



CORCORAN NEWS

Spring/Summer 2025

Yard Waste Drop Off Site

Maple Grove Yard Waste Site

10300 Maple Grove Parkway
Maple Grove, MN 55369
763-420-4886
info@mgyardwaste.com

Maple Grove, Champlin, Brooklyn Park, Dayton, Brooklyn Center, Crystal, and New Hope residents at no charge. Rogers residents need a City Hall issued permit to dump. (Must have a valid picture ID)

Site is also open to all other residents and commercial customers for a fee. Payment accepted: credit card. Cash NOT accepted at this time. Price list can be found at the link below:

<https://www.mgyardwaste.com/fees>

Open Dates and Hours

Open April 1 – November 30
Monday - Saturday 8 a.m. — 7 p.m.
Sunday 11 a.m. — 7 p.m.

Closed: Easter, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, and Thanksgiving.

For more information, visit:

<https://www.mgyardwaste.com/>



Maple Grove
Yardwaste Site

Letter From The Mayor More Concerning Housing Legislation

Last year, I wrote in the Spring/Summer 2024 newsletter to make you aware of several legislative proposals regarding new development. While these changes were narrowly defeated last year, the proponents of those bills are bringing forth equally, if not more concerning legislation this session.

Specifically, Minnesota lawmakers are considering a package of legislation – currently including **HF 1987/SF 2229, HF 2140/SF 2231, HF 2018/SF 2286, HF 2013, and HF 1309/SF 1286** – which aim to dramatically reshape housing development across the State of Minnesota. While these bills are presented as potential solutions to housing affordability, they come at the cost of local control and community input, while also eliminating most development standards. In short, they override many of the rules and processes cities use to manage growth responsibly.

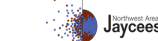
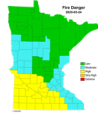
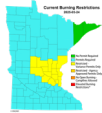
The League of Minnesota Cities, along with mayors statewide, have raised red flags about these proposals. Like last year, we have created a page on the city website that contains the full text of these bills, along with summaries and other resources that explain the potential impact of these proposals.

Key Areas of Concern

- **Loss of Local Control:** The proposed laws would preempt city zoning, forcing all cities to allow higher-density housing almost everywhere. Our ability to decide what types of homes (single family, twin homes, townhomes, apartments, etc.) go where would be taken over by state rules. This means decisions that have always been made by our City Council – and guided by our Comprehensive Plan – could be dictated by the state, with little regard for the impact to our community.
- **Removal of Public Input:** Perhaps most alarming, these bills would remove the public hearing process for most development approvals. Instead, many housing projects would go through an administrative approval based on new, lowered standards. Most of these bills specifically, and intentionally, remove the Public Hearing process altogether for new development. Residents and other community members would be stripped of their opportunity to make their voices heard on developments that impact them.
- **Forced High-Density, Without Adequate Infrastructure to Support It:** The proposed legislation would require cities to permit significantly higher housing densities than currently allowed. For example, one bill mandates “single family dwellings, duplexes, and accessory dwelling units” on any residentially zoned property. Additionally, that same bill requires townhomes to be permitted in any residential zone on a vacant lot, or on any lot platted after June 1, 2025 (**HF 1987**). Another bill, **HF 2140**, would mandate the creation of a new zoning district that allows, by right and administrative approval, single family homes, townhomes, duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, and ADUs with a minimum “density of at least 25 residential units per acre”. These bills provide no funding to upgrade roads, sewer, water, schools, or other infrastructure to support the added density. It would be nearly impossible for communities to plan adequate infrastructure if they must arbitrarily approve new high-density developments. Instead, it would undoubtedly result in increased traffic, strain city services, and leave the costs falling on local taxpayers.

(Letter from mayor continued on page 13)





City Updates

The Corcoran City Council meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 7 p.m. 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 www.corcoranmn.gov — Our Government > Council > Minutes.

Recognition

At the January 9, 2025, City Council Meeting:
The Elected Officials below were sworn in for their respective terms.
Tom McKee, Mayor (Term expires: December 2028)
Michelle Friedrich, Councilmember (Term expires: December 2028)
Mark Lanterman, Councilmember (Term expires: December 2026)
Dean Vehrenkamp, Councilmember (Term expires: December 2028)

Recognition

At the January 9, 2025, City Council Meeting:
Matt Gottschalk, Director of Public Safety, was recognized for his 10 years of dedicated service to the City and its residents.

Recognition

At the February 13, 2025, City Council Meeting:
Jessica Christensen Buck, Parks and Recreation Manager, was recognized for receiving the Minnesota Recreation and Parks Association Horizon Award, as well as for her five years of dedicated service to the City and its residents.

Recognition

At the February 13, 2025, City Council Meeting:
Officer Steve Warren was recognized for his 28 years of dedicated service to the Corcoran Police Department as well the City and its residents, and was congratulated upon his retirement.

Recognition

At the March 13, 2025, City Council Meeting:
Four police officers were sworn in—Beau Hartneck, Dani Hoffmann, Sam Mahr, and K9 Rocky.

Hennepin County Commissioner Kevin Anderson Presentation

At the March 13, 2025, City Council Meeting, Hennepin County Commissioner Anderson gave an annual update to the council, which included upcoming projects in Corcoran and affordable housing efforts.

Resolution Opposing Minnesota State Bills

At the March 13, 2025, City Council Meeting, City Administrator Tobin gave an update on his attendance at City Day on the Hill at the State Capitol and the number of new bills being introduced by the State Legislature. Mayor McKee also updated the council on the concerns of the City of Corcoran and the need for a resolution opposing these bills. Several revisions were made to the resolution just before the council meeting and were presented to the council for discussion. Resolution 2025-23 - Opposing Minnesota State Bills: HF 1987/SF2229; HF2140/SF2231; HF2018/SF2286; HF2013; and HF1309/SF1286 was then adopted with the most current revisions.

