



Halloween Party
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City Holiday Closures
Veteran's Day Friday, November 10
Thanksgiving November 23 & 24
Christmas Monday, December 25



2023 Legislative Update

In the 2023, Legislative Session, in the tax bill, it was approved for a 0.25% sales tax on sales and purchases in the seven-county metro area. The counties include Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington. The revenues from this tax will support housing projects in the metro area. Additionally, there will be a 0.75% sales tax on sales and purchases in the seven-county metro area. This includes Hennepin County. The revenues from this tax will support transportation projects in the metro area. Both of these new taxes are effective October 1, 2023.

New Ordinance

The City Council recently adopted an ordinance prohibiting the use of cannabis and hemp products in public places. Here are some of the highlights:

- No person can use cannabis products including low-potency hemp edibles in any indoor or outdoor area that is used or held out for use by the public whether owned or operated by public or private interests. This includes all public buildings, parks, parking lots, retail stores, restaurants, schools, common areas of apartment buildings, and golf course.
- The penalty for a violation of this is a petty misdemeanor.

Additionally, the City Council adopted an ordinance allowing the sales of edible cannabinoid products within the city. There are some regulations regarding the location of retailers and there is a licensing process. For details regarding these two ordinances, email cityclerk@brooklyncentermn.gov or call 763-569-3300.

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Survey Says...City-Wide Survey Results

In July 2023, the City had an outside firm conduct an extensive City-Wide Survey. This exercise is conducted every four to five years. At the August 14 City Council meeting, the contractor presented the results of the survey, which you can read below.

The overall positive quality of life rating is 77%, above the norm for Metropolitan Area suburban communities. "Excellent" ratings at 10% are at the first quartile of comparative suburban ratings.

In this study, "Crime" is the most serious issue for 33% of the residents. The focus continues to shift from "violent crime" to "drugs," "youth crimes and vandalism," "business crimes," and "traffic speeding and traffic volume."

Community cohesiveness continues to improve. The already positive ratings of the strength of community identity and the sense of neighborliness have stabilized at a high level.

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THE RESULTS ARE IN!

Feeling a closer connection to the city as a whole dropped to 19%, but closer connections to their neighborhood rose to 68%. Thinking things in Brooklyn Center are generally heading in the right direction remained at a comparatively high 80%.

In four years, community opinions about redevelopment remained positive but showed a decrease in intense support. A 53%-42% positive rating is the general view of redevelopment efforts. “Lack of businesses” and “empty buildings” are a key part of the negative evaluations.

Eighty-seven percent, an increase from the 2017 study, support continued redevelopment in the City. By an 83%-11% majority, one of the highest margins in the Metropolitan Area, residents support providing financial incentives to attract specific types of development. Respondents would target “small retail stores,” “job-producing enterprises,” and “restaurants” as top needs. In fact, “jobs” are perceived to be the greatest need in Brooklyn Center to provide economic stability.

The lack of tough code enforcement has significantly diminished as a community concern. Even so, residents would prioritize four types of codes for tougher enforcement: “properties with vacant homes,” “messy yards on residential property,” “deteriorated commercial property,” and “weeds and tall grass.”

Property tax hostility remains at comparatively low levels. Sixty-seven percent rate the value of city services positively, a 10% drop since the last study. By a 67%-25% margin, residents would favor an increase in the city portion of their property tax if it were needed to maintain city services at their current level. Again in 2023, by a 67%-26% margin, respondents remain opposed to a property tax increase to enhance current city services or offer additional city services. If new services could be offered or current services enhanced, the top priority would be “police services.”

City services continue to be highly rated. Three city services garnered positive ratings above 90% among residents able to make a judgment:

90%	Fire Protection	Recycling Pick-up	EMS
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Five city services received positive ratings between 80% and 89%:

80-89%	Police protection	Storm Drainage	Flood Control
	Park Maintenance	City-sponsored Recreation Programs	Maintenance of City Buildings and Facilities

Three city services receive positive ratings between 70% and 79%:

70-79%	City Drinking Water	Property Maintenance Enforcement	Building and Construction Inspections
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Three services receive favorable ratings between 59% and 66%:

59-66%	City Street Repair and Maintenance	Snow Plowing	Street Lighting
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The overall average positive rating for city services is 79.6%.

