



»» NEWSLETTER ««



CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
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FIRE

Fire protection is provided the by
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Emergencies 911

Non-emergency 651-266-8989

POLICE

Police protection is provided by the
Ramsey County Sheriff's Office.

Emergencies 911

Non-emergency 651-767-0640

CITY HALL OPENING HOURS

Monday 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday 7:30 AM - 12:00 PM





CITY COUNCIL

The City Council meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur Avenue.

Meetings are streamed live from NineNorth (formerly CTV) and televised on public access channel 15.



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Wednesday, August 2 City Council Workshop Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Wednesday, August 9 City Council Meeting - 7:00 PM
- Wednesday, August 23 City Council Meeting - 7:00 PM



>>> CITY COUNCIL MEETING UNOFFICIAL RECAP <<<

UNOFFICIAL REPORT OF THE
CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 26, 2023

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

ROLL CALL: MAYOR GUSTAFSON
COUNCILMEMBERS: LEEHY, MEYER,
WEHYEE AND WASSENBERG
STAFF: CITY ADMINISTRATOR
LINEHAN

AGENDA

PRESENTATIONS

- Award Sale of General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2023A (Wassenberg; Approved 5-0)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Fee Schedule Modification Ordinance (Leehy; Approved 5-0)

MINUTES

- July 12, 2023 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes (Wehyee; Approved 5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

1. General Disbursements, Payroll, Wire Payments
2. City Licenses
3. Night to Unite Proclamation
4. **Authorize use of \$14,626 in Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) funds for the 2023 Pavement Management Project (Moved to Policy Item 1)**
5. PMP Change Order
6. **Snelling-Larpenteur Study (Moved to Policy Item 2)** (Wehyee; Approved 5-0)

POLICY ITEMS

1. Authorize use of \$14,626 in Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) funds for the 2023 Pavement Management Project (Wassenberg; Approved 5-0)
2. Snelling-Larpenteur Study (Wassenberg; Approved 5-0)

CITY COMMISSIONS <<<

The City of Falcon Heights has four City Commissions, which serve the City Council in an advisory capacity. Commissioners are volunteers including Falcon Heights residents, local business owners, and business designees who have been appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMISSION

The Community Engagement Commission advises the City Council on matters related to community needs and issues, crime and prevention, public awareness, community involvement, and human rights issues. The commission also helps plan and facilitate community events such as Human Rights Day and the Ice Cream Social.

The Community Engagement Commission meets on the third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

There are currently THREE vacancies. To apply, [click here](#)

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

The Parks & Recreation Commission advises the Council on matters related to the operation of the City's public parks and the City recreation program.

The Parks & Recreation Commission meets on the first Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

There are currently NO vacancies.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission advises the City Council on matters related to planning, zoning, and land use. Meetings are streamed [live from NineNorth](#) and televised on public access channel 15.

The Planning Commission meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

There is currently ONE vacancy. To apply, [click here](#)

ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION

The Environment Commission advises the City Council on matters related to environmental issues, including recycling and waste disposal, community gardens, and storm water runoff. The Commission also develops and recommends implementation of environmentally friendly initiatives such as rain barrels and solar panels, supporting and advancing the City's participation in the [GreenStep Cities](#) program.

The Environment Commission meets the second Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., at City Hall.

There are currently NO vacancies.



PUBLIC WORKS & <<< CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

2023 PMP Construction Schedule

Please note, weather will be a factor and the schedule will likely change as the construction season progresses.

Council Actions are denoted with CC and will take place at a public council meeting:

Week of July 31 – August 4

- Finish Sidewalk Paving – Garden Avenue
- Install Pavers at Ruggles Pathway
- Topsoil Boulevard Installation – Beginning on Ruggles, Holton, Albert and Sheldon

August 1 – Paving First Layer of Asphalt on Garden Ave and Portion of Alleyway

August 11 – Begin Seeding Boulevards

August 14/15 - Final Paving – All Streets and Alleyway

August 18 – Pavement Markings/Striping

August 18, 2023 – Project-End Date

Sept/Oct 2023 – CC Assessment Hearing

October 2023 – CC Action on Assessments

Spring 2024 – Final Restoration

Use the QR Code to sign up for weekly emailed updates or click [here](#).



