



City of Victoria Newsletter

City of Lakes and Parks

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Water Treatment Plant

The City of Victoria's new Water Treatment Plant is on-line and operational. The purpose of the Water Treatment Plant is to remove iron and manganese from the water supply. These elements distract from the aesthetic quality of the water by the discoloration of plumbing fixtures, staining of laundry, plugging of in-home filters, and deterioration of infrastructure.

The water treatment process consists of aerators and a filtration system which reduces the iron and manganese concentrations to well below levels recommended by the Environmental Protection Agency. The filtered water is then disinfected and stored in a 600,000 gallon under ground storage tank before being pumped into the distribution system. The plant has the capacity to pump 4,500 gallons of water per minute or 6.5 million gallons of water per day.

What will the Water Treatment Plant do for your water? It will greatly improve the water quality by removing the iron and manganese. Removing the iron keeps it out of watermains and household fixtures and eliminating hard to remove stains on clothing. Removing manganese keeps water flowing, reducing blockage.

2006 Street Reconstruction Projects

Work is scheduled to begin on the 2006 Street & Utility Improvements Projects the week of June 19, 2006. The first project will be on 77th Street and Lilac Circle. The City has awarded the 2 million dollar project to WM Mueller and Son Construction. Besides 77th Street and Lilac Circle, the project includes the neighborhoods of Kirke Lachen, Bayview, Hyacinth and a portion of 80th Street in front of the new Water Treatment Plant. The street projects include replacement of street sections and existing bituminous curbs, and construction of new drainage facilities including draintile. In each area, work will begin with the installation of erosion control devices and the removal of existing pavement leaving gravel surface to drive on. Utility companies such as gas, telephone, electric, and cable TV may be working to relocate existing lines that are in the way of construction. In addition, a portion of Kelzer Pond Drive west of Trillium Lane to Bayberry Circle will be patched and overlaid. Access may be limited to your property during the day. Once the work nears completion in the first two areas, the contractor is planning on moving into the Hyacinth neighborhood shortly after the 4th of July weekend and from

Will the Water Treatment Plant change the hardness of my water? No, it will not; you still need your water softener. The City's water is measured at 21 grains per gallon, which is extremely hard water.

Water Quality Report

The City of Victoria issued the results of monitoring done on its drinking water for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2005. The purpose of the report is to increase consumer's understanding of drinking water and heighten awareness of the need to protect precious water resources. The Water Quality Report can be found on the City's website at www.ci.victoria.mn.us.

Odd/Even Water Restrictions Enforced

From May 1st through September 30th residents use of the City's water supply system for lawn and gardening watering, irrigation, and car washing is limited to an odd/even schedule corresponding with your address. For the first violation, a warning will be given. All subsequent violations will result in a fine of \$100 per day of said violation.

there, into the Kirke Lachen and Bayview neighborhoods. Due to weather and other unforeseen conditions, precise scheduling is very difficult. Therefore, this schedule should be considered as a general guide for your use and planning. As work progresses the City will notify all residents in each neighborhood in advance before work starts. As always, construction activities are disruptive to every day life. Short-term traffic delays, construction dust and noise, and erosion will occur. The City is working with the contractor to minimize these impacts and is making special efforts to maintain access to properties.

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Fraud Alert by Mike Fahey, Carver County Attorney

The National Fraud Information Center/Internet Fraud Watch reports that losses from telemarketing fraud rose 47% in 2005 and Internet fraud losses more than doubled.

Wire transfers (i.e. Western Union) have become the most common way scammers get money from victims, especially: fake checks received in the mail, lotteries, advance fee loans, sweepstakes, and Nigerian money offers. "Any request to wire money should set off alarm bells," said Carver County Attorney Mike Fahey. "If that's part of the deal, it's a scam."

Nigerian money offers were the most expensive Internet scam at

a \$7,000 average loss per victim. Foreign con artists promise to share their fortunes if you agree to transfer the funds to your bank for safekeeping. These fortunes never, ever exist.

Phishing - when ID thieves trick people into revealing bank account numbers, Social Security numbers, etc. through e-mails or phone calls - showed the strongest increase in fraud among older adults. Magazine sales and sweepstakes scams also showed an increase among older victims.

To Prevent Fraud: Don't believe promises of easy money. Don't give out personal info to anyone calling or e-mailing you.

Carver County Environmental Center

The City of Victoria is offering its residents (5) five \$1.00 coupons to be used towards recycling and composting at the Carver County Environmental Center.

Summer Hours: April through November

Wednesdays 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m.

Thursdays 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

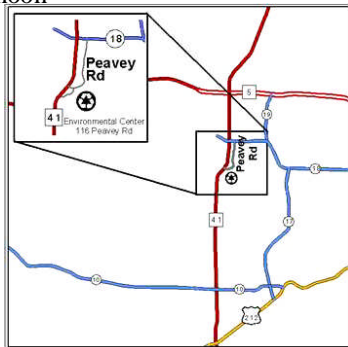
Fridays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Conveniently located in Chaska off Highway 41.

116 Peavey Road, Chaska, MN 55318.

Phone: 952-361-1835 or 952-361-1800



2006 Sealcoating Projects

As part of the City of Victoria's Capital Improvement Plan, the City has hired a contractor to sealcoat several of the city streets. The sealcoat process consists of an application of a thin layer of liquified asphalt covered with a layer of aggregate to extend the life of the street. The asphalt seals cracks to eliminate the penetration of water and the aggregate provides a wearing surface. There is an excess amount of aggregate initially applied that will be driven on for a few days. Because the aggregate is loose, if driven on too fast, there is a change for spinouts or for the aggregate to be thrown into the air and potentially into windshields. The location of the streets to be sealcoated can be found on the City's website at: www.ci.victoria.mn.us.

