

*a city of lakes and legends*

# White Bear Lake

The Best MN Town of 2018



## Spring 2019

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### Best MN Town 2018!

We already knew it, but now it is official according to Minnesota Monthly Magazine. White Bear Lake was voted Best MN Town – 2018. Watch the video in “News & Events” on the City’s website at [www.whitebearlake.org](http://www.whitebearlake.org).

Many community leaders came together to nominate White Bear Lake for this award. They defined White Bear Lake’s future as being: a healthy community; a vibrant economic center; a social, cultural, recreational and educational magnet; a diverse community; a people committed to prosperity and stewardship; and a model of community success.

#### What makes us the best?

An excellent school system, unique community partnerships, engaged residents and businesses, as well as strong volunteerism all contribute to a strong sense of community that sets White Bear Lake apart from other cities.

Stroll into charming downtown for a vibrant hub of activity with unique shops, live music,

outdoor seating and community events year-round. Feel the energy at the White Bear Lake marina. Relax on the new boardwalk overlooking public docks and watch boats sailing in the water. Ride a zip-line at West Park or drop in for disc-golf at Lakewood Hills Park. Witness the Manitou Days Grande Parade or the 4th of July Fireworks. Take an art class at the Center for the Arts or take in a live show with a glass of wine at Lakeshore Players Theatre in the Hanifl Performing Arts Center.

#### What’s next?

The same dedicated group of community leaders and volunteers who nominated White Bear Lake for the Best MN Town award are working with Minnesota Monthly to construct a multi-page magazine feature of our wonderful town. A community ice cream social will be held at West Park on July 4th, 8:00 – 10:00 pm to celebrate this honor. Free ice cream for the first 500 people, with special thanks to MN Monthly, Cup-N-Cone and Explore White Bear for making this possible!

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# Community Events



## Spring Clean-Up Saturday, May 4

7 AM - 1 PM

4200 Hoffman Road see page 3 for details!



## Raingardens & Beyond Wednesday, May 8

6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Vadnais Heights City Hall,  
800 E Cty Rd E

Free. Visit [vlawmo.org/events](http://vlawmo.org/events) or call 651-204-6070.

## Trash to Treasure Day Saturday, April 27

All Day

Place unwanted items at your curb with a "Free" sign on them and wait for the new owners to pick them up.

## Arbor Day

### Saturday, May 4

Volunteers interested in park clean-up and mulching, call (651) 747-3652

## Native Plants as Turf Alternatives

### Thursday, May 16 6:30 PM - 8 PM

Vadnais Heights City Hall,  
800 E Cty Rd E

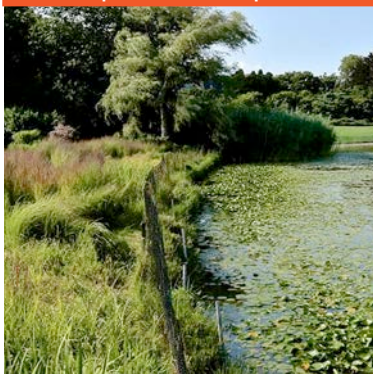
Free. For details visit [vlawmo.org/events](http://vlawmo.org/events) or call 651-204-6070.

## New Science in Turf & Irrigation

### Wednesday, June 5 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Vadnais Heights City Hall,  
800 E Cty Rd E

Free. For more information visit [vlawmo.org/events](http://vlawmo.org/events) or call 651-204-6070.



## Wetland Wildlife Celebration Friday, May 24

10:30 AM - 11:15 AM

Ramsey County Library,  
2150 2nd St.

Free. For details visit [vlawmo.org/events](http://vlawmo.org/events) or call 651-204-6070.



## WaterFest 2019 Saturday, June 1

11 AM - 4 PM

Lake Phalen, St. Paul

Free event. Visit [rwmwd.org/waterfest](http://rwmwd.org/waterfest) for more information.



## Marketfest

### Thursdays, June 13 - July 25 · 6 - 9 PM

Shop 130+ merchandise and food vendors in downtown White Bear Lake. Classic cars, live music and activities for kids! Talk to experts during Environmental Resources Expo on July 25th.

## Manitou Days

### June 14 - July 4

Kick off Manitou Days in downtown White Bear Lake with the Manitou Days Grande Parade at 6:30 pm, followed by the annual beach dance at West Park with live music.



## Farmer's Market Fridays

June 28 - Oct 25  
8 AM - Noon

Downtown  
White Bear Lake



## Fourth of July Tuesday, July 4 8 PM

Bring a blanket or chair to Memorial Beach to enjoy live music and watch the fireworks over White Bear Lake.

# Spring Clean Up Day | Saturday, May 4

7 AM – 1 PM



Household hazardous waste (HHW) not accepted. See below for HHW collection options.  
White Bear Lake residents only. Proof of residency required (i.e. utility bill or driver's license).