PUBLIC WORKS & <<< CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Sidewalks

Public Works is continuing the sidewalk project in the Northome neighborhood. This week they will be forming sidewalk panels and they are planning on pouring concrete on Wednesday or Thursday. Please note, this project is time and weather permitting.

Signage

Public Works will start putting street signs back in at the PMP construction zone.

Mowing

Public Works will continue mowing city-maintained grass, as needed.



Court Striping

The court at Curtiss Field was striped last week for basketball.

The court at University Grove was striped last week for pickleball.

Both courts are ready to be enjoyed!

Ramsey County Cleveland Avenue Reconstruction

Cleveland Avenue from Buford to Larpenteur is closed. The Buford intersection is also closed. Follow signed detour. For more information or to sign up for alerts, click [here](#)



COMMUNITY <<< EVENTS

Citywide Garage Sale

Registration is now open!

Register your garage sale for the citywide garage sale, taking place on September 16.

Statewide Star Party at the Bell Museum

Friday | August 11, 2023 | 9:30 PM-11:30 PM | FREE

Tickets for planetarium shows are available at the front desk upon arrival, on a first-come, first-serve basis. For More information, click [here](#)

Registration is requested through [Eventbrite](#).

St. Anthony Park Area Seniors

Older Adult Resource Series

Passing on Personal Possessions - Have you thought about this?

What: We will show the University of MN Extension video, "Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate?" and have a discussion around this potentially sensitive and emotional issue. All participants will receive a piece of pie and a copy of the published workbook to take home.

When: Tuesday, August 1 at 2:00 p.m.

How to attend: In-Person at 2200 Hillside Ave. (Centennial United Methodist Church sanctuary).

OR

Online through Facebook. You do NOT need a Facebook account to view this.

<https://www.facebook.com/sapaseniors/>

All are welcome! There is no charge to attend.

Contact the St. Anthony Park Area Seniors office by phone at 651-642-9052 or email sc@sapaseniors.org for more information.

Community Conversation ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE CENTER

Ramsey County residents are invited to share their thoughts on designs for the new Environmental Service Center at one of two upcoming community conversations. Attendees can get a closer look at building and landscaping designs and learn more about the planned facility.

As a thank you for your time, you can enter a drawing to win a \$50 Visa gift card.

Date: August 1, 2023 - In Person
5 - 6:30 PM

Location: Ramsey County Library - Roseville
2180 Hamline Ave N, Roseville, MN 55113

Date: August 8, 2023 - Virtual
12 - 1:00 PM [Zoom Meeting Link](#)



COMMUNITY <<< UPDATES

Como Falcon Heights Block Nurse Program

WE NEED YOU!



Como Park/Falcon Heights Living at Home Block Nurse Program is looking for volunteers of all types – friendly visitors, driving seniors to doctor appointments, chore support, grocery delivery, dog walkers and more.

Make a difference in the lives of our neighborhood seniors! Even one hour will help greatly.

Call 651.642.1127 to let us know what and when you can help. We're stronger together!