The Park System remains the community’s “jewel in the crown.” The average positive rating among users of each of the 11 components of the system is 90.1%. This rating is among the top deciles in the Metropolitan Area. Both the available recreational facilities and the current mix of programming satisfy the needs of at least 95% of the households in Brooklyn Center. Visitors of larger community parks and smaller neighborhood parks give the playground equipment an 85% positive rating. Among players of the Centerbrook Golf Course, 15% of the sample, 95% rate their experience as either “excellent” or “good.”

City Government and Staff improved dramatically during the past five years. Empowerment among respondents peaked at 85%. Job approval ratings of the Mayor and City Council continued at their already high levels, this year at 82%. The job performance ratings of the City Staff also continued at their already high levels, this year at 80%. Customer service ratings of Brooklyn Center City Hall employees further improved to 17% higher than the threshold indicating high-quality service.

Communications of key local issues to residents had a remarkably high 88% rate of the City’s overall performance with either “excellent” or “good”; only 12% are more critical. This magnitude of favorable judgments is among the highest in the Metropolitan Area. The City’s highly effective communications system also explains the comparatively low level of uncertainty on most of the surveys questions.

The full report of the city-wide survey is on the city’s website. The City is taking the information obtained and creating a new strategic plan and strategic priorities to create a “One Brooklyn Center.”



Brooklyn Center Community Health Fair

This year's Health Fair marked the highest number of participating vendors (75), over 600+ in attendance from the community, plus an amazing group of over 50 dedicated volunteers. 2023 also marked the first time the Community Health Fair planning committee included outside local and regional organizations including Brooklyn Center Community Schools Health Resource Center, Sports and Leadership Academy, Relentless Academy, Hennepin County, Hennepin Health, Northwestern College Nursing Program, Organization of Liberian Women in Minnesota, City of Brooklyn Park Health on the Go, Minneapolis Northwestern Tourism and Brooklyn Center Early College Academy.

A special thank you to Sports and Leadership Academy and the 50+ participants in the 5k run and Northwest Minneapolis Tourism Pedal Jam's 212 participants for joining us to celebrate health and wellness. A shout out to the entertainment vendors, Chinese Dance Theatre (CAAM), Kelz Music, Val's Afrokaribe dance, and the wonderful DJ Rich, thank you for bringing a healthy and vibrant energy to the amphitheater stage.

We value and appreciate your time and attention to this as we strive to host another amazing 2024 Community Health Fair next year. The City of Brooklyn Center aims to improve this event year-to-year and your feedback is critical for incremental improvement. If you were in attendance, please take a moment to complete a brief survey on your experience by scanning the QR code with the camera on your phone.



Community Development Update

Phu Bia Wholesale Produce
(1350 Shingle Creek Crossing)

Phu Bia is focused on providing Brooklyn Center residents with fresh produce from all over the world. Phu Bia sells fresh produce for direct consumers and wholesale.

All Taco (615 66th Avenue North)
All Taco is a full-service restaurant serving Mexican cuisine with a drive-through!

Pollo Campero
(1340 Shingle Creek Crossing)
Plans have been submitted for a new restaurant to be built at 1340 Shingle Creek Crossing. The building will be home to Pollo Campero, a Guatemalan chicken restaurant.

Wangstad Commons
(6101 Brooklyn Blvd)
Plans are being reviewed for a new apartment building on the corner of 61st and Brooklyn Blvd. The building is expected to have underground parking, be four stories with 54 units, and have a footprint of 18,498 sq. ft.

Stay tuned for more exciting developments happening in Brooklyn Center!



Street Light Outages

There are over 1,600 street and park lights located in Brooklyn Center. Some lights are City owned and operated but most are owned and operated by Xcel Energy.

To report that a street light is out, please see the City's Website at: www.brooklyncenternm.gov and search Keywords: outage

You can also access Xcel's Website at: odl.xcelenergy.com/ODL/OUTAGEREPORT/

Follow the link to the webpage which has a map regarding City owned versus Xcel Energy owned street light locations or call the Public Works Department at 763-585-7100 for assistance.

Join CEAP in the Season of Sharing!

How CEAP helps:

CEAP is here to ensure that all members of the community are able to celebrate joy, gratitude, and abundance this holiday season, regardless of the hardships the past year has brought. From supplying special holiday ingredients in their Food Market to providing toys and gift cards for families to give as gifts to their children, CEAP is committed to helping every neighbor thrive through the Minnesota winter and enjoy the holiday season. Stay tuned for distribution details in their monthly e-newsletter, on CEAP social media, and on their website!

