

**City of Ramsey
Weekly Update
March 14, 2013**

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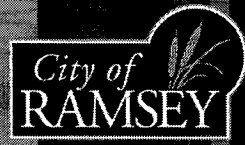
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WEEKLY UPDATE

Administrator's Report



March 14, 2013

Thursday, March 14, 2013

6:30 p.m. – Park and Recreation Commission – Council Chambers

7:00 p.m. – Special Planning Commission – Lake Itasca Room

Tuesday, March 19, 2013

5:30 p.m. – Public Works Committee– Lake Itasca Room

Immediately Following Public Works - City Council Work Session– Lake Itasca Room

Immediately Following CC Work Session – HRA Work Session – Lake Itasca Room

Preview of Next Week

Public Works Committee (5:30 p.m. – LIR)

- Nominate Chair and Vice-Chair for the Public Works Committee
- Consider Interim Trail in the ROW of US Hwy's 10 & 169.
- Review AVL System and Consider Purchase
- Update on Turf Restoration at 7046 166th Avenue (Mack and Shayle Domiguez)

City Council Work Session (Immediately Following Public Works – LIR)

- Consider Implementation of Long Term Road Maintenance Policy

HRA Work Session (Immediately Following CC Work Session – LIR)

- Staff Update

7th Annual Wine Tasting Fundraising Event – Sponsored by Rotary Club of Ramsey – Thursday, March 21, 2013 – 5:30 to 9:00 pm – The Links at Northfork, 9333 Alpine Drive NW, Ramsey - \$20.00 at door. *Attached to the Weekly Update is a Flyer for the Ramsey Rotary Wine Tasting Fundraising Event.*

Council Update

LMC Annual Conference and Marketplace. The League of Minnesota Cities 2013 LMC Annual Conference and Marketplace is scheduled for Wednesday, June 19 through Friday, June 21. *Attached to the Weekly update is an overview of the LMC annual Conference and Marketplace.* Please let Jo know if you would like to attend and if you plan to attend the preconference workshops as well and she will take care of the registration. There is a cost savings for 'early bird' registration.

Winter will not go away quietly! We continue to haul snow and open catch basins anticipating the spring thaw. Crews this week have been working on tree trimming, patching and vehicle maintenance, getting ready for the next snow fall. Minor snow events Thursday and Friday this week and a larger storm next Monday into Tuesday. For that storm our weather service keeps using words, such as, sizeable and significant....

Department Highlights:

Building Maintenance

- Shampoo entryways and wax floors
- Miscellaneous bulb and ballast replacements
- Change clocks and equipment for daylight savings time

City Clerk

- Ordinance Publications
- Data Requests – old birth records – legal RFP questions, etc.
- Homework for Strategic Planning Meetings

Community Development/Development Services

- The Community Development Department is providing a new format for our Weekly Updates and Staff Updates to the Planning Commission. *Attached to the Weekly Update is the Development Update.* This format will also be used to update the Planning Commission and other interested Boards and Commissions as part of their agenda process.

Engineering

- The Construction Plans for the Riverdale Drive project were submitted to Mn/DOT for 1st review on Friday, March 8th. However, a substantial amount of work is still being performed such as: refining quantities, preparing specifications, utility coordination, and easements.

Finance

- Regular City audit workpapers: fixed assets & Payroll
- State Audit of Gas Excise Tax Receipts
- 2012 Fire Relief Audit Workpapers

Fire

- Notable Responses
 - 3/7- Fire alarm sounding at a facility in the 18000 block of Waco Dr NW. Units cancelled in route by staff on scene. Alarm was the result of burned food.
 - 3/8- Mutual request from Anoka/Champlin to staff their station while their staff responded to an apartment fire.
 - 3/10- P.I. accident on Hwy 10 near Sunfish Lake Blvd. Units arrived with Allina. Crews assisted with traffic control. One patient transported.
 - 3/14- P.I. head on accident on Hwy 47, north of Alpine Dr. Unit arrived to find one vehicle in southbound lane, one in ditch. Crews assisted with patient care and traffic control. Drivers of both vehicles were transported by Allina.
- Fire Administration
 - 2 day meeting/tour with shared services consultant
 - Attended leadership training class
 - Completed plan review of dental office
 - Completed plan review of church
- Training this week: Business Meeting

