## November 2024

City Hall 12260 S. Diamond Lake Rd Dayton, MN 55327 Mon-Thurs 7:30am-5pm Fridays 8am-12pm

Public Works/Police Dept. 13700 Zanzibar Lane N Dayton, MN 55327 Mon-Thursday 7am-4:30pm Friday 7am-11am

## **City Contacts**

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## **Dayton Council**

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## **City Council Meetings**

Meetings typically occur the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Meetings generally begin at 6:30 p.m. and are held at Dayton City Hall Council Chambers located at 12260 South Diamond Lake Rd. Check website for details on meetings and zoom link.

## **Planning Commission**

Meetings typically occur on the first Thursday of each month. Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. and are held at Dayton City Hall Council Chambers located at 12260 South Diamond Lake Road

## **Park Commission**

Meetings typically occur on the first Tuesday of each month. Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. and are held at Dayton City Hall Council Chambers located at 12260 South Diamond Lake Road

## **EDA**

Meetings typically occur once per month on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30am and are held at Dayton City Hall Council Chambers located at 12260 South Diamond Lake Road









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# The Morris Leatherman Company City of Dayton Survey

The City Council commissioned the Morris Leatherman Company to conduct a public opinion survey about a variety of topics. The phone survey was conducted in August 2024 and 400 residents participated representing a random sample. Morris Leatherman presented its findings to the City Council during its October 8, 2024 meeting. The Council will discuss further at a future meeting, using the survey results to prioritize future city projects and priorities. The City survey, powerpoint, report of findings and the October 8th City Council

meeting video are available on the City website under Announcements on the homepage at www.cityofdaytonmn.com and available on the City App. If you would like an email copy, please contact kmontgomery@cityofdaytonmn.com.

## League of MN Cities Mayor for a Day Essay



What would our cities look like if kids were in charge? The League of Minnesota Cities is holding its annual essay contest to find out! Open to students who are in fourth, fifth or sixth grades this school year, entries for the 2024 Mayor for a Day Essay Contest can be emailed, submitted online or postmarked by December 13.

Survey Results

Three winners will be chosen to receive \$100 prize and have their essays published in the League of Minnesota Cities magazine. Winners will be notified in early January. To learn more about the contest and how to submit an essay, please contact www.lmc.org.

Live the difference.



The City is excited to announce the 2024 Community Photo Contest. The goal is to inspire individuals to explore and highlight the City of Dayton through their creativity and talent. Everyone is encouraged to participate including residents and businesses. Photos will be evaluated based on creativity, composition, and expression of the category.

#### 1. Life in Dayton:

Celebrating the community through recreation, events, arts, culture, sports and unique sites

## 2. Dayton through the Seasons:

Exploring the beauty of our City through each distinct season.

#### 3. Youth:

This is an opportunity for those 17 & under to share their favorite spots in Dayton.

To view photo contest rules, please visit the City website www.cityofdaytonmn.com

## City of Dayton Police Department

## **Annual Food Drive**

Cross Services plays a vital role in providing food assistance to families and individuals in need throughout our local area. With your help, we can make a significant difference in addressing hunger in our community, especially as the holiday season approaches.

Collection boxes are located at the Dayton City Hall and the Dayton Police Department through the month of November. There will be a donation box placed at HoliDayton on Thursday, December 5th from 6-8pm.

## City of Dayton Police Department

## **Annual Toys for Tots**

Toys for Tots is a charitable program run by the U.S. Marine Corps to provide happiness and hope to disadvantaged children. The toys, books, and other gifts collected and distributed by the Marines offer these children recognition, confidence, and a positive memory for a lifetime.

We will be collecting toys and items at the Dayton Police Department and at Dayton City Hall during business hours through December 1st, 2024.

## City of Dayton Police Department

## **Annual Coat Drive: Salvation Army**

The Dayton Police Department is teaming up with other metro police departments to collect new and gently used coats as part of Justin Morneau's

Annual Winter Warm-up Coat Drive. All coats collected will be distributed by The Salvation Army Harbor Light to those in need in the Twin Cities. This event runs from October 1st until November 30th; however, we will accept coats up until the night of HoliDayton.

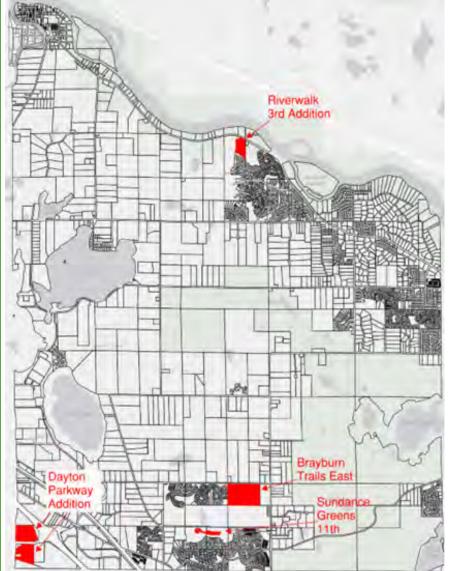
HoliDayton will have a designated area for the coat drive, toys for tots and food drive. If you have additional questions, please contact the Dayton Police Department at (763) 427-2017.

