

CORCORAN NEWS

Open Book Meeting

The Hennepin County Assessor's office will host virtual meeting sessions for taxpayers to discuss their property valuation and classification. If you want to discuss your valuation and classification or if you prefer a virtual meeting, call the Hennepin County Assessor at 763-477-6464 to schedule an appointment in advance of the following meeting dates:

Tuesday, April 26 — 10 am- 6:30 pm Thursday, April 28 — 8 am- 4:30 pm

Absentee Voting Hours

Absentee ballots will be available 46 days prior to the election for the 2022 Primary and General Elections. You may vote by in person absentee ballot at Corcoran City Hall from:

- June 24 to August 8 for the primary election. (Primary election date is August 9).
- September 23 to November 7 for the general election. (General election date is November 8).

Corcoran City Hall is open from Monday — Friday, 8 am– 4 pm.

Visit <u>mnvotes.org</u> for additional voting and election information.



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City of Corcoran Minnesota

Plans, Projects, and Developments

"Spring is the time of plans and projects." -Leo Tolstoy

As we transition into spring, there are few more perfect quotes for our present springtime in Corcoran. We are full of plans including the Northeast District planning efforts and water supply planning. We are also full of projects from final plats and concept plans. We'd like to share where we are at with our planning and projects.

Northeast District

To assist in shaping the Northeast District, a planning and public engagement process are underway. The Northeast District Design Guidelines will guide development in the northeast corner of Corcoran. A community survey was conducted and an open house with landowners was held in January. A draft plan was presented at an Open House in March. On April 7 the Planning Commission reviewed a draft plan. The plan will be presented on May 5 to the Planning Commission and the final plan will be presented at the May 26 City Council meeting for adoption. Moratorium on development in the Northeast District end in June. We'd love to hear your thoughts before the public hearing and adoption.

Water Supply Planning

The City began planning for our own water supply system in 2019. Over the past several months we have gotten closer to making our plan into a reality. We are refining design and analyzing the financing required to move forward such a project. We are looking at a well, water treatment facility and water storage in the form of a water tower. The next several months will be critical to the City's planning.

Development

The City continues to see development with residential development and proposed commercial projects. Bellwether, Amberly, Tavera, and Rush Creek Reserve residential projects have portions in the final platting process. Cook Lake Highlands final plat was approved in March. We have also reviewed two concept plans for industrial sites in Corcoran as well. Our website has a "Development Project' portion, which can help you stay up to date with projects currently under review.

For more information on all of these topics, please visit the City's website at <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u>. If you have questions, please feel free to reach out to City staff at 763-420-2288.

See page 4 for more information regarding the city's new online permit application portal! Corcoran Clean Up Day Saturday, May 7 8 am- 12 pm Public Works Facility 9100 County Road 19 Corcoran, MN



City Ordinance & Permits

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City Updates

The Corcoran City Council meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 7 pm at City Hall unless otherwise posted. The following is a recap of a selection of items discussed at meetings since the last newsletter. A full recap can be found by reviewing the approved City Council minutes at <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — Our Government / Council / Minutes.

Council and Commission Updates

- Appointed Councilmember Bottema as Acting Mayor.
- Appointed Councilmember Vehrenkamp as the Planning Commission Liaison.
- Appointed Councilmember Nichols as the Parks and Trails Commission Liaison.
- Appointed Councilmember Bottema as the Elm Creek Watershed Commission Liaison.
- Appointed Lisa Wyffles and Michelle Friedrich to the Parks and Trails Commission.
- Reappointed Dean Jacobs and Corrine Brummond to the Planning Commission.
- Reappointed Tom Anderson to the Parks and Trails Commission.

Staff Updates

- Authorized an employment offer to Abigail Edstrom for the position of Police Officer.
- Recognized Officer Steve Warren for his 25 years of service to the City.
- Approved Phase 2A of the Public Works staffing plan.
- Appointed Mark Reinking to the position of Public Works Crew Leader and authorized recruitment for a Maintenance Worker.
- Appointed Jessica Beise as City Administrator.

Horseshoe Bend Drive Drainage Improvement — Feasibility Study Proposal

 Authorized a feasibility study for drainage improvements along Horseshoe Bend Drive; discussed funding mechanisms for the project.

Cain Road ROW Vacation

- Approved the vacation with a minor modification to the resolution.
- Tavera 3rd Addition Final Plat and PUD Final Plat
- Approved the final plat and final PUD plan with a modification to the language related to private drives in outlots.

Trail Haven Bridge Replacement

• Directed staff to move forward with a preferred bridge replacement plan.

Residential Picketing Ordinance

• Directed staff to draft a residential picketing ordinance.

Comprehensive Housing Affordability Act

• Reviewed the proposed legislation and directed staff to draft an ordinance that could take effect if the legislation were to proceed.

