Work Session 6 pm
- 21st Tues—City Council 7 pm
- 27th Mon—City Offices Closed (Holiday)

All meetings at City Hall unless otherwise noted.
 Meeting agendas on website when available.

Board of Appeal and Equalization Wednesday, April 3rd at 6:30 p.m.

This meeting is held annually for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the 2019 assessed property values (for taxes payable in 2020) or property classifications in the City of Medina. More information can be found on the city's website at <http://medinamn.us/boa/>.

Annual Medina Business Forum Wednesday, April 17th at 7:30 a.m.

Medina businesses are invited to the city's annual business forum on Wednesday, April 17th at 7:30 a.m. at the Hamel Community Building, 3200 Mill Drive. Please RSVP by emailing jodi.gallup@medinamn.gov.

City Council Agendas and Minutes Email Notifications



Stay informed on what is happening at upcoming City Council meetings. The City emails copies of Council agendas and minutes at no cost to residents. If you would like to be added to the regular email notification list, email jodi.gallup@medinamn.gov to sign up.

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Planning Department

Building a New Deck or Replacing/Repairing One?

If yes, a permit is required for constructing new decks and even if you're replacing/repairing in most instances.

What is needed to submit for a deck permit?

- 1) Permit applications are available at the time you apply, on the City of Medina website, or by emailing debra.peterson@medinamn.gov.
- 2) Two copies of your deck specifications of how the deck will be constructed (details of how deck will be constructed, footing sizes/depth, handrail details if applicable, how the deck will be attached to the house, deck materials, etc.)
- 3) Two copies of your survey showing where the deck will be attached to the house and setbacks from property lines. A survey of your property may likely be available in your address file at City Hall and may be sufficient. Check with Deb at debra.peterson@medinamn.gov.



Thinking about Making Changes to your Driveway?

Any changes to your driveway such as widening should prompt a call to the City Building Department at 763-473-8847 to determine if a permit is required. Driveways do have minimum setbacks and maximum width requirements. If you are just resurfacing in the exact same location, a permit is not required.



Uptown Hamel Project Update

The City of Medina is partnering with the University of Minnesota–Humphrey School of Public Affairs, to identify potential design and development standards that will support improvements and new development in Uptown Hamel. The project team thanks everyone who attended an Uptown Hamel open house last month or filled out a survey! It is exciting to see all of the interest in Uptown Hamel, and we have already gained a lot of useful information for the project.

If you were not able to attend an open house you can still learn more about the project or fill out a comment card on Medina's website at <https://medinamn.us/citygov/departments/planning-zoning/uptown-hamel-project/>. **There is also a new design preference survey on this webpage that is intended to get you thinking about more specific preferences for Uptown Hamel.** The team will analyze all of the information gathered, conduct research, and prepare a final report for the City.

The final presentation will be open to the public. Once a date is set, it will be posted on the webpage. If you have any questions, want additional information or would like your comments to be recorded, contact Nick Kieser at Kiese057@umn.edu.

Land Use Applications Under Review

The following land projects are currently under review by the City. For more information on one of the projects, or for an update on the review schedule, please visit <http://medinamn.us/citygov/departments/planning-zoning/> or contact the Planning Department at (763) 473-4643, ext. 1.

Charlie's Restaurant PUD Concept – 172 Hamel Road – Steve Andres has requested review of a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Concept Plan for construction of a restaurant at the corner of Hamel Road and Sioux Drive. The applicant seeks a PUD to provide flexibility to use cargo shipping containers for the building structure. The Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled to hold a public hearing on April 9, 2019.



Raskob Elm Creek Addition – 500 Hamel Road – The Patricia R. Raskob Trust has requested a subdivision of approximately 8.4 acres north of Hamel Road at Elm Creek Drive into two parcels. The Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled to hold a public hearing on April 9, 2019.

Medina Mini-Storage Site Plan Review – 4790 Rolling Hills Road – Highway 55 Rental Portable Storable LLC (Jeff Pederson) has requested a Site Plan Review for construction of a 5,140 square foot mini-storage building within the existing paved area. The Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled to review on April 9, 2019.

Public Works & Public Safety

Spring Burning Restrictions

Each spring, the DNR restricts all permit burns. As the snow disappears, we are left with very dry conditions. Recreational fires, no larger than 3' x 3' x 3', are still allowed. Please use extreme caution to ensure the recreational fire stays under control.

If you are planning other burns, such as large amounts of brush or vegetation, permits will be available once the DNR lifts the restrictions as the environment greens up.



Please contact the Medina Police Department at (763) 473-9209 if you have any questions. In the future, if you would like to apply for a permit, you can stop by their office at 600 Clydesdale Trail.

Annual Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP) Public Hearing—April 16th

The City of Medina will be holding a public hearing at the April 16th City Council meeting at 7 p.m. on the adequacy of the city's SWPPP. The City operates under a MS4 permit for stormwater control which is regulated by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. The City is required to hold an annual public hearing and apply for the permit every 5 years, which will be again in 2019. The primary goal of the MS4 General Permit is to improve water quality by reducing pollutants in stormwater discharges from an MS4. Examples of stormwater infrastructure include curbs, ditches, culverts, stormwater ponds and storm sewer pipes.

Public and private spaces contribute to urban stormwater pollution. While MS4 administrators control the public sources of stormwater pollution, it is also in the hands of private citizens to change the way they do small things that will have a dramatic effect on the quality of their favorite fishing spot or swimming beach.

Simple Steps You Can Take:

- ▶ Fertilize established lawns with phosphorous-free fertilizer and do not overspray fertilizer into the street.
- ▶ Rake leaves and sweep grass clippings away from curbs. Clean curbs mean clean water.
- ▶ When you wash your car or truck, direct water onto your lawn to soak up soap.
- ▶ Find attractive alternatives to large, impervious driveways and sidewalks.
- ▶ Direct your home's gutters onto your lawn. Water that does not make it to the curb cannot carry pollutants to lakes and streams.
- ▶ Do not participate in illicit discharge, such as chemical dumping.

Source: <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/wq-strm4-01.pdf>

Loretto Fire Department Pancake Breakfast Sunday, April 28th, 8 a.m. to Noon

Residents are invited to attend the Loretto Fire Department's annual pancake and french toast all-you-can-eat breakfast on Sunday, April 28th from 8 a.m. to noon at the Loretto Fire Station, 259 Medina Street, Loretto. \$8 for adults and \$5 for kids.

Open To Business Program Free Technical Assistance

Are you thinking about starting your own business or are you currently operating a small business and interested in FREE technical assistance?

The Open to Business Program provides FREE one-on-one assistance from expert staff, customized to meet the specific needs of each entrepreneur. This can include creating a business plan, suggestions on financial management and bookkeeping practices, assisting with marketing, and referrals for financing. A small business loan fund is also available.



For more information or to schedule a session, please contact Rob Smolund from MCCD at rsmolund@mccdmn.org or (612) 789-7337 ext. 260. Learn more at: <http://medinamn.us/opentobusiness/>

Dogs in the Park

With the arrival of spring and warmer weather, we will be out enjoying the parks and trails. If you are headed out to one of the City parks or trails with your pets, please ensure they are on a leash.

City Ordinance 515 requires that pets be contained or on a leash no longer than six feet in length. The ordinance also requires that pet owners clean up pet feces and dispose of the feces in a sanitary manner. Let's enjoy our parks by keeping them safe and clean.

