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The East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association (EHFNA) is represented by a group of volunteers elected by residents each fall. EHFNA is working to improve the neighborhood through programming that is made possible through the work of neighborhood residents and business owners like you. Please contact us at 612.430.9161 or info@eastharriet.org.

July 2020

Notes from the Neighborhood

Save the date for the virtual EHFNA Annual Meeting on **September 19th** from 10am to noon via Zoom.

Due to Covid 19, we had to cancel our Fall Fest celebration for 2020, but we would love to see your face at the annual meeting.

Stay tuned to eastharriet.org for meeting details as they unfold.



In place of Fall Fest this year, EHFNA wanted to do something to give back to the community at large. From now until September 30th, we'll be hosting a virtual food drive through Second Harvest Heartland with an update on the fundraiser's status given at the annual meeting. You may donate now at support.2harvest.org/goto/eastharriet. Your generous donations are very much appreciated! Thank you!

Don't forget:

- 1) Request your [absentee ballot here](#)
- 2) Fill out the 2020 Census at www.2020census.gov
- 3) Join EHFNA's [Facebook](#) group too!

Revised City Budget Public Hearings



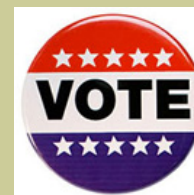
The City Council's Budget Committee is holding two public hearings on proposed revisions to the City's 2020 budget. The City faces a significant revenue shortfall as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and needs to make cuts to the City's roughly \$1.5 billion budget.

Mayor Jacob Frey briefed the City Council's Budget Committee on a revised

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Early Voting has Begun



Early voting has started for the August 11 State Primary.

To vote in person, visit the Minneapolis Early Vote Center (980 East

Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis MN 55414)

2020 budget on July 9, and staff presented the revised budget to the City Council Budget Committee on July 10. You can watch both budget meetings at the links below.

- Marked agenda and link to July 9th budget address by Mayor Frey [here](#).
- Marked agenda and link (when uploaded) to July 10th [budget presentation here](#).

Public hearings:

Engage and share your voice in this process during two online public hearings:

- 6:05 p.m. Tuesday, **July 14**
- 10 a.m. Wednesday, **July 22**

[You can watch the online meetings and participate in the online public hearings here.](#)

The City Council is scheduled to vote July 24 on a revised 2020 budget.

Proposed Public Safety Charter Amendment

Hearings Scheduled for **July 15th and 21st**

The Minneapolis Charter Commission is seeking public comments on a proposed amendment to the City charter related to the future of public safety. People can submit their comments online or provide them directly to members of the commission at a public hearing July 15 or July 21.

The [proposed amendment](#), submitted by the City Council, proposes adding a new Community Safety & Violence Prevention Department with a Division of Law Enforcement Services within the department. Under State law, the Charter Commission is required to review and submit its recommendation(s) on the proposed amendment before a ballot question can be presented to voters.

The virtual public hearings will take place at 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 15, and at 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 21. Participation instructions will be published on the [City's website](#). If you're interested in speaking at either or both of the public hearings, you can [pre-register using the online registration form](#).

Other ways to comment:

- Using the [online public comment form](#).
- Emailing councilcomment@minneapolismn.gov.
- Mailing comments to: Minneapolis Charter Commission City Hall - Room 304 350 South Fifth Street Minneapolis, MN 55415

Minneapolis Park Board to consider resolution providing guidelines for park encampments

At their Wednesday, **July 15**, Board meeting, Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) Commissioners will vote to amend a [resolution](#) the Board adopted on June 17 related to providing refuge space to people experiencing homelessness while the MPRB continued to work with state, county, city and non-profit organizations to identify solutions for people at the Powderhorn Park encampment and others throughout the city.

If approved on Wednesday, the [new resolution](#) will limit the total number of parks available for temporary encampments and provide direction for the

Monday-Friday between 8:00am and 4:30pm (Saturday hours start in August). Schedules are posted at vote.minneapolismn.gov/events/ and don't forget your mask!

To request a ballot by mail, [click here](#).

Track my mail ballot

You can [track the status of your ballot](#) or confirm that it was received back and accepted without problem.

I-35W 2018 Project Work Update

Keep up to date on the I-35W construction work.

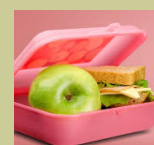
Go to the [project webpage](#) to sign up for email alerts and to get the latest schedules, updates, and detours maps.



Be sure to plan ahead and give yourself plenty of time to reach your destination. Consult www.511mn.org for real-time traffic updates.

One alternative option is metro transit which has a dedicated [web page](#) for this project.

Free Meals for All Youth through August



Minneapolis Public Schools (MPS) will continue serving free meals to all children 18 and

under through Friday, August 21. The free food boxes include items for seven breakfasts and seven lunches and are filled with fresh produce and true food ingredients that meet the district's high bar for nutrition.

Families can pick-up food boxes at 50 schools and parks across Minneapolis Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To keep families and staff safe, sites offer contact-free pick-up. All youth are invited to participate in this program and do not need to be enrolled in MPS to receive food boxes. Youth, parents, or siblings can pick up one box for each child in their family, per week.

More information can be found at cws.mpls.k12.mn.us/covid19.

Next EHFNA Meeting

design and facilitation of temporary encampments in parks that supports the health and safety of individuals experiencing homelessness and preserves access to recreation features for park visitors.

Upcoming Ward 10 Community Gatherings

You are invited to join Ward 10 Council Member Lisa Bender for a virtual community gathering.

Thursday, July 16th

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

All ward 10 residents are invited to attend.