Southeast Water Supply Planning Study

• Approved a feasibility study to begin planning for the expansion of the Southeast Water Supply

Northeast District Plan Update

• Reviewed feedback from the survey and landowner open house; solicited feedback and begin drafting plan update.

2022 Legislative Priorities & Resolutions of Support

- Approved the legislative priorities from the 2022 Legislative session.
- Adopted a resolution to support continued local decision-making authority for housing and zoning.

Municipal Well #1 — Accept Plans and Authorize Bids

• Accepted plans and authorized bids for the City's first well.

Medina Comprehensive Plan Amendment

• Reviewed the amendment proposal by Medina and provided feedback for Medina to consider with the change in the plan amendment.

Final Plat and Final PUD for Bellwether 7th Addition

Approved a 17-lot final plat and PUD plan.

2022A Bond Issuance

• Approved the sale of bonds for capital items and refunding current debt for additional interest savings.

2022 Corcoran Events Calendar

*Meetings may be held by telephone or other electronic means. Visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> for updates.

Apr 18: Spring Machine Pitch Begins 6 pm — City Park

Apr 21: Parks & Trails Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

Apr 25: Spring T-Ball Begins 6 pm — City Park

Apr 26: Spring Coach Pitch Begins 6 pm — City Park Apr 28: City Council Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

May 5: Planning Commission Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

May 7: Clean Up Day 8 am—12 pm — Public Works Facility

May 12: City Council Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

May 19: Parks & Trails Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

May 26: City Council Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

May 30: Holiday — City Hall Closed

June 2: Planning Commission Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

June 9: City Council Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

June 16: Parks & Trails Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

June 20: Baseball Registration Opens

June 23: City Council Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

June 24: Absentee Balloting Begins — Primary Election

July 4: Holiday — City Hall Closed

July 7: Planning Commission Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

July 14: City Council Meeting

7 pm — Council Chambers

July 21: Parks & Trails Meeting 7 pm — Council Chambers

Receive Future Council Packets

Visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — Our Government / Council / Agenda Packets and look for the gray BELL icon with <u>Subscribe</u> and follow the prompts. Contact Michelle Friedrich at <u>mfriedrich@corcoranmn.gov</u> with any questions.

Land Use Applications and Final Plats

The Corcoran Planning Commission meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 pm at City Hall unless otherwise posted. The Planning Commission is an advisory board and consists of five regular members, and a City Council liaison that is a non-voting member. The Commission holds public hearings, reviews, and then makes recommendations regarding land use and planning applications to the City Council.

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Ordinance Amendments (city-initiated) (city file 21-051) Planning and Engineering staff have been working on ordinance updates required to comply with State MS4 standards. The ordinance amendments were reviewed at a public hearing at the Planning Commission on January 6 and the Commission continued to February 3 meeting and recommended approval. Council approved item at the February 24 meeting.

Final Plat and PUD Final Plan for "Bellwether 7th Addition" (PID 01-119-23-43-0009) (city file 21-060) Pulte has submitted an application for 17 lots on the former Schober Homestead property. The item was reviewed at the February 3 Planning Commission and approved at the February 24 Council meeting.

PUD Sketch Plan for "Corcoran Farms Business Park" at 20130 Larkin Road (PID 26-119-23 -13- 0006) (city file 22-006) The applicant has submitted as sketch plan for five industrial buildings totally 726,396 sq. ft. They are requesting a PUD to allow reduced setbacks. Council reviewed at the February 24 meeting.

Final Plat and Final PUD Development Plan for "Cook Lake Highlands" at 19220 CR 10 (PID 25- 119-23-14-0002) (city file 21-057) Trek Real Estate has submitted the application. The item was reviewed at the March 3 Planning Commission and Council approved at the March 24 meeting.

City wide Zoning Ordinance Amendment for Ground Mounted Solar (city file 22-005) On behalf of Barry Swanson and Linda Lohn-Swanson, Cedar Creek Energy has submitted a request for an amendment to allow larger footprint ground mounted solar on residential parcels. This item was reviewed at the March 3 Planning Commission and was approved at the March 24 Council meeting.

Pioneer Trail Industrial Park (formerly Highway 55 Business Park) (PID 32-119-23-34-0013, 32- 119-23-34-0007, 32-119-23-43-0005 and 32-119-23-43-0006) (city file no 21-047) The City Council reviewed a concept plan on November 22, 2021 and generally indicated support. Staff has been preparing an EAW for the site. As the developer has refined the plans, they are requesting a second Council review as they are now requesting PUD approval for reduced setbacks. Council reviewed and provided comment on February 24. Council ordered distribution of the draft EAW for review.