PLEASE NOTE: The Salvation Army is most in need of adult coats suitable for a Minnesota winter. We can accept youth coats, but adult sizes are most needed.



## Planning & Zoning

## Community Development: Residential



# SINGLE-FAMILY NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION PERMITS ISSUED\* 278 485 404 224 184 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024 YTD

#### **Riverwalk 3rd Addition**

Riverwalk 3rd Addition was approved on August 27th adding 25 lots to the Riverwalk development just south of Dayton River Road.

## Brayburn Trails East 2nd Addition

Brayburn Trails East was recently approved on June 25th. This is a continuation of the existing Brayburn Trails development just south of 117th Ave North, and the additions include a total of 62 lots.

## **Sundance Greens 11th Addition**

Sundance Greens 11th Addition was approved on June 25th by the City Council, adding 31 more lots directly south of Sundance Entertainment and Golf Course.

## **Dayton Pkwy Addition**

Located on the south side of Dayton Parkway and I-94, the City Council approved a preliminary plat of a mixed-use development, consisting of 11 buildable out lots that will be developed in the future.



#### Environment

### **Prevent Storm Pollution**

Did you know since the early 1950's our metro area water have become increasingly salty? Chloride levels have risen so high that many metro area creeks are now considered unhealthy. Chloride harm plants and animals, contaminate our drinking water, damage buildings, corrode vehicles, roads and bridges. Too much salt results in costly damages and serious environmental consequences. Storm drains carry excess water from streets and homes to nearby lakes and rivers. During the cold winter months, salt that is applied to our streets eventually flows into our lakes and rivers. Help keep our waters clean this winter by following these few simple steps.

- Before The Storm: Apply a liquid de-icer before snow storms to prevent snow and ice from building up. However, this is not a substitute for shoveling; it just makes it more effective.
- Shovel the Snow: Shovel, snow blow, plow and/ or sweep. These are all effective measures that will remove snow and minimize ice build-up. Please make sure you are keeping snow on resident lots and not pushing it into the street.
- Less is Better: When applying salt, if there are leftover crystals still visible, the salt has been over applied. The left-over salt can be swept up and reused.
- Temperature Matters: At low temperatures salt begins to become less effective; check your product for more details. When the temperature falls below 15 degrees, consider using sand as an alternative.



Q: Tell us three fun facts

1.) My best week of muskie fishing was on Lake Vermillion, where I caught 4 muskies in 3 days, averaging 45.5 inches. All on my homemade

2. I have gotten an Albatross before on the golf course (scored a 2 on a par 5 hole). I was 275 yards out in the fairway using a 3 wood.

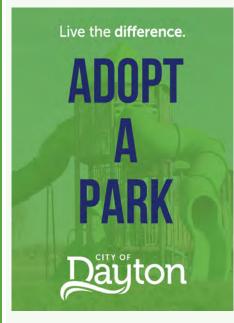
3. My highest game in bowling was a 288 during a league night. The pressure was on after the 10th





## Parks & Recreation

## **Adopt a Park Program**



Help us care for City parks! We welcome neighborhood associations, schools, civic groups, community groups, religious groups, seniors, businesses, youth groups (with adult supervision) and individuals to join our efforts in keeping our parks clean and beautiful. This is an excellent opportunity to promote civic responsibility and generate community pride. In recognition of your efforts, we will provide an adoption certificate and recognize your group by

placing a sign at that location. If you have any interest, please contact kmontgomery@cityofdaytonmn.com or view the city website at www.cityofdaytonmn.com/adopt-apark/



## **HoliDayton Parade Route**



light parade. If you plan to attend, please arrive prior to 5:50 p.m. Parade begins at 6:00 p.m. Parking is available at Central Park & Dayton Elementary School



## City Events

## **HoliDayton Celebration**

It is the most wonderful time of the year! Please join us for the 2nd Annual HoliDayton Celebration! Enjoy a a magical night of of holiday fun with attractions includina:

6:00 p.m. Holiday Light Parade: The light parade will run from Raintree Plaza down Balsam Lane and onto South Diamond Lake Rd to end at Norwood. Please view map below. South Diamond Lake Rd will close at 5:55 p.m. for the light parade. If you plan to attend, please arrive prior to 5:50 p.m.

6:45 p.m. Tree Lighting Ceremony: Countdown the magical moment when the HoliDayton tree comes to life.

Santa pictures following the Tree Lighting **Ceremony:** Meet Santa and capture a picture! Special appearance from our grumpy favorite, the Grinch.

Holiday Hayrides: Enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride with the family.

Food & Sips: The City is serving up holiday treats including mini donuts and hot cocoa. Food trucks will also be on-site.

Bonfire: Gather around the fire and connect with your community.

Kids Activity: Make your own magical reindeer food to sprinkle on the lawn the night before santa arrives!

