

Your Waterfront Property

Did you know that you live on waterfront property? The storm drain in your street is a direct connection to the water in streams, ponds and lakes. Anything that washes off your yard and street runs directly to these waters. That includes lawn fertilizer, leaves, grass clippings, eroded soil, and pet waste. These are sources of phosphorus, a plant nutrient that turns lakes and rivers green with algae. To keep our lakes and rivers healthy, use less phosphorus.

Fertilize your lawn, not the river

- Understand the fertilizer label: NPK N=nitrogen, P=phosphorus, K=potassium
- Use P free (27-0-8) fertilizer or P<3
- Follow proper application rates

Prevent Erosion

- Phosphorus attaches to soil. Keep soil from washing into the street.

Clean up after pets

- Pet waste contains phosphorus and harmful bacteria

Keep the pavement clean

- Sweep grass clippings, leaves, and fertilizer from driveways and streets.

Annual Spring Clean Up

Please join us on Saturday, April 17, for the Windsor Heights Annual Spring Cleanup Day! Many hands make light work, so the more the merrier. Bring your family, your nonprofit group, your friends, or anyone else interested in making a difference in our community! Meet us at our home base in the white tent north of Burger King on 73rd Street 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. on April 17.



You'll get gloves, refuse bags, and an assigned clean-up area. Two hours of work from each of us will help keep Windsor Heights beautiful throughout the Spring and Summer. Thanks for doing your part, and spread the word! The cleanup day is spon-

sored by Keep Windsor Heights Beautiful committee.

Also, a volunteer from the Citizens Stormwater Advisory Committee will be at the clean up also to train other volunteers on the IOWATER program. IOWATER is a volunteer water quality monitoring program. We are hoping to have volunteers who want to help us test and monitor the water quality in Walnut Creek. IOWATER's goals are to expand citizen volunteer water monitoring in Iowa; provide a balanced approach for citizens to become involved in protecting and improving water resources; develop opportunities for citizens to experience and discover the influence of watersheds on water quality and develop a user-friendly process for data collection and interpretation to increase accurate information on the State's water resources.

So, "water"-you waiting for? Join us for a great morning and great opportunities for Keeping Windsor Heights Beautiful and Clean!

See us on the Web at www.windsorheights.org!

City of Windsor Heights

AMERICA'S CROWN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER 

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Annual Easter Egg Hunt



What: Annual Windsor Heights Easter Egg Hunt

Where: Clive Elementary

Time: 9:00 a.m. (*don't be late!*)

Date: Saturday, April 3

Ages: Three Age Groups:
3 years and under; 4-7 years old; 8-12 years old

Prizes: Eggs marked with stars get a prize!

Clean Air Grant Awarded

The City of Windsor Heights is pleased to announce it is the recipient of an Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program grant for intersection improvements at 73rd and Hickman. The \$388,000 grant is funded through the federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program. The total project is projected to cost \$485,000 and the grant funded represents the City's full request.

The grant is given for proposed intersection improvements consisting of widening 73rd Street, south of Hickman Road to Wilshire Boulevard to increase capacity and efficiency of traffic flow and improve air quality. The Iowa Transportation Commission approved the funding at its January 12, 2010 meeting.



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Annual Spaghetti Dinner



The Windsor Heights Chamber of Commerce Annual Spaghetti Dinner is on Tuesday, March 23, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm at the Walnut Creek Community Church, located at 900 64th Street, Windsor Heights.

Tickets are just \$6.00 per person or \$20.00 per Family (up to 2 adults and 2 kids). Dinner includes, salad, spaghetti, bread, dessert, coffee, tea or lemonade.

Enjoy the entertainment and a silent auction! All proceeds benefit the Windsor Heights Chamber of Commerce. Thank you to our Sponsors: Barilla, Hy-Vee, Sam's Club, Graziano's.