Bicycle Safety by Deputy Boder

Bicycling is a fun and healthy exercise. Before riding your bicycle you and your family should be aware of bicycling safety rules to help prevent injury. Each year many bicyclists are injured because they are not aware or do not practice bicycle safety.

Remember that a bicycle is a vehicle and the operator has the same responsibilities as when driving a car, truck, or motorcycle. Failure to obey traffic laws on a bicycle can result in a fine and potential injury. Enjoy your summer by riding safely and obeying all traffic laws.

- Wear a bike helmet at all times. The most serious bike injuries are to the head.
- Try to keep your bike in good shape.
- Slow down and check traffic at all corners.
- Keep both hands on the handlebars except when signaling turns.
- Walks across busy streets and intersections.
- Stay off busy streets and take a safer route if one is available.

\$5.00 Recycling and Composting Coupons (Victoria Residents Only)

May be applied towards any fees at the Carver County Environmental Center, 116 Peavey Road, Chaska, MN 55318, Phone 952-361-1835 or 952-361-1800. Value: \$5. Limited to a total of \$5 per customer. Not redeemable for cash. No change given. For a complete listing of accepted items and fees, log onto: www.co.carver.mn.us/EnviroServices/NewBuilding.asp.

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City of Victoria Candidate Filing

The General Election for the City of Victoria will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2006. The following City Council offices are up for election:

Mayor - One (2) Two-Year Term

Beginning January 1, 2007 ending December 31, 2008

Council Member - One (4) Four-Year Term

Beginning January 1, 2007 ending December 31, 2010

Council Member - One (4) Four-Year Term

Beginning January 1, 2007 ending December 31, 2010

The City Clerk will accept filing of Affidavits of Candidacy at City Offices located at 7951 Rose Street, Victoria, Minnesota between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. beginning on August 29, 2006. The last day to file is September 12, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. Affidavits must be signed, notarized and filed in person to the City Clerk. The filing fee is \$2.00. Candidates may withdraw Affidavits of Candidacy until 5:00 p.m. on August 31, 2006. For more information on the City Council offices, meeting dates or duties of the City Council, please contact the City Clerk at 952-443-2363.

Downtown Development

The City Council has had meetings with a developer who has proposed a mixed use project in downtown Victoria. A Feasibility study is being conducted. City Council has also authorized a Request for Quotation (RFQ) for the land recently swapped with the Three Rivers Park District. Much more information will be coming out in the future about these endeavors and there will be many opportunities for the public to make comments and see the plans. Stay tuned!

National Night Out - August 1st

August 1, 2006 will be National Associations of Town Watch (NATW) 23rd Annual National Night Out crime prevention event. Over 34 million people and more than 10,000 communities will join forces on August 1st to promote police-community partnerships; crime, drug and violence prevention; safety; and neighborhood unity.

Sign your neighborhood up for a block party now! The City of Victoria's Fire Department and the Carver County Sheriff's Office will be visiting neighborhoods registered to have a block party. Registration forms can be obtained at the Victoria Field House or by calling 952-443-3140. Registration forms are due by July 25, 2006.

Precinct Boundaries/Polling Locations

The City of Victoria has two precincts with a polling location in each precinct.

Precinct Number One is described as all areas north of Highway No. 5 within the Corporate City Limits of Victoria. Residents residing north of Highway No. 5 will vote at City Hall located at 7951 Rose Street, Victoria Minnesota.

Precinct Number Two is described as all areas south of Highway No. 5 within the Corporate City Limits of Victoria. Residents residing south of Highway No. 5 will vote at the Victoria Field House in the gymnasium located at 8475 Kochia Lane, Victoria Minnesota.

Register to Vote

If you are a new resident, have moved to a new address within the City, or have not voted in a recent election, register to vote by August 18, 2006 in order to be registered for the September 12, 2006 Primary Election, or by October 17, 2006 for the General Election. Eligible voters must be 18 years of age or older, be a citizen of the United States, and maintain a residence in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding the election.

Registration cards are available at City Hall, 7951 Rose Street, Victoria (952)-443-2363 and at the Carver County Auditor's Office in Chaska (952)-361-1910.

Eligible voters may also register on the day of election with certain documents; however, pre-registration is encouraged to avoid delays at the polling place on election day.

Concerts in the Park

The 1st annual "Concerts in the Park" series is in full swing. The "Concerts in the Park" series will be held on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Lions Community Park located at 8339 Victoria Drive. The concerts are free and is a fun event for all ages. Local food and beverage vendors will be in attendance as you enjoy the seasons beautiful summer evenings

Rae Singer Band July 12, 2006
Soulful Rock N' Roll and the Blues

Charles Lazarus Quartet July 19, 2006
Crossover Jazz

Steveadors July 26, 2006
60's and 70's Rock N' Roll and variety



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David Urbia, City Administrator (952) 443-2363

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Victoria Field House (952) 443-3140

5:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Monday—Friday

6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

Meeting Schedules

City Council	2nd & 4th Thursday of each month	6:30 p.m.
Business Development Committee	4th Wednesday of each month	5:00 p.m.
Field House Operating Board	1st Friday of each month	7:00 a.m.
Finance Committee	4th Tuesday of each month	3:30 p.m.
Park & Recreation Committee	1st Thursday of each month	6:30 p.m.
Planning Commission	1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month	7:00 p.m.
Senior Commission	1st Tuesday of each month	9:00 a.m.