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AS IF IT'S NOT HOT ENOUGH – LET'S BLACKTOP!

Select residents will soon be receiving a letter from the Chaska Public Works Superintendent advising them of the schedule for the street overlay program. The City evaluated all the streets and prioritized which ones needed to be sealcoated, overlaid, or reconstructed. The following streets are scheduled to be milled and overlaid with 1 ½" of new blacktop. Work is slated to begin in mid-August. The cost will come out of the normal operating budget and will not be assessed to homeowners or businesses.

White Oak Drive

Crosstown Boulevard

Sunshine Circle

Crest Drive

Parkview Drive

Meadow Lane

Westwood Lane

Sunshine Court

Hillside Circle

Meadow Court

Skyview Drive

Valleyview Road

Parkview Court

The work will consist of the contractor milling 6-12" of blacktop on the edge of the road, followed by City crews raising the manholes and valves to accommodate for the new blacktop. Paving will occur after that and should only cause one day of inconvenience to homeowners. Although there may be times when traveling to and from your residence will take a few extra minutes, the contractor has been instructed to allow access as much as possible.

The 2011 Downtown Reconstruction Project began this week on Locust Drive, and Spruce and West Third Streets. Asphalt grinding has already been completed and tree removal of just a few trees should be finished by Friday. Next week, construction will start in earnest for the sewer and water facilities and road connection between the three streets over the creek. The project should be completed by the end of October.



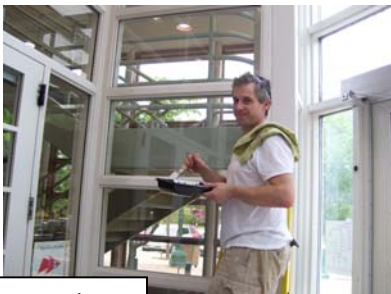
For questions regarding street renovations or improvements, please contact Matt Haefner, Assistant City Engineer or Tim Wiebe, Superintendent of Public Works at 952-448-4335.



Glen painting the upper windows.

I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW

If you have had to use services at the City Hall or Library, you may have noticed that the outside of the building is receiving a much needed facelift and general maintenance. Because of budget constraints, regular maintenance to the City Hall has been neglected. But windows are now being cleaned with the aid of a cherry picker, and those that are in need of repair because of leakage and fogging are being replaced. The front entrance is being pressure washed and the doors repainted. The City is excited to have this work completed and maintain the high standard of excellence that residents and visitors have come to expect.



James on the ground.



Once again, Carver County and a number of surrounding cities, including Chaska, are sponsoring a day at the Arboretum. This year the date is Friday, August 5th. On that day, all

Carver County residents will receive free admission to the Arboretum. In the morning there will be a short welcome event with refreshments, hosted by the Arboretum Director, County Board, and Chanhassen Mayor.

If you haven't been to the Arboretum for awhile, plan to attend on Friday, August 5th. Building hours are 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. The grounds are open until 8:00 pm. For more information, call 952-443-1400.



"LIKE" THE CITY OF CHASKA ON FACEBOOK!



Facebook is a great connection to stay up to date on City news and events. "Liking" the City of Chaska on Facebook will give you access to immediate information on current happenings within the City. To be an informed resident and gain knowledge of what is going on in the community from a firsthand source, "like" the City of Chaska's Facebook page in one of three ways:

1. Go to the city's webpage at: www.chaskamn.com and click "Find us on Facebook".
2. Search for "City of Chaska" on www.facebook.com.
3. Visit: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/City-of-Chaska-MN/103029816398840?ref=ts>.

Join your community on Facebook today!



Today is Monkey Appreciation Day.

But probably only if it's not on your back!

FROM THE ELECTRICAL DIRECTOR
DAN GEIGER

Electrical usage is up, way up. Our system peak demand set an all time high of almost 71,000 kilowatts (kW) on Monday afternoon at about 4 pm. We also hit that peak on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. We had two previous peak demands on June 7 and July 1, which also broke our previous high from 2010 which was 66,600 kW. So we are about 7% above the levels of last year. This is due in part to new commercial/industrial loads, but the majority of it is just due to air conditioning loads running a lot harder than previous years.

Fortunately we have not been affected by any large storms with this heat wave which is sometimes the case. We did have a couple of outages on Monday night due to the heat but they affected a small number of customers who got their power quickly restored.

Our workers have also been enduring this heat while working outside on projects that need to be done. They have to be very careful to make sure they stay hydrated and don't overdo it. We've got a lot going on right now and our workers still keep plugging along in the heat to provide the most reliable system possible!



**COMMUNITY
CENTER
ACTIVITIES**

MOVIE MONDAYS

Come join us for a free movie in the CCC Theater. Children under 11 must be accompanied by an adult.



Place: CCC Theater
Times: 10:00 am. and 2:00 pm.
Dates: July 25 Movie – "Bedtime Stories"
Cost: FREE

CHASKA YOUTH FALL SOCCER

Registration deadline is July 24
Volunteer coaches needed.

Entering grade 1
Children will be introduced to the basics of soccer while having fun. Games will be played on small fields on Saturday mornings. T-shirts are provided to each participant.

