



Mayor's Message

Greetings! Summer is showing no signs of giving up, although one look at the calendar reminds me all good things must come to an end. This month, I'm going to share a bunch of quick updates about what's going on in the City of Carver!

Grant Awards – In addition to MnDOT's LRIP grant for Sixth Street, which I mentioned last month, the City has since been awarded two additional grants: one from the State Historic Preservation Office for a historic kiosk which will go in Community Park, and another grant from the Minnesota Department of Health's Source Water Protection Program to seal three test wells that were originally drilled in 2006 as part of a well search effort. Because of the effort and grant writing talents of City staff, the City will be given \$12,800 in grant funding.

PHEV Purchase – Council recently approved the purchase of a PHEV (Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle) for the Community Development Department, which will be used for daily building inspections. The vehicle will run on electric power with a gas backup when the battery has been exhausted. The battery capacity is 28 miles, and the vehicle will be charged overnight, so it is anticipated daily trips for inspections will primarily use battery power. An item from the City's 2021-22 Strategic Plan was to explore the idea of purchasing an electric vehicle. Purchasing a PHEV also achieves a Best Practice in the GreenStep Cities program, which we adopted last year.

JCP Project – Construction continues to progress on Jonathan Carver Parkway/CR 11 and is nearly 2/3 complete. While there is light at the end of the proverbial road construction tunnel, we still have another three months until the project is complete. I appreciate everyone's patience as we work through the inconveniences this major road construction project brings with it. Please, PLEASE drive safely and neighborly as you detour around the road closure.

Steamboat Days – The Steamboat Days committee, a group of volunteers from throughout our community, has been hard at work planning the 2021 celebration, which will take place September 10-12. For all the latest information, including a schedule of events, details on how you can get involved as a volunteer or sponsor, and more, check out the new Steamboat Days website at carversteamboatdays.info!

If you have any questions or comments please don't hesitate to reach out. As always, I look forward to hearing from you!

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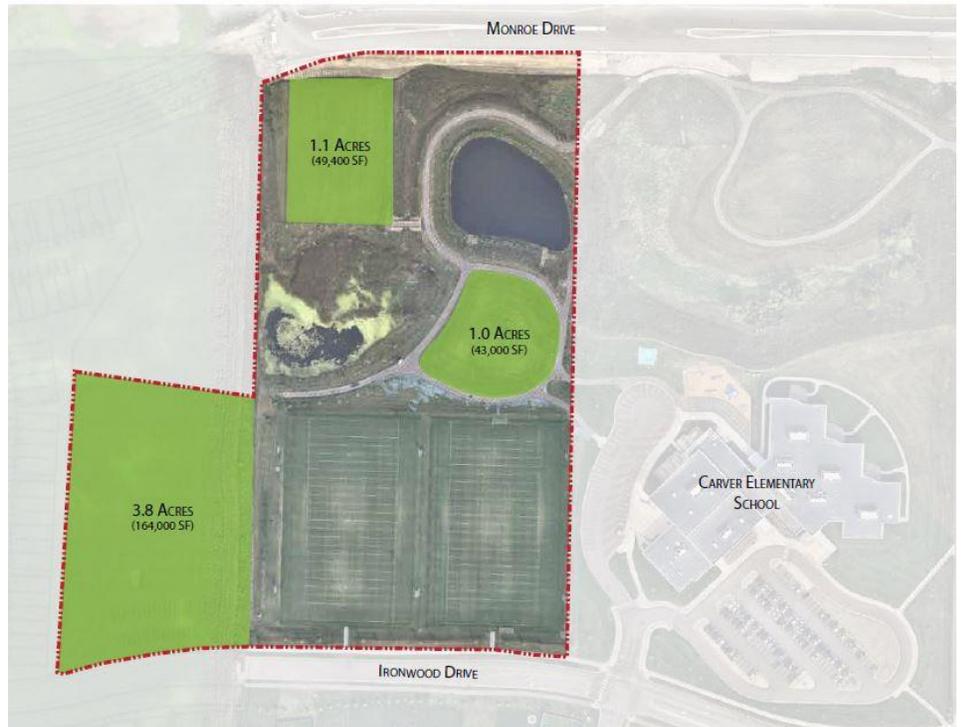
Chaska Community Center
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Ironwood Park Expansion

The Parks Commission has begun work on designing an expansion to Ironwood Park, which is anticipated to happen in 2022. With the new Timber Creek development, Ironwood Park will expand by roughly 3.5 acres for additional programming.

The Parks Commission will be holding an open house this fall to share a draft of their finalized plan – stay tuned to the newsletter and City website for the upcoming date.

Additional information and graphics for the expansion can be found at cityofcarver.com/346.