Saturday, July 18th

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

All ward 10 residents are invited to attend

You will need to register in advance for these meetings at: <https://forms.gle/MvJs4HdDBnF1r9J58>

We hope you can join one of the gatherings!

What you can expect:

Ward 10 Council Member Lisa Bender will present a City and Ward 10 update. Residents will be invited to submit questions.

There are many wonderful things happening in the Ward and we will finish up with updates from our Neighborhood Organizations. East Harriet residents who live North of 42nd Street are in Ward 10.

Ward 13 Public Safety Conversations



Council Member Linea Palmisano is hosting several community dialogues virtually this week on the future of public safety in our city. Hour long calls are offered at different times to fit into your schedule and each has a limited capacity of participants.

Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040449A9A628ABFC1-palmisano>

East Harriet residents who live South of 42nd Street are in Ward 13.

Minneapolis Green Teams Meeting

You are invited to the Summer 2020 [Mpls Green Teams meeting](#) on Monday **July 20, 2020** from 7:30-9:30pm via Zoom.

Green Teams meetings are a space for Minneapolis neighborhood environment committees and interested neighbors to come together on a quarterly basis to share strategies to improve our communities through innovative climate and environmental action.

Green Teams work to:

- Share techniques and tips for successful outreach and effective

EHFNA Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 5

7:00pm - 8:30pm

EHFNA Meetings will be held as Zoom video conferences. If you are interested in attending the meeting, please contact info@eastharriet.org in advance for the meeting link. Meetings are typically held the first Wednesday of each month.

EHFNA Committee Meetings

Committee Meetings will be held as Zoom video conferences. If you are interested in attending the meetings, please contact info@EastHarriet.org in advance for the meeting link.

Housing, Zoning, Business & Schools

Date to be determined. Meetings are typically held the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 7-8 pm

Thursday July 16: Community Building, Parks, & Environment

7-8 pm. Meetings are typically held the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Guest Speaker: Park Board Commissioner Brad Bourn

Contact us at 612.430.9161 or email info@eastharriet.org for more information.

We are looking for East Harriet Neighborhood residents to serve on these committees. If you are interested or would like more information, contact us at info@eastharriet.org.

Events at Lakewood



Midsummer Memory Mandala Virtual Workshop

\$30 per registration | Hosted over Zoom | Saturday, **July 26, 2020** from 11:00am - 3:00pm

Guests are also welcomed to participate onsite at Lakewood
3600 Hennepin Ave

engagement.

- Leverage our voice to support our neighborhood initiatives, goals, and projects.
- Build skills in communicating about difficult environmental topics.
- Create community and support for each other as we address our environmental opportunities and challenges.
- These meetings are intended for Minneapolis neighborhood organizations and associations, but all are welcome to learn and to share challenges and successes.

Details and agenda are on our [Facebook event](#). Please email kyle@mplsclimate.org with any questions.

Bryant Avenue Reconstruction Project Update

Bryant Avenue Reconstruction Project:
FAQs and Round 1 Engagement Summary
Report Now Online



Thank you to everyone who joined us for our first virtual open house. We appreciate all of the questions and feedback you provided. Answers to your frequently asked questions are now available on the [project website](#) as well as a report summarizing the first round of engagement for the Bryant Avenue Reconstruction Project.

If you were not able to attend the first virtual open house, we have posted a full recording of the event as well as a separate recorded presentation online. You can view either on the project website.

The Minneapolis Public Works Department plans to reconstruct 2.5 miles of Bryant Avenue S, from Lake Street to 50th St W, in 2022. It is anticipated that this project will take two years to construct. The project will replace 60-year-old infrastructure. It also provides the opportunity to enhance the safety and comfort for people who live, work, and play on Bryant Avenue S. for 60 or more years into the future.

Public Works Project Goals

- Improve pedestrian safety, access, and comfort
- Create an All Ages and Abilities bicycle connection in the area
- Support existing and future transit service in the area
- Use green infrastructure to collect and treat stormwater runoff
- Accommodate business deliveries and customer access

All project outreach and discussions will occur online and over the phone. We look forward to connecting with you.

Visit the project website for more information and to sign-up for email updates: minneapolismn.gov/cip/futureprojects/bryant-ave-s-reconstruction

Hennepin County Rent Assistance



Hennepin County has up to \$15 million available to help low-income renters who can't afford their housing costs this month due to COVID-19.

Folks may qualify for emergency assistance if they:

For more info, visit lakewoodcemetery.org

EHFNA on facebook



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If you know neighbors that are not currently receiving the East Harriet eNews, be sure to have them sign up at www.eastharriet.org or send an email to info@eastharriet.org requesting to be added to the list.

NOTE: Our mailing list is never shared or sold to anyone.

QUICK LINKS

- [East Harriet Website](#)
- [Ward 10 City Council](#)
- [Ward 13 City Council](#)
- [311/ City Services](#)
- [Minneapolis Police Department \(MPD\)](#)
- [Lyndale Farmstead Park](#)
- [Minneapolis Public Schools](#)
- [Minneapolis Parks & Recreation](#)
- [Subscribe to City Emails](#)
- [Biking in Minneapolis](#)

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Southwest Businesses

- Rent anywhere in Hennepin County.
- Had household income below 50% of the area median income (about \$46,550 for a three-person household) before COVID-19.
- Lost income due to COVID-19 that has not been replaced by unemployment insurance or other emergency assistance.
- Can't afford housing costs this month.
- Are not currently receiving Section 8 or other rental assistance.

There is no deadline to apply. Priority will be given to households with the lowest incomes and those not eligible for unemployment insurance.

[Learn more and apply for assistance.](#)

If you do not have internet access or cannot complete the form in English call 612-302-3160.