## Acceptable Items

Air conditioners	Bicycles	Appliances
Furniture	Batteries	Humidifiers
Mattresses	Carpeting	Televisions
Computers (PCs, monitors, laptops)	Fluorescent bulbs and ballasts*	Construction materials
Tires	Textiles	Electronics
Lawn mowers & snow blowers (all fluids drained)		

\* up to 10 fluorescent bulbs will be accepted

## Unacceptable Items

Brush	Propane tanks
Firewood	Paint
Tree stumps	Motor oil
Household hazardous waste	Items larger than appliances (fish houses, boats, sheds)

**Location: Former Public Works site  
4200 Hoffman Road; west side of the intersection of  
Highway 61 and White Bear Avenue.**

## Fees

A fee will be charged based on the size and type of load to help pay disposal costs. Pay at the gate with cash or check. You can bring a load of general trash and be charged by the size of your vehicle. If you have bulky items that require special handling you will only be charged for those items. If you have a mixed load, you will be charged for both. For more information on fees, visit the City's website at [whitebearlake.org](http://whitebearlake.org) (search 'cleanup day') or call Public Works at 651-747-3650.

Save the date for the Fall Clean Up Day on October 5, 2019.

## Ramsey County to provide free household hazardous waste collection in the City of White Bear Lake

Open to residents of Ramsey, Washington, Hennepin, Anoka, Dakota and Carver counties.

Where: White Bear Lake Area High School North Campus  
5045 Division Ave  
(West parking lot)

When: Friday, July 12, 10am – 6pm,  
Saturday, July 13, 9am – 4pm  
  
Friday, July 19, 10am – 6pm,  
Saturday, July 20, 9am – 4pm  
  
Friday, July 26, 10am – 6pm,  
Saturday, July 27, 9am – 4pm

Bring items in your vehicle to the mobile collection site at the dates and

times listed, then remain in your vehicle while a technician unloads your hazardous waste. Bring a proof of residence such as a driver's license.

Ramsey County offers a year-round collection site and several mobile sites in various locations throughout the season. For information on Ramsey County HHW sites and a detailed list of acceptable items, please visit [RamseyRecycles.com](http://RamseyRecycles.com) or call 651-633-EASY (3279), answered 24/7.



## Common Accepted HHW Items

Automotive products, such as antifreeze, batteries, brake and transmission fluid, degreasers, fuel, motor oil, and used oil filters.

Household products, including adhesives, aerosols, cleaners, fire extinguishers, fluorescent bulbs, rechargeable batteries, paint, pool chemicals, propane tanks, mercury thermometers, paint and paint thinners.

Lawn care products such as fertilizers, pesticides and poisons.

Needles, lancets and empty syringes. Transport these items in an empty laundry detergent bottle or other closed container with a screw on lid and label the container "needles." You will be asked to place the container in the collection bin yourself.



## Yard Waste Disposal Options

1

Subscription curbside yard waste pick-up service runs April 15 – November 30 (weather permitting). To subscribe to this paid service, call Republic Services at 952-941-5174, M-F between 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. This service is not part of weekly trash and recycling collection, and is billed separately by Republic Services.

**Annual Service** Unlimited service at an annual rate of \$75/year, April 15th through November 30th (weather permitting). The yard waste container is provided at no additional cost.

**Seasonal Service** Seasonal service for \$30/year, for the months of September, October and November (weather permitting). Residents must provide their own compostable bags.

**On-call Service** On-call service at a rate of \$2.50 per bag of yard waste. There is a minimum charge of \$20.00 (8 bags). Residents must provide their own compostable bags.

2

Free yard waste disposal is available at any of Ramsey County's seven (7) yard waste sites. The closest site is located at 5900 Sherwood Road in White Bear Township. A photo ID is required to prove Ramsey County residency. Keep trees and shrubs separate from leaves and grass clippings and place them in the appropriate pile.

For more information, visit [RamseyRecycles.com](http://RamseyRecycles.com) or call 651-633-EASY (3279), answered 24/7.

## Free Organics Recycling is also available at Ramsey County Yard Waste Disposal Sites

Put your food scraps to work! Ramsey County residents can bring food waste and non-recyclable paper to a Ramsey County yard waste site year-round.

### How to use:

1. Pick up FREE compostable bags at any of the 7 yard waste sites – just ask a site attendant
2. Fill the bags with food waste and other materials listed below
3. Bring your bagged organics to a Ramsey County yard waste site
4. Put your bagged organics in the designated container

### Items Accepted

Food scraps (including meat and dairy), non-recyclable paper (pizza boxes, paper towels, tissues, paper egg cartons, paper cups and plates (unlined/uncoated), and compostable plastics. For more information, visit [RamseyRecycles.com](http://RamseyRecycles.com) or call 651-633-EASY (3279), answered 24/7.

# SPRING REMINDERS

## Water Treatment Plant Maintenance

April is the month for annual spring cleaning and routine maintenance inspection of the Water Treatment Plant. During this time the plant will not be softening water. Customers will notice increased levels of calcium and iron in the water supply. The water is safe to drink but will just not be as soft as residents are accustomed. As soon as the maintenance work is completed (usually in 1 to 2 weeks), the Water Plant will be put back into service and soft water will be distributed to customers.

