

Special Large Item Pick-up

The next Special Large Item Pick-up is :
Saturday, October 10, 2020
beginning at 7:00 a.m.

This service is for Waite Park residents ONLY. Apartment tenants, businesses and members who do not receive city-provided refuse service are not entitled to this special pick-up.

Items Accepted

Electronic equipment
(including TVs and Computers)
Appliances

(No more than one of each type per property)

Furniture
Carpet

Minimal Demolition Materials

Yard Waste—**only if in compostable bags**

Please keep in mind that this service is intended for those large items that you would not be able to fit into your garbage cart. Please refer to the list above.

This service is not intended for you to set out excess bagged or loose garbage that you could not fit in your cart on your regular garbage pickup day.

If you have excess garbage that cannot fit in your cart, it must be bagged and you will need to contact West Central Sanitation directly to make arrangements for pickup: 1-800-246-7630

Residents found to be abusing this service may fined \$150 and have their future refuse/recycling services denied.

What is Acceptable Yard Waste for the Large Item Pick-up?

Acceptable yard waste is considered to only be **grass clippings, leaves and garden waste.**



Tree branches and brush from trees or hedges are **not** considered yard waste for the Large Item Pick-up. You need to place these items out for Brush Pick-up or bring them to the city Yard Waste Site.

Items Not Accepted

Tires

Any Liquids

(Including: Cooking Oils, Motor Oil, Fuel, Antifreeze, Paints, Stains and Varnish)

Fluorescent Light Bulbs

Car Batteries

Button Batteries or Rechargeable Batteries

Full or Partially Full Aerosol Cans

Construction Materials

Concrete

Please go to the Stearns County website to find where these hazardous materials are accepted:

[www.co.stearns.mn.us/Government/AboutStearnsCounty/CountyBuildings/HouseholdHazardousWasteFacility](http://www.co.stearns.mn.us/Government/About/StearnsCounty/CountyBuildings/HouseholdHazardousWasteFacility)

The Stearns County Household Hazardous Waste Facility is open west of Fleet Farm.

Take 28th Ave S to Co Rd 138 to 34th Ave S to:
3601 5th St S, Waite Park Phone: (320)257-8605
Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00 am - 4:15 pm;
and the 1st and 3rd Sat of the month 8:00 am-Noon

Brush Pick-up

The Brush Pick-Up dates for the next three months will be: Jul 27 - 31, Aug 24 - 28, and Sep 21 - 25. Place your branches and brush near your regular refuse pickup site by 7:00 a.m. on Monday of these weeks. City employees will attempt to complete the brush pickup during the scheduled week, but the schedule may be pushed back due to their workload or weather conditions. Please keep in mind, this is not a tree removal service. Large volumes of branches, large tree limbs and trunks will not be picked up.

Recreational Fires

Burning Permits are NOT required for recreational fires defined as “An outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace, BBQ grill or BBQ pit and has a total fuel area of three feet or less in diameter and two feet or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.”

- ◆ Burn materials are limited to dry, clean wood.
- ◆ Prohibited burn materials are: oils, rubber, plastics, treated, painted, stained or varnished wood, garbage, or construction waste.
- ◆ Recreational fires cannot be left unattended until the fire is completely extinguished.
- ◆ Extinguishing equipment must be on-site: a fire extinguisher with a minimum 4-A rating, or dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose, or water truck.

Recreational fires must be located a minimum of 25 feet from buildings or other combustible structures or materials.

Portable Outdoor Fireplaces, which are screened in, need to be located a minimum of 15 feet from buildings or other combustible structures or materials.



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Tree & Bush Trimming

Just a reminder: residents are responsible for trimming the trees and bushes on their property along the alleyways so that they are not protruding into the alley and/or obstructing the vision of drivers. Also, keep your trees and bushes trimmed along and over the sidewalks to allow pedestrians to walk on the sidewalks without obstructions.

Please be a good neighbor and keep them tidy!

Be a Responsible Pet Owner

Be a responsible pet owner and pick up after your pet in your own yard. It is unlawful to allow your pet's waste to accumulate or exceed that which would ordinarily occur in two days or if the odor can be detected from adjacent properties.

It is also unlawful for you to allow your dog or cat to relieve itself on property that is not your own, and to not remove it and dispose of it in your own garbage receptacle.

It is also unlawful for you to allow your dog or cat to run at large anywhere within the City, other than on your own property.



Night to Unite

Night to Unite (NTU) is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 6th. NTU is a nation-wide effort to promote crime prevention and police-community partnerships. Would you be interested in hosting a NTU event? NTU events can be simple or elaborate.

Three Simple Steps to Host a NTU event in your neighborhood:

1. Invite some neighbors, especially the ones you haven't already met!
2. Plan for food, from ice cream cones to a potluck, food always brings people!
3. Register your party with the police department by Friday, Sept 18th. If you register your event, the Police & Fire Departments will show up at your party, and you will also receive a free party planning kit full of supplies to host a successful event! Registration forms can be picked up at the Police Department or can be found on the City website. If you have any questions, contact Alicia at (320) 251-7393.



2020 Election Dates

Primary Election - August 11

General Election - November 3

Polls open 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM



2020 Election and COVID-19

For residents wanting to reduce their risk of possible exposure to COVID-19, absentee voting allows you to avoid the polls on election day.

Voters wishing to vote by Absentee Ballot may apply for an absentee ballot from the County Auditor's office (656-3900). You may apply and vote in person at the Auditor's office or you may accomplish the process via the U.S Postal Service. Absentee ballot request forms must be completed. Forms may also be obtained from the City Clerk's office or from the Secretary of State's website at mnvotes.org. The absentee ballot will be mailed by the County Auditor's Office.

Registering to vote, as well as absentee balloting, can all be done online at mnvotes.org.

Where to Vote?

Go to pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us to find your precinct and polling place. Just enter your zip code and then enter your house number and street address.

Precinct 1:

Waite Park Community Park Shelter
155 13th Ave N

Precinct 2:

****New Location****

Waite Park Public Works Facility
670 17th Ave S

Precinct 3:

Waite Park City Hall
19 13th Ave N

Precinct 4:

****New Location****

The Ledge Amphitheater—
Performers Building
520 17th Ave S

Election Judges & Head Judges

We are currently seeking additional judges for the upcoming General Election on November 3rd.

Election Judges earn \$12/hour

Head Judges earn \$15/hour

No experience is necessary. All training will be provided.

If interested, please contact Karla by email: karla.virnig@ci.waitepark.mn.us or Phone: (320) 229-3682