How you can help:

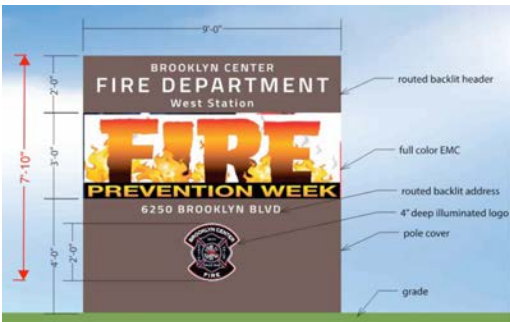
The holidays are about togetherness; whether that be gathering in person

with loved ones or celebrating from afar, now is the time for us to come together to share health and abundance with our neighbors. In the face of continued uncertainty for adults and kids alike, we all must unite to ensure that a healthy and happy holiday season is one thing that's certain for all of our neighbors.

Please consider making a donation or volunteering in support of CEAP's Season of Sharing. Here are details about how you can do some good and support a safe, warm, and joyful winter for members of our community!

- **Make an in-kind donation** of toys, gift cards, or holiday food items. Keep an eye out for lists of most-needed items on CEAP's social media!
- **Give the gifts of stability and joy** this holiday season by making a financial contribution at www.ceap.org/donate!
- **Volunteer** to help CEAP sort donations, build holiday baking kits, and more! Interested? Contact Kathryn at kathryn.withington@ceap.com or (763) 450-3681 for more info or to sign up.

There are so many ways for you to support CEAP's Season of Sharing and help ensure a healthy and joyful winter for the entire community. More details about CEAP's holiday programs will be shared on social media and in their e-newsletter. Please contact Kathryn at kathryn.withington@ceap.com or (763) 450-3681 with any questions or to get involved!



New City Signage

New freestanding signs with electronic messaging were recently approved for installation at three different City locations: City Hall and the Community Center (6301 Shingle Creek Parkway), the West Fire Station (6250 Brooklyn Boulevard), and the East Fire Station (6500 Dupont Avenue North). These signs have been budgeted for a few years now and are partially funded through an allocation of ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding. The signage will replace existing signage that either limits the ability to communicate (City Hall and Community Center) or provides no opportunities to communicate (West and East Fire Stations) with the broader Brooklyn Center community about upcoming City events or convey information in a timely manner.

The proposed signage will all feature 27-square-foot electronic messaging boards that can be updated remotely by City staff and synced to provide consistent messaging across the City. The City hopes to have all three signs installed by the end of this year.



Hispanic Heritage Month

The City of Brooklyn Center serves one of the most ethnically and culturally diverse communities in the Twin Cities and honoring and celebrating what makes each community group unique and beautiful can highlight that which all peoples have in common, humanity.

Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated between September 15 and October 15 and recognizes individuals with ancestry from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central America, and South America. According to hispanicheritagemonth.gov, "The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402.

The day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of the independence of Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively."

To attend Hispanic Heritage Month events around the Twin Cities, check out the Minnesota Council on Latino Affairs website at mn.gov/mcla/community/ for an event near you.

Pumpkin Disposal

After midnight what does your pumpkin turn into? How about changing it into valuable compost?

Pumpkins can be placed in your backyard compost bin. **If you don't have a bin, use the free drop-off container in Central Park across the street from Brooklyn Park's Operations & Maintenance facility, 8300 Noble Ave N. between Wednesday, November 1, and Monday, November 6.**

Please remove all candles, candle wax, and decorations before disposal.

Pumpkins will be made into compost that will be used to make soil and landscapes healthy.

www.hrg-recycling.com



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Community Safety



New Crime Prevention Specialist Kris Stein

Brooklyn Center, help us congratulate Kris Stein on his new role as Crime Prevention Specialist. As the Crime Prevention Specialist Kris is responsible for maintaining the neighborhood watch captains, developing presentations and trainings for community groups, and working with the Crime Prevention Board to develop crime prevention strategies. Kris also

collaborates with community partners to develop crime prevention initiatives and participates in community events to continue to strengthen the BCPD's community involvement. Kris has a few goals which include reestablishing a relationship with the Brooklyn Center School District, and "to attend as many trainings as possible to be fully prepared in the crime prevention role." Kris has spent time connecting with many community members including apartment managers, hotel managers, and city residents.

Kris previously served as a patrol officer for the Brooklyn Center Police Department for nine years before taking on his new role. Kris is happy that he will continue to work for the BCPD and is "excited to serve the city of Brooklyn Center" in his new capacity.