HR

- Negotiations research & HR policy research/recommendation
- Continued strategic planning work
- Continued work on current recruitments:
 - Economic Development Manager
 - Parks Intern

- PW Seasonal Workers
- Started the posting process for an Administrative Intern

IT

- WinPack System went down sometime early Monday morning. Building maintenance notified the IT department and we were able to have the system up and running again before 8am.
- Two computers (one in Police and the other in Fire station 2) flatlined this week. The IT department built replacements for them and were able to have them up and running the same day.
- The IT Specialist and one member of Administrative staff met with Matrix communications on Wednesday to discuss options for our Core Switch replacement scheduled for this year. Also, the department is waiting to hear recommendations from LOGIS regarding this project. During the meeting with Matrix, there were also talks regarding a potential phone system replacement in the near future.

Parks

- *More* intermittent snow falls...staff pruning boulevard trees in-between (new window project at the Park Center Building at Central Park also interrupted)
- Congratulations to Mark Riverblood and Mike Berge for receiving their MN DNR Tree Inspector re-certification via U of M training
- Myriad spring planning and organizing occurring – including volunteers (high school, ARCC), as well as PACT faculty (with subsequent student volunteers) for the spring tree planting and interpretive signage for North Commons

Public Works

- Order brooms for spring sweeping
- Meet with F&C on traffic control

Utilities


- Two Utility employees attended the three day Minnesota Rural Water Association Conference in St Cloud. They earned the needed training hours required for their water operators licenses. Jeff Erickson studied for, and successfully passed, his Minnesota Department of Health (class C) Operator's License
- The Utility Department was called to the City of Anoka Friday March 8th for a Sanitary Sewer backup, we assisted Anoka's crew to un-plug an 8" sanitary sewer main. Utilizing our Jetter truck, we jetted several hundred feet of sanitary sewer and also utilized our vacuum to suck out a large amount of rags, grease and debris. Anoka crews determined the blockage was caused by a large amount of hypodermic needles that were flushed and eventually got caught up and completely plugged the sewer which backed up into the basements of four Anoka homes

Save the Date:

- **Youth First Community of Promise Mayors' Prayer Breakfast** – Friday, March 22, 2013 – 7:30 – 9:00 am – Lord of Life Church, 14501 Nowthen Blvd NW, Ramsey – Table of 8: \$190.00 or \$25.00 each. For more information call 763-421-8530.
- **Northgate Church/Performing Arts Center Groundbreaking** - Saturday, March 23 at the site. Groundbreaking is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. More details will follow as they become available.

- **Ramsey Pet Clinics** – April 21 and May 19, 2013 – 11:30 am to 1:30 pm – Ramsey Fire Station #2, 15153 Nowthen Blvd NW, Ramsey. *Attached to the Weekly Update is a Ramsey Resident Article Regarding the Ramsey Pet Clinics.*
- **Spring Recycling Day Event** – Saturday, May 4, 2013 8:00 am to 12:00 noon – Ramsey Public Works Facility, 14100 Jaspar Street NW, Ramsey. *Attached to the Weekly Update is a Ramsey Resident Article Regarding the Spring Recycling Day Event.*
- **2013 Ramsey Business Expo** – Saturday, May 4, 2013 – 9:00 am to 2:00 pm – Fountains of Ramsey, 7533 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey. *Attached to the Weekly Update is the Ramsey Business Expo Flyer.*

Best regards,



Kurt Ulrich
City Administrator

Attachments: Flyer for the Rotary Wine Tasting Fundraising Event
LMC annual Conference and Marketplace
The Development Update
Ramsey Resident Article: Ramsey Pet Clinics
Ramsey Resident Article: Spring Recycling Day Event
Ramsey Business Expo Flyer
Press Release: Spring Weights Restrictions on Anoka County Roads Effective
March 15, 2013