## Hydrant Flushing

After Water Plant maintenance is complete, the City then flushes all the hydrants in the system. Flushing removes all the remaining hard water from the system and any sediment that has accumulated in the water mains. It also allows Public Works to verify operation of all the fire hydrants in the City. If you experience any discoloration of water during the flushing operation (which usually takes 2-4 days), flush your lines by running water until the discoloration disappears. While this discolored water is safe to consume, you should avoid washing clothes until water runs clear.

## Watering Restrictions Reminder

In an effort to conserve groundwater resources, the City of White Bear Lake prohibits irrigation between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. every day from May 1 through September 30

In 2018, the  
City of White Bear  
Lake was in the top 10 for  
our population category.  
Help us reach #1 in 2019 by  
taking the pledge!

## White Bear Lake participates in the nationwide challenge to be most “water wise” April 1st – 30th

Once again, Mayor Jo Emerson is joining mayors across the country in asking residents to make a commitment to conserve water by taking part in a national contest aimed at drastically slashing water and energy use across the nation. White Bear Lake residents are encouraged to pledge their conservation efforts by going online to [mywaterpledge.com](http://mywaterpledge.com) any time in the month of April to fill out a no cost online pledge on behalf of the City. Cities with the highest percentage of residents who take the challenge in their population category are entered into drawings for eco-friendly prizes, so be sure to get online and pledge (it only takes a minute)!

Example pledge:

I pledge to make the following choices in my yard:

- Beautify with climate-appropriate plants
- Turn off sprinklers when it rains
- Use sprinklers on minimal settings before 8 am
- Sweep instead of hose

## Street Sweeping

The City's street sweeping program removes leaves, sediment, and other debris off the streets and keeps this material out of the local waterbodies. The City owns and operates a regenerative air street sweeper, which vacuums up fine soil particles as well as the larger debris, such as leaves. As soon as weather cooperates, Public Works will be sweeping city streets to make them look clean, but also to preserve water quality by keeping sediments out of the storm sewer system. As a reminder, City ordinance prohibits the sweeping of leaves, lawn clippings, and other debris into streets.

## Report an Illicit Discharge

Any discharge into a storm sewer system, ditch, river, stream, or waterbody that is not composed entirely of stormwater (rain or melting snow) is called an illicit discharge. Illicit discharges may be the result of dumping gas, oil, paints, cleaners, concrete wastewater, and sediment from construction sites into the storm sewer system or allowing fertilizer, grass, leaves, pesticides, or pet waste to wash into storm drains. Report any suspicious discharges to the City by calling the Engineering Department at 651-429-8531 or go online to [www.whitebearlake.org](http://www.whitebearlake.org), click on Services, then 'Report a Problem' (anonymity will be respected). In case of an emergency, dial 911.

## Dogs – Leash Required!

Dogs must be leashed at all times! This includes the Matoska Park waterfront. Even if your dog is swimming in the lake, he or she must be on a leash. With rising water levels and diminishing beachfront at Matoska, new leash laws were put into place to keep dogs from interfering with other activities at that busy location (people swimming, buoys, kayaks, etc.) and wandering onto nearby private property. And remember to protect water quality by scooping up the poop!

## Annual Water Quality Report

The City of White Bear Lake reports annually on the quality of its drinking water provided by the City's water distribution system. The report, known as the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR), describes the source of City water (deep wells) and includes information on any contaminants detected through a regular testing program, which is monitored by the Minnesota Department of Health.

Customers may find the current CCR online at [www.whitebearlake.org/ccr](http://www.whitebearlake.org/ccr). To speak with someone about the report, please contact the Public Works Water Division at (651) 779-5106. A paper copy of the most recent report may also be obtained at White Bear Lake City Hall at no cost.



## Planning Ahead: 5-year Capital Improvement Program

Maintenance of the City's infrastructure is arguably the most essential service provided by municipal government and requires considerable planning. The five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is an important document that maps out capital projects, outlines preliminary cost estimates, and identifies potential funding sources so the City can plan and prepare accordingly.

Each year the City reviews and updates its Capital Improvement Program to map out plans for street reconstruction and other pavement management projects, sidewalks and trails, water and sewer infrastructure, facility improvements, and major equipment expenditures over a five-year period.

### How do we finance our infrastructure needs?

Funding for capital projects comes from a variety of sources, with the bulk of it drawn from City funds specifically established for these purposes, such as the construction fund, equipment acquisition fund, and water and sewer improvement funds. White Bear Lake, as with most other cities, also relies on bonding to support its capital improvements, which when issued, creates a debt service obligation that must be paid for through the City's tax levy. The City will need to issue up to \$2 million in bonds this year to support the 2019 construction projects, which would result in a \$105,000 increase to the City's annual budget. The actual amount will be determined after the Council's careful review of the City's long-range financial plan in May, as it correlates with the revised CIP.

Some significant expenditures anticipated in the water fund related to infrastructure maintenance and replacement needs will require bonding in 2020 and 2021. These projects are detailed in the CIP; the revised CIP will be available for review on the City's website by May 1, 2019.



## 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update

The City has completed the draft update of its 2040 Comprehensive Plan, which had last been updated in 2008. The White Bear Lake 2040 Comprehensive Plan is a long range planning document that will help define and guide future growth and redevelopment in the community. It includes guiding principles and calculations of land use needs for the City based upon growth projections for population, households and employment. The City is expected to add 1,500 residents, 500 jobs, and 1,200 additional households between 2020 and 2040. The Comprehensive Plan identifies the general areas in the community where commercial, residential, and employment centers are suitable for future growth.