Parks and Trails Update

The Corcoran Parks and Trails Commission meets on the third Thursday of the month at 7 pm at City Hall unless otherwise posted. The Parks and Trails Commission consists of seven regular members and serves as an advisory board to the council to provide safe, clean parks and open spaces. **Preliminary Plat Application for Karineimi Meadows**

• Reviewed proposed trail and requested additional information from staff regarding making the trail a loop and connecting to County Road 19 at two locations.



Did you know Social Security imposter scams are the number one type of government imposter fraud reported to the Federal Trade Commission? The Social Security Administration is teaming up with the Federal Trade Commission to help "Slam the Scam" and shares tips on how to avoid government imposter scams.

If you receive a suspicious call, text, or email:

- 1. Hang up and block the phone number.
- 2. Do not return unknown calls, texts, or emails.
- 3. **Do not** give money or personal information such as social security number, birthdate, or any private information.
- 4. Report the scam to the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) at <u>https://oig.ssa.gov/</u> <u>scam</u>.

Report Social Security phone, email, and text scams through the Social Security Administration link above. For more information visit: <u>https://www.ssa.gov/scam/</u>.



Building Permits



New Online Permit Process

The City of Corcoran has transitioned to a new online permitting software making interactions more efficient and convenient. Through this new online portal, residents and contractors can apply for a building permit, check permit status and inspection results, and make electronic payments.

Residential re-roof, siding, window and door replacement (same opening), plumbing (water heater, water softener) and mechanical (furnace, A/C, gas fireplace/gas line) permits are considered maintenance permits and can be applied for, paid, and issued without review through the online portal.

Permit requests that require plan review may take up to 15 working days to process and approve for issuance. Some applications may take longer due to special provisions or conditions.

Note: With the implementation of this new electronic permit software, permits will be required to be submitted online as paper and emailed building permits will no longer be accepted.

Visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — *Permits & Licenses* to apply for a permit or for more information and updates. A number of handouts are available online to help you with the permit process.

Metro West Inspection Services is contracted to conduct plan reviews and inspections. Call 763-479-1720 for building code questions or to schedule an inspection.

Contact <u>permits@corcoranmn.gov</u> with any permit related questions.

City Ordinance Can I build an accessory structure on my property?



Building permits are required for accessory structures over 200 square feet in size. The maximum size allowed is dependent on your property size. Although overall structure height is a factor, the City of Corcoran also measures the sidewall height. This is the distance measured form the bottom of the eave to the ground. In the front or side yard, there is a ten foot maximum sidewall height; in the rear yard it is 13 feet 6 inch maximum. On properties less

than two acres, the finish materials must be of a residential style/type (i.e. no metal standing seam siding/pole barn siding) and the structure must meet all setbacks. *Other regulations may be applicable based on Zoning District.

Accessory structure permit submittal requirements:

- · Completed online building permit application
- Proposed building plans showing design, materials, and scale
- · Certificate of Survey indicating the location of the structure
 - Or site plan, allowing the proposed structure meets all the required setbacks by at least two times. Site plan must be drawn to scale and indicate the lot dimensions, the location and ground coverage area of existing structures and the location and area of the proposed structure as well as the setbacks from all property lines.

Building plans must show:

- Overhead and Elevation
- Size of building
- Sidewall and overall height
- Foundation and footings (size, depth, reinforcement, anchor bolts, etc.)
- Framing: including walls, headers, trusses/rafters, etc. (lumber type, size, spacing, specifications, etc.) finish materials (roofing, siding, etc.) Note: Metal roofing/siding requires a Certificate of Compliance.

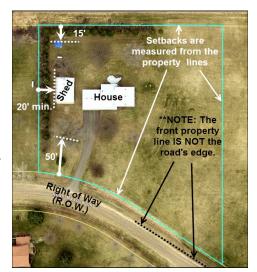
Certificate of Survey / Site Plan must show:

- Size and location of all existing structures, septic sites, wells, etc.
- Size and location of proposed building
- Distances to property lines (setbacks) including: sides, rear, and front
- Provide scale

Apply for a permit

Visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> – Permits and Licenses.

***NOTE:** Setbacks are measured from the property line, not the street/road edge. For complete information as well as other ordinance standards and permit/plan requirements, view the accessory structure handout at <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — Permits & Licenses / Permit Checklists and Handouts.



Pictured: Accessory structure setbacks in UR and RR districts in Corcoran.



Notice of Valuation and Classification

Each spring, the Hennepin County assessor will mail you a Notice of Valuation and Classification informing you of the market value and classification of your property. These were sent in early March by Hennepin County.

Classification and Class Rates

The assessor classifies property according to its use. Each class of property (singlefamily home, apartment, cabin, farm, and commercial) has it own classification rate. The class rate is determined by the state legislature. Similar to market value, the class rate of your property plays a role in how much property tax you pay.

