



# Shore Report

News for Residents of the City of Shorewood

## Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 1/1  
City Hall Closed
- 1/7 7 p.m.  
Planning Comm. Meeting
- 1/13 7 p.m.  
City Council Meeting
- 1/14 7 p.m.  
Park Commission Meeting
- 1/16-1/19  
Arctic Fever
- 1/17  
Absentee voting begins
- 1/20 MLK Day  
City Hall Closed
- 1/27 7 p.m.  
City Council Meeting

Please check for meeting updates on the city website, [www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us).

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- Photo contest • Snow rules P.4
- Arctic Fever Insert

## Apply for a Shorewood Commission

Be part of the decision-making process in the city by joining one of the advisory commissions appointed by city council. Resident involvement is necessary for the city to operate effectively.

### Planning Commission

There is one opening on the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission serves as an advisory commission to the City Council on planning and development issues. The Planning Commission meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. A tentative second meeting is scheduled for the third Tuesday as needed.

### Park Commission

There is one opening on the Park Commission. The Park Commission serves as an advisory commission to the City Council on park and park programming issues. The Park Commission meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month.

To apply for one of these volunteer positions, fill out an online application on the city website (Government>Employment) and submit by email to [cityhall@ci.shorewood.mn.us](mailto:cityhall@ci.shorewood.mn.us), by mail or in person at city hall.

## Absentee vote in the Presidential Primary

In 2016, legislation was passed establishing a presidential nomination primary. The chair of each major party submits a list of presidential candidates for the party ballot.

Registered voters vote at their polling place on presidential primary day, Tuesday, March 3, 2020, or by absentee ballot in the 46 days before presidential primary day (starting January 17, 2020). A voter must request the ballot of the party of their choice. If a voter refuses to select a party, they will not be able to vote in the presidential nomination primary.

A voter's choice of party ballot will be recorded and is private data. However, a list of who voted in a presidential nomination primary and the political party each voter selected is provided to the chair of each major political party. How a voter voted on the ballot is secret.

### Absentee Vote

To have an absentee ballot mailed to you, go to [www.mnvotes.org](http://www.mnvotes.org) and select "OTHER WAYS TO VOTE". Choose "VOTE EARLY BY MAIL" and follow the instructions under "Apply online". Alternatively, you can fill out an absentee ballot application at city hall. Ballots will be mailed starting January 17. If you previously filled out an application to

automatically receive absentee ballot applications for all elections you will be mailed an application. Fill it out and submit as described in the instructions included with the application.

If you have questions about elections, or about how to absentee vote, please call city hall, 952.960.7900. More election information is on the city website under Government>Elections.



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[www.ci.shorewood.mn.us](http://www.ci.shorewood.mn.us)

## Christmas Tree Disposal

Christmas trees and greenery are treated like other yard waste and cannot be placed in your regular garbage. All garbage haulers in Shorewood have collection procedures in place. Contact your garbage hauler for pick-up dates and cost. A list of contact numbers for Shorewood's licensed haulers is below for your convenience:

**Blackowiak Disposal**  
952.472.3398

**Republic Services**  
952.941.5174

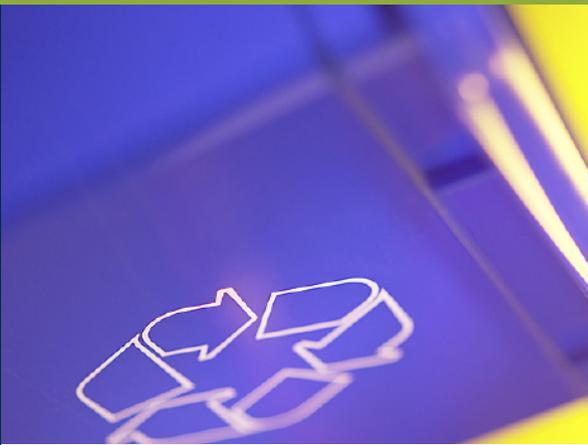
**Randy's Environmental**  
952.472.0401

**Waste Management**  
888.960.0008

For drop-off locations, see the city website under [Environment>Yard Care](#).