The current update kicked off in early 2017 with a concerted effort to solicit input from community stakeholders through a variety of venues. City planning staff held open houses, business outreach meetings, prepared an online survey, and conducted pop-up meetings at Marketfest, YMCA, the downtown library, and area businesses to connect with residents as they went about their daily activities. Following the community outreach phase, the preparation began in late 2017 and early 2018. Staff presented

detailed outlines of the various elements: Land Use, Housing, Economic Competitiveness, Transportation, Parks & Recreation, Natural Resources & Sustainability, Public Facilities & Services, and Implementation before the Planning, Parks, and Environmental Advisory commissions, as well as the WBL Economic Development Corporation for feedback and direction from these advisory boards and commissions.

In February 2019, the Planning Commission opened the public review and comment period which continued to its meeting in March to allow residents, businesses and interested parties the opportunity to review the draft document. Once approved by council the draft plan will be sent to other agencies including surrounding local governments, Ramsey and Washington counties, the watershed districts, DNR and state. It is anticipated that the final version will be adopted by the City Council by the end of the year. Visit "News & Events" at [www.whitebearlake.org](http://www.whitebearlake.org) to view a draft of the 2040 Comp Plan.



# Rush Line BRT

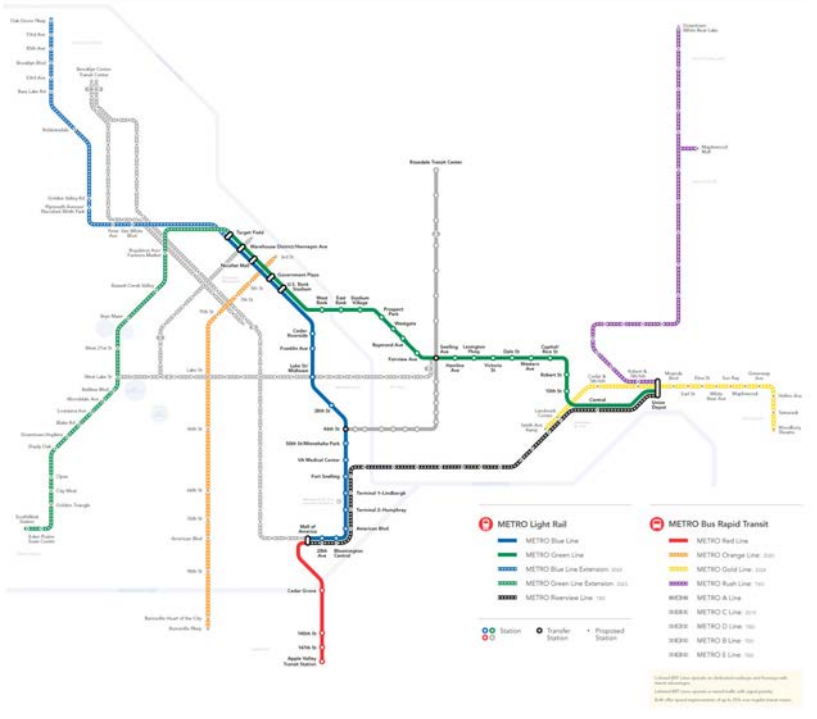
## What is Bus Rapid Transit?

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) is a bus-based transit system that delivers fast and efficient service that includes dedicated lanes, busways, traffic signal priority, off-board fare collection and elevated platforms. Frequency of buses is the key to its success. Buses, which are expected to be 100% electric by the time the Rush Line is completed, will run every 15 minutes all day and into the late evening, 10 minutes during rush hour. The Rush Line BRT will run between St. Paul and White Bear Lake with 21 stops along the corridor. Go to [rushline.org](http://rushline.org) for more information.

## When will Rush Line BRT be in operation?

The Ramsey County Rail Authority continues to work through the environmental analysis phase of its overall transitway development process for the future Rush Line Bus Rapid Transit Corridor; the overall process is expected to extend another 5-6 years before construction begins. It is anticipated to be in operation by 2026. The environmental analysis phase, which began spring of 2018, is a two-year process with Ramsey County Regional Railroad Authority serving as the lead agency for this phase. The project will later be handed off to the Metropolitan Council as it enters the project development phase.

Recently, the area between 7th & 8th Streets along Washington Avenue on the west side of Highway 61 was selected for further study by Ramsey County as a potential station location in the downtown area. Local stops at County Rd E, Buerkle Road, County Road F, and the Whitaker intersection are also proposed. The Rush Line project team is in the midst of a comprehensive environmental analysis to more closely examine traffic, land use, and parking impacts of these and the other seventeen (17) station locations along the corridor between St. Paul and White Bear Lake.



## How will the Rush Line BRT Project be funded?

Funding for the Rush Line BRT Project will come from a combination of county and federal funds. County funds are generated by Ramsey County's Transit Sales & Use Tax. Federal funding is expected to be obtained through the Federal Transit Administration's Capital Investment Grants Program. The Federal Transit Administration requires submittal of a completed, fully engineered plan with its funding application.