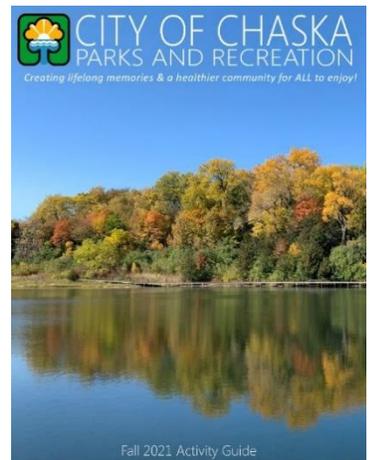
Chaska Parks and Recreation Programs

Beginning August 2, the Chaska Parks and Recreation Fall Activity Guide will be available and registration will be open. City of Carver residents are eligible for resident rates – check out all the activities that have been planned!

For program details and to register, visit: chaskamn.com/651

Sign up for
Parks & Rec Newsletter

Don't miss out – sign up for the Parks and Recreation Newsletter at chaskamn.com/list.aspx?listID=311



Summer Lawn Care Tips

The University of Minnesota Extension offers advice for maintaining sustainable, environmentally responsible lawns. Here are some tips for managing your lawns this summer.

To promote deep roots, it is best to water established lawns at the rate of one inch per week, applied all at one time. Frequent, light watering produces shallow roots and, as a result, the lawn is then unable to tolerate dry periods.

The best time to water your lawn is the early morning. Watering in the morning keeps the turf cooler during the hotter time of the day, putting less stress on the grass. The cooler turf also helps keep evaporation to a minimum.

Another method to make lawns more tolerable to dry conditions is to mow grass no shorter than two to three inches. Taller grass shades the soil, reducing evaporation.

Aeration and proper fertilization also play a significant role in a healthy lawn. Proper fertilization promotes deep roots and drought tolerance, whereas improper fertilization can have the opposite effect. High concentrations of nutrients draw moisture out of the soil, so it is important to avoid fertilizing lawns that are dry.

The use of the City's water supply for outside, non-essential use shall be limited to an odd/even schedule corresponding to the property address. Addresses ending in odd numbers may water on odd-numbered days, and addresses ending in even numbers may water on even-numbered days.



Irrigation is not allowed between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day.

The University of Minnesota Extension provides many resources on their website for helpful information to keep your lawn healthy, including information about conserving water during the hot and dry summer months. Visit their website for more information at:

extension.umn.edu/lawns-and-landscapes/lawn-care

The First Few Weeks Of The Carver Farmer's Market Have Been A Huge Success!!



Tuesdays, July 13 through September 28
3:00-6:00 p.m.

Community Park (800 6th St W)

Follow us on Facebook:

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What You Can Find At The Farmer's Market

- *Fruits, vegetables*
- *Eggs, meats, cheeses*
- *Breads, sweet treats*
- *Kombucha, smoothies*
- *Sauerkraut, kimchi, sauces, salts, syrups*
- *Flower bouquets*
- *Local art*
- *So much more!*

STEAMBOAT DAYS

PRESENTED BY  Carver Lions

September 10-12th, 2021

WEEKEND FESTIVITIES AWAIT!

FRIDAY NIGHT

- 4:00 PM Lions Beer Tent Opens
- 5:00 PM Food Vendors
- 5:30 PM Medallion Hunt (check Lions FB page for clues)
- 5:30 PM Fire Department Water Fights
- 8:00 PM Band – Pop Rocks
- ★ ★ ★ Catfish Contest (contact Carver Bait Shop)

SATURDAY

- ★ ★ ★ Food Vendors
- 9:00 AM Car Show
- 10:00 AM MN Marketplace
- 11:30 AM Bean Bag Contest (contact Harvey's)
- 2:00 PM Wild West Show
- 5:00 PM Band – Ragtown
- Dusk FIREWORKS
- ★ ★ ★ After Fireworks – The Johnny Holm Band

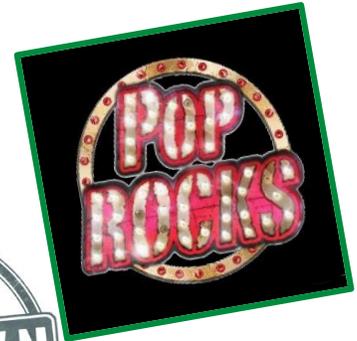
SUNDAY

- ★ ★ ★ Food Vendors
- 1:00 PM Parade – Grand Marshals, Marvin & Evelyn Grimm

There's More!

- City-wide Garage Sales, Thursday through Saturday
- Kids Play Place

Want More Info? Visit www.carversteamboatdays.info and review our FAQ. We've made it easier with options to register online for MN Marketplace, Food Vendors, Car Show, Parade, and Sponsorships. Questions regarding Steamboat Days 2021 can be directed to: steamboating@yahoo.com



Presenting Sponsors for Carver Steamboat Days 2021



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