Parks and Trails Commission Appointment

At the February 27, 2025, City Council Mayor McKee stated that he and Councilor Friedrich conducted interviews of two applicants for the open Parks and Trails Commissioner position and made a recommendation to appoint Seamus Walsh to the open seat. A motion was then made and passed to appoint Seamus Walsh to the Parks and Trails Commission for a term ending February 28, 2028.

For information and updates, visit the City of Corcoran's website:
www.corcoranmn.gov



2025 Corcoran Events Calendar

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

Apr 3: Planning Commission Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

Apr 10: City Council Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

Apr 17: Parks and Trails Commission Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

Apr 24: City Council Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

May 1: Planning Commission Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

May 8: City Council Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

May 15: Parks and Trails Commission Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

May 22: City Council Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

May 26: Holiday — City Hall Closed

June 5: Planning Commission Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

June 12: City Council Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

June 17: Parks and Trails Commission Meeting
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

June 19: Holiday — City Hall Closed

June 23: City Council Meeting (Moved from June 26)
7 p.m. — Council Chambers

July 4: Holiday — City Hall Closed

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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.

Kwik Trip CUP, Lot Line Adjustment, and Site Plan (PID 12-119-23-14-0006; 12-119-23-14-0004) (City File 23-006). Kwik Trip Inc. submitted a Site Plan, Lot Line Adjustment and CUP application for the two parcels north of Mama G's in early 2023. A feasibility study was required to evaluate the infrastructure needs of the project. The feasibility study has been distributed to the applicant. Staff and the applicant team continue to work through requirements for the application to move forward. The public hearing for this item was held during the March 6, 2025, Planning Commission meeting. After some discussion, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the request as presented. The applicant requested that the application be moved from the March 27, 2025, Council meeting to the April 24, 2025, meeting.

Camp Solberg (PID 08-119-23-31-0004) (City File 24-021). Aaron and Melissa Solberg submitted an application for a preliminary and final plat to create two single-family residential lots on Outlot B of Weinand Woods located at PID 08-119-23-31-0004. This item is complete for City review and is scheduled for the April 24, 2025, Council meeting.

Spaeth Garage CUP (PID 29-119-23-44-0005) (City File 24-046). Jordan Spaeth submitted a CUP application to allow the construction of an accessory structure with sidewalls exceeding 10 ft in the side yard of 7090 Jubert Lane. The Council approved the CUP request during the February 27, 2025, meeting.

Brockton Business Park Preliminary Plat and Site Plan (PID 01-119-23-11-0001) (City File 24-047). Hemple Development LLC request approval of a preliminary plat and site plan for an industrial development at 10585 County Road 101. The public hearing for this item was held during the March 6, 2025, Planning Commission meeting. After some discussion, the Planning Commission recommended approval of the request. This item was approved by the City Council during the March 27, 2025, meeting.

Chastek Family Farm Preliminary Plat and Rezoning (PID 21-119-23-12-0002) (City File 25-001). Trek Real Estate and Development request approval of a preliminary plat and rezoning of the Chastek Farm property located at 7600 Maple Hill Road. The application consists of 104 65 ft-wide single-family lots on a 38.16 acre site. The public hearing for this item was held during the March 6, 2025, Planning Commission meeting. After some discussion, the Planning Commission recommended approval of Page 3 of 3 the request. The applicant requested this item be moved from the March 27, 2025, Council meeting to the April 24, 2025, Council meeting.

Lothar Comprehensive Plan Amendment (PID 12-119-23-22-0009) (City File 25-002). Brian and Jaque Lothar request approval of a comprehensive plan amendment to regrade the property at 10110 County Road 116 from Existing Residential to Conservation Residential. The public hearing for this item was held during the March 6, 2025, Planning Commission meeting. After some discussion, the Planning Commission recommended denial of the request, and recommended establishment of a new land use guidance that would allow development in the MUSA at a density of less than 2.0 units per acre. This item was reviewed by the City Council during the March 27, 2025, meeting. After some discussion, the Council voted to approve the applicant's request.

Commercial Kennel Zoning Ordinance Amendment (Citywide) (City File 25-005). Maureen & Jefferey Clipperton request approval of a Zoning Ordinance Amendment to classify Commercial Kennel operations as a permitted use within the Rural Residential zoning district. The application is complete for City review and is scheduled for the April 3, 2025, Planning Commission meeting.

New Mahavan Temple CUP (PID 15-119-23-32-0006) (City File 25-009). New Mahavan Temple and Eco Farm Community request approval of a conditional use permit and site plan to allow the operation of a place of worship at 8750 Trail Haven Road. The application is complete for City review and is scheduled for the May 1, 2025, Planning Commission meeting.

Kariniemi Acres 2nd Addition (PID 33-119-23-21-0002) (City File 25-011). Mike Kariniemi submitted an application for a preliminary plat, final plat and variance to realign the shared property line between 6855 Willow Drive and 6840 Rolling Hills Road. The application is complete for City review and is scheduled for the May 1, 2025, Planning Commission meeting.



How to appeal your value and classification

If the property information on your valuation notice is not correct, you disagree with the values, or have other questions about this notice, you may appeal.

Start with your assessor

Often issues can be resolved by reaching out directly to your assessor. Their number is listed on the valuation notice.

Do you still have concerns? Attend a local meeting

If your issues weren't resolved by talking to your assessor, you can either attend a local board of appeal and equalization meeting or continue having an "open book" conversation with assessing staff. Each city chooses which meeting format they prefer (the front of your valuation notice will tell you which option your city has chosen).

Local board of appeal and equalization meetings

Property owners may appear in front of the local board of appeal and equalization to dispute their valuation or classification. The date and time of the meeting is located on your valuation notice.

Open book meetings

During an open book meeting, property owners can address questions about their property valuation and classification directly with assessing staff. (See open book meeting details in the right column of this page)

If you still need help, attend the county meeting

If after attending your local meeting you are still not satisfied, you can attend the county board of appeal and equalization meeting. If your city offers a local board of appeal and equalization meeting, you must attend that meeting before attending the county board of appeal and equalization. This requirement does not apply if your city holds an open book meeting.