Cornerstone Donation



This week the Brooklyn Center Police Department staff assigned to the Community Services, Support Services, and Administration Divisions (along with their positively adorable Comfort Service Dog named Rex) met with Cornerstone, a domestic violence advocacy group located in Bloomington, MN that provides services to individuals following traumatic incidents throughout the twin cities.

In July, the group asked Cornerstone advocates to identify the greatest immediate personal supply need of their clients; they stated that school supplies and personal care items were most needed. A donation drive commenced and did not disappoint – all donations were produced by non-licensed staff with Cornerstone's clients in mind. When the items were presented to Cornerstone staff they expressed gratitude for the donations that will have a vital impact on the lives of survivors of domestic violence and their young children.

Halloween Safety Tips

Keep you and your family safe this Halloween

Costumes

- Make sure that the costumes fit right to prevent trips and falls.
- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
- Try to choose face paint and makeup instead of masks. If children choose to wear a mask, make sure it fits correctly so they can see fully out of it.

Trick-or-Treating

- Have children carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- Do not trick-or-treat alone. Go with a trusted adult and in a group!
- Check the candy before eating it.

Street Safety - Walking

- Make sure drivers can see costumes in the dark. Try using reflective tape/stickers or attach glow sticks to the costume.
- Cross the streets at crosswalks and intersections. Look both ways!
- Pay attention to your surroundings and don't run out into the street.
- Always walk on sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible.

Street Safety - Driving

- Slow down and be alert in neighborhoods. Take time to look for children.
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.
- Drive slowly and anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic.





Special Materials Drop-off Day



SATURDAY
OCTOBER
14
8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Your one-stop drop for hard-to-recycle items



Accepted

- Appliances
- Batteries
- Electronics
- Mattress/boxspring
- Pallets
- Paper/shredded paper
- Scrap metal
- Tires

Not accepted

- Carpet/Carpet pad
- Exercise equipment
- Furniture
- Light bulbs
- Paint
- Rugs
- Trash
- Toasters
- Treadmills
- Vacuum cleaners

Details and prices on back

Open to residents of Brooklyn Park, Brooklyn Center, Crystal and New Hope

Operations and Maintenance
8300 Noble Avenue N
Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

763-493-8006
www.brooklynpark.org/recycling-events

Brooklyn Park



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WE ARE HIRING!

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For more information contact
(763) 569-3304



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Brooklyn Center, MN 55430
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www.brooklyncentermn.gov

Thursday **FARMERS MARKET**

2-7 pm
7200 BROOKLYN BLVD

JUNE 29 -
OCTOBER 26

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Green Community



Leave the Street Clean

As beautiful as the fall leaves are, they are a lot of yard work for homeowners. One option for reducing your workload is to use a mulching lawn mower to mulch leaves in your yard. It is less time-consuming than raking, and the shredded leaves act as a natural fertilizer during the fall.

While tending to your yard, please take a moment to sweep or rake leaves, grass, and branches out of the street in front of your house. If left in the street, leaves may clog storm drains, contributing to localized flooding. When washed into nearby lakes, rivers, and streams via storm drains or ditches, the leaves become a major source of phosphorus. Phosphorus is the nutrient that allows algae to bloom in the summer. Please dispose of leaves by composting them into your yard, bringing them to a compost facility, or bagging them for curbside pick-up (if you have that service). Keep leaves and yard waste out of the regular garbage, and never dump them in the wetlands or buffer areas – it's illegal.



Keep Chemicals Out of Our Lakes, Rivers and Streams

Pollution in area streams and lakes can come from common, every-day materials like household chemicals, fertilizers, pesticides, gasoline, used motor oil and antifreeze. Contrary to what many people think, storm drains don't lead to wastewater treatment plants. The water enters a series of pipes which collect water from other neighborhoods, finally dumping directly into a nearby lake, stream, river or wetland.

While many of the substances are washed by rainwater from our streets, yards, driveways and parking lots into storm drain inlets there is a growing problem of illegally dumping such waste. Deliberate dumping of hazardous materials into storm sewers makes the pollution problem worse. Dumping oil and other hazardous substances is illegal in Minnesota.

What you can do

- Keep your vehicle tuned up and clean up any oil leaks or spills from paved surfaces
- Dispose of automotive fluids, paint, and other hazardous materials properly.
- Avoid using pesticides and other lawn chemicals or use them responsibly. Keep them off paved surfaces.