RECYCLING FACT

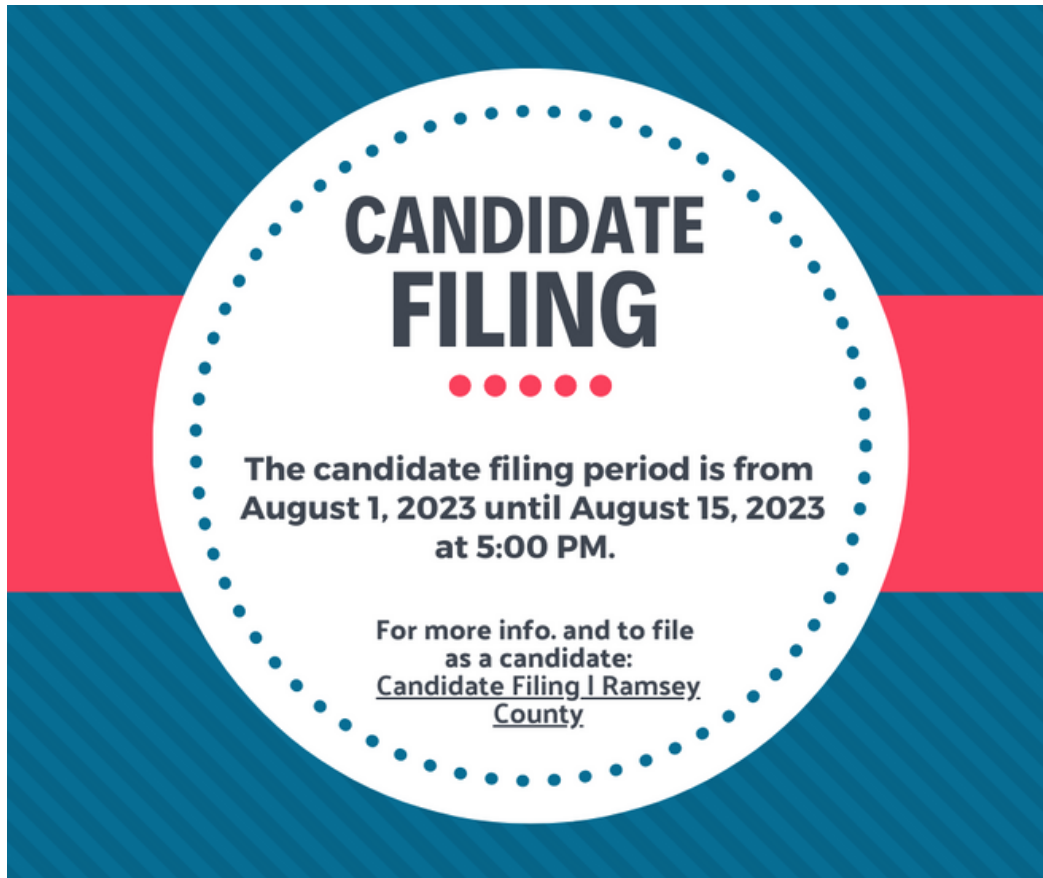
Americans throw away enough office paper each year to build a 12 foot high wall from Seattle to NY every year.

>>> CODE ENFORCEMENT CORNER

Remember, residential garbage and recycling is collected on Fridays in Falcon Heights. On days when these are not being collected, all trash and recycling containers must be stored so they are not visible from the street. Please ensure these are placed either in your garage or behind the house.



COMMUNITY <<< UPDATES



The candidate filing period for the November 7th, 2023 Municipal and School District General Elections opens on August 1, 2023 and runs through August 15, 2023. The following local offices are soliciting candidate filings:

City of Falcon Heights

Mayor (1)

Council Member at Large (2)

Roseville Schools ISD #623

School Board Member at Large (3)

Candidate filing information requirements and a list of candidates who have filed can be found here: https://www.ramseycounty.us/residents/elections-voting/candidates/candidate-filing_

stop food waste challenge

Team up against food waste

Our community cares about reducing food waste so we can save money, fight climate change, provide for our families, and become better cooks. That's why we're taking the Stop Food Waste Challenge this August.

Stop food waste. Join our team.

1. Visit stopfoodwaste.ecochallenge.org and sign up
2. Join our team: City of Falcon Heights
3. Choose your actions
4. Encourage others to join!



stopfoodwaste.ecochallenge.org



>>> PARKS AND RECREATION <<<

City Hall Programming

Tae Kwon Do <<<

Register for upcoming Tae Kwon Do sessions!

Tae Kwon Do Basic and Intermediate/Advanced sessions will be held on Tuesdays, with classes running August 8 - September 19.

Cardio Kickboxing classes will be held on Thursdays, running August 10 - September 21. All classes are held in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

Classes are instructed by Joshua Jordan, a 2nd-degree black belt. These classes help develop self-defense skills, mental strength, focus, self-confidence, physical health and flexibility.

For more information and to register, click this link:
<https://www.falconheights.org/residents/tkd-information>

>>> Yoga

Register for drop-in yoga classes today for classes running through August 21! Or, get registered for upcoming sessions!

Upcoming classes will run every Monday from September 11 - November 20 at 4:30 PM. in the City Council Chambers at City Hall.