#### Name a Snowplow Contest

Magic Mailbox: The Magic Mailbox is back! This year it is at City Hall located 12260 S Diamond Lake Rd with special stationary to use for Santa! Be sure all letters are dropped off by Thursday, December 5th so we can ensure Santa gets them in time! \*\*Parents: please make sure your child's envelope is addressed with their full name & address so it is delivered to the correct house. It is also helpful if you tuck a note in with anything that Santa might have missed such as a nice thing they did around the house, an accomplishment at school or an act of kindness!\*\*

## Public Works

## Snow Removal Reminders from Public Works

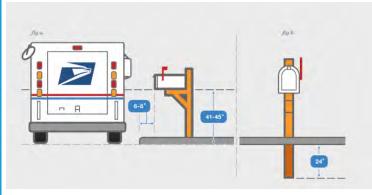
The City of Dayton Public Works team is committed to keeping streets as safe as possible. With winter approaching, it is important to remember that the City plows around 180 lane miles of roads including cul-de-sacs. Routes will be plowed as designated. Arterial and emergency routes are plowed as a priority street followed by residential streets, parking lots, trails and sidewalks. The City will start a full plow operation towards the end of snow fall; however, safety will be always be a determining factor. Please note, it is against City ordinance to push, plow or blow snow across or into the street and please keep vehicles off the street until plows have been through. To view the snow plow policy and additional snow removal FAQs, please visit our website at www.cityofdaytonmn.com and view Public Works.

## Public Works **Lawn Restoration**

Snow plowing and ice control operations can cause property damage even under the best circumstances. The intent of the right-of-way is to provide snow storage, space for utilities and sidewalks. The City will place seed in areas where turf has been damaged on a City-owned right-of way as the result of plowing activites. Residents are responsible to assist by watering areas that are repaired in the spring. Landscaping materials installed (posts, shrubs, sprinkler heads and ornamentation) or encroaching on a public owned right-of-way are permitted, but the owner assumes all risk of damage and the City assumes no responsibility for damages incurred to landscaping materials as the result of snow removal and ice control activities. Please contact Public Works at (763) 427-3224 to report sod damage.



## Public Works **Mailboxes**



Damage to a mailbox is a risk that snowplow operators face during their winter plowing requirements. The City will conduct a review of each mailbox damage claim.

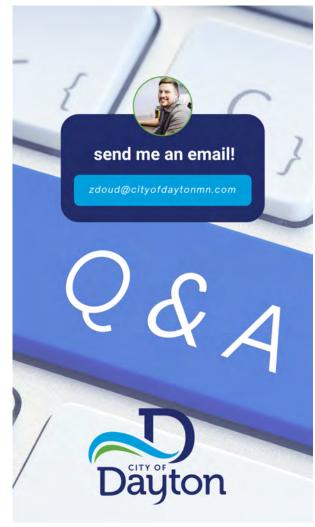
A mailbox should be installed so its bottom edge is 41" to 45" above street level with the post back from the curb or front of the box. That amount of clearance is needed to keep the plow's wing from hitting the box. Please visit usps.com/manage/mailboxes. htm to view mailbox installation, construction standards and placement of the mailbox.

Please contact Public Works if you have further questions at (763) 427-3224 or email kmontgomery@cityofdaytonmn.com with your address and pictures of the mailbox.

# Public Works **Trash/Recycling**

Reminder for trash/recycling collection on snow days to please place your trash and recycling containers in your driveway and do not place the container in the street for collection. Plows will not stop to move them off the street.

# Community Engagement **Q&A with Z**



One of the goals of City staff is to continue to enhance the transparency and authenticity in city government. The City always welcomes questions through the City App and contact us page on the city website, but we wanted to take it a step further. Our City Administrator, Zach Doud would like to respond to your questions in a video series. We welcome all questions pertaining to City of Dayton operations. The City will continue to archive the questions and answers so it is available to all residents to gain more knowledge about the city.

If you have a question, please email **zdoud@cityofdaytonmn.com** and videos will be posted on the City website under Resources - Educational Videos and City Official social media pages. Stay tuned!

## Fire Department

## **Meet Phoenix!**

The Dayton Fire Department is excited to introduce Phoenix, our new therapy dog. Phoenix is currently undergoing specialized training with Soldier 6, an organization dedicated to preparing service dogs for first responders and veterans.

The decision to bring Phoenix into our department reflects the growing need for mental health resources within the fire service. Firefighters routinely face high-stress, traumatic incidents that can contribute to post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Recent studies have shown a concerning increase in PTSD rates and a rise in suicide among firefighters, as emergencies impact mental health and well-being. Phoenix will offer emotional support to our firefighters and those needing comfort when responding to a fire call, helping them manage stress and process trauma.

We believe Phoenix will be an invaluable addition, promoting resilience and mental health within the fire department and the community. Stay tuned as we continue to share updates on Phoenix's journey with Solider 6 and her impact on the Dayton Fire Department and the Dayton Community.