Drop Off Sites:

- Hennepin County Drop Off Facility, 8100 Jefferson Hwy, Brooklyn Park. 612-348-3777
- Small appliances, batteries, light bulbs, mattresses and many other items.
- Maple Grove Yard Waste Site, 10300 Maple Grove Parkway, Maple Grove. 763-420-4886

The following places take used motor oil:

- AutoZone, 6300 Brooklyn Blvd, Brooklyn Center 763-561-9287
- Christy's Auto Service, 5300 Dupont Ave N, Brooklyn Center 763-560-9984
- City of Brooklyn Park, 8300 Noble Ave N, Brooklyn Park 763-493-8007

City staff relies on your assistance to find illicit discharges to the storm drain system. If you see a substance other than rain entering the stormwater system, please contact the Engineering office at 763-569-3340 or publicworks@ci.brooklyn-center.mn.us.



Help Prevent Sanitary Sewer Backups

Each year, the City's sanitary sewer system experiences pump failures due to clogging by items not meant for disposal by either flushing or via drains. In order to minimize the risk of a sewer backup affecting your home or local business, it is important for property owners to be careful about items they flush and put down drains.

Property owners and managers must remember that just because it is possible to get an item down sinks or flushed down a toilet doesn't mean it should be put there. Please adhere to proper disposal methods. Excessive amounts of grease or other inappropriate waste in the sanitary sewer system can cause sewer lines to clog and pumps to fail. This can lead to sanitary sewers backing up into homes and businesses and possibly causing serious property damage.

How Residents and Businesses Can Help

Property owners can help keep sanitary sewer lines clean by only disposing of appropriate waste in the sanitary sewer system. Some items that cause backups are diapers, shop towels, fats, oils, grease, cloth rags, baby wipes, cleaning wipes, bandages, feminine products, prophylactics and stringy material such as floss or hair. Please dispose of these items in the trash so the system continues to flow properly and your basements and businesses remain dry. Also remember that even though some products such as baby wipes are labeled as "flushable" it is not appropriate to flush them.

If your sanitary sewer backs up, the Brooklyn Center Utility Division may be your initial source of help. If the problem is in the main sewer line, City employees will come out to solve the problem. This service is available day or night, seven days a week (including holidays) and there is no fee for this service.

The City is not responsible for problems in the house or the sewer line between the main sewer and the house. Problems in these areas are the responsibility of the property owner.

Before you call the City, try to determine where the problem lies. This can be done by checking to see if the neighbor directly across the street is also having a problem. If the neighbor does not have a problem and the water backs up when you use it, the problem is likely in your system. To repair these problems, call a plumber or a sewer cleaning company. If a backup is occurring when no water is being used, the problem could be the City's main sewer line.

Preventing Sewer Backups

Many residential sewer problems can be avoided by having your sewer line cleaned periodically and taking care of what goes into your sewer system. The following are the most common causes of blocked sewers:

- Grease and Oils – Store grease in a container and dispose of hardened grease in the trash. Use garbage disposal sparingly and flush with plenty of water.
- Paper Products (tissues, paper towels, “flushable wipes”, etc.) – Put them in the trash, not the toilet. These items do not dissolve.
- Lint and Hair – Screen all bath/shower drains and wipe hair out of the bathroom sink. Use a lint trap on your laundry hose.
- Tree Roots – Avoid planting trees or shrubs over your sewer line. Roots are the number one problem in residential sanitary sewer systems.

Please help us avoid secondary backups in the street by notifying us at (763) 585-7100 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday for any cleanout by a private company. After-hour emergencies can be reported by calling 911. The dispatcher will contact one of the City's Public Works employees to help resolve the problem. Thank you for helping us keep things moving in the right direction!

Examples of items often found in clogged sanitary lines (which should NOT be flushed!)





Green Community

Brooklyn Center Water Urges Customers to 'Get the Lead Out'

There is nothing more important to Brooklyn Center Water than providing our customers with safe, reliable, affordable water.

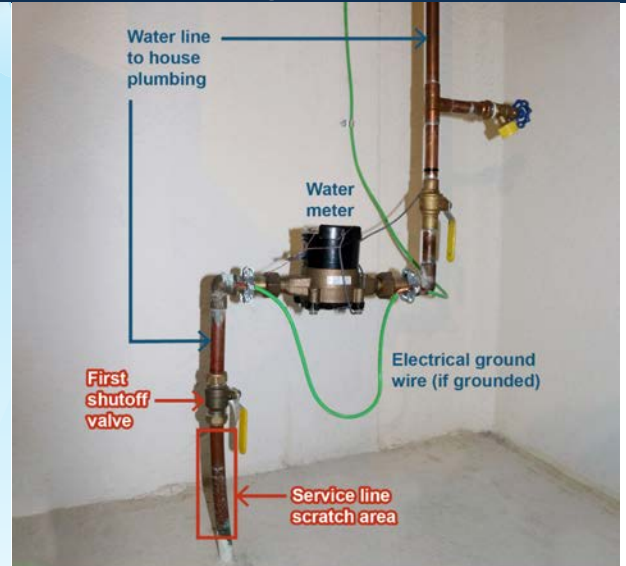
As part of this mission, we want to help keep your household safe from lead. While we treat and test water to make sure that it is lead-free when it leaves the treatment facility and travels through the water mains, some older homes in our community may have lead in service lines, household plumbing materials and faucets. The surest way to keep your household safe is to find and eliminate any potential sources of lead.