## Why White Bear Lake?

The Metropolitan Council forecasts more than 800,000 additional metropolitan area residents by 2040, and more than 500,000 new jobs in the region. A map of the region (above) shows how the Rush Line BRT route (in purple) would connect White Bear Lake to regional metro transit. The purpose of this project is to provide transit service that satisfies the long-term regional mobility and accessibility needs for businesses and the traveling public, and to support sustainable development within the study area between Saint Paul and White Bear Lake.

## What's next?

During the remainder of the Environmental Analysis phase, the goal is to maximize the benefits of the project while minimizing potential social, environmental and private property impacts along the route. This phase will culminate in the release of an Environmental Assessment, which will be finalized after a public comment period. Following the Environmental Analysis phase, the project will proceed through a Project Development phase, then final engineering and construction. It is anticipated that construction will begin in 2024 with the line opening in 2026.

## Subscribe to Rush Line updates

Visit [rushline.org](http://rushline.org) to view the most up-to-date information about this project and to subscribe to Rush Line updates as they become available.

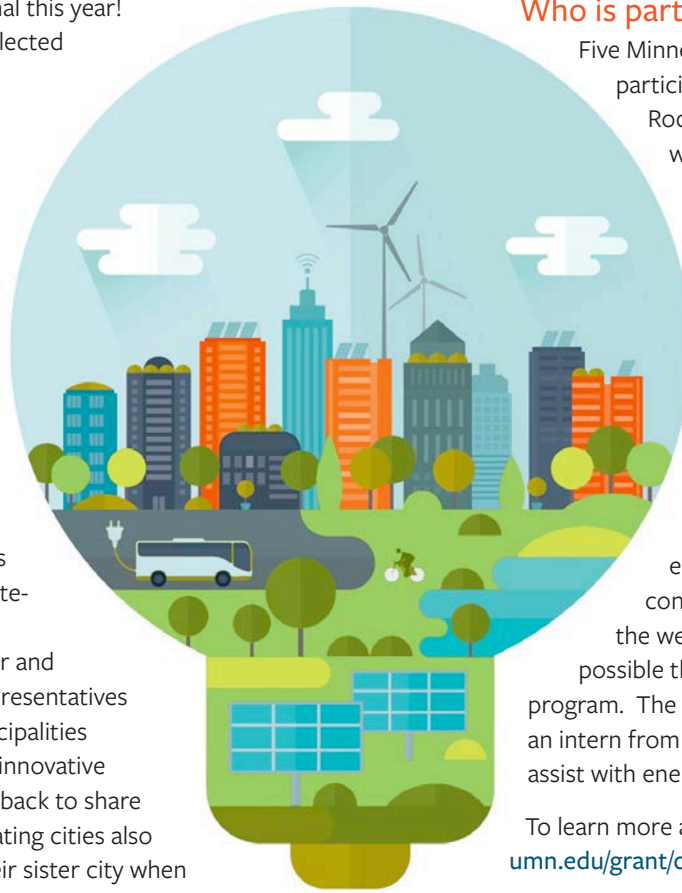


# Climate-Smart German Exchange

White Bear Lake is going international this year! The City is honored to have been selected to participate in the Climate-Smart Municipalities German Exchange program.

## What is the Climate-Smart Municipalities Exchange?

The Federal Republic of Germany set aside grant funding for collaboration with Minnesota Cities with the belief that, "Together, We Are Smarter!" Through this program, administered by the University of Minnesota's Institute on the Environment, selected municipalities are paired with award-winning climate-smart communities in Germany to accelerate progress toward a cleaner and more efficient energy footprint. Representatives from each of the participating municipalities are sent to Germany to learn about innovative programs and practices, then come back to share their progress and insights. Participating cities also have the benefit of working with their sister city when a delegation of German municipalities and leaders visit Minnesota.



## Who is participating?

Five Minnesota communities were invited to participate in 2016: Duluth, Elk River, Morris, Rochester and Warren. White Bear Lake was invited to join this year when the Federal Republic of Germany increased its funding to add another city to the program.

## When will the exchange happen?

A contingent from Lüdenscheid, Germany, which lies in the region of North Rhine-Westphalia, will be in White Bear Lake the week of June 8th to share and learn about energy initiatives. The White Bear Lake contingency will then travel to Germany the week of Sept. 20th, an experience made possible through the Federal Republic's grant program. The City of White Bear Lake will also host an intern from a German University for the summer to assist with energy and environmental related projects.

To learn more about this initiative, go to [environment.umn.edu/grant/climate-smart-municipalities](http://environment.umn.edu/grant/climate-smart-municipalities)

## City launches new public engagement platform

Coming June 1st

The City of White Bear Lake is excited to announce the launch of Polco, an innovative engagement platform where residents can directly provide input on current ideas, initiatives, and issues facing the City. By using Polco, the City of White Bear Lake is making public participation easier for residents. Polco enables White Bear Lake officials to present questions and background information to citizens on different topics and generate organized feedback to inform local policy decisions.