Other Helpful Property Tax Links

Valuation and property sale information visit: <u>www.hennepin.us/residents/</u> property/property-information-search

Parcel Data for Taxes: www.hennepin.us/residents#property

Homestead Information: www.hennepin.us/residents/property/ homestead

Market value vs. property tax: <u>www.revenue.state.mn.us/estimated-</u> <u>market-value</u>

Assessor's Office

The city has transitioned its assessing authority to the Hennepin County Assessor's office.

Contact information:

Property values and assessments: *Melissa Potter, Assessor* 612-348-3046 or <u>melissa.potter@hennepin.us</u>

Homestead classification:

Michelle Lambert-Thurber 612-348-2943 or michelle.lambert@hennepin.us

Property tax information: 612-348-6011 or taxinfo@hennepin.us

Property Tax Information Understanding the Assessment and Appeals Process Role of the Property Tax Assessor

Source: <u>www.revenue.state.mn.us/property-taxes</u>

The assessor has an important role in the property tax process, in that is very important to make sure all property is valued at is market value and classified according to its use so the property tax levy is divided correctly among all taxable properties. The assessor does not determine your property taxes, and assessors do not raise revenue by increasing market values. Using a mass appraisal system and historical data, the assessor's job is to estimate the market value of all properties on the assessment date of January 2 each year. The assessor considers the location of the property, the amount of land in each parcel, any improvements to the land, physical characteristics of the improvements (such as square footage, decks, porches, etc.) and the quality of construction. The property is then compared to similar properties in your area that have recently sold in order to determine the estimated market value. The assessor determines these factors each year, and they are shown annually on the Notice of Valuation and Classification.

What if I disagree with how my property was assessed?



If you have a disagreement over valuation or classification of your property, the first step is to contact your city assessor. Review and verify information with your city assessor such as dimensions, age, and condition of structures. Review records to determine the market value of similar properties in your neighborhood. Review sales data to find out what similar properties in your area are

selling for. Ask the assessor to explain the criteria used for classifying your property. You may also review the classifications of other properties used in the same manner as yours. If your property has not been inspected recently, both interior and exterior, ask the assessor to come out to review your property. The assessor is not responsible for the dollar amount of taxes that you pay. Tax rates are determined by local taxing authorities (the city, the county, school districts, etc.). If you think your taxes are too high, you should make your opinion known to your taxing authorities during the budget meetings in September and December.

Open Book Meeting — Virtual

During an open book meeting, property owners can address questions about their property valuation and classification directly with assessing staff. These meetings will <u>not</u> be held in person this year. The earlier you contact the assessor the sooner your concerns can be addressed, and you may not need to make an appointment for the virtual open book meeting. If you prefer a virtual meeting, please call 763-477-6464 to schedule an appointment in advance of the following meeting dates:

Tuesday, April 26 10 am-6:30 pm Thursday, April 28 8 am-4:30 pm

If you still disagree with your property tax assessment, appealing your assessment is the next step. You may appeal at the Hennepin County Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting held **Monday, June 13, 2022**. Appointments are recommended. Call 612-348-7050 or email <u>countyvalueappeal@hennepin.us</u> by **May 28, 2022**.

By law, the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization cannot make a change favoring a taxpayer if the assessor is not allowed to inspect the property. You have the right to appeal your estimated market value and or property classification if you feel your property is:

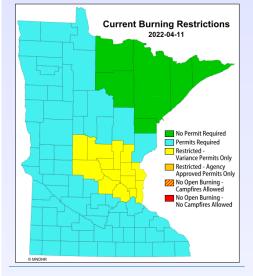
- · Classified improperly
- Valued at an amount higher or lower than you could sell your property for
- Valued at a level different from similar property in your area

Spring Burning Restrictions

Effective **Monday, April 11** spring burning restrictions are in effect for Anoka, Chisago, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, and Washington counties. Burning permits for bush or yard waste will be restricted until further notice.

Spring burn restrictions typically begin two weeks after the snow melts and remain in place until summer green-up occurs. For Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) issued burn restrictions visit <u>www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire/</u> <u>firerating_restrictions.html</u>.

For additional city burn permit guidelines visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — Public Services / Police / Burning Regulations/ Permits / Burning Permits & Guidelines.



Fire Department Information

The City of Corcoran contracts with the Loretto Fire Department, the Rogers Fire Department, and the Hanover Fire Department for fire protection services for Corcoran residents. To view the Corcoran map that includes fire department boundaries visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — *Public Services / Fire / Fire Protection*



Public Safety Burning Permit

The City has transitioned to an online process for residents to apply for burn permits. Once approved, the permit will be sent via email. Allow 2-3 business days for online permit payments and 7-10 business days for check or cash permit payments. Contact the Police Administrative Office at 763-420-8966 with any questions.