## Sand/Salt Barrels

To help keep your driveway and walkway safe, residents of Shorewood can purchase a 50-gallon barrel filled with a sand and salt mixture. The cost is \$40 for the initial barrel and \$30 for refills. Request and pay online under [Services>Winter services](#) or send a check payable to City of Shorewood, along with your request (including name, address and phone number) to: City of Shorewood, 5755 Country Club Rd, Shorewood, 55331. The Public Works Department will contact you to schedule a delivery time.



## Recycling Weeks for January 2020

All recycling must be curbside no later than 7 a.m. on recycling day. Mainland residents recycle January 8 and 22; Islands recycle January 9 and 23.

**Report misses: City hall, 952.960.7900 by noon the following day**  
**No Simple Recycling in 2020.**

## Holiday light recycling

Did this holiday season leave you with a few unwanted or nonworking holiday lights? Do not toss them in the garbage—recycle them! The City of Shorewood collects holiday lights for recycling. Unwanted extension cords are

also accepted. Simply bring your unwanted lights and cords to city hall during regular business hours, Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. The bin is located in the front entry.



## Control smoke for cleaner air

Cool, crisp evenings invite many Minnesotans to enjoy fire pits and fireplaces. The flip side of the warm fire to take the chill out of cool nights is increased smoke and particulates that cause residents with sensitivity to have respiratory problems.

To minimize excess smoke and air pollution, the MPCA encourages using best wood-use management practices: only burn clean, dry wood and keep the fire small. Learn

more on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Burn Wise website (<https://www.epa.gov/burnwise>) and the MPCA's website Wood Smoke: What you

can do (<https://www.pca.state.mn.us/air/wood-smoke>).

If you have questions, please call city hall, 952.960.7900.

**Information on wood burning fires and the use of outdoor furnaces is on the city website under [Environment>Air Quality](#).**



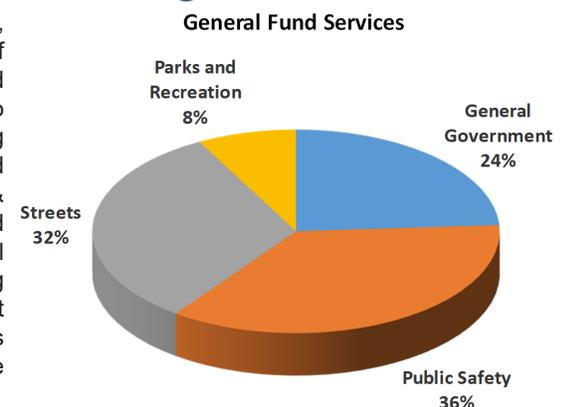
## City Council Approves 2020 Budget

At its regular meeting on December 9, 2019, the city council adopted the final 2020 general fund budget and the 2020 property tax levy. The city's 2020 adopted property tax levy of \$5,856,611 is 5.9% higher than the 2019 total levy of \$5,530,322. However, the city's payable 2020 tax rate is projected to increase by just 1.5%. This means that property owners with no change in market values from payable 2019 to payable 2020 should experience an approximate 1.5% increase in the city portion of their overall property tax bill.

Services provided by the General Fund consist of public safety (including police and fire), public works (including roads and snow plowing), parks and recreation and general government activities.

Additionally, transfers out of the general fund are scheduled to assist in funding for Shorewood Community & Event Center, and for various capital outlays, including parks, street improvements and large equipment.

2020 general fund expenditures and transfers out are budgeted at \$6,622,581, or a 4.8% increase from the 2019 General Fund budget. General fund 2020 revenues and transfers in are budgeted at \$6,566,196, or a 4.7% increase over the 2019 budget. The 2020



budget is available on the city website, under [Government>City Departments>Finance](#) or at city hall. Please call the city, 952.960.7900, with questions.

# Southshore Community & Event Center

5735 Country Club Road, Shorewood, 55331 • 952.474.7635  
www.ShorewoodCEC.com

## Cribbage

Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

All ages

Join friends and community members for a fun afternoon of cribbage. You don't have to be an expert, you just have to enjoy the game! Don't know how to play? You can learn here! Please contact the center at 952.474.7635 to register for this free program.



### Life Line Screening

Tuesday, January 7

Appointments: 888.653.6450

Age: 55+

Preventative screening for your cardiovascular health. Registration required.

### Happy Feet

Monday, January 20

Appointments: 763.560.5136

Age: 55+

Clients who regularly receive nursing foot care express an increased sense of comfort and well-being. Care includes foot soak, foot massage, care for corns, calluses or problem nails.