Polco will be launched June 1, 2019. To participate, download the Polco app for Android or iOS, or go to the City's website to create an account. This service is free to all residents.

What you have to say matters! Go to Polco to give your input.

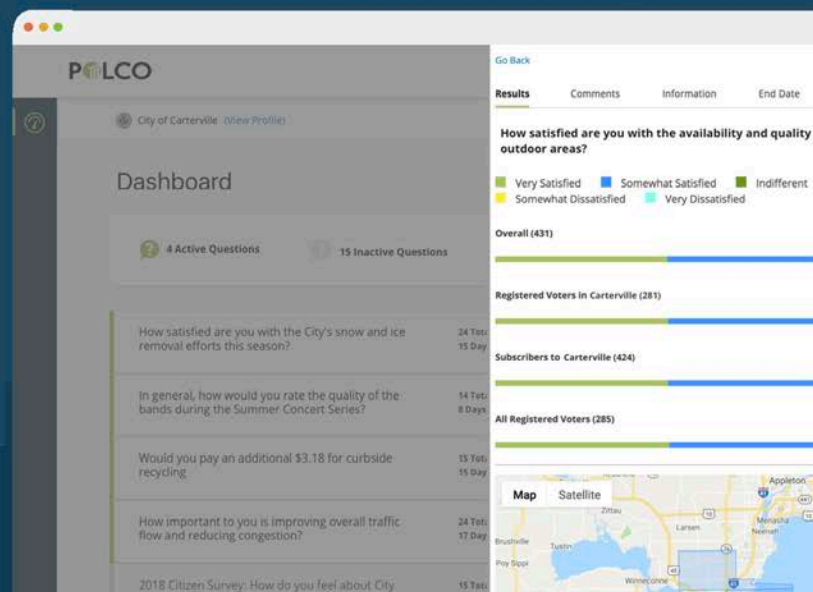
Polco is committed to a strict privacy policy where they only share aggregated de-identified results. Participants individual data and votes are never shared.

Residents

Log in

Request a trial

POLCO





## 2019 ELECTIONS

Municipal and School District elections occur in odd years. This year, Ward 1, Ward 3 and Ward 5 council positions will be on the ballot. Affidavit of candidacy packets will be available in City Hall mid-May. Filings will be accepted **May 21 – June 4, 2019**, with the last day to withdraw on June 6, 2019.

A Primary Election will be held only if more than two people file for any one position. The Primary Election date is **Tuesday, August 13, 2019**, if applicable, and the General Election is on **Tuesday, November 5, 2019**.

**Register to Vote:** Pre-register to vote up to 21 days before an Election Day. Register online or update your registration at [mnvotes.org](http://mnvotes.org). Your registration remains current until you move, change your name, or do not vote for four consecutive years. You may also register to vote at your polling place on Election Day with the proper documents.

**Early Voting:** Beat the crowds by voting early! Now registered voters can cast their vote before Election Day throughout designated locations in Ramsey County. Visit [www.ramseycounty.us](http://www.ramseycounty.us) and search “elections” for hours of service and voting locations.

**Voting on Election Day:** On Election day, you can only vote in your designated polling location. See ward specific polling locations at the right. If you are not sure which ward you live in, search your address online at [mnvotes.org](http://mnvotes.org) to find your polling location, or search “elections” at [www.whitebearlake.org](http://www.whitebearlake.org) for an interactive Ward Map.



- Ward 1:** White Bear Lake City Hall – 4701 Highway 61
- Ward 2:** Ramsey County Library – 2150 2nd Street (moved from the Armory)
- Ward 3:** Sunrise Middle School – 2399 Cedar Avenue
- Ward 4:** Golfview Building – 2449 Orchard Lane
- Ward 5:** St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church – 1965 County Road E

For more Elections information, visit [www.ramseycounty.us/residents/elections-voting](http://www.ramseycounty.us/residents/elections-voting)



### Emerald Ash Borer...remain vigilant

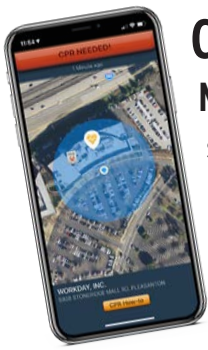
In late summer 2017, an Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) infestation was confirmed in White Bear Lake. The invasive beetle produces larvae that feeds on the inner bark of ash trees and will eventually kill the tree. In 2018, the City focused its efforts on treating and removing ash trees in the City parks. The treatment program will continue into 2019 with more treating of trees on City property along with selective removal.

You may have heard on the news that the cold temperatures we encountered in Minnesota this winter may have killed a significant number of EAB larvae. While this is great news for the moment, it does not mean that they are completely gone. It is only a matter of time before the numbers increase once again, and those that do survive become more cold tolerant.

Residents are encouraged to treat large, well placed, healthy private ash trees as part of the City’s ongoing EAB treatment program. Trees considered good candidates are greater than 10-inches in diameter and not competing with other trees or infrastructure. The cost to treat a large, healthy ash tree for 10-20 years is less than the cost of removing the tree and stump. Treatments are required every third year for successful maintenance of an infected ash tree. Failure to treat infected trees will result in the gradual deterioration of the tree, making it unsafe as branches begin to fall.