To <u>apply for a burn permit</u> or for additional information visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — *Public Services / Police / Burning Regulations/Permits / Burning Permits & Guidelines.*

Burn permits are required for any fires larger than three-feet diameter by three-feet in height. Anything smaller than a three-foot by three-foot fire must be a recreational fire. Under normal conditions, burn permits can be purchased for either a one month burn period (\$10) or six month burn period (\$50). Any landowner or resident in Corcoran that does not have a permit for a controlled burn or bonfire can be cited and fined.

Items approved to burn: vegetative material, such as grass, leaves, brush, and untreated lumber.

Items not approved to burn: hazardous wastes, demolition debris, motor vehicles, oils, rubber, plastics, chemically-treated materials, sheet rock, paint, garbage, and debris castoff from businesses. You can find the complete list on the city's website or on the MN DNR's website at <u>www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire</u>.

If you require information on alternate methods of disposal of vegetative materials contact the Maple Grove Yard Waste Drop-Off Site at 763-420-4886 or visit <u>mgyardwaste.com</u>



ww.corcoranmn.gov

How often do I need my septic pumped?



Septic tanks must be periodically cleaned (pumped) to remove floating scum and sludge that accumulate. If either floating scum or sludge is allowed to enter the soil treatment system (drain field) it will cause expensive and often irreparable damage. How often to clean a septic tank depends on its size, use, and operating condition. A typical household will calculate a cleaning frequency of one to three years. A septic tank in a northern climate will need to have the solids removed more often than a tank farther south. This is primarily because the cooler temperatures inhibit bacterial action and provide less decomposition of the sewage solids. A constant foul odor, slow drains, and drains that back up are all signs your septic tank needs pumping. Contact a qualified septic system professional from the local yellow pages for additional advice.

Selling a property with a septic system

In Hennepin County, selling your home doesn't require a septic system inspection. By state law you must properly disclose to the buyer information about the septic system. A well-informed buyer will want a thorough inspection and many lenders require a compliance inspection before they issue a mortgage.

Contact Hennepin County for septic system questions

Hennepin County regulates most septic systems in the county including the City of Corcoran. This includes inspections and enforcement. The program protects ground and surface water and prevents waterborne illness. Contact 612-543-5200 or <u>epi-envhlth@hennepin.us</u>.

Public Works



Seasonal Load Limits and Road Postings

In the spring of each year, Corcoran Public Works follows Minnesota Department of Transportation's (MNDOT) Seasonal Load Limits for road restrictions throughout the city. This involves flagging and posting signs at the entrances of these roads. Due to the City of Corcoran's geographic location, road restrictions begin with the Metro Region and end with the Central Region. The exact dates that seasonal load restrictions go into effect and are removed vary depending on annual temperature variations. Seasonal load limit road restrictions were posted and went into effect on **Wednesday, March 16**.

All city streets are post at five-ton unless otherwise marked. All new development streets will be posted at seven-ton unless otherwise marked. Overweight vehicle permits <u>will not</u> be issued, except in emergency situations (i.e. septic, well, or essential utility failure, etc.). Agricultural overweight permits are still required and will be issued at no charge. Overweight Vehicle permit applications can be found at <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — *Public Services / Building Permits and*

Inspections / Overweight Permits. For more information or to submit a permit application contact <u>permits@corcoranmn.gov</u>.

Special Note: Hackamore Road

*Posted four-ton per axle. *(*Per City of Medina*)

Visit MNDOT at <u>https://sll.dot.state.mn.us/research/</u> seasonal_load_limits/ for additional information.

Why do we have road restrictions?

Each year during the spring thaw (typically early-March), State, County, and local agencies impose axle weight restrictions to protect the investment that has been made in their roadways. Restrictions continue until the road surface is again strong enough to carry normal loads (typically mid-May).

A gravel surface is not as strong as a paved surface so it can't carry as much of a load on the weak soils as a paved surface. In order to protect and prolong the service life of the roadways, axle weight restrictions are imposed during the spring thaw every year, when the roadbeds are most susceptible to damage (due to the weakened subgrade).

What causes the damage?

Without adequate support, pavement deflects too much under heavy loads, and cracks or depressions develop. Gravel roads develop soft spots and ruts as vehicle traffic compacts and displaces the over-saturated surface and subgrade. This degradation on both gravel and asphalt roads allows more moisture to penetrate, worsening the cycle until the road fails completely. The amount of damage a road sustains is directly related to the weight of the large trucks and how often it is applied.

Another factor is the amount of weight and number of tires on each axle. Damage increases rapidly with higher axle loads and actually worsens at a faster rate than the load increases. A nine-ton axle load, for example, causes about ten times more damage than a five-ton axle load. Distributing a vehicle's weight and its payload over more axles and tires assists in lightening the load at each point of contact, reducing damage to the road.