### Fitness Class

Monday, Wednesday, Friday,

8:30 a.m.; \$6 per class

Ages: 55+

This program, designed for active adults, uses low impact exercises to get your heart pumping! Exercises can be adapted for all levels of fitness and physical ability.

### Knitting

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.; Ages: All

Open to all interested in the needle arts. All levels welcome.

### Busy Bee Quilters

Monday and Wednesday

9 a.m.-12 p.m.; Ages: All

Have a great time sharing personal quilt projects, helping each other, and making various service projects. For more information, call Linda, 952.475.1430.

### Woodcarving

Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. Ages: All

Have you thought of woodcarving as a hobby or already carve? Stop in and join this community of carvers. Learn how or carve and share your knowledge. No fees or sign up necessary.

### Beading

Tuesdays, 1 p.m.; Ages: All

No experience needed for this fun group. Supplies available, or bring your own. For more information contact Linda, 952.475.1430.

### Mahjong

Wednesdays, 1 p.m.; Ages: All

Mahjong is a tile-based game which originated in China. Join a table each week for a fun and challenging game. Instruction is available.

### Toastmasters

Thursdays, 12-1 p.m.; Ages: All

Improve speaking and leadership skills in this popular group. All ages. Guests welcome.

### Bridge

Thursdays, 1 p.m.; Ages: All

Love the game of bridge? Want to join a table, or improve your skill? Call the center to reserve a spot for weekly games, 952.474.7635.

### Dementia Support Group

Fridays, January 3 and 17

9-10 a.m.; Ages: All

If you are caring for a loved one with dementia, or someone close to you is suffering from dementia and you could use some support, meet with other concerned caregivers. Call Jane at 952.474.4673, or Joanne, 952.474.6022 with questions.

### "Inside Look at the World of Journalism" Book Tour

February 18, 1 p.m.

Tom Ryther is a former television personality and news & sports journalist. Starting in radio in the 1960s, he did television news and sports in cities such as St. Louis, Minneapolis-St. Paul and Cleveland. He is now retired and living the good life in Minnesota. His book "The Hummelsheim Kid" will be available for purchase.

**The center is closed  
January 1 for New  
Year's Day and  
January 20 for the  
Martin Luther King  
Day.**

## Council Activities

Since the last council meeting the city council:

- Approved the master fee schedule for 2020
- Set the 2020 council meeting and commission meeting schedule.
- Accepted the Hennepin County tree canopy grant and the Metropolitan Council and Clean Water Amendment water efficiency grant.
- Approved a minor subdivision and variance for 24845 Smithtown Road and 6175 Cardinal Drive.
- Approved a minor subdivision for 22425 Murray Street.
- Adopted the 2020 property tax levy and general fund budget.

## Staff Recognition

The city council recognized four staff members for years of service awards:

Joe Pazandak	30 years
Chris Pounder	15 years
Rob Hanson	5 years
Brenda Pricco	5 years

Congratulations and thank you to the staff members for service to City of Shorewood.

## AARP Foundation Tax-Aide

Tuesdays, 8 a.m.-Noon  
February 11 – April 14

Free tax preparation aide for those age 50+ who cannot afford tax preparation services. To schedule an appointment with one of the IRS certified volunteers to help you with your taxes, call Shorewood Community Center at 952.474.7635.

## Instant Pot

Get it out of the box!

Tuesday, February 11, 11 a.m.- 1 p.m.; \$12

If you have an Instant Pot that is still in the box, bring it with you to this fun class. Experienced but want to try some new recipes? You can come, too! This popular class fills up quickly, so call the center at 952.474.7635. Register by February 6. This is a hands-on class. We will enjoy an Instant Pot meal when we are done.





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### Warming House Schedule

Warming houses are available at ice rinks in Manor Park and Cathcart Park. Rinks may be reserved for a small fee by calling the city, 952.960.7900.

Monday-Friday  
3:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.  
Saturday 11 a.m. – 9 p.m.  
Sunday Noon – 9 p.m.  
Holidays 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.  
*Closing times may vary slightly if rink is not in use or an attendant is not available.*

### City photo contest underway

The fall/winter photo contest is taking place. Submit high quality, jpeg photos taken in Shorewood by email to [cityhall@ci.shorewood.mn.us](mailto:cityhall@ci.shorewood.mn.us), or on a flash drive. Photos should be entered in the following five categories:

- People of Shorewood
- Pets and Wildlife
- Events and Activities
- Splendor of Seasons

All photos should be taken during the fall and winter months. Winners in each category will have their photos framed and displayed at city hall and will each receive a framed print. Submissions will be accepted through March 25 at 4:30 p.m.