Questions

Please call the number on the front of your valuation notice.

See hennepin.us/assessment for more information.



Property Tax Information

Memo from the Hennepin County Assessor's Office

Hennepin County 2025 Open Book Meetings

Open book meetings are an important aspect of transparency in the assessment of real property. We find it important to share the steps we have taken to provide excellent customer service to the taxpayers of Hennepin County.

Open Book meetings

The Hennepin County Assessor's office will host five in-person locations throughout the county and a virtual meeting session for taxpayers to discuss their assessments. Taxpayers located in a city that has an open book can attend any of the meetings, depending on what works best for them.

The available meeting dates, times and locations will be provided to taxpayers when they receive their property's valuation notice mailed in the coming weeks. The valuation notice will be accompanied by an insert providing additional information and instructions to assist taxpayers with understanding each of their appeal options. If a taxpayer would like to take part in the virtual meeting, they will need access to a computer or smart phone, call in advance to schedule a meeting time, then a Microsoft Teams meeting link will be provided for the appropriate date and time. Appraisers in our office will provide flexibility and additional date and time options to taxpayers to conduct the virtual, face-to-face meeting how and when they would prefer. Below are the locations, dates, and times of the meetings this year.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>
Richfield City Hall	April 14th	4 p.m.-7 p.m.
Plymouth City Hall	April 16th	8 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Rogers Community Center	April 17th	4 p.m.-7 p.m.
Virtual	April 22nd	8 a.m.-7 p.m.
Mound Centennial Building	April 23rd	4 p.m.-7 p.m.
Crystal Community Center	April 24th	8 a.m.-7 p.m.

It is important to note that taxpayers may call their assessor at any time after receiving their valuation notice up until the County Board of Appeal and Equalization (CBAE) deadline for appointments on May 21, 2025. Each valuation notice mailed includes a phone number that will put taxpayers in touch with the appropriate appraiser or assessor for their jurisdiction. Often, the taxpayers' questions are answered or concerns resolved during the phone conversation.

Hennepin County Assessor value review process

Appraisers in our office will continue to answer value calls from taxpayers and respond quickly to questions and concerns. We will conduct in person valuation and classification reviews and collaborate with property owners to assist in the review process by asking them to provide documentation related to their property, such as, inspection reports and appraisals. We will also use all tools available to us including, aerial imagery, GIS technology, street view photography, sales listing information, new construction permit information, etc.

County Assessor

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Online Building Permit Submittal



The City of Corcoran requires all building permits to be submitted online making interactions more efficient and convenient. Through the online permit portal, residents and contractors can apply for building, plumbing, mechanical, land disturbance and utility permits, check permit status and inspection results, and make electronic payments anytime!

The online permit portal requires a one-time account registration for all homeowners and contractors applying for a permit. A step-by-step guide is available online to help guide you with the process. To begin registration and/or apply for a permit visit www.corcoranmn.gov – Building Permits.

Several permit checklists and additional permit information and resources are available online under the Construction Services & Inspections web pages to help with your project. Visit www.corcoranmn.gov – Public Services > Construction Services & Inspections.

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

Most Requested Permit Fees

Reroof or Reside
\$91/ea

Windows/Doors
(same opening)
\$91

Furnace or A/C Replacement
\$76/unit

Gas Fireplace
\$76

General Plumbing
\$51+

Water Heater or Water Softener
\$36/unit

Fees include \$1 State Surcharge.



Construction Services

Can I build an accessory structure on my property?



A building permit is 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 from 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. Requirements for size, height, setbacks and architectural standards can be found in the City Zoning Ordinance, Title X, Sec. 1030.020 or by contacting Planning & Zoning.*

Accessory structure permit submittal requirements:

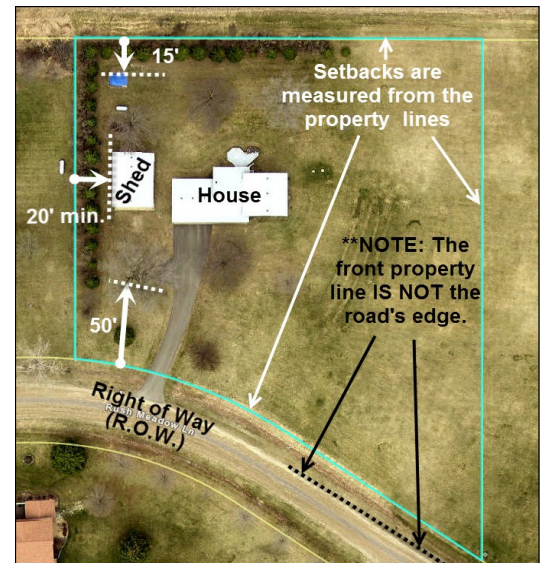
- Proposed construction plans illustrating design, materials, and scale
- Certificate of Survey indicating the location of the structure;
 - * Or site plan, allowing the proposed structure meets all the required setbacks by at least two times. Site plan must be drawn to scale and indicate the lot dimensions, 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.
- Online permit application

Construction plans, illustrating:

- Dimensions of structure
- Overhead and Elevation
- 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, drawn to scale indicating:

- Size and location of all existing structures
- Size and location of proposed structure
- Setback from all property lines of proposed and existing structures, including septic sites, wells, wetlands, etc.



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

For additional information view the Accessory Buildings and Garages handout at www.corcoranmn.gov > Public Services > Construction Services and Inspections > Permit Information and Supplements.

Apply for permit at www.corcoranmn.gov — Building Permits.



Did You Know???

In addition to taking care of our parks, streets, utilities and other critical infrastructure, the Public Works Department also works alongside the Public Safety Department to provide support in emergency situations.