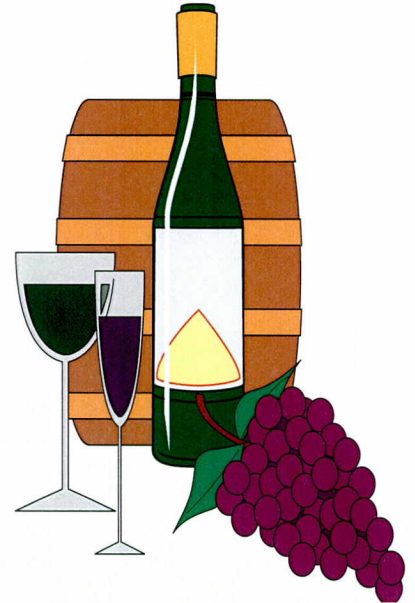
You are invited to the
**7th Annual Wine Tasting
Fundraising Event**



Sponsored by
Rotary Club of Ramsey

To be held at the beautiful
Links at Northfork

9333 Alpine Dr. NW
Ramsey, MN 55303



THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2013

5:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Over 70 wines will be available for tasting!

\$15.00 Advance Sale • \$20.00 at door

(Advance sale tickets available at Coborn's Liquor - Ramsey
& from Ramsey Rotarians)

*** SILENT AUCTION * PRIZE RAFFLE**

*** CRACK THE SAFE GAME**

(Purchase a necklace for \$20.00 for opportunity to win \$500.00 Cash
Only 75 necklaces will be sold)

Great way to
find your
new favorite
wine!

Raffle Tickets
available to win
Walls of Wine!!!

Silver Sponsors



Bronze Sponsors





2013 LMC Annual Conference and Marketplace Overview

Wednesday, June 19

8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Registration Open (RiverCentre)

9 a.m.-12 p.m.

BLC Preconference Workshop (RiverCentre) (Link to: <http://www.lmc.org/page/1/Wed2013-Details.jsp>)

9 a.m.-2:15 p.m.

ICMA Preconference Workshop (RiverCentre) (Link to: <http://www.lmc.org/page/1/Wed2013-Details.jsp>)

2-3 p.m.

Registration and Networking (Union Depot)

3-3:30 p.m.

Conference Welcome and Opening Ceremony (Union Depot) (Link to: <http://www.lmc.org/page/1/Wed2013-Details.jsp>)

3:30-4:45p.m.

2013 IGR Legislative Update and Policy Preview (Union Depot) (Link to: [http://www.lmc.org/page/1/Wed2013-](http://www.lmc.org/page/1/Wed2013-Details.jsp)

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5-9 p.m.

Centennial Celebration (Union Depot) (Link to: <http://www.lmc.org/page/1/ac2013-centennialcelebration.jsp>)

Thursday, June 20

7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Registration Open

8-9 a.m.

Registration and Networking

9-10:15 a.m.

Keynote Speaker Wes Moore

“Transformational Leadership: Evolve, Adapt, Inspire” (Link to: <http://www.lmc.org/page/1/ac2013-keynotespeaker.jsp>)

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions #1 (Link to: <http://www.lmc.org/page/1/ac2013-concurrentsessions.jsp#session1>)

11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

Awards Luncheon and LMC Annual Meeting

1:15-2:30 p.m.

Photograph and Ice Cream Social in Rice Park

2:30-3:30 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions #2 (Link to: <http://www.lmc.org/page/1/ac2013-concurrentsessions.jsp#session2>)

3:45-4:30 p.m.

Concurrent Sessions #3 (Link to: <http://www.lmc.org/page/1/ac2013-concurrentsessions.jsp#session3>)

4-8 p.m.

Marketplace Event

7:30 p.m.-?

Music in Mears and Reception

Friday, June 21

7 a.m.-12 p.m.

Registration Open

8-9:30 a.m.

Delegate Breakfast and Ignite Session: “I Didn’t Know the League Did That!” *(Link to:*

http://www.lmc.org/page/1/Fri2013-Details.jsp)

9:30-11 a.m.

Ignite Roundtables with League Staff *(Link to: http://www.lmc.org/page/1/Fri2013-Details.jsp)*

9:45-11 a.m.

Concurrent Sessions #4 *(Link to: http://www.lmc.org/page/1/ac2013-concurrentsessions.jsp#session4)*

11:15 a.m.-1 p.m.