SPRING WEIGHT

RESTRICTIONS

NOW IN EFFECT

Field and Pavilion Rental Available

City Park is a wonderful spot to host your family gathering whether it be a graduation party, family reunion, birthday party, etc. With a park shelter, softball fields, tennis and volleyball courts, your next gathering is sure to be a hit!



Park/Pavilion Rental Fees:

Pavilion\$100 (per use/per day)
Ballfields/Soccer Fields\$22/hi (2 hour minimum)
Lions Field\$22/hi (2 hour minimum) (Addl. \$30.00 per game for lights)
Tennis Courts\$15 (All courts — 2 hour usage)
Volleyball Court\$15 (2 hour usage)
For more information visit

For more information visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — Public Services / Parks and Recreation / City Park.



The city will be joining Hennepin County's **Step to it challenge**! Step to it is a family-friendly activity challenge that motivates people of all ages and abilities to become more physically active from May 1-28. Registration began **April 1** and can be found at <u>steptoit.org</u>. The most active communities, individuals, and worksites are recognized and awarded with **prizes**!

Parks & Recreation



Summer Soccer

Priority registration for residents began Monday, April 4 and ran through Sunday, April 10. Online priority registration will require residents to use the password **Priority** to begin the registration process. Registration opened to all on Monday, April 11 and runs through Monday, May 30 (or until filled) and can be completed online at <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — Public Services / Parks and Recreation / Soccer Registration and Information.

The soccer season will run from early July to August 18-25 depending on the weather. Players are expected to bring shin guards, a practice ball, and a labeled water bottle each night. Volunteer coaches are needed – if interested, be sure to mark it on your child's registration! Volunteer coaches receive one registration refund at the end of the season. Additional information and registration can be found on the City of Corcoran's website at <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — *Public Services / Parks and Recreation / Soccer Registration and Information*.

The above information can change due to COVID-19 guidance following publication of the newsletter.

Fall Baseball

It's time to start thinking about fall baseball! Registration opens to all on Monday, June 20 and runs through Sunday, July 24 (or until filled), and can be completed online or at City Hall. Participants should bring their own gloves and labeled water bottles. Families are encouraged to provide their own helmet and bats.

Registration will be available for t-ball (4-5 years old), coach pitch (6-7 years old), and machine pitch (8-10 years old). The season runs approximately five weeks from



mid-August through the end of September with no games or practices on Labor Day. Volunteer coaches are needed – if interested, be sure to mark that on your child's registration! Volunteer coaches receive one registration refund at the end of the season. For more information or to register visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — *Public Services / Parks and Recreation / T-Ball Registration and Information*.

T-ball takes place on Monday nights, coach pitch takes place on Wednesday nights, and machine pitch takes place on Monday and Wednesday nights.



For the most up to date information on program weather related cancellations, call the City of Corcoran weather line at <u>763-400-7025</u>.

Questions regarding Parks and Recreation items can be directed to Jessica Christensen Buck, Recreation Supervisor at jchristensenbuck@corcoranmn.gov.



2022 Corcoran Recycling Schedule

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North of Co Rd 10

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If your recycling is missed, contact Randy's at 763-972-3335.

www.randysenviornmentalservices.com

Environmental Pet Waste Can Be Harmful

Storm water can carry waste and other pollutants directly into waterways. Animal waste may contain harmful organisms and parasites such as roundworms and hookworms or Giardia, as well as bacteria such as Salmonella and E. coli that can be transmitted to humans and animals. When animal waste washes into a stream, lake, or wetland, it breaks down using up oxygen and releasing other chemicals.



No one likes the smell or to step in pet waste and spread it into homes, cars, and businesses. Please clean up after your pet when walking within Corcoran neighborhoods, on the shoulder of paved roads, and within the ditches of Corcoran's many gravel roads. Your neighbors will appreciate your effort and you will be helping to keep waste from Corcoran's many watersheds.

What is a wetland?

Source: <u>www.epa.gov/wetlands</u>

Although wetlands are often wet, a wetland might not be wet year-round. In fact, some of the most important wetlands are only seasonally wet. Wetlands are the link between the land and the water. They



are transition zones where the flow of water, the cycling of nutrients, and the energy of the sun meet to produce a unique ecosystem characterized by hydrology, soils, and vegetation—making these areas very important features of a watershed. Using a watershed-based approach to wetland protection ensures that the whole system, including land, air, and water resources, is protected.

Why are wetlands valuable?

The functions of a wetland and the values of these functions to human society depend on a complex set of relationships between the wetland and the other ecosystems in the watershed. A watershed is a geographic area in which water, sediments and dissolved materials drain from higher elevations to a common low-lying outlet or basin or a point on a larger stream, lake, underlying aquifer or estuary.