Public Works team members assist by hauling water for rural fire



fighting, salting icy roads, or plowing roads to allow emergency vehicles to enter safely.

The Public Works Department also assists in providing traffic control when necessary; for example, the team will install security barricades, direct traffic, and create detours. This assistance allows other emergency responders to focus on safely entering and assessing traffic accidents and incidents.

In emergency situations, the Public Works Department provides logistical support for other emergency responders. This support can come in many forms such as providing fuel for vehicles and generators for mobile command force centers.

The partnership between the Public Works and Public Safety Departments is crucial for successful emergency management.

Much of the work of our work happens quietly behind the scenes. Each year we like to take a week to honor and recognize the contributions of this team. National Public Works Week (May 18-24, 2025) is a time to applaud the daily impact that our Public Works team has on the City of Corcoran.



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 and end with the Metro Region; however, some roads may remain posted longer. Please follow posted signage for weight limits. 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 Monday, March 3, 2025.

All streets (unless otherwise noted or posted), including new development streets, will be restricted and posted at a **maximum five-ton per axle weight limit** during 2025 seasonal load limits. Overweight vehicle permits will **not** 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 www.corcoranmn.gov — *Public Services > Construction Services and Inspections > Overweight Permits*. For more information or to submit a permit application contact permits@corcoranmn.gov.

Special Note:

The following roads will be posted at 4 ton per axle weight limit and may remain posted throughout the year:

Schutte Road

Larkin Road (between County Road 116 and County Road 10)

Stieg Road (Between County Road 116 and Robert/Northwood Lane)

The following roads will be posted at 9 ton per axle weight limit:

Larkin Road (between County Road 116 and Old Settlers Road)

Commerce Street, Auger Avenue, and 75th Avenue (Downtown Commercial/Industrial)

Trail Haven Road (between County Road 30 and Grove Nursery Driveway Entrance ONLY)

Visit MNDOT at <https://www.dot.state.mn.us/loadlimits/> 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.

Wetland Buffers

What is a Wetland Buffer?

A wetland buffer is an un-mowed vegetated area adjacent to a wetland that protects the wetland from the harmful effects of nearby development. These buffers provide the initial filtering and natural treatment of sediment and other pollutants from runoff of rainwater and snow melt. Buffers can also be used to link wetlands and provide a natural connector for wildlife to move safely from one habitat to another. Studies by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency show that buffers are critical to protecting and restoring water quality and healthy aquatic life, natural stream functions and aquatic habitats. In addition, healthy buffers can add aesthetic value to the landscape around the city.



What activity is allowed in the Wetland Buffer?

Wetland buffers are intended to have as little interference as possible. To ensure that the buffers function optimally, it is essential to minimize all human interference. Homeowners should avoid the following activities in the buffer areas:

- **Mowing and Cutting Plants:**
 - Refrain from mowing or cutting plants within the buffer areas. Regular mowing and cutting damages the native vegetation that is vital to the filtering process and habitat protection of wildlife. Letting plants grow naturally helps maintain the ecological balance and functionality of the buffer.
- **Dumping Yard Waste:**
 - Do not dump yard waste, such as grass clippings, leaves, branches, garden debris, or pet waste in the buffer areas. Yard waste can introduce excess nutrients, such as nitrogen and phosphorus, which may lead to water pollution of the wetland. Always use designated yard waste bins for disposal.
- **Removal of Plants**
 - Avoid removing plants, including weeds, from the buffer areas unless directed by a wetland specialist. Even plants that may seem undesirable play a role in the ecosystem. Removing vegetation can disrupt these functions and destabilize the buffer.

Public Works

Corcoran Clean Up Day 2025

The City of Corcoran's annual Clean Up Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 3, 2025, from 8 a.m. — noon, at the Public Works Facility, 9100 County Road 19, Corcoran, MN.

Materials not accepted: household garbage, paint, chemicals, oil, flammable liquids, disposable propane tanks, or other household hazardous waste materials, needles, 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. Email environment@hennepin.us, call 612-348-3777, or visit www.hennepin.us/residents/recycling-hazardous-waste/drop-off-facilities for more information.

NOTE: Please be patient as you may experience a short wait.

**You may complete the price list before arrival. This can be found by visiting our website at www.corcoranmn.gov — Public Services > Public Works > Corcoran Clean Up Day 2025. Staff will verify quantities and determine total amount due.*



CORCORAN CLEAN UP DAY 2025



**SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2025
8 A.M. - NOON
PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY
9100 COUNTY ROAD 19**

- PAYMENT BY CASH, CHECK, OR CREDIT CARD
- PROOF OF RESIDENCE WITH DRIVER'S LICENSE OR OTHER IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED
- *FEES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

In participating in Corcoran Clean Up Day, residents agree to defend, fully indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Corcoran from any and all claims, demands, costs, damages, losses, actions, and causes of action or judgements of whatever nature arising out of the use of the premises and during the removal of items at the Corcoran Clean Up Day event.

TIRES

Motorcycle, Car, Pickup Under 15"
\$5/each
Large Truck 15" and Up
\$10/each
Tractor/Truck
NOT ACCEPTED

Mattress
\$25/each piece
Box Spring
\$20/each piece

Upholstered Furniture (E.G., Couch, Loveseat, Chair, Recliner)
\$40/each piece

Carpet/Carpet Pad
\$8/square yard

ELECTRONICS

Televisions 27" and Smaller
\$27/each piece
Televisions 28" and Larger
\$35/each piece
Flat Panel LCD, LED, Plasma
\$25/each piece
Computer, Monitor, Laptop, Large Copier
\$10/each piece
Printer, Fax, Scanner, DVD/VCR, Stereo
\$5/each piece

APPLIANCES

Compressed Gas Appliances (Fridge, Freezer, A/C, ETC.)
\$25/each piece
General Appliances (Washer, Dryer, Stove, ETC.)
NO CHARGE

