

## Special Large Item Pick-up

The next Special Large Item Pick-up is :  
**Saturday, October 12, 2019**

**beginning at 7:00 a.m.**

This service is for Waite Park residents ONLY. Apartment tenants, businesses and members who do not receive city-provided refuse service are not entitled to this special pick-up.

### Items Accepted

Electronic equipment  
(including TVs and Computers)

Appliances

(No more than one of each type per property)

Furniture

Carpet

Minimal Demolition Materials  
and

Yard Waste—**only if in Compostable Bags**

Please keep in mind that this service is intended for those large items that you would not be able to fit into your garbage cart. Please refer to the list above.

This service is not intended for you to set out excess bagged or loose garbage that you could not fit in your cart on your regular garbage pickup day.

If you have excess garbage that cannot fit in your cart, it must be bagged and you will need to contact West Central Sanitation directly to make arrangements for pickup: 1-800-246-7630

Residents found to be abusing this service may have their future refuse/recycling services denied.

## What is Acceptable Yard Waste for the Large Item Pick-up?

Acceptable yard waste is considered to only be **grass clippings, leaves and garden waste.**



Tree branches and brush from trees or hedges are **not** considered yard waste for the Large Item Pick-up. You need to place these items out for Brush Pick-up or bring them to the city Yard Waste Site.

### Items Not Accepted

Tires

Any Liquids

(Including: Cooking Oils, Motor Oil, Fuel, Antifreeze,  
Paints, Stains and Varnish)

Fluorescent Light Bulbs

Car Batteries

Button Batteries or Rechargeable Batteries

Full or Partially Full Aerosol Cans

Construction Materials

Concrete

Please go to the Stearns County website to find where these hazardous materials are accepted:

[www.co.stearns.mn.us/Government/About  
StearnsCounty/CountyBuildings/  
HouseholdHazardousWasteFacility](http://www.co.stearns.mn.us/Government/About/StearnsCounty/CountyBuildings/HouseholdHazardousWasteFacility)

The Stearns County Household Hazardous Waste Facility is open west of Fleet Farm.

Take 28th Ave S to Co Rd 138 to 34th Ave S to:  
3601 5th St S, Waite Park Phone: (320)257-8605  
Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00 am -4:15 pm;  
and the third Sat of each month 8:00 am - Noon

## Brush Pick-up

The Brush Pick-Up dates for the next three months will be: Jul 22 - 26, Aug 26 - 30, and Sep 23 - 27. Place your branches and brush near your regular refuse pickup site by 7:00 a.m. on Monday of these weeks and city employees will remove the brush. They will attempt to complete the pickup during the scheduled week, but the schedule may be pushed back due to their workload or weather conditions. Please keep in mind, this is not a tree removal service. Large volumes of branches, or large tree limbs and tree trunks will not be picked up.

## Recreational Fires

Burning Permits are NOT required for recreational fires defined as “An outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace, BBQ grill or BBQ pit and has a total fuel area of three feet or less in diameter and two feet or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.”

- ◆ Burn materials are limited to dry, clean wood.
- ◆ Prohibited burn materials are: oils, rubber, plastics, treated, painted, stained or varnished wood, garbage, or construction waste.
- ◆ Recreational fires cannot be left unattended until the fire is completely extinguished.
- ◆ Extinguishing equipment must be on-site: a fire extinguisher w/a minimum 4-A rating, or dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose, or water truck.

Recreational fires must be located a minimum of twenty-five feet from buildings or other combustible structures or materials.

Portable Outdoor Fireplaces, which are screened in, need to be located a minimum of fifteen feet from buildings or other combustible structures or materials.



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## We Want Your Input - The Amphitheater Park Needs a Name

The City of Waite Park is seeking input from the public on names for the Waite Park Amphitheater Park that is slated to open May of 2020. If you have a name(s) that you believe would fit with this park facility, we would love to hear from you!

Email your ideas to:  
Shaunna.Johnson@ci.waitepark.mn.us

**Deadline to submit names: August 9th, 2019.**

City Council will narrow name suggestions and then give the public an opportunity to rank the top names. The City Council will then select a name from the top three names.

Do you want to know more about the amphitheater park project? Check out our website at [www.ci.waitepark.mn.us](http://www.ci.waitepark.mn.us) under the Spotlight tab.

## Conservation Tips

Here are some useful tips on how you can conserve water:

- Repair leaky faucets, indoors and out.
- Use the dishwasher, instead of washing dishes by hand, and then only run the dishwasher when it is full.
- Take short showers instead of baths.
- Turn off the water when brushing your teeth and when shaving.

- Repair leaky toilets! We have FREE dye tablets available at city hall for you to check your toilets for leaks. Drop one tablet in the toilet tank. If colored water appears in the toilet bowl within 30 minutes, your toilet is leaking.
- Run only full loads of laundry.
- Update old toilets, showerheads, dishwashers and washing machines.

## Be a Responsible Pet Owner

Be a good neighbor and pick up after your dog in your own yard. It is unlawful to allow pet waste to accumulate on your own property to exceed that which would ordinarily occur in two days and/or an accumulation such that the odor can be detected from adjacent properties, or is offensive to the sight or creates a public health risk.

It is also unlawful for you to allow your dog or cat to relieve itself on property that is not your own, and then to not remove it and dispose of it in your own garbage receptacle.



It is also unlawful for you to allow your dog or cat to run at large anywhere within the City, other than on your own property.

Any person violating any of the provisions of Ordinance 91 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

## Night to Unite

Night to Unite (NTU) will be held on Tuesday, August 6th. NTU is a nation-wide effort to promote crime prevention and police-community partnerships. It is always held on the first Tuesday in August. Would you be interested in hosting a NTU event? NTU events can be simple or elaborate.

Three Simple Steps to Host a NTU event in your neighborhood:

1. Invite some neighbors, especially the ones you haven't already met!
2. Plan for food, from ice cream cones to a potluck, food always brings people!
3. Register your party with the police department by Friday, July 26th. If you register your event, the Police & Fire Departments will show up at your party, and you will also receive a free party planning kit full of supplies to host a successful event! Registration forms can be picked up at the Police Department or can be found on the City website. If you have any questions, contact Alicia at (320) 251-7393.



## Citizens Police Academy

Experience first-hand many areas of police training! Use of Force, Patrol, Firearms, Vehicle Stops, Crime Scenes, Specialized Units and much more!

**Apply by August 16th!**

Classes are held at various departments and locations throughout the academy on Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

September 5th - October 24th.

Applications are available online or at the Waite Park Police Department.

## Senior Cookout

The 9th Annual Waite Park Seniors and Law Enforcement Cookout will be held on Wednesday, August 14th at 11:00 a.m. at the Community Park Pavilion north of City Hall at 151 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue North. Join your local Police Officers as they serve you a free lunch! There will be a few short presentations to discuss concerns or programs affecting our senior population.

Since the meal is provided free of charge, it is restricted to only Waite Park residents age 55 or better.

RSVP on the city website or by calling Alicia at (320) 251-7393 and provide your name, phone number and the number of people planning to attend.

## Alley Trimming

Just a reminder that residents are responsible for trimming the trees and bushes on their property along the alley ways so that they are not protruding into the alley and/or obstructing the vision of drivers.

Please be a good neighbor and keep them tidy!