Luncheon and Closing Session: “Can’t We Just Get Along?

Effective Council-Staff Relations” *(Link to: http://www.lmc.org/page/1/Fri2013-Details.jsp)*

Back to the Annual Conference homepage *(Link to: http://www.lmc.org/page/1/ac2013.jsp)*

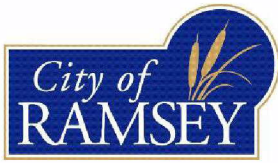
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City of Ramsey Development Update

March 14, 2013

Seasons of Ramsey

The Seasons of Ramsey is a 50 unit rental townhome development located in the Town Center Gardens plat at the northeast intersection of Bunker Lake Boulevard and Town Center Drive (also known as Center Street). The Planning Commission reviewed the Sketch Plan of the Plat on December 6, 2012. The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on the Preliminary Plat and reviewed the Site Plan on January 31, 2013. The City Council approved the Preliminary Plat, Final Plat, Site Plan, and associated requests of February 12, 2013. The Developer has submitted an Application for Building Permit.

A closing was originally scheduled for Wednesday, March 13. However, due to a change in contractors, the closing has been re-scheduled to either Friday, March 15 or Monday, March 18. The Developer anticipates to begin construction immediately thereafter. [Updated March 14, 2013]

Indoor Shooting Range Proposal

The Planning Commission reviewed a proposal and received a presentation for a potential indoor shooting range at 6001 167th Avenue NW (former grocery store). The Planning Commission provided feedback to the potential owner and instructed the potential owner to submit an Application for Zoning Amendment.

The City has not received an Application for Zoning Amendment to date. [Updated March 14, 2013]

McDonalds (Sunwood Retail in The COR)

The Planning Commission reviewed a Request for Site Plan Review for McDonalds on January 3, 2013. The City Council approved the site plan and associated requests on January 22, 2013. The project is now eligible to submit a Building Permit.

The City is awaiting said submittal of the Building Permit, and anticipates said submittal in the coming weeks. [Updated March 14, 2013]

Northgate Performing Arts Center

The Planning Commission reviewed a Request for Site Plan Review and Conditional Use Permit for Northgate Performing Arts Center located at 7295 Sunwood Drive NW (northeast intersection of Sunwood Drive and Peridot Street NW on October 4, 2012. The City Council approved the request on October 23, 2012.

The Developer has submitted an Application for Building Permit and anticipates to commence construction at the end of March or early April, 2013. The City Council will need to approve an assignment of the original Development Agreement to Northgate Church, Inc. This request is anticipated to be considered by the City Council on March 26. [Updated March 14, 2013]

Super America (Sunwood Retail in The COR)

The Planning Commission reviewed a Request for Site Plan Review for Super America located in the Sunwood Retail Center of The COR, along the realigned Sunwood Drive on October 4, 2012. The City Council approved the request on October 16, 2012.

The City is awaiting said submittal of the Building Permit. [Updated March 14, 2013]

North Commons (COR THREE)

The Planning Commission reviewed a Request for Minor Plat Review of COR THREE, a seventeen (17) lot single-family development located north of Bunker Lake Boulevard in The COR on June 19, 2012. The City Council approved the request on July 10, 2012.

Preliminary grading and utility work commenced at the end of 2012. The Plat will need to be recorded prior to any Building Permit issuance. [Updated March 14, 2013]

Residence at The COR

The Planning Commission reviewed the request for Site Plan Review of Residence at The COR, a 230 unit apartment development along Sunwood Drive next to the Ramsey Municipal Center in 2011. The City Council approved the request in November, 2011.

The project is currently under construction. The Developer anticipates the opening of a mobile leasing office on a temporary basis in the coming weeks. The Developer desires to open a portion of the project (approximately 50 units) in early May, at which time an existing unit will take the place as the leasing office until the actual leasing/management office is complete. For more information, visit www.corapts.com or call 763-208-5931. [Updated March 14, 2013]

Stoney River

The Planning Commission reviewed the request for Site Plan Review of Stoney River, a 72 unit assisted living and memory care development at the northwest intersection of Nowthen Boulevard and Saint Francis Boulevard in August, 2011. The site is adjacent to the Lord of Life Lutheran Church Campus. The City Council approved the request in August, 2011.