MISCELLANEOUS

\$20+ (depending on amount)
Level Pick Up Box
\$68/each
Level With Cab
\$115/each
Fluorescent Bulbs Up To 8"
\$1/each

NO CHARGE ITEMS

- Recyclable Steel/Scrap Metal (fluids must be drained where applicable)
- Propane Tanks (valves removed and no disposable tanks)
- Vehicle Batteries (no household batteries)

✉ pw@corcoranmn.gov

☎ 763-420-2288

🌐 www.corcoranmn.gov



Corcoran Police Administrative Office

763-420-8966

Office Hours

Monday—Wednesday

7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday

7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Friday

8 a.m. to noon

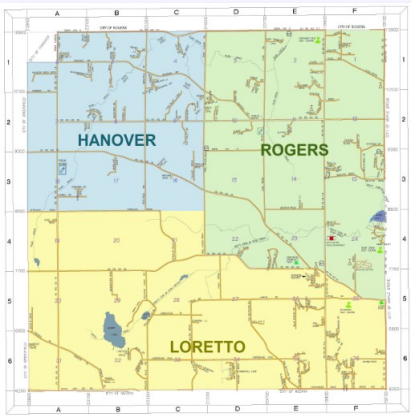
Non-Emergency: 952-258-5321

**FOR EMERGENCIES
DIAL 911**



Fire Department Information

The City of Corcoran contracts with the West Suburban Fire District (Formerly Loretto), 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 www.corcoranmn.gov — *Public Services > Fire > Fire Protection Services*



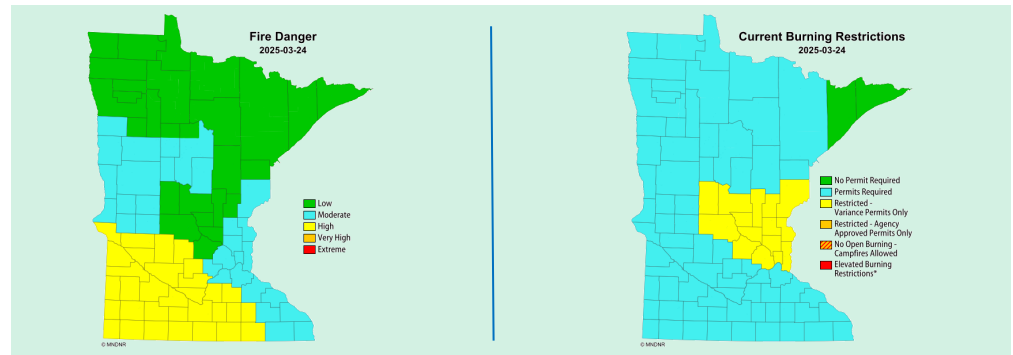
Public Safety Spring Burning Restrictions

As of March 24, 2025, at 6 a.m., spring burning restrictions are in effect in Anoka, Benton, Chisago, Hennepin, Isanti, Kanabec, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Pine, Ramsey, Sherburne, Stearns, Todd, Washington, and Wright counties.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources produces and updates the burning restrictions map daily. The current burning restrictions map shows where you must have a permit to burn debris like small amounts of dry leaves and brush.

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 https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire/firerating_restrictions.html

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



Burning Permit

To apply for a burn permit, you can do so online on the City's website at www.corcoranmn.gov — *Public Services > Police > Burning Regulations > Permits > Burning Permits & Guidelines.*

The permits are issued once payment has been received and will be sent to your email address. In-person burn permits are issued at the Police Administrative Office during business hours only. Burn permits are issued to residents and for agricultural purposes only, no businesses (See Ordinance 86.01).

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 period (\$10) or a six month period (\$50). Any landowner or resident in Corcoran that does not have a burn 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: www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire.

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





Field and Park Shelter Rentals Available

City Park is a wonderful spot to host your next graduation party, birthday party, etc. With a park shelter, softball fields, and volleyball courts, your next gathering is sure to be a hit! The City of Corcoran is accepting reservations for the 2025 season, through June. With the construction for the City Park Remaster Project anticipated to begin in July, reservations will not be taken for the remainder of the season.

Park/Pavilion Rental Fees

Pavilion.....	\$100
<i>(per use/per day)</i>	
Ballfields/Soccer Fields.....	\$22/hr.
<i>(2 hour minimum)</i>	
Lions Field.....	\$22/hr.
<i>(2 hour minimum)</i>	
<i>(Addl. \$30.00 per game for lights)</i>	
Tennis Courts.....	\$15
<i>(All courts — 2 hour usage)</i>	
Volleyball Court.....	\$15
<i>(2 hour usage)</i>	

For more information visit
<https://www.corcoranmn.gov/public-services/parks-and-recreation/park-shelter-ball-fields>

Parks and Recreation

Summer Soccer & Fall Baseball

We want to keep our community informed regarding this year's soccer season. Construction for the City Park Remaster Project is anticipated to begin in July. Unfortunately, the scale of improvements means that the summer soccer and fall baseball seasons will not take place this year, as park access and field availability will be impacted throughout the summer and into the fall.

We understand how valuable these programs are to our community, and this decision was made to ensure everyone's safety and to allow for the park upgrades that will enhance future programs and activities. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to create an even better park for everyone to enjoy.

Thank you for your support and enthusiasm for Corcoran Parks and Recreation. We look forward to welcoming players back to the field!



Garden Club

The City of Corcoran has a Garden Club! Filled with local gardening enthusiasts, the Garden Club provides the opportunity to connect with others in the community that enjoy gardening, planting, and sharing tips/tricks! The Garden Club meets to beautify the Memorial Garden at City Hall, exchange plants, assist with the Tree Giveaway, and plan excursions to the local nurseries. Interested in learning more or taking part in the Garden Club? Reach out to Susan Nelson (susannelson259@gmail.com) or check out the Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/216663035408229>).



GARDEN CLUB

Filled with local gardening enthusiasts, the Garden Club provides the opportunity to connect with others in the community with similar hobbies and skills.