Contest rules and submission details are on the city website under Community>Photo Contest, or call the city at 952.960.7900.



Dawn Reese

### No snow across the road

The snow keeps coming and sometimes it is hard to find a place to put the most recent inches on snow. Minnesota State Statue (169.42) prohibits relocating snow and ice from private property—including driveways and parking lots—to a roadway, sidewalk or adjacent property (unless you have permission of the property owner). This includes plowing across a roadway. If you have questions please call the city at 952.960.7900. To report a violation, use SeeClickFix and select “Private Property Issue”. On warmer days, relocating some of the piles around your driveway might be necessary to prepare for the next snowfall.

*Residents can access the SeeClickFix notification system by downloading the free app to a smartphone. It is also accessible from the city website under I Want To>Report. If you are unable to report online, please call city hall at 952.960.7900. All private property complaints require a name and phone number, but the information is confidential.*

# Arctic Fever 2020

**Thursday, January 16; 5:30-8 p.m.**

## Art Via Vino \$40

Come to Lord Fletcher's and enjoy a glass of wine and a painting experience. Includes step-by-step guidance from local artist, Marla Mullaney. Supplies provided. Come alone or with friend. Register at [www.artviavino.com](http://www.artviavino.com).

**Friday, January 17; 5:30-7:30 p.m.**

## Free Pizza Party and Snowsculpting Voting

- Free Joey Nova's Pizza (while supplies last)
- Beer tasting by Excelsior Brewing Company
- Chair massages by Health Source Chiropractic of Minnetonka
- Ice carving demo
- "Candlelight" walk
- Pine cone hunt
- Photo booth
- Crafts



**Saturday, January 18**

### Shorewood Freeman Park 6000 Eureka Rd

- Sleigh Rides 10:30 a.m. -1 p.m.
- Snowshoeing 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Dog Sled Rides\* 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Kid's Jewel Dig 11 a.m.
- Ice and Snow Games
- Kite Making 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

*\*first come-first serve*

### Excelsior Downtown

- Brodini Magic, 10:30 a.m.  
Excelsior Library
- Fat Tire Bike Race 2 p.m.
- Excelsior Brewing Music
- Coloring Contest, Library
- Wagon Rides 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

*Library: 337 Water Street  
Brewery: 421 Third Street*

### Tonka Bay Manitou Park 5418 Manitou Rd

- 1- 4 p.m. or as noted
- Human Bowling
- Bonfire and S'mores
- Skating and Photo Board
- Snowshoeing 2-3:30 p.m.
- SLMPD ATV demo 1-2 p.m.
- HCSO k9 team 2:30-3:30 p.m.
- Arctic Bowling, 1:30-6 p.m.,  
Country Club Lanes,  
Reservations: 952.474.5959;  
*ICA food donations accepted*

**Sunday, January 19; 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.**

## Superhero Brunch for kids of all ages

Our new brunch includes more fun for boys and girls and their adults. Enjoy brunch at Oak Ridge Conference Center, followed by free crafts, character visits, music, stories, face painting, prizes and more! Activities free with paid brunch.

Reservations required: 952-368-1419

*Sponsored by Bolton & Menk Engineering*

**[www.arcticfever.net](http://www.arcticfever.net)**

**Watch website for updates!**

## Snowsculpt

**Register your family or group to snowsculpt. It's free and you can win a great prize! Sculpting takes place, weather permitting, in Badger Park beginning January 10. All sculptures must be completed by 5 p.m. on January 17 for voting.**

**All levels and abilities encouraged! See the AF website for tips.**

Hey kids ages 3-11: enter the 2020 Arctic Fever Coloring Contest! Color and drop off by Saturday, January 18 at 5:00 p.m. to the Hennepin County Excelsior Library, 337 Water Street, Excelsior. Prizes will be awarded in three categories: ages 3-5, 6-8, and 9-11. Winners will be notified by phone and names posted in the library. You may take your picture home after January 27.

*Sponsored by the Friends of Excelsior Library and Artworks Art & Frame Inc.*



Adele Adams

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First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ (this will be cut off before displaying)