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FROM THE DESK OF THE MAYOR

In January 2016 the city council agreed to proceed with the bidding process, for building a new City Government Center. This building will house administration, new city council chambers, and police, including consolidation of garage spaces.

As we move forward with that construction, we can begin to turn our attention to the Colts Academy building and land, which we purchased for a future community center. Part of the original Colts Academy purchase agreement, allowed for ISD 742 to continue to use the space for their Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) program, which was forced to move after Roosevelt Elementary burned down. The current arrangement calls for ISD 742 to occupy Colts academy until June 1, 2017. As the district's referendum failed, so did the timeline for them to move ECFE into new quarters.

Dealing with that turn of events, a failed district referendum, we have begun discussions with ISD 742 to determine the impact this will have on the occupancy of the ECFE program and the city's intended community center use. No timelines have been set, nor have any new arrangements been made, however, in order to allow ISD 742 the to complete its referendum review, prepare for a potential new ECFE facility and move through the construction cycle, we will work with them to ensure no major interruptions are encountered.

This does *not* mean we will wait patiently for them to leave before we start our own programming and remodeling priorities. The city will move forward with the programming, design and potential costs relevant to renovation of the Colts Academy facility. I expect ISD 742 to be a partner as we start this process.

In addition the ECFE program, we must be cognizant of our tenant, Little Saints Academy. Little Saints Academy is a Child Care Center based on the concept that children benefit in all areas of learning by providing music and movement as a learning tool. As a tenant in the same building, we must ensure their needs and future growth is considered in the renovation and any new arrangement with ISD 742.

In 2013, a small, independent group met to consider some of the options and needed services the city should plan for in a community center. Knowing those documents still exist and are valid, gives the city a starting point as we begin this design process. Our first step will be to reconvene the facility and community center groups to review past notes and documents and determine how to proceed.

Respectfully,

Mayor Rick Schultz

NEW FEATURE FOR ONLINE PAYMENTS

Utility Payments can be made through our website as follows:
* Bank directed payments are processed at no charge
* Credit card payments will be assessed a service fee of 2.75%
Visit our website at www.cityofstjoseph.com to set up your account and make your payment *instantly!*

★WANTED: ELECTION JUDGES ★

Interested parties available to serve at both the 2016 Primary & General Elections please contact the City Offices at 320.363.7201.

Primary Tues Aug 9 ★ General Tues Nov 8

PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

Applications for Planning Commissioner are available at the City Offices. Deadline is 4 PM, Friday, April 1, 2016. Regular meetings of the commission are held the 2nd Monday of the month beginning a 6 PM.

COMPOST PERMITS AVAILABLE NOW!

2016 Compost Hours:

Mon Wed Fri 4—7 PM; Saturdays 8-12 noon

Compost Area Will be CLOSED:

May 27-30 Memorial Day

July 1-4 July 4th Weekend

Sept 2-5 Labor Day Weekend

Nov 24-28 Thanksgiving Weekend *weather permitting*

Seasonal Compost Permit Fees:

City/Township of St. Joseph \$30

St. Wendel Township \$60

City of St. Cloud \$45

Save The Dates!

It's time again for the semi-annual city-wide clean up.

Curbside collection

Thursdays May 12th & 19th; 6 AM—?

Appliance/Electronics Collection

Saturday May 21st; 8 AM—12 noon

City Offices parking lot



2016 Utility Rates

Changes from 2015 rates indicated by ↑ or ↓

↑ Water Usage	\$0.0045/gal
Water Line Charge	\$22.00/billing
↑ Sewer Usage	\$0.00365/gal
Sewer Line Charge	\$27.00/billing
Street Light Charge	\$3.50/billing
Refuse, 60 gallon	\$31.00/billing
Refuse, 30 gallon	\$25.00/billing
Refuse, Senior rate	\$18.00/billing

Note: 65 and older, 30 gal cart

↑ Storm Water, Single Family	\$7.20/billing
↑ Storm Water, Duplex	\$7.20/billing
↑ Storm Water, Multi Family	\$19.20/acre
↑ Storm Water, Commercial	\$30.70/acre
↑ Storm Water, Industrial	\$23.70/acre
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ST. JOSEPH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE COMMUNITY SHOWCASE

SATURDAY, APRIL 2nd
 9 AM—12 noon
 KENNEDY COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Visit booths sponsored by local retail, commercial, educational & service organizations.
 Food, entertainment & games for the kids



PRIMARY TUES AUG 9TH

GENERAL TUES NOV 8TH

To be eligible to vote in Minnesota you must:

- ◆ Be at least 18 years old on Election Day
- ◆ Be a citizen of the United States
- ◆ Have resided in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding Election Day
- ◆ Have any felony conviction record discharged, expired or completed
- ◆ Not be under court-ordered guardianship where a court has revoked your voting rights
- ◆ Not have been ruled legally incompetent by a court of law

We encourage you to REGISTER TO VOTE EARLY. You can register in any of the following ways:

- ◆ Online at mnvotes.sos.state.mn.us
- ◆ Registration by mail. Voter Registration Applications are available at the City Offices & online
- ◆ Register at the polling place on Election Day

ANSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS are available in the City Offices & online.



FARE FOR ALL

February was Fare for All's Feedback month and they are asking for Fare for All customers to take a short survey to give suggestions on how Fare for All can improve and better serve our community. If you have participated in Fare for All, please take a moment to complete the survey at the link below. After taking the survey, there is a page to print and bring to the March 14th distribution for a FREE frozen item. The link is: www.surveymonkey.com/r/FFA2016

Fare for All will be selling Easter hams in March. They will be 8.5lbs and similar to the hams that were sold in the December Holiday Package. Please help us spread the word about this opportunity to our neighboring community members.

Next Fare for All Distribution:

March 14th 3:30-5:30pm
Resurrection Lutheran Church



- FRI MARCH 11 Sal's Bar & Grill 5-8 PM
Sponsored by the St. Joseph Joe's Baseball Team
- FRI MARCH 18 All Saints Academy 5-8 PM
Sponsored by All Saints Academy—St. Joseph
- FRI MARCH 25 Sal's Bar & Grill 5-8 PM
Sponsored by the St. Joseph Lions Club



NO CAMPING ALLOWED in City Parks.

However, park shelters are available for rent. For reservations, contact us at 363-7201.



2016 EVENTS

MONDAYS 3:30-5:30

Resurrection Lutheran Church

March 14	August 15
April 11	September 19
May 9	October 17
June 13	November 14
July 18	December 12