



# Chaska City Hall Bulletin

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## CITY COMPLETES SUMMER ROAD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Residents in the Clover Ridge neighborhood and along Geske and Village Roads recently experienced the work necessary to maintain their roads in good condition. Ten years ago the City of Chaska adopted a street maintenance program that includes three components. The first component is the full reconstruction of roads that have outlived their useful life. The second component is the overlay of roads in which the pavement surface has become deteriorated. The third component is the sealcoating of roads to extend the life of pavement already in good condition.

Since adoption of the program, several things have occurred in the City, including the beginning of our Downtown Street Reconstruction Program. This program includes the reconstruction of each road in the downtown area by the end of 2018. Currently that program includes the reconstruction of Second and Third Streets on the east side of Highway 41. That project is still underway.



4. Oak Street - Looking North From Second Street  
Existing 52' wide, Parking Both Sides, 9' Boulevards, 4' Sidewalks

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The other two components of the Street Program which do not get as much attention but are critical to keeping our road surfaces good for as long as possible, is the sealcoat and overlay of certain roads. Each year the City of Chaska puts dollars into the budget so that sealcoat and overlay can occur. Based on our overall maintenance program, each City road is scheduled for sealcoating every ten years. Mill and overlay occurs every twenty years. This cycle is completed 3-4 times over the full life of a city street. So full reconstruction of these roads should not need to occur more than every 70-80 years.

For 2013 the City put \$250,000 into the budget, which allowed every road in the Clover Ridge neighborhood to be sealcoated, with the exception of Clover Ridge Drive. Geske and Village Roads were completely overlayed, with the work being finished yesterday.

Based on our overall Street Maintenance Program, residents are assessed for 25% of the costs of a full reconstruction of their road, which occurs once about every 70-80 years. The cost of sealcoating and overlaying are not assessed and are completely budgeted through the City General Fund.

Over the past several years, some areas that have seen maintenance work are; the Park Ridge neighborhood south and north of the Community Center, and Sandy Acres. By consistently budgeting dollars toward these programs, we help to ensure that not only do residents have good roads, but we also avoid costly reconstruction until absolutely necessary. It should be noted that to keep the costs down related to sealcoat and overlay, the Chaska Public Works and Water and Sewer crews do a lot of prep work for the projects. Chaska has traditionally done a lot of the prep work in-house, allowing us to stretch our dollars. A big thank you to these departments for the work they do to in regard to this construction activity. Also, thank you to the residents who often put up with some disruption to their normal schedules. We hope the end result of these maintenance activities helps improve the overall usability and aesthetics of the roads in the neighborhoods.



Any questions regarding the street maintenance programs may be directed to the Chaska City Administrator, Matt Podhradsky, at 952-448-9200.

## THANK YOU TO COMMUNITY EVENT ORGANIZERS

The City of Chaska would like to take this opportunity to thank some individuals and groups for their assistance with four events recently held in the community.

First, a big, big thank you to Dr. Tim Sebenaler who has been the primary organizer for the past 15 years of Chaska's largest community event, River City Days. Although Dr. Sebenaler resides in the neighboring City of Jordan, he has maintained a private chiropractic practice in the City of Chaska for 23 years and is one of Chaska's strongest advocates for the promotion of Chaska's community values. He donates hundreds of hours every year to the River City Days event with no monetary compensation or personal recognition desired. However, the Chaska City Council will at last be recognizing Dr. Sebenaler with a special proclamation at the Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting at 7:00 pm. Anyone wishing to witness the presentation of the proclamation or offer their personal thanks to Dr. Sebenaler is welcome to attend.

We would also like to thank Officer Julie Janke for helping residents organize 35 separate events for this year's National Night Out on August 6<sup>th</sup>. A big thank you as well, to the Chaska Fire Department and the entire Police Department who visited each of the block parties. National Night Out started in Chaska with modest beginnings. It has grown significantly due in part to the work Officer Janke has contributed. The event is a great opportunity for residents to get to know their neighbors and police and fire personnel.

Another thank you goes out to the Chaska Lions Club and the Chaska Park and Rec Department for hosting the annual Senior Picnic in the Park. The event was held last night at City Square Park. Each year a picnic and concert is held in the park, with all seniors invited to enjoy a free meal and music. This is a fun event that is well attended by many community residents.

Lastly, Project Community Connect is being held at the Chaska Community Center today until 5:00 pm. Carver Scott County Community Development and the Chaska Community Center employees are the main organizers of the event. Project Community Connect brings services to needy residents, which can all be accessed in one location for the day. The event includes everything from free haircuts, dental work, medical exams, and immunizations for children about to start school, to assistance with veteran's services, housing, and employment. Over 200 service booths were part of the Project Community Connect. Many thanks to everyone who participated in this event!

These events and the volunteers who assist in making them successful, are what help Chaska to be "The Best Small Town in Minnesota!"

City of Chaska

# Touch a Truck







**Thursday, August 15**  
5:00—7:30 P.M.  
**Chaska Community Center**

**10**  
Years Strong!

Experience first-hand amazing and fun trucks used in real life!

**FOOD** 5:00-6:30 P.M.  
Hot Dogs:  
Chaska Park Board  
Ice Cream Cones:  
Chaska Lions Club  
Popcorn:  
KleinBank Chaska  
Soda:  
Chaska Kiwanis Club

**FUN** 5:00-6:30 P.M.  
Big Trucks  
Little Trucks  
Carnival Games  
Raffle  
Jumper  
And More!

**MUSIC** 6:30 —7:30 P.M.  
Live Music  
From  
Splatter Sisters!



**FREE** Food  
Fun  
Music  
Games

Sponsored by the City of Chaska



**OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS**

**FRIDAY NIGHT BAND  
CONCERT**  
CITY SQUARE PARK  
7:00 PM – AUGUST 9 - FREE!  
FEATURING BAVARIAN  
MUSIKMEISTERS

**CHASKE CIKALA WACIPI  
(LITTLE DANCE IN CHASKA)**  
AUGUST 17 & 18  
MCKNIGHT PARK  
FOR MORE INFORMATION  
AND TIME OF EVENTS CALL  
952-448-6860

**Historical Population Growth for  
Chaska**

Census	Population	% +/-
1880	1,068	--
1890	2,210	106.9
1900	2,165	-2.0
1910	2,050	-5.3
1920	1,966	-4.1
1930	1,901	-3.3
1940	1,927	1.4
1950	2,008	4.2
1960	2,501	24.6
1970	4,352	74.0
1980	8,346	91.8
1990	11,339	35.9
2000	17,449	53.9
2010	23,770	36.2