Classes are instructed by Shaila Cunningham, who has over 20 years of experience and was certified in 2001 in-residence at Kripalu. Appropriate for healthy beginners or for those wanting to explore "deeper practices," classes will combine classical yoga with best practices, served up with a side of humor. Shaila serves as instructor for North Oaks and Midland Hills Golf Clubs and offers additional classes at YogaHotDish locations.

For more information and to register, click this link:

<https://www.falconheights.org/residents/parks-recreation/yoga>



>>> PARKS AND RECREATION <<<

Parks Programming

Neighborhood Workouts at Curtiss Field <<<

Purchase drop-in sessions and join your neighbors for fun and friendly outdoor strength and conditioning workouts at Curtiss Field Park this summer!

Participants will use dumbbells, resistance bands, slam balls, and other implements to build overall strength, mobility, balance, and cardio endurance. All bodies are welcome here, regardless of age, size, and previous experience.

Classes will be held on Saturday mornings at 9:00 a.m. from June 17 - August 19 at Curtiss Field (1551 W. Iowa Ave.). Drop-in classes are \$16 each.

For more information, click this link:

<https://www.falconheights.org/residents/parks-recreation/activities-programs/summer-workou>

>>> Summer Programming

Thanks to summer staff and to all participants in the City's Mini Soccer and Super Soccer programs this summer from Community Park!

THANK YOU!



CITY RENTAL FACILITIES <<<

>>> City Hall

Full Council Chambers

Full Capacity: 150 / 75 seated

Pricing: \$125 + tax for 3 hours \$200 + tax for a half day \$275 + tax for a full day

A \$200 refundable damage deposit is required and setup fees may also apply.

Partial Council Chambers

Half Capacity: 75 / 30 seated

Pricing: \$60 + tax for 3 hours \$115 + tax for a half day \$175 + tax for a full day

A \$200 refundable damage deposit is required and setup fees may also apply.

Conference Room

Capacity: 8 maximum

Pricing: \$35 + tax for 3 hours \$70 + tax for a half day \$125 + tax for a full day

A \$200 refundable damage deposit is required and setup fees may also apply.

Kitchen

Capacity: 10 / 6 seated

Pricing: \$30 + tax for 3 hours \$60 + tax for a half day \$75 + tax for a full day

A \$200 refundable damage deposit is required and setup fees may also apply.

City Hall reservations are only available for PUBLIC use; no private events may be held here.

Reservation Form

Field/Court <<<

The City has various courts and fields that can be reserved at Curtiss Field and at Community Park. For details and specific pricing, please see the [reservation form](#)

>>> Picnic Areas

Community Park

- Upper Picnic Area (against building): 5 picnic tables, trash bins
- East Picnic Area (near playground): 2 picnic tables, trash bins
- Lower Picnic Area (SW corner): 2 picnic tables, 1 BBQ grill, trash bins

Each picnic area is \$20 + tax for a half day or \$35 + tax for a full day.

A refundable damage deposit and setup fees may also apply.

The Community Park building is unusable. A portable restroom is available in the park.

Reservation Information and Forms Found Here!



RESIDENT <<< RESOURCES

Online BIPOC Support Groups

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) has coordinated various online support groups to help BIPOC. Please click [here](#) for more information.



Energy Cents Coalition

Are you looking for help paying your Xcel bills or are you in need of a replacement furnace, water heater or refrigerator. Call 651 - 774 - 9010 to check if you are eligible

Protection & Crisis:

There are protection & crisis resources available that are provided by Ramsey County. Click [here](#) for more information regarding protection and crisis resources.

Emergency Assistance:

Get help with shelter payments, such as past due rent, to stop evictions or foreclosure. Click [here](#) for more information that could help!

Blood Pressure Clinics

Sponsored By Como Park/Falcon Heights Block Nurse Program



Love your heart! Take advantage of these **free** Blood Pressure Clinics.



1st & 3rd Mondays from
2pm-3:30pm at Arbor Pointe
Apartments

2nd & 4th Mondays from
2pm-3:30pm at Falcon Heights
City Hall

Food Assistance:

There are many meal and food assistance programs that are available in Ramsey County.

Visit the Ramsey County website for information regarding food resource guides, programming, emergency support and more! Use the interactive map to find resources near you, including delivery services, free dining and meal sites.

