

# CITY OF WINDOM

## NEWS & NOTES

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### Department Head Meeting Highlights

- 2023 Preliminary Levy – 8%
- Budget Workshops – September 27, October 11 and October 25
- MMUA Safety Program Renewal Submitted
- League of Minnesota Cities – Fall Forums – Webinars
- MNDOT – Highway Striping Review – November 1 City Council meeting
- Department Updates
- City Council Agenda Review

### Activities & Project Updates

- **Arena** – Netting is up and glass installed. October 4 painting ice and tentative opening October 9. Parks & Recreation Commission discussion on future of indoor horse shows.
- **Community Center** – Booked Chuck Foreman for September 29<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 10 pm. Pheasants Forever banquet had over 200 people. Gun and Knife Show October 1-2. Bookings remain strong.
- **Telecom** – Still looking for a NOC tech position. Enterprise lease truck arrived this week.
- **Liquor** – Food Drive starting next week. TSP updates on construction pricing up 30% so working on alternative plans. Beer prices going up from wholesalers next week.
- **Water\Wastewater** – Hydrant flushing will be October 10-14. Bio-solids hauling will start later this week. Carbon pricing is starting to go down. Issue with a valve at the Water plant.
- **Police** – Busy week with calls.
- **Economic Development Authority** – Closing with DVK this week on Cemstone property. Gove Acres, Lot 4 tax abatement is coming up. Jim's last day is September 28<sup>th</sup>, he is taking a position with Kanabec County.
- **Library** – Storytime is underway. Adult craft event on Thursday.
- **Electric** – Transmission bid awarded for \$3 million. Generators ordered and working with engineers on a building design. Crews finishing up work on the East hill area.
- **Building\Zoning** – Family Dollar project was delayed due to materials availability, but will start later this week. Hotel property between Red Carpet and Hardees being sold for a restaurant. Code review consultants pushing to get work completed. Workforce housing units will start framing this week. NWIP Cemstone property completed hydro and flush testing so footings are anticipated this Fall.

- **Streets & Parks** – Crew demolished the restrooms at Island Park. Staff working on close out for recreation fields and parks. Street sweeping will resume as leaves starting to come down.
- **City Hall Office** – Preliminary budget completed. Further to WEX transition completed. Flu shots available to staff and families.
- **Recreation** – Rec programming done and tournaments completed.
- **Pool** –Working on some repairs and then winterizing the pool.

## **CITY COUNCIL – October 4, 2022 at 6:30 pm**

The upcoming City Council meeting will include these items:

1. Public Hearing – Residential Property Tax Abatement – Gove Acres, Lot 4
2. Parks & Recreation Commission Recommendation – Horse Shows
3. TBD - Citywide Clean-up Discussion Continued
4. TBD - Annual Firefighters Relief Association Report

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