



City Calendar

FRIDAY, JULY 3

City offices closed - Independence Day

MONDAY, JULY 6

Planning Commission Meeting

TUESDAY, JULY 7

City Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

Parks and Trails Board Meeting

THURSDAY, JULY 16

Heritage Preservation Board Meeting

MONDAY, JULY 20

Energy & Environment Meeting 5 p.m.
Planning Commission Meeting 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 21

City Council Meeting

Virtual Public Meetings Continue

Until further notice, the Wayzata City Council, Planning Commission, and Housing and Redevelopment Authority meetings will be held by electronic means using the cloud-based audio and video conferencing platform Zoom. Though the meetings will be conducted remotely, you can still watch and provide public comments.

Visit www.wayzata.org/virtualpublicmeetings for instructions.

Panaway on Wayzata Bay

The Panaway on Wayzata Bay project continues to progress:

- Bike trail paving continues into July.
- Two of three layers of pavement on Lake Street between Manitoba and Walker.
- Public restroom and Plaza Park construction continues.

Want more info?

Check out www.navigatewayzata.org.

Picture Wayzata Photo Contest Returns

Grab your camera, the Picture Wayzata Photo Contest begins July 1. The photo contest is a great way to showcase the different angles of the City of Wayzata and to recognize the creative photography talent in the community.

Whether it's people at play, a treasured park or a new perspective on what Wayzata has to offer, we want to see it. Spring, summer, winter and fall, we want it all. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Participants can begin submitting entries on July 15. This year the contest will run until Dec. 19, 2020 so you can capture winter in Wayzata. Winners will be notified in Jan. 2021.

This year, there will be two age categories: adults, over age 18, and youth, age 17 and under! Judges will be looking for new, fresh photographs depicting what Wayzata looks like.

First, second and third place winners will be selected in each category, in each age group.

- People and Families
- Community Activities and Events
- Wildlife and Nature
- City Landmarks

This is just a snapshot of what you need to know about the photo contest. More information can be viewed at www.wayzata.org.



City Offices Closed

City offices will be closed, July 3 in recognition of Independence Day. Stay safe.

Firefighters Safely Gather for RIT Training

In spite of the high heat indexes in June, the Wayzata Volunteer Fire Department still gathered, 6 feet apart, to resume drill trainings. Drill trainings were postponed due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

On June 15, the department practiced Rapid Intervention Team (RIT) training. The tactical training helps firefighters understand and implement rapid intervention, which is the self survival and safe extrication of a firefighter who may be lost, without air, disoriented, injured or trapped during an emergency.

RIT skills include corridor searches, large area searches, self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) harness conversions, proper use of a RIT Pack, one and two person drags, firefighter removal up or down a staircase, and removal out a window using various carries and ropes.



Upcoming Elections

As the Coronavirus Pandemic will likely impact the way votes are cast in the August 11 primary and the November 3 general election, City staff is preparing a smooth and safe voting experience for everyone.



Dates to remember

Primary Election

- August 11
- Absentee voting began June 26

General Election

- November 3
- Absentee voting begins Sept. 18

If you are concerned about casting your vote while ensuring social distancing, absentee voting by mail is an option for all eligible Minnesota voters. Learn how to apply for an absentee ballot and how to vote at www.hennepin.us/residents/elections/absentee-voting or call Hennepin County at 612-348-5151. For more information regarding elections in Wayzata visit www.wayzata.org/elections.

City of Wayzata Elections

On the ballot in November, residents of the City of Wayzata will vote on two open seats on the Wayzata City Council and one open mayoral seat. The council members and mayoral seat are four-year terms that will begin in 2021.

Individuals who want to run for mayor or for one of the two Wayzata City Council seats may file an affidavit of candidacy between **July 28 and Aug. 11** and submit the required \$5 filing fee at Wayzata City Hall during regular office hours. City Hall is open Mon. through Thurs. 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fri. 7 to 11 a.m.

For more information contact Kathy Leerivg, City Clerk at 952-404-5303.

Ask a Planner...About Fences

Do I need a permit to put a fence in my yard?

Yes, in Wayzata you need a permit to install a fence on your property.

Why do I need a permit?

Permits ensure your fence design, size, scale and material, are aligned with City codes. Permits are a way to make sure structures are safe and adhere to current standards and practices.

Do I have to pay for a fence permit?

Yes, the fence permit application fee is \$83. You can pay the fee using cash, credit card or check.

How do I get a permit?

Fence permit applications are online at Wayzata.org/DocumentCenter/View/95/2020-Fence-Permit-Application-PDF?bidId=. You can also get a permit application at City Hall during business hours: Mon. through Thurs., 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fri., 7 to 11 a.m.

What information do I need to provide with the permit application?

Your application must include a site plan or a diagram that includes some specific information about the location of the fence and about the type of fence you want to install.

What to include in your site plan:

1. Your plan will need to show your property lines. If you do not know where your property lines are you can either hire a surveyor to survey your property or you can locate the corner property stakes to ensure the fence will be on your property.
2. Your plan must indicate where specifically on your property you are installing the fence i.e., in the front yard or in the back yard.
3. You will need to include the type of the fence i.e., chain link, wood, decorative metal.
4. Your plan must include the height of the fence. Backyard fences cannot be higher than 6 feet. The height of fences in the front yard are limited to 42 inches.
5. Lastly, you will need to include the opacity of the fence. Fences in the front yard need to have 50 percent opacity meaning you can see through the fence, while fences in the back yard can be completely solid.

How long does it take to get a permit?

It takes three to five business days to process a permit application. After your application has been submitted, someone from City Hall will let you know if your application has been approved or if the planner* needs more information.

*If you have questions for the Assistant Planner, Nick Kieser, you can email him at Nkieser@wayzata.org.



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