The City has reviewed the Building Permit, and is awaiting final revisions as requested. According to Anoka County Property Records, the site is now owned by First Phoenix Ramsey, LLC. The Developer has stated they anticipate to close on the financing package sometime in March. [Updated March 14, 2013]

Mary T, Inc. Housing

The City has requested Planning Commission review of a concept plan for housing for disabled veterans on a parcel located within The COR. A Planning Commission Workshop has been scheduled for Thursday, March 14th to receive a presentation from Mary T., Inc. and PSD, LLC. [Updated March 14, 2013]

Detailed Report Information

For more information regarding the project listed above, please contact the Ramsey Planning Division at 763-433-9824 or visit www.cityoframsey.com/planning-division.



Tim Gladhill, Development Services Manager

Pet Clinics

The city of Ramsey's Annual Pet Clinics will be held in April and May. At each clinic, a licensed Minnesota veterinarian will be on-site to provide free examinations and discounted vaccinations for your dog or cat. City of Ramsey staff will also be on hand to provide FREE dog licenses.



Sunday, April 21 or Sunday, May 19

11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Ramsey Fire Station #2

15153 Nowthen Blvd NW



Dogs

Rabies	\$21.00
(with any other vaccine)	\$19.00
Distemper (5 way; DHLPP)	\$26.00
Corona	\$ 5.00
Lyme	\$26.00
Bordetella	\$17.00
Heartworm Test	\$22.00
Fecal Test	\$18.00

Cats

Rabies	\$21.00
(with any other vaccine)	\$19.00
Distemper (3 way; Dist, Resp)	\$26.00
Leukemia	\$22.00
Leukemia FIV Test	\$29.00
Fecal Test	\$18.00

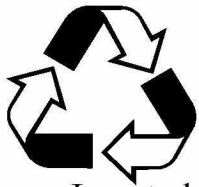
(Prices and vaccinations subject to
change-based on availability.)

Ramsey City Code requires that all dogs be licensed with the city, as well as vaccinated against rabies. If your dog has been vaccinated recently, but you do not have a current license, you may obtain a license at the clinic by bringing in your pet's current rabies vaccination certificate. The license fee is normally \$10.00 for spayed or neutered dogs and \$20.00 for dogs that are not spayed or neutered, but will be FREE at the clinics.

You must attend one of the clinics to be eligible for the free dog license. If you are not visiting the veterinarian at the clinic, you are not required to bring your pet with you to obtain a license, but you do need to provide a copy of your pet's rabies certificate (not their rabies tag).

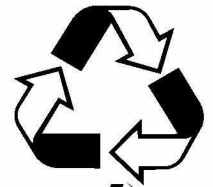
All animals must be leashed or in a pet carrier when brought to the clinic.

This is a great opportunity to protect you, your pet, and your community through low-cost pet vaccinations. For more information, contact the Ramsey Police Department at 763-427-6812 or e-mail Joleen Wiemann at jwiemann@ci.ramsey.mn.us.