Dates: August 13–
September 17
Cost: \$40 Resident
\$52 Non-Resident



Entering grades 2 – 4
This league meets twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Players will work on developing ball skills such as passing, shooting, receiving and ball control. Each participant receives a T-shirt.

Dates: August 16–September 15
Cost: \$55 Resident
\$70 Non-Resident

CAMP ADVENTURE

Ages 5 to 8
We're Out the Door to Explore! Join the adventure as we trek outside to get a closeup look at Chaska's natural wonders. Projects, arts and crafts, puppets, songs, and more will enhance our hands-on discovery and learning in this exciting four day camp. Snack provided. Please bring a water bottle. Starts: Monday, July 25.



For more information on CCC activities, go to:
www.chaskacommunitycenter.com.

Also- Check out the CCC website for job opportunities; including lifeguards, part-time bus driver, and various instructors.

**GET READY TO PARTY AT THE ANNUAL CHASKA RIVER CITY DAYS
JULY 29 - 31!
A SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOLLOWS. FOR MORE INFORMATION,
GO TO WWW.CHASKARIVERCITYDAYS.COM.**

FRIDAY, JULY 29, 2011	
Chaska RCD Medallion Hunt	Clues start on July 23rd
Friends of the Chaska Community Library-Used Book Sale City Hall Plaza	9am-8pm
"Walk the Sidewalk Sale" Downtown Businesses	10am-6pm
Chaska Historical Society exhibits-"Disaster-Chaska's Response to Challenges" 112 West 4th St	9am - 5pm
Family Beach Bash 2011 Fireman's Park	2pm - 4pm
Art and Craft Fair, Food Court, Games, Info City Square Park	4pm-closing
Pie/Ice Cream Social Moravian Church	4pm - 8:30
RCD Photo Contest Display Moravian Church	4pm - 8:30pm
<u>Performances at Gazebo:</u> Step By Step Montessorri Preschool Singers Chaska School of Dance River City Martial Arts Academy	Times: 5:15 - 5:45pm 5:45 - 6:15pm 6:15- 6:45pm
Picnic in the Park City Square Park	5:30-7:30pm
Minnesota Valley Community Band Gazebo	7:00 - 8:30 pm
"Rock Solid" Entertainment Band Main stage on Walnut	8:30pm-12:00



SATURDAY, JULY 30	
RCD 5K Fun Run & Fun Walk	7:30am
Senior Citizen Breakfast St John Lutheran Church	7:30am-9:30am
Friends of the Chaska Community Library-Used Book Sale City Hall Plaza	9am-3pm
Carver-Scott Humane Society Bake Sale City Square Park	10am-8pm
Walk the Sidewalk Sale Downtown Businesses	10am-6pm
Chaska Historical Society- Exhibit- "Disaster-Chaska's Response to Challenges" 112 W 4th St	9am-5pm
Art/Craft Fair, Games, Activities, Info Booths, Food Court	10am-all day
Business and Health Expo Main tent on Walnut	10am-3pm
RCD Photo Contest Display Moravian Church	11am - 8:30pm
Pie & Ice Cream Social Moravian Church	11am-8:30pm
Kid's Fishing Contest Fireman's Park (Pre-Register-10:15)	10:45-11:30
Performances - City Square Park/Gazebo: Martial Arts America Chaska School of Dance Kids Parade ATA Marshal Arts of Chanhassen Yoga at Mystic Journey National Karate-Chaska	11am - 11:30am 11:30 - 12:00pm 12:15 - 1:00pm 1:15 - 1:45pm 1:45 - 2:30 pm 2:30 - 3:00pm
Kids/Youth Parade- City Square Park (Line up 12:00)	12:15
Chaska Fire Dept Water Fights Walnut and 4th St	1pm
Karaoke -Gazebo	3-4:30
Chaska Middle School Jazz Ensemble, Garage Band, Movie Band, and Stomp Group, Chaska HS-Country Bluegrass Band - Gazebo	4:30-6pm
Rotary Steak and Chicken Fry City Square Park	5pm-8pm
'Minneapolis Commodores' - Acappella male chorus - Gazebo	6:15-7:45pm
"Centered" Teen/Young Adult Music Live Entertainment City Square Plaza- next to Library	8:30- 9:30pm
"Jonah and the Whales" Live Entertainment Band Main Stage-Walnut	8pm-12:00

SUNDAY, JULY 31

Note: Limited activities in City Square Park today

Couples Golf Scramble -Chaska Par 30 Golf Course	7am-4pm
RCD Co-ed 4's Grass Volleyball Tournament- Fireman's Park	9am-5pm
RCD Breakfast in the City Square Park & Christian Praise Festival Contemporary Christian Music during the breakfast- Tent on Walnut St	9:30am - 1:00pm
Chaska Area Jaycees RCD Parade near downtown - 4th Sts.	1:00pm
Chaska's Got Talent Variety Show (Main Stage on Walnut)	2:00pm after parade
Chaska Community Choir Annual Concert Chaska High School Auditorium	4:00pm

"Rain or Shine"

**All Entertainment Events are Free
Events and Time Schedule subject to change.**

Note: City Square Park Rules: No pets, bicycles, skateboards allowed in the park during activities.



HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND AND STAY COOL!