The City will once again promote an ash tree treatment program for 2019. We have partnered with Rainbow Treecare to provide discounted tree care services to homeowners in White Bear Lake, however, residents may utilize the services of any City licensed tree care provider. More information on EAB and treatment options is available on the City’s website in the “News & Events” section at [whitebearlake.org](http://whitebearlake.org).





## Cardiac Arrest? – New App Helps to Save Lives

Sudden cardiac arrest is the leading cause of death in the United States, accounting for an estimated 356,000 deaths per year. National survival rates are less than 12%. Early CPR and defibrillation with an automated external defibrillator (AED) can significantly increase your chances of survival.

Recently, local fire departments within Ramsey County, in cooperation with the Ramsey County Emergency Communications Center, implemented technology that will help to increase survival rates. This is in the form of a smartphone application known as PulsePoint. The application alerts CPR-trained citizens to someone nearby experiencing a cardiac arrest.

The app is activated by the communications center simultaneously with the dispatch of local fire and EMS responders. Only those who are within a quarter mile of the incident will be notified of the need for help. There is only an activation if the cardiac arrest takes place in a public place. It does not activate if the cardiac arrest takes place in a private residence. The system is set up as an opt-in program, meaning that responders choose when they are able to respond.

The app also indicates where the closest public AED is located. Through the efforts of an Eagle Scout project, the White Bear Lake area is very fortunate to have 96 public AEDs listed in the PulsePoint app - more than any other area within Ramsey County.

If you are interested in potentially helping to save a life, please download this app today! More information can be found at [pulsepoint.org](http://pulsepoint.org).



Zach Van Dyke from Troop 494 undertook an Eagle Scout project to document 96 public AEDs into the PulsePoint system. Zach documented GPS coordinates and took pictures to describe where AEDs are located. As a result of Zach's work, White Bear Lake has more AEDs registered in PulsePoint than any other city in Ramsey County. In recognition of Zach's work, Fire Chief Greg Peterson presented him with a Life Saving Award at the March 26th City Council meeting. Pictured left to right: Asst. Fire Chief Kurt Frison, Eagle Scout Zach Van Dyke, Asst. Fire Chief Joel Schmidt

## 📢 Emergency Alerts

Ramsey County's 9-1-1 center alerts residents of local emergency situations. Residents may sign up to receive these notifications by land-line, text message, e-mail or cell phone at one or multiple locations. Visit Ramsey County's website, [ramseycounty.us](http://ramseycounty.us) and search "Emergency Alerts" to sign up for this free service. You can search "Emergency Alerts" on the City's website [whitebearlake.org](http://whitebearlake.org) to sign up.

## 📢 Notify Me

Stay in the loop. Sign up for "Notify Me" on the City's website to receive weekly email notices when your selected subjects are updated. Subscribing to at least one "Notify Me" option also registers your email to receive special or more urgent notices the City may push out from time to time.

## Public Safety Events

### Annual Business Meeting – FREE

Tuesday, April 30th · 6:30 PM – 8 PM

Police Department Training Room – 4701 Miller Ave (Use 3rd Street entrance)

Business community members come together to discuss and learn about current trends affecting our community. RSVP to [jvette@whitebearlake.org](mailto:jvette@whitebearlake.org)

### CPR and AED Training - \$60

Advanced Registration Required (May – Aug)

White Bear Lake Fire Station #2 (corner Mcknight Rd & County Rd E)

Visit the Fire Department, CPR webpage at [whitebearlake.org/publicsafety/webform/interested-cpr-training](http://whitebearlake.org/publicsafety/webform/interested-cpr-training) for classes and to enroll.



### Touch a Truck Event- FREE

Thursday, May 16 · 5 PM – 7 PM

Podvin Park - 1700 9th Street

Hey kids – this event is a great opportunity to see and tour cool vehicles. Police Squads, Fire Trucks, Big Trucks, City Street Vehicles and much more!

### High School Girl's Personal Safety Night – FREE

Sunday, May 19 · 4 PM – 6 PM

Police Department Training Room – 4701 Miller Ave (Use 3rd Street entrance)

High school girls can learn safety techniques and defensive tactics suitable for a campus style environment. Includes hands-on physical activity. Space is limited. Register by completing the online form at [whitebearlake.org/publicsafety/webform/high-school-girls-personal-safety](http://whitebearlake.org/publicsafety/webform/high-school-girls-personal-safety)

### Fridays with Firefighters – FREE

Fridays, June 14 & 28, July 12 & 26, Aug. 9 & 23 · 10 AM - Noon

Get outside and have some fun with White Bear Lake firefighters. There will be five (5) opportunities this summer to join us at our south Fire Station, located at 2240 County Road E for fun and safety education! A great event for parents and their young children.





## Rain Barrels and Compost Bins Available for Purchase this Spring

The Recycling Association of Minnesota and Ramsey County are co-hosting a rain barrel and compost bin sale this spring. Rain barrels are a way to collect rainwater from your rooftop to water flower gardens and trees without having to rely on irrigation from groundwater resources. Compost bins will produce a rich compost from your leftover food scraps to help your gardens thrive.

Pre-purchase your rain barrel or compost bin online or by phone and pick them up at the Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Department (2015 Van Dyke St, Maplewood, MN 55109) on Saturday, April 27, 2019 from 9am - 1pm. There are other metro locations as well if this date does not work.

For more information and to pre-order your rain barrel or compost bin\* go to [recycleminnesota.org](http://recycleminnesota.org) or call 651-641-4589.

\*Ramsey County residents can get an additional \$20 off on a compost bin. To receive your discount, enter promo code "Ramsey" when ordering online, or mention that you are a Ramsey County resident when ordering by phone.

## Trash and Recycling Holiday Schedule

Trash and recycling will not be picked up on the following days:

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving
- Christmas Day

Pick up service will resume the day following a holiday and continue one day off the regular schedule through the end of the week. For example, the 4th of July falls on a Thursday this year. So Thursday's pick up will move to Friday, and Friday's pick up will move to Saturday.



## Recycling and Organics Containers Available for Your Next Event

The City of White Bear Lake provides portable recycling and organics containers for your block party, graduation, family reunion, or other gathering. Place a recycling and organics container next to each trash can to make recycling and trash disposal easier for your guests. The containers collapse for easy transport and come with custom signage and bags that attach to the assembled frame. Containers are loaned at no cost to White Bear Lake residents and organizations for any temporary gathering. To reserve a container, contact Connie Taillon, Environmental Specialist, at 651-429-8587 or fill out the online order form on the City's website at [whitebearlake.org](http://whitebearlake.org), search "event recycling"



### Kids Bike Rodeo – FREE

Saturday, June 15 · 1 PM – 3 PM

WBL Public Works Facility - 3950 Hoffman Rd  
Kids and their parents are invited to get bikes tuned up, helmets fitted, rider safety information, demonstrations, prizes, and ride through fun courses for kids. Register at [whitebearlake.org/publicsafety/webform/kids-bike-rodeo](http://whitebearlake.org/publicsafety/webform/kids-bike-rodeo).

### Donuts with Cops Downtown at Railroad Park – FREE

Fridays, June 28, July 26, Aug 9 & 23  
8:30 AM – 10 AM

Meet your White Bear Lake Police Department during the Farmers' Market! Free donuts and coffee directly next to the Farmers' Market at Railroad Park.

### Public Safety Night at Marketfest – FREE

Thursday, July 18 · 6 - 9 PM

Meet and play games with your White Bear Lake Public Safety members: Police, Fire, EMS. Interact with officers and firefighters – great family fun! Join us on 4th Street, just east of Highway 61 in downtown White Bear Lake.

### Safety Camp

Monday, August 5th  
8 AM - 5 PM

Safety Camp will be held for kids entering 3rd and 4th Grade. Topics may include bicycle safety, swimming and boating safety, internet safety, babysitting, bullying awareness, and much more! Check the City Website and our Facebook Page for registration information this summer.

### Night to Unite (National Night Out) – FREE

Tuesday, Aug 6 · Evening

Get to know your neighbors and City Public Safety officials. Register via the City of White Bear Lake website beginning July 1st – [whitebearlake.org/publicsafety/page/night-unite](http://whitebearlake.org/publicsafety/page/night-unite)



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Planning	651-429-8561
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Police	651-429-8550
Fire	651-429-8568
Public Works	651-747-3650
Sports Center / Armory	651-429-8571
Utility Billing	651-429-8565
City Website	<a href="http://www.whitebearlake.org">www.whitebearlake.org</a>

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### Commission Vacancies

Now seeking volunteers to join the Charter Commission and Ramsey Washington Suburban Cable Commission. For more information, visit Public Notices on the home page of [www.whitebearlake.org](http://www.whitebearlake.org).

### Adopt a Drain

Keep our lakes clean! Sign up today to adopt a storm drain:

1. Sign up online at [adopt-a-drain.org](http://adopt-a-drain.org). Choose a storm drain near your home, work, or organization.
2. Keep your storm drain clear. Rain washes anything that's on streets and other paved surfaces down the storm drains and into lakes and rivers. So sweep leaves, grass clippings and trash away from the drain surface year-round.
3. Report your work. Keep track of how much stuff you remove from around the storm drain and report that to us online. It takes less than five minutes, and helps us monitor the impact we're having!



White Bear Lake

# SPORTS CENTER

## Spring Skate Show

Live entertainment on ice at the newly remodeled White Bear Lake Sports Center.

**Friday, April 26** 7:00 p.m.  
**Saturday, April 27** 7:00 p.m.  
**Sunday, April 28** 1:00 p.m.

Don't miss this spectacular show! From 3-year-old tot skaters to our fabulous adults, you will see dedication, talent and unending passion for skating. Skaters will perform programs choreographed to music with professional lighting. The show lasts about two hours and is better than going to the movies!

Advance ticket sales for the 2019 ice show will begin on Monday, April 1 in the main office at White Bear Lake Sports Center. Advance sale tickets are sold until noon on Friday, April 26th and will cost \$8.00 for persons 13 years or older and \$6.00 for persons 12 years or younger. Tickets sold at the door will be \$10 for adults and \$8 for kids.