- Plant Exchanges
- Local Nursery Trips
- Memorial Garden
- Tree Giveaway

JOIN TODAY!

Email: jchristensenbuck@corcoranmn.gov Facebook: [Corcoran Gardening Club](https://www.facebook.com/groups/216663035408229)




Country Daze Bean Bag Tournament

The City of Corcoran is teaming up with Country Daze again for the sixth annual bean bag tournament! Teams pay \$40 to play in this double elimination tournament to win CASH prizes. Cash prizes are determined by number of registered teams. Registration will open on Monday, June 16, 2025, at 8 a.m., and close on Thursday, August 14, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. The Tournament is limited to 16 teams, so be sure to register early! For more information or to register, visit www.corcoranmn.gov.



2025 CORCORAN COUNTRY DAZE BEAN BAG TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16



FOR MORE INFO AND/OR TO REGISTER, VISIT: WWW.CORCORANMN.GOV





Mural Feedback Opportunity



The City of Corcoran is partnering with the Domino's Development Team to create a vinyl mural that reflects the spirit of Corcoran, and we want your input! Share your thoughts on what themes, colors, and symbols best represent our community by taking a short survey. Your input will help bring this artwork to life. To take the survey, click on the link below or scan the QR code below.

[City of Corcoran Mural Feedback Survey](#)



Dog Park Survey

During February 2025, a survey was available to gather community feedback on dog amenities and park usage. The survey provided valuable insights into current park usage, desired amenities, and support for a dedicated dog park. Below is a snapshot of the information that was found through the survey:

- 82% of respondents own at least 1 dog.
- The most requested amenities included dog waste stations, off-leash areas, and water stations.
- 66% of respondents support a dog park, with another 20% expressing conditional interest based on location.

City Park Remaster Project — Update

Background

- October 24, 2024: City Council reviewed 30% design plans, which included the layout of amenities and features. The Council voted 4-1 to approve specific edits to the schematic diagram and authorized staff to proceed with design development and construction documents, with a clarified budget reflecting the full scope of obligations.
- November 2024: A public engagement survey and open house were conducted to gather feedback on the park design.
- December 19, 2024: The Parks and Trails Commission received a memo summarizing public feedback:



- Strong preference for the inclusion of a splashpad and playground.
- Emphasis on connectivity and safety, particularly regarding paths and safe crossings.
- Of the 197 survey responses, the majority were from families with children aged 25-44, with 90% residing in Corcoran.

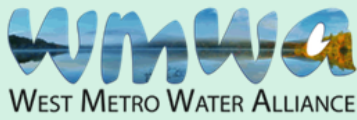
- December 19, 2024, & January 16, 2025: The Parks and Trails Commission reviewed 60% designs and recommended vendors for the playground (Playworld) and splashpad (Aquatix).
- February 27, 2025: The City Council approved 60% designs and provided direction for 90% project designs. This direction was to proceed with the full park building, playground, and minimally paved parking lot.



Next Steps

- March 20, 2025: Review by the Parks and Trails Commission on the 90% designs, specifically regarding the base bid and alternate designs and playground equipment options.
- April 10, 2025: The project is expected to have 100% design review during the April 10, 2025, City Council meeting.
 - If approved, review by the Planning Commission would take place on May 1, 2025.
 - If approved, the project would be posted on QuestCDN for bid on April 18, 2025, with a virtual bid opening on May 13, 2025, and awarding at the May 22, 2025, City Council Meeting.
- **If this timeline is met, construction is anticipated to begin in July 2025.**





Earth Month and Adopt-a-Drain

April showers bring May flowers... and pollution to our lakes, rivers, and streams.

(Source: West Metro Water Alliance — <https://www.westmetrowateralliance.org/>)

Every April, Earth Month is celebrated by many communities and is the largest civic event on the planet, activating billions of people to care for the environment and act for a brighter future. In Minnesota, April historically brings an abundance of rain. While the rain does help our environment in many ways, it also carries pollutants into our waters.

There is a common misconception that water runs into the storm drains on our streets and is filtered before it enters the environment. In reality, the heavy rains common in the spring wash the buildup of snow, trash, and pollutants from the wintertime directly into our lakes, rivers, and streams without any treatment.

Pollution from stormwater runoff is the most common and substantial threat Minnesota waters face to upholding healthy ecosystems. Water picks up pollutants like unnatural amounts of leaves and twigs, excess sediment like sand and dirt, salt from winter deicers, bacteria like E. Coli and other pet waste pollutants, gas and oil from cars, and more. This significantly affects water, causing growth of harmful algae, killing aquatic life, and contaminating our fish and drinking water sources. This is why it is imperative everyone is aware of steps they can take to reduce the pollution entering Minnesota's beautiful waters.

In honor of Earth Month, to improve water quality, we are encouraging residents to sign up for the **Adopt-a-Drain** ([adopt-a-drain.org/](https://www.westmetrowateralliance.org/adopt-a-drain)) program. It is a simple, low time commitment action that can make a huge improvement in environmental health. Follow these four steps outlined by the Adopt-a-Drain website:

(Adopt-a-Drain article continued on page 12)



Environmental Hennepin County Tree Giveaway

(Featured articles and images from the Hennepin County *Conservation Connection* February 2025 Newsletter)

When:

Thursday, April 24, 2025
Noon—6 p.m.

Saturday, April 26, 2025
9 a.m.—3 p.m.

Where:

Parkers Lake Golf Course in
Plymouth, Minnesota



Hennepin County is giving away bundles of tree seedlings to property owners to restore and improve woodland areas and increase wildlife habitat in Hennepin County.