Contact Us! City of Windsor Heights

Emergency Phone Numbers

Fire Department911
Police Department911

Non-Emergency Phone Numbers

Police/Fire286-3632
City Hall279-3662

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Police Admin/Records277-4453
Police Investigations277-4455

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Public Works Dept.279-3662

Colby Park Reservations ..279-3662

Building Inspector279-3662

Animal Control279-3662

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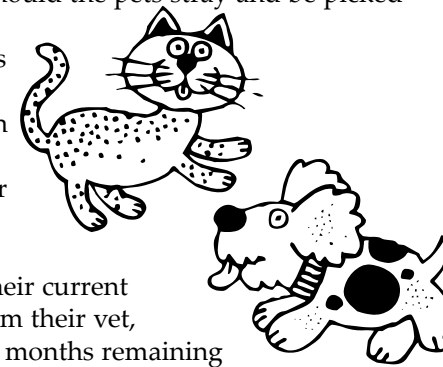
City Council Meetings - 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month.

MARCH & APRIL						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	City Council Meeting 6 PM (City Hall)					
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Special Events meeting 6PM (Council Chambers)	Mayor's Hour 9-10 AM (City Hall)				
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	City Council Meeting 6 PM (City Hall)					
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Chamber's Annual Spaghetti Dinner 5:30 PM				Community Coffee Club 9 AM (Grounds for Celebration)
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
						Easter Egg Hunt TIME LOCATION
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	City Council Meeting 6 PM (City Hall)					
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		Mayor's Hour 9-10 AM (City Hall)				KWHB Beautiful Community Clean Up 9 AM
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NEWS BRIEFS

Pet License

Dog and cat owners are reminded to have their pets licensed and tagged. This allows the City to quickly notify their owners should the pets stray and be picked up. Licenses cost \$10.00 for altered pets and \$20.00 for unaltered pets. There is an additional \$1.00 per month penalty if your pet is not licensed prior to April 1. Pets must have proof of their current rabies vaccination from their vet, with a minimum of 6 months remaining before expiration. Thank you to all who have registered.



At Your Service ... Sewer Problems

Residents experiencing slow drains and/or sewer back ups are encouraged to call the Public Works department at 279-3662 or after hours at 286-3333. Public Works will check the main and clean any blockages. Blockages located in the home sewer system are the responsibility of the home owner. Windsor Heights has a scheduled inspection and maintenance program. Be advised, according to case law, municipalities cannot be held responsible for any damage resulting from sewer back-ups if they maintain an inspection and maintenance program.

Iowa One Call

Residents undertaking projects involving digging and excavating are reminded to call Iowa One Call. Under Iowa statute if you plan to dig deeper than 12 inches, you are required to make the toll-free call at least 48 hours before digging. The service is FREE to anyone who requests it. Use of Iowa One Call eliminates the risk of service disruption in homeowners' and neighbors' yards. It also greatly reduces risk of severe personal injury, and even death. Before any digging or excavation starts, Iowans need to know they should first call Iowa One Call at 1-800-292-8989 to have their utilities marked. It's not only in their best interest, it's the law.



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City Budget

March is here again, which means the City of Windsor Heights will soon review and approve a city budget for the next fiscal year. The city budget gets approved every year in March and goes into affect the following July 1 and end the following June 30. The budget process also includes approving the city's capital improvement plan, which dictates what major projects, including water line replacement, road resurfacing, etc, that the city will complete the next several fiscal years. Council committees are currently reviewing staff suggestions for the next fiscal year and in February the city will have several public meetings where citizens can give their input regarding the budget. Please visit the City's Web site at www.windsorheights.org or join the City's email distribution list by e-mailing moliver@windsorheights.org so you receive notice regarding the public input and public hearings. The tentative plan is for the council to review and approve the city budget during the March 1, 2010, Council Meeting.

Ride DART

Sick of winter driving? Take DART! Windsor Heights residents have it good ... with eight routes to choose from, they can ride the bus east, west, north or south. The #3 runs along University Avenue from Valley West Mall to the State Fairgrounds. The #5 stops here on the way to and from Merle Hay Mall and downtown. The #92, #93 and #96 Express routes all come through Windsor Heights on their way to and from downtown and Urbandale, Johnston and West Des Moines. Not close to a bus stop? DART has three on-call services in Windsor Heights that will pick you up at your home. Call (515) 283-8100 and a DART representative will help figure out the best route for you or visit www.ridedart.com.

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