Wetland signs identify protected areas

To help Corcoran residents better identify protected wetland areas near their property, the City of Corcoran is posting wetland signs which designate areas that are protected and should not be cut, mowed, filled, or changed in any way. The City of Corcoran continues to coordinate efforts with the Elm Creek Watershed Commission in helping protect our local streams and watersheds, the signs will be a marker reminding residents to help protect our community and environment. For more information on the Elm Creek Watershed visit <u>www.elmcreekwatershed.org</u>.



Organics and Traditional Recycling

Organics Recycling— Acceptable organics recycling material includes all food scraps, food-soiled paper, facial tissues, houseplants and flowers, and certified compostable products. Look for the term "compostable" or the BPI logo on certified products. Organics recycling should never be bagged in plastic.

Traditional Recycling— Newspaper, washed glass/plastic bottles, cardboard, aluminum and tin cans, and junk mail can all be put in traditional recycling. Traditional recyclables should not be bagged in plastic, and plastic bags cannot be recycled in curbside recycling. *Remember*— when in doubt, throw it out.

Hennepin County Fair June 17–19, 2022



The Hennepin County Fair takes place June 17-19, 2022 at Corcoran Lions Park. The fair is

host to creative activities, competitions, 4-H, entertainment, and hands-on activities for the whole family. For more information visit <u>hennepincountyfair.com</u>.

Hamel Rodeo July 7–10, 2022

The Hamel Rodeo takes place at Corcoran Lions Park July 7-10, 2022 and is the last



2022 and is the largest pro rodeo in the state of Minnesota on the basis of both total added money and total pay off. This is why many of the top name contestants will always be found at the Hamel Rodeo. For more information on the World Championship Hamel Rodeo visit <u>www.hamelrodeo.org</u>.

Country Daze Aug 12–13, 2022



The 19th Annual Country Daze takes place August 12-13, 2022 at Corcoran Lions Park. With bands playing Friday and

Saturday nights and plenty of free family fun on Saturday, Country Daze has quickly become an annual family favorite event in Corcoran! For more information visit www.corcorancountrydaze.org.

North Hennepin Pioneer Society Summerfest

Mark your calendars on Sunday, August 14, 2022 from 12 pm– 4:30 pm for the annual Summerfest event located at the Burschville School in Corcoran. Live music



entertainment, kid's games, door prizes, flea market and more! Smokin' Bonez food truck will be there to serve families in attendance. Call Bonnie at 763-420-3440 or Verneal at 763-498-8677 for more info.

Corcoran Clean Up Day 2022

The City of Corcoran's Annual Clean Up Day is scheduled for **Saturday, May 7** from 8 am– 12 pm, at the Public Works Facility, 9100 County Road 19, Corcoran, MN.



All materials will be accepted <u>EXCEPT</u>: NO household garbage, paint, chemicals, oil, flammable liquids, disposable propane tanks, household hazardous waste materials including needles and sharps, yard and tree waste, and other organic materials.

Hennepin County offers drop-off facilities in Brooklyn Park and Bloomington for recycling and hazardous waste materials disposal. Call 612-348-3777, email <u>environment@hennepin.us</u> or visit <u>hennepin.us/dropoffs</u> for more information.

*You may complete the price list below before arrival. Staff will verify quantities and determine total amount due.

Clean Up Day Price List

Payment by cash, check or credit card. Proof of residence with driver's license or other identification. Fees are subject to change.

Furniture/Household		
Mattress, Box Spring	Quantity	x \$25 EA
Upholstered/Stuffed Furniture ex. Couch, Loveseat, Recliner, Chair, etc.	Quantity	x \$30 EA
Misc. Waste (fee depends on amount)	Quantity	x \$15+
Level Pickup Box (approx. 2 cu. yds.)	Quantity	x \$40
Level with Cab (approx. 4 cu. yds.)	Quantity	x \$80
Fluorescent Bulbs (up to 8')	Quantity	x \$1 EA
Tires		
Motorcycle, Car & Pickup Truck	Quantity	x \$5 EA
Large Truck	Quantity	x \$10 EA
Tractor (Bring to Westside Tire, 19925 75th Ave N, Corcoran)	Not Accepted	
Appliances, Electronics, Etc.		
Compressed Gas Appliances ex. Refrigerator, Freezer, A/C, Dehumidifier, etc.	Quantity	x \$20 EA
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General Appliancesex. Washer, Dryer, Stove/Oven, Dishwasher, Microwave,		
Trash Compactor, etc.	water neuter/30j	
Televisions (Tube style/CRT)		
27" and smaller	Quantity	x \$30 EA
28" and larger	Quantity	x \$40 EA
Flat Panel LCD, LED, Plasma	Quantity	x \$15 EA
Computer Desktop, Monitor, Laptop, Large Copier	Quantity	x \$15 EA
Printer, Fax, Scanner, DVD/VCR player, Stereo	Quantity	x \$10 EA
Items Accepted at No Charge		
Recyclable Steel/Scrap Metal		
ex. Lawn Mower, Chain Saw, Swing Set, Lawn Furniture, *Equipment and engines <u>must</u> have all fluids drained.	Grill, Auto Parts, P	ipe, etc.
Vehicle Batteries — Household batteries will <u>not</u> be acce	epted. Quantity	x FREE
Propane Tanks (valve removed or will <u>not</u> accept) NO disposable tanks.	Quantity	× FREE