Preparation for the giveaway

1. Complete the RSVP form at the link below to provide information on how many seedlings you hope to get, the day you will attend, and provide your email address to receive updates on pickup day parking, weather impacts, etc. Completing an RSVP is not a guarantee of seedling availability.
RSVP link: https://hennepinco.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cJjklCqaMmaarQ
2. Develop a planting plan for your property so you know how many trees you have room for. Trees come in bundles of 25. If you don't have space for 25 trees on your property, consider coordinating with neighbors to split up a bundle after pickup. (Bundles **cannot** be split up at the pickup site.)
3. Bring a bucket or buckets on pickup day to transport your trees. One 5-gallon bucket will fit one to three bundles, depending on the species.
4. Have a plan to plant your trees within 24 hours of pickup so they have the best chance of surviving.

Additional information and questions

A tree species list and tree planting and care instructions are available at [Hennepin.us/trees](https://hennepin.us/trees).

Contact Jack Lucas at jack.lucas@hennepin.us if you have questions regarding the tree giveaway or for more information about tree species, selection, and planting.

Proper Pet Waste Management

(Source: West Metro Water Alliance — <https://www.westmetrowateralliance.org/>)



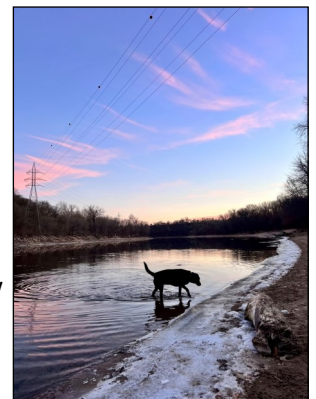
Scoop that poop during the spring thaw!

Spring is coming, which means snow and ice will soon melt and wash into nearby storm drains, carrying pollutants, like pet waste, into nearby bodies of water.

During the spring thaw, pet waste left in yards, sidewalks, or streets, enters our lakes, rivers, and streams without any filtering. This waste adds excess nutrients and harmful bacteria, like E. coli, to the water, decreasing water quality and threatening the health of people, pets, and wildlife.

Picking up your pet waste is a big deal! Not only does it make you a responsible pet owner, but it helps protect water quality and public health. Not to mention, it's the law. Help protect water this spring by making sure all the poop in your yard or neighborhood is picked up as the snow and ice starts to melt!

If you have any questions or would like to know more visit: [westmetrowateralliance.org/pet-waste](https://www.westmetrowateralliance.org/pet-waste).



St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

Upcoming Event Schedule

Holy Week + Easter

Date: April 13, 2025 — April 20, 2025

Location: St. Thomas the Apostle, 20000 County Road 10, Corcoran, MN 55340



For more information, visit:

<https://www.churchofstthomas.org/events-1/easter25>

2025 Parish Festival

Date: Sunday, August 17, 2025

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Location: St. Thomas the Apostle, 20000 County Road 10, Corcoran, MN 55340

You can expect a delicious turkey dinner and these fun activities: entertainment from the Jolly Ramblers (courtesy of The Stanchion), cash drawing, interactive kid's area, beer tent, cash Bingo, silent auction, craft sale, farmer's market, bake sale, cake walk, hula hoop contest, music, and much more!

For more information, visit:

<https://www.churchofstthomas.org/parish-festival>

Earth Month and Adopt-a-Drain

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1. Sign up: Sign up online to Adopt a Drain in your neighborhood at mn.adopt-a-drain.org.
2. Keep your drain clear: Sweep leaves, trash, and other debris off the drain surface year-round.
3. Track your impact: Estimate how much debris you collect and enter it into your online account so we can gauge the cumulative results of our work.
4. Lead by example: Let friends and neighbors know about your commitment and, if they ask, tell them about small things they can do at home to prevent water pollution.

For questions on how to get involved in protecting water quality in your community, please contact Grace at grace.barcelow@hennepin.us.

**ADOPT
A STORM
DRAIN**



A project of Hamline University

City of Corcoran Welcomes New Staff

Seth Gellman

Hello! I joined the City of Corcoran as the Community Development Administrative Assistant in January. I graduated from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities with a degree in Political Science. I worked for several years in sales and corporate retail before working in government. I have experience working in state, county, and municipal government and I'm thrilled to be working for the City of Corcoran and serving the community. In my free time I enjoy riding my motorcycle and traveling regularly to the Southwestern United States. I'm looking forward to meeting residents through my work with the city and at community events.



Kathy Sidla

I joined the City of Corcoran as the Accounts Payable Clerk at the end of February. I was born and raised in Hopkins. As an adult, I lived in Holland, Michigan for 10 years and in Newbury Park, California for 15+ years. I returned home to Minnesota in 2013 with my son to be closer to family. During my career as an accountant, I worked for large corporations, state, county, and city governments, and I retired (early!) from the University of Minnesota in 2018. My hobbies and interests include theatre, the more musical the better, coffee with friends, way too much streaming television, and various crafts to name a few. Over the years, I have been an arm-chair singer in various choirs, small groups, and have performed at the occasional wedding. I love my animals (Stella my dog, Teah my cat, and Sisters my 2 parakeets). My plans are to travel more, connect more with the world around me, and to simply enjoy my more relaxed lifestyle.



Dean Busch

I started for Corcoran on February 18, 2025, and am excited to come on board as the IT Manager. I attended North Dakota State University where I earned my bachelor's degree. I have worked for a couple of different cities over the years, the last one being the City of Robbinsdale where I worked for 13 years. My wife and I live in Elk River and enjoy fostering shelter dogs and cats, a handful of which stayed permanently in our house! We enjoy fishing and boating in the summer and snowmobiling in the winter. I'm excited to be working for the City of Corcoran and looking forward to being part of the future growth of the City.



Beau Hartneck

I joined the City of Corcoran as a Police Officer in December of 2024. Prior to joining the team, I worked for the City of Howard Lake for two years and the City of Golden Valley for eight years. During my time with Golden Valley Police Department, I served as a field training officer, use of force instructor, firearms instructor, drone operator and a patrol sergeant. I have a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from St. Cloud State University. I'm an avid golfer and try to play as many different courses as possible around the state in my free time. I'm excited to be part of the Corcoran community and look forward to providing continued public safety to the citizens.



