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## Public Meetings Next Week:

- City Council Meeting Tuesday, September 5th, 7:00 p.m.

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## WE'VE MOVED!

City offices and the Lake Elmo Fire Department have made the move to the new City Center building and we are open for business!

We look forward to seeing you at our new facility at 3880 Laverne Avenue North, just across the parking lot from the old city hall building. Plans are in the works for a public open house this fall, so watch for more information later this summer!

Regular Hours:  
Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.





**NOTICE OF MEETING**

City Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 5, 2023 7:00 P.M.

City of Lake Elmo | 3880 Laverne Avenue North

**AGENDA**

- A. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**
- B. Approval of Agenda**
- C. Approval of Minutes**
  - 1. August 15, 2023; August 29, 2023
- D. Public Comments/Inquiries**
- E. Presentations – Firefighter Chris Klein 15 Year Service Award**
- F. Consent Agenda**
  - 2. Approve Payments and Disbursements
  - 3. Approve Stormwater Management MOU between VBWD, Lake Elmo and Washington County –  
*Resolution 2023-082*
  - 4. Approve Pay Request for Pebble Park Court Project
  - 5. Approve MPCA Grant Agreement for Well 2 Evaluation and Water System Modeling
  - 6. Approve Grant Agreement for Recycling Receptacles
  - 7. Approve Draw on Lennar Letter of Credit for the Savona 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Addition
- G. Regular Agenda**
  - 8. Parks Plan Contractor Selection
- H. Council Reports**
- I. Staff Reports**
- J. Adjourn**

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Full meeting packets can be accessed here: [Agendas and Minutes](#)

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**2023 Seal Coat Project Starting Next Week**

The City of Lake Elmo will be seal coating a number of city streets starting the week of September 4th. The map below shows the affected streets highlighted in pink.

The seal coat application adds approximately 7 years of life to the bituminous by keeping the moisture from entering the pores and leaching into the sub grade. The small trap rock chips will be swept up twice after the application and again at the end of October and next spring.

Reminder: please travel safely around construction workers and trucks.

Enjoy the holiday weekend!

-Lake Elmo Public Works





Utility payments, permit applications and other documents may be dropped in the box during or after office hours.

## Hudson Road Closure

Closure of Hudson Road west of Keats Avenue is planned to begin Monday, July 31st and will last 4-6 weeks. Detours will be posted.



The water restriction ordinance is in effect to ensure the city's water system can support the domestic and fire protection demands.

Four Zones have been established. Properties in each zone are allowed to water two days per week. See the map below to see which zone you reside in, then the water droplet on the chart marks the days you can water.