*Please keep like items together for unloading efficiency.



Scholarship Information

Corcoran Lions



The Corcoran Lions are excited to offer their 34th annual scholarship program. The application deadline was April 15, 2022. If COVID-19

guidelines permit, an Awards Ceremony will be held Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at a location to be determined at a later date.

The Corcoran Lions Club awards scholarships to graduating seniors who live in the city of Corcoran. This year the Lion's will have the 13th annual Bill Schalo Scholarship. Bill's Scholarship is given based on community service in our community of Corcoran. This scholarship is given in memory of our fellow Lion's member who gave so freely to our community for so many years.

Scholarships are based on academic, leadership, service to community and a need basis. The graduate must attend a college, junior college, university, trade or vocational school, in the year directly following graduation to receive the award.

Contact Jerry Cain for more information at jerryjcain@gmail.com.

Northwest Area Jaycees



The Northwest Area Jaycees will be awarding up to \$20,000 in scholarship monies to graduating senior high school students. Applicants must reside within Corcoran

city limits and will be continuing onto their college education during the entire Fall 2022—Spring 2023 school year. Applications are scored on: Academics, Leadership, Community Involvement, and Financial Need.

Complete scholarship application with signature along with completing all questions, including a teacher recommendation letter and high school transcript. The Scholarship Committee will notify all applicants of scholarship status via mail and/or email.

Completed scholarship applications must be received or postmarked no later than May 15, 2022. For more information visit www.nwareajaycees.org/scholarships.

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General Information

Mosquito Control

Metropolitan Mosquito Control District trucks, helicopters, and staff will be out in neighborhoods and parks this spring and summer working to reduce mosquitoborne disease and annovance. For more information contact 651-645-9149 or mmcdmosq@mmcd.org.

Yard Waste and Compost

The City of Corcoran currently does not have a compost or yard waste site. The



nearest site available for residents is the Maple Grove Yard Waste Site located at 10300 Maple Grove Parkway, Maple Grove, MN. For a small fee Corcoran residents can drop off yard waste, which includes leaves, grass, brush, garden waste, and logs up to 10" in diameter. The fee is based on volume and type of material brought in. The site is open April 1 — November 30, Monday — Saturday, 8 am– 7 pm and Sunday, 11 am– 7 pm. Visit www.mgyardwaste.com or call 763-420-4886 for more information.

Construction Hours Change

CORRECTION — All construction related activity, including idling of equipment, is limited to 7 am– 7 pm, Monday – Friday. On weekends and federal holidays, the hours are limited to 8 am- 4 pm. (The previous newsletter incorrectly stated the Monday — Friday morning start time).

Contact Natalie Davis McKeown, Planner at ndavis@corcoranmn.gov or 763-338-9288 with any questions.

New Utility Bill Format

Effective March 2022, postcard bills were replaced with a new and improved, full-page utility billing statement. The city bills monthly for water and utility services and payments can be made online, recurring automatically, by check or by calling 844-414-4554.

Step 1: Setting up water and utility service

Set up your city water and utility services before you pay online. Visit www.corcoranmn.gov - How do I? / Water and Utility Billing to complete the form to begin service.

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Step 2: Online payment processing



The city has partnered with BS&A Software and InvoiceCloud to offer online account viewing and e-payment options. You will need your account number in order to access your utility account or pay your bill • online. Your account number can be found on the upper right-hand side of your bill. If you do not have your account number, contact utilitybilling@corcoranmn.gov or call 763-420-2288 - Option 1.

Visit <u>www.corcoranmn.gov</u> — Pay Bills to view, pay or login to your utility billing account.

City of Corcoran

Main Office — 763-420-2288 City of Corcoran meetings can be viewed via video links at www.corcoranmn.gov.

Upcoming Meetings

City Council Meetings April 28, May 12 & 25, June 9 & 23, July 14 & 28 7 pm

Planning Commission Meetings

May 5, June 2 & July 7 7 pm

Parks & Trails Commission Meetings May 19, June 16 & July 21 7 pm

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