Rocky (K9)

K9 Rocky is a German Shepherd from Germany and was assigned to Officer Josh Lawson in July 2024. The team was trained through McDonough K9 for over 15 weeks, consisting of over 600 hours of hands-on training. They completed training on November 22, 2024, and are now back to work in Corcoran. K9 Rocky is certified through the National Police Canine Association with their highest level of certification and is trained in Narcotics Detection, Obedience, Tracking, Suspect Search, Evidence Search, Handler Protection, and Criminal Apprehension. When K9 Rocky is not at work, he lives with Officer Lawson and his family. He enjoys eating, catching bad guys, playing fetch, chewing on everything, and laying in the backyard with his favorite toy.



RiverWorks Thousand Hearts Serve Day

Sharing love and faith by gathering and serving in our communities to address Health, Habitation, and Hunger.

Thousand Hearts Serve Day was established in 2012 and has been a launching point for community development work. Thousand Hearts 365 was then created because of the communities' desire to give back and serve our community year-round.

May 17, 2025, will be the 13th Annual Thousand Hearts Serve Day!

Please join us to help celebrate 13 years of service to our communities by joining others to work at sites such as Elmwood Cemetery, the Ames-Florida-Stork House and Rockford Schools. Most projects are family-friendly.

For more information on the Thousand Hearts program, the RiverWorks organization, and/or to sign up to participate in the 13th Annual Thousand Hearts Serve Day, visit the following link: <https://riverworksonline.org/>.



Northwest Area Jaycees Easter Egg Hunt

Come join us for the Northwest Area Jaycees FREE Easter Egg Hunt on April 19, 2025, at 10 a.m. at Corcoran Lions Park.

The event is held outdoors, so dress appropriately and is a free event and geared for ages 0-10 with age appropriate treats in each age category. Rain, shine or snow this event happens!

Divisions are split into specific age groups (0-2; 3-5; 6-10), treats for all, and golden prize eggs hidden throughout the park for a chance at special prizes.

Participants are encouraged to bring baskets to gather up the goodies and turn in any prize eggs found for larger gifts! The Easter Bunny will be on hand for photo opportunities with the kids, so don't forget to bring your cameras!

The hunt starts PROMPTLY at 10 a.m. This is a fast, fun filled frenzy and is usually done by 10:30 a.m. So DON'T BE LATE!

Check Facebook for event details & weather updates as the date draws near: www.facebook.com/nwareajaycees



Letter From The Mayor

More Concerning Housing Legislation

(Continued from front cover)

- **Elimination of Basic Development Standards:** Several bills seek to do away with local requirements for minimum lot sizes, setbacks, and building design standards. As I touched on earlier, cities would have to allow units on lots as small as one-eighth of an acre, with dramatically reduced yard setbacks and up to 80% lot coverage. Moreover, cities would be prohibited from enforcing any architectural or aesthetic standards beyond the bare minimum in the state building code. This means standards regarding types of building materials, green space, design, and architectural guidelines would be null and void.
- **Elimination of Parking Requirements:** Many of these bills would prohibit cities from requiring any parking requirements for new developments. In practice, this means a developer could build an apartment or a cluster of homes with zero parking spaces provided. In a community like Corcoran with limited transit options, eliminating parking minimums could lead to congested streets and overflow parking in adjacent areas. I am particularly concerned about the safety and practical impacts of this mandate, especially in winter months when on-street parking is already challenging.
- **Unplanned High-Density Residential Development in Commercial Zones:** One of the proposals ("Transforming Main Street Act," HF 2018/SF 2286) would force cities to permit multifamily residential developments on any property zoned for commercial use. In Corcoran, this means areas that are planned to diversify our tax base with reasonable commercial development could instead become sites for apartment complexes up to 75 feet tall, with setbacks as small as 20 feet – by right and without council approval or public input. In fact, for projects under 300 units, this bill mandates that cities cannot even consider traffic, noise, or similar impacts in its administrative review process. As Corcoran is just beginning to grow its commercial tax base, losing dedicated commercial and mixed-use properties to unplanned high-density residential development would have a particularly devastating impact on our community.

These bills are moving through the legislature right now. House and Senate committees held initial hearings in early March, and the proposals could advance quickly in the coming weeks. Several committees are likely to hear each of these bills before the session's April 4th deadline.

I've been working with our City Council, other mayors and regional partners to advocate for our community and to ensure that any housing policy addresses local needs rather than overriding them. We are communicating with legislators and will continue to do so as these bills move forward – but your help can make a big difference.

I ask that you take a moment to read through these bills, the summaries, and the other resources on the city website. If you share these concerns, please help spread the word on what is being considered in St. Paul. Additionally, a brief phone call or email to our legislators, the bill authors, and legislative committee members (contact information will be listed on the city website) can have a huge impact. Let them know that Corcoran values thoughtful growth, community input, and local decision-making – and that these bills, as written, threaten those values.

These state mandates would fundamentally change how Corcoran manages growth – diminishing local oversight, silencing residents' voices, and imposing unfunded mandates on our community. Together, we can send a clear message to state lawmakers that local control and public input matter. Let's make sure Corcoran's voice is heard loudly and clearly at the Capitol this session!

Take Care,

Tom McKee
Mayor
City of Corcoran
tmckee@corcoranmn.gov
612-803-8101





Hamel Rodeo July 10-13, 2025

Mark your calendars for the 2025 Hamel Rodeo taking place at Corcoran Lions Park July 10-13. Come out and enjoy five action-packed performances featuring bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, tie down roping, steer wrestling, team roping, barrel racing, and the spine-tingling Bull Ridin' Bonanza...PLUS a specialty act featuring Rider and Bethany Kiesner. For more information visit:

<https://www.hamelrodeo.org/>.



Corcoran Country Daze August 15-16, 