Spring Recycling Day Event

Saturday, May 4 - 8:00am to 12:00 noon



For More Information Please Call 763-433-9905

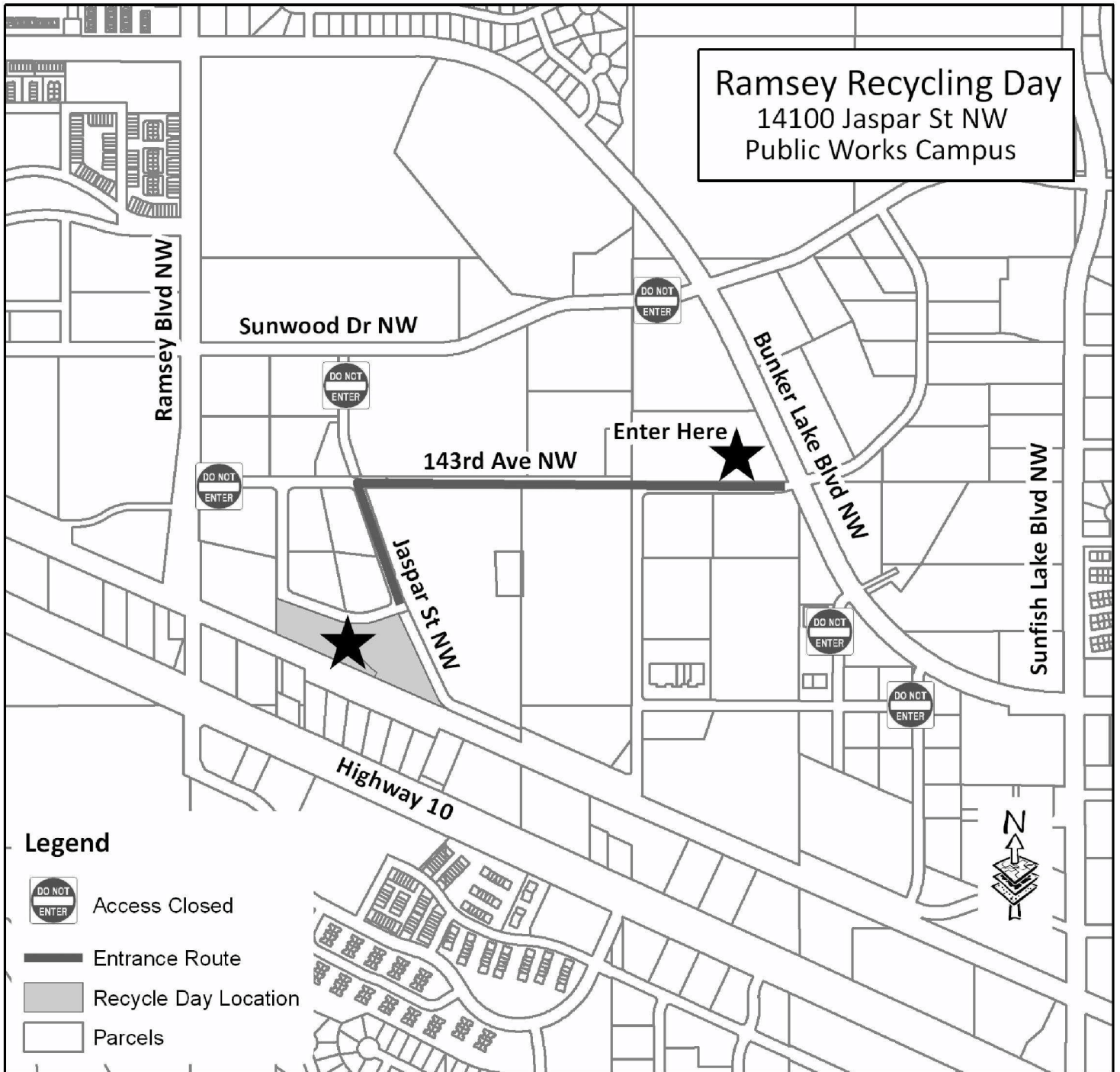
Located at the Ramsey Public Works Facility, 14100 Jasper St NW (see map on page 7)