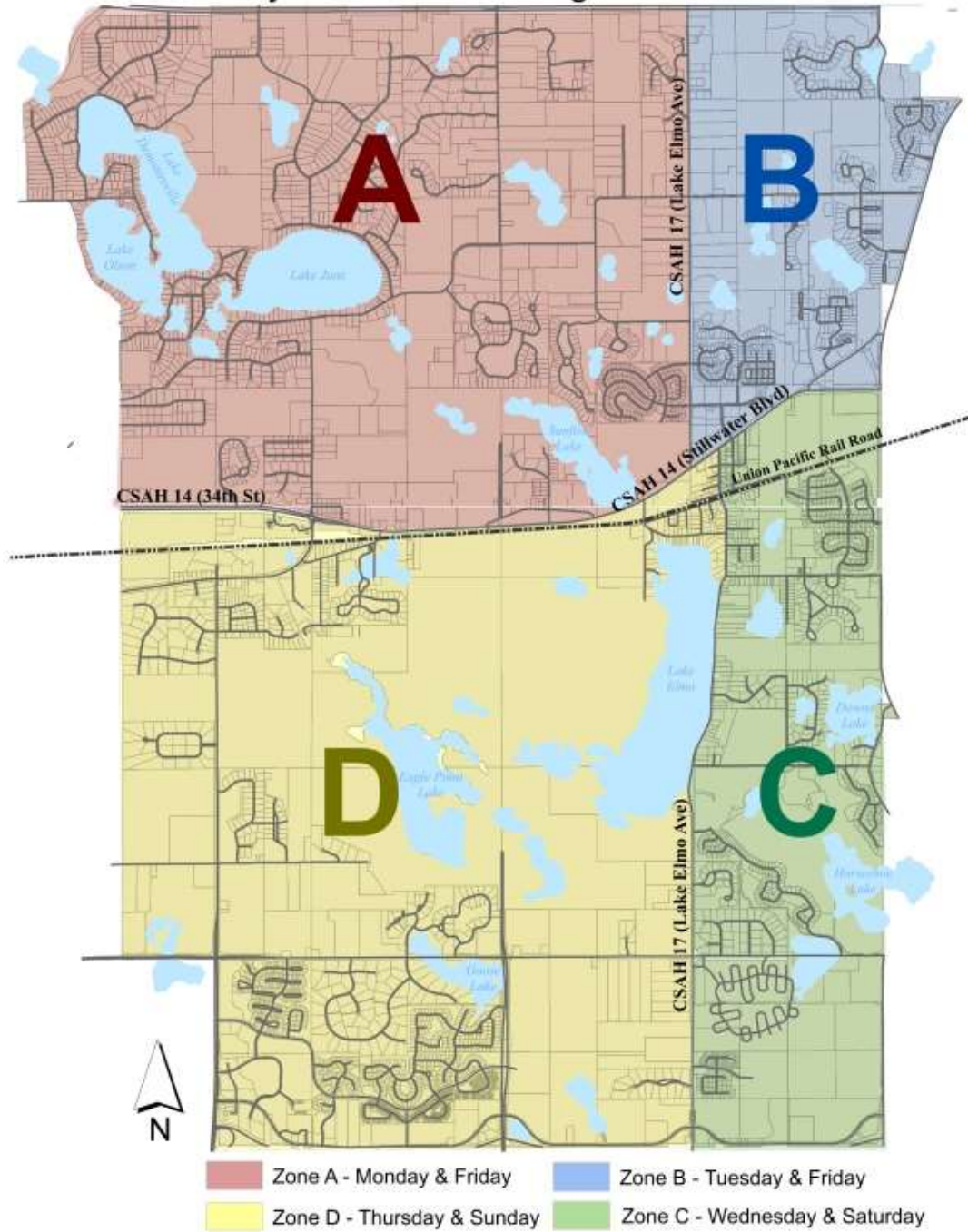
- No irrigating is allowed between the hours of 5 AM and 5 PM
- New sod waivers restrictions are reduced from 30 days to 15 days
- Questions call 651-747-3900



## Know your Watering Schedule

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Zone A							
Zone B							
Zone C							
Zone D							

# City of Lake Elmo Irrigation Zones



## Water Rebate Program

The City of Lake Elmo, in partnership with the Metropolitan Council, is offering a rebate program for purchases of eligible water efficient products. The goal of the water efficiency grant program is to improve municipal water use. This funding has enabled Lake Elmo to provide a rebate to current water customers who replace existing devices with specified water efficient products. Qualifying purchases are eligible for a rebate on your water bill. More information is available on the City's website via the link below.

[Rebate](#)

**ADOPT A STORM DRAIN PROGRAM**

Storm drains serve as direct pathways to our lakes, rivers, and streams, and natural materials (grass clippings, leaves, and dirt) can act as pollutants once they go down the drain. If you live in an area with storm drains, you can join a statewide effort to help keep our storm drains clean through the Adopt a Drain program.

More information is available here: [Adopt A Drain](#)



Washington County Public Health & Environment is asking residents to participate in a short survey to inform local planning for groundwater and solid waste programs that help manage garbage, recycling, food waste, yard waste, and hazardous waste from residents. Your input will help us develop programs and services that make Washington County a great place to live, work, and play.

[Take the survey](#)

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# 10 Year Celebration *Party!*

*Join us  
to celebrate!*

**10 YEARS OF**

**HAIRCUTS | COLOR | EXTENSIONS**

**WHEN**

**10/10 | 4-7pm**

**WHERE**

**3515 Lake Elmo Avenue N  
Lake Elmo, MN 55042**



## Lake Elmo Farmers Market

The Lake Elmo Farmers Market will be **closing** out their 9th season this Saturday, September 2nd, 9-1pm. Located @Lake Elmo Elementary.

Join us as we wrap up an exciting 9th year of the market. 20++ vendors: food truck, canned goods, produce, jam, baked goods, body products, flowers, honey, eggs, meat... We look forward to seeing YOU at the market

Preparations for our **10th season** are already underway!!!!

We are collecting recipes from the community, vendors, & businesses, with plans to put together a Lake Elmo Farmers Market cookbook! We are very lucky that a number of vendors have already submitted some signature recipes. We would LOVE additional recipes from YOU! If you have a recipe *you* would like to share, please bring it by the market table this week. Be sure to include your name and city.

For more information contact Jill (market manager) 651-261-4493 OR find us on Facebook @LakeElmoFarmersMarket for market updates & more!

Business and community working together. Lake Elmo Farmers Market is a 501c3.