In November 2022, Brooklyn Center Water began a comprehensive inventory of our entire water distribution network using records from meter replacement, permits and maintenance. Service lines are owned and maintained by property owners, not Brooklyn Center Water. And that's the challenge, we don't know which homes have service lines made of lead.

Lead Service Line Facts:

- Congress banned the use of lead pipe starting June 19, 1986
- The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced the new Lead and Copper Rule Revisions went into effect on December 16, 2021
- Brooklyn Center Water must submit to the EPA a complete inventory of all water service lines and their materials by October 16, 2024
- Approximately 6,890 buildings and homes in Brooklyn Center were built before the lead ban went into effect
- Brooklyn Center Water has more than 9,000 residential and commercial services line connections that need to be verified.

Use the QR code to submit your information. Your assistance will help us develop a full lead service line inventory, an important first step in eliminating these lines in our community. If you have questions about lead service lines or identifying your service line material, email us at publicworks@brooklyncentermn.gov or call Brooklyn Center Water at 763-585-7100.



We need your help to identify you service lined material

There are ways to determine if your service line is made of lead.

1. You will need a key or coin and a refrigerator magnet.
2. Locate your water meter. Look at the pipe that comes through the outside wall or floor of your home and connects to your meter.
3. Carefully scratch the pipe (like you would a lottery ticket) with the key or coin. If the scratch turns a shiny silver color, it could be lead.
4. Place the magnet on the pipe. If the magnet sticks, it is a steel pipe.

SAVE THE DATE!



Halloween Party



Friday, October 20

5:30 - 7:30 pm

Ages 2 - 12

\$2 per child

Centennial Park

6301 Shingle Creek Parkway

Purchase tickets by calling

763-569-3400,

online at

webtrac.cityofbrooklyncenter.org

or in person

at the Brooklyn Center

Community Center

6301 Shingle Creek Parkway.

Max 300 tickets will be sold.



FLICK AND FLOAT

AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

OCT
27

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15

JOIN US FOR A MOVIE IN THE POOL! FREE!
DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM, AND THE MOVIE STARTS AT 6:30 PM.

For movie titles call the community center at 763-569-3400.

Youth ages 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult in the pool.

Snow Many Traditions

Saturday, December 2 * 1 - 3 pm * Free for all ages *

6301 Shingle Creek Parkway

Celebrate and discover a world of winter cultural traditions as you stroll through the Brooklyn Center Community Center.



Winter Break

Wednesday & Thursday, December 27 & 28, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

* Swimming * Crafts * Games * Movies * And more!

Register: brooklyncentermn.gov/recreation or call 763-569-3400.



Ages 6-9: #201204-01

#201204-02

\$12

Please bring a bagged lunch.

Ages 10-12: #201203-01

#201203-02

\$12

In case of inclement weather visit on [Facebook.com/BrooklynCenterRec](https://www.facebook.com/BrooklynCenterRec) or call the weather line on the day of the event at 763-569-3442. (Place at the bottom of the column for all these events)



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City COUNCIL MEETINGS

City Council Regular Session meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 7pm.

Informal Open Forum is held at 6:45pm before council meetings for persons who wish to address the city council about issues not scheduled on the agenda.

City Council Work Sessions are held immediately following the Regular Session City Council meetings.

City Council Meetings are broadcast live on cable Channel 16. Replays shown Tuesdays at 6:30pm and Wednesdays at 2:30am and 10:30am. You may also watch city council meetings on-line, on demand at your convenience through a link on the city website. Call city hall to verify meeting dates or visit the city's website at www.brooklyncentermn.gov.

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Public Works/Engineering (763) 569-3340
Parks, Streets, Utilities (763) 585-7100
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Utility Billing (763) 569-3390
Recreation & Community Center (763) 569-3400
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