<u>Acceptable Materials</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Standard Recyclable Materials:</u>	<u>Charge</u>
Appliances **New Pricing** All household appliances.....	FREE	Food & Beverage Glass Containers.....	Free
Tires Off-rim passenger/light truck.....	Free	Aluminum, Steel, & Tin Cans.....	Free
On-rim passenger/light truck.....	\$2.00 each	Newspaper, Magazines, Cardboard.....	Free
Off-rim semi.....	\$5.00 each	Plastic Containers, tubs and lids.....	Free
On-rim semi.....	\$6.00 each		
Fluorescent bulbs 4 feet and smaller tubes.....	\$0.25 each	Electronics Computer towers (CPUs/hard drives).....	\$2.00 ea.
Over 4 feet, compact, circular and u-tubes	\$0.55 each	Laptop computers (complete).....	\$2.00 ea.
HID lamps.....	\$1 each	Computer Monitors.....	\$5.00 ea.
Batteries Automotive (sealed lead acid), Ni-Cad, rechargeable, silver, mercury & alkaline...	Free	TV (0-20 inch).....	\$5.00 ea.
Scrap Metal All non-metal parts and fluids <u>must be removed</u>	Free	TV (21-30 inch).....	\$7.00 ea.
Cell Phones No cords, bag phones or accessories.....	Free	TV (31 inch or greater & counsel TVs).....	\$15.00 ea.
Mattresses and Box Springs PPL Industries Mattresses & box springs (any condition)	\$15 each	All other electronic waste.....	FREE
NO OTHER FURNITURE WILL BE ACCEPTED **DURING THE EVENT. PLEASE CALL FOR** ***ALTERNATIVE DISPOSAL OPTIONS.***		FREE Document Destruction/Paper Shredding All types of paper accepted, no need to remove staples, paper clips or rubber bands! No 3-ring binders. ****LIMIT OF 5 BOXES PER VEHICLE****	
NEW OPTION FROM EAST SIDE OIL COMPANIES Used oil, oil filters and antifreeze accepted for FREE! Please take empty containers back home and properly dispose of them.		Please Note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Certain road accesses may be temporarily closed during the event for traffic control purposes. Please see map on page 7 for directions to site. ■ At certain times during the recycling event, you may experience a short waiting time due to heavy traffic. Please be patient and we will serve you as quickly as possible. ■ Participating vendors are listed below in the order they will be in during the event. Please load your items accordingly for better traffic flow: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Ramsey (auto batteries and cell phones) • East Side Oil Companies (used oil, oil filters and antifreeze) • PPL Industries (mattresses & box springs) • 1st Choice Document Destruction (shredding) • Ace Solid Waste (scrap metal & curbside recyclables) • Retrofit Recycling (electronics & fluorescent bulbs) • Optimum Appliance (appliances) • City of Ramsey (tires) 	
<u>Materials NOT Accepted:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Garbage or refuse of any kind ■ Yard and tree waste ■ Window/door glass panes and construction debris ■ Construction debris, paint, or other household hazardous waste materials identified by Staff. 			

*******Payment of Fees*******

Vendors collect fees individually; if you have items for multiple vendors, please be prepared to make multiple payments. **Cash and/or check only.**

Ramsey Recycling Day
14100 Jasper St NW
Public Works Campus



Legend



Access Closed

Entrance Route

Recycle Day Location

Parcels

City of Ramsey Economic Development Authority (EDA) proudly presents

2013  RAMSEY

BUSINESS EXPO

Saturday, May 4, 2013 • 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Fountains of Ramsey • 7533 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey

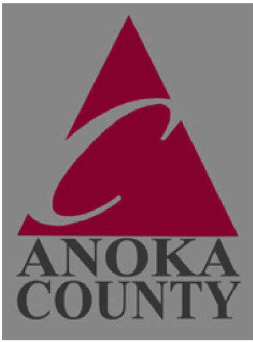
Family friendly fun! Get out of the house and join us for the annual Ramsey Business Expo. This free event is sure to have something for everyone to walk away with. This is your chance to meet with 50 local businesses and learn about the services and products they offer. Businesses include restaurants, professional services industry, retail, medical and much more!

HIGHLIGHTS

- FREE Give-Aways & Exciting Contests
- FREE Product Samples (featuring many popular restaurants!)
- INFORMATION, COUPONS & DEALS offered by local businesses

INFORMATION

City of Ramsey website: www.cityoframsey.com, click 'community events'
Patrick Brama, 763-433-9903, pbrama@ci.ramsey.mn.us



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Spring Weight Restrictions on Anoka County Roads Effective March 15, 2013

(Andover, MN) – Spring Road Weight Restrictions will go into effect on all Anoka County Highways on Friday, March 15, 2013 at 12:01 a.m. These restrictions, which protect our highways from excessive damage during the spring thaw, will remain in effect until further notice.

All roads will be posted with signs indicating maximum allowable axle loads. The Anoka County Sheriff's Office along with the Minnesota State Patrol will enforce these limitations.

Any questions regarding specific route postings should be directed to Anoka County Highway Department at (763) 862-4200. Maps showing the specific restrictions are available at the Highway Department. These maps can also be viewed or printed from the Web site at www.AnokaCounty.us/highways.

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