The Lake Elmo (EDA) Economic Development Authority's August 15<sup>th</sup> board meeting provided an opportunity for Washington County to present an update on their recent labor study completed with RealTime Talent. The presentation provided an overview of Washington County's labor market, industry analysis and priorities. Please click here for report. : [Report](#)



# Washington County Labor Demand & Supply Study

Lake Elmo EDA Board Meeting

Highlights of Report Developed by RealTime Talent

August 15, 2023



## Park and Court Reservations

City parks and courts are in high demand this time of year. Did you know you can reserve use of a court, ball field or park shelter? To access all reservations, please visit the website via the link below and use the drop down menu on the top right side to move between park calendars. The city's park use policy can also be found on the reservation page.



[Park Calendars](#)

## Drop It Off

At the Environmental Center



HAZARDOUS MATERIALS | ELECTRONICS | RECYCLABLES | FOOD SCRAPS (ORGANICS)



4039 Cottage Grove Drive • Woodbury, MN 55129

**Environmental Center Hours:**

**Tuesdays** 11am - 7pm

**Thursdays** 8am - 4:30pm

**Fridays** 8am - 4:30pm

**Saturdays** 8am - 2pm

Closed on all major holidays.

Open to residents of Washington, Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, and Ramsey counties. Proof of county residency, such as a driver's license, is required.

Stop by the  
**FREE Product  
Room**

Look for items such as latex and oil paints, household cleaners, automotive supplies, and much more. Products are available for eligible residents only.


More info: [www.co.washington.mn.us/envirocenter](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/envirocenter) | 651-275-7475

The Sally Manzara Interpretive Nature Center is open every day  
Visit <https://sminc-lake-elmo.org/> for details.



The Sally Manzara Interpretive Nature Center in Lake Elmo's Sunfish Lake Park is operated by a non-profit organization for the benefit of the entire community. We offer programs and events for people of all ages and have "adopted" the Park in the City's program. This work is all funded by donations. Thank you for your support!

Here is some info about recent and upcoming events:

- Minnesota Caves w/ Dr. Greg Brick: On September 14 at 7 p.m. we welcome Dr. Greg Brick, who will lecture on the history and lore of caves in Minnesota. Minnesota has many caves, some known nationally. Carver's was the earliest cave in what is now the US to be described in published literature after Jonathan Carver's visit ten years before the Revolution. Fountain Cave was the birthplace of the capital city, St. Paul. Specialized uses included for beer, cheese, mushrooms, and as nightclubs. Mystery and Niagara are the state's best known show caves. Far north, the violent waves of Lake Superior hammered out caves accessible only by kayak. Other caves were purely mythical. Learn about all of them from the geologist who wrote the book on the subject. Copies available for purchase.
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- Help us get rid of buckthorn! On the second Saturday of every month volunteers get together to clear invasive buckthorn from around Sunfish Lake Park. We've made a lot of progress so far, but there's plenty more to do. We meet at 9:30, and we have gloves, loppers and daubers for people to use. Our next buckthorn removal day will be Saturday, September 9. Hope to see you then!

Sally Manzara Interpretive Nature Center  
Adult Education Series



# EXPLORING CAVES

with Greg Brick, PhD

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**Thursday, September 14, 7:00 p.m.**

**SUNFISH LAKE PARK | 10000 STILLWATER LANE N | LAKE ELMO, MN**



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Washington County is a registered



**NALOXONE  
ACCESS  
POINT**



**Free naloxone kits and fentanyl test strips may be found at the  
Public Health & Environment offices in:**

- Cottage Grove Service Center, 13000 Ravine Parkway, Cottage Grove.
- Forest Lake Service Center, 19955 Forest Road N., Forest Lake.
- Government Center, 14949 N. 62nd St., Stillwater.



Find more information on the program  
on the county's website at  
[www.co.washington.mn.us/NAP](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/NAP)

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County



The City of Lake Elmo has begun participation in the State of Minnesota's Performance Measurement Program. This program began in 2010 for cities and counties to report on at least 10 performance measures annually as a way to aid residents, taxpayers, and state and local elected officials in determining the efficacy of counties and cities in providing services and measure residents' opinions of those services.

Click  
here to  
access  
reporting  
results



The Valley Branch Watershed District (VBWD) is a public organization tasked with protecting and managing local water resources within an area spanning 14 cities and townships in Washington and Ramsey Counties. The VBWD is seeking input from you as it begins updating its Watershed Management Plan which will guide VBWD actions for the next 10 years. Please take a brief (5-10 minute) survey to help the VBWD better understand your concerns and priorities regarding our local water resources.

Link to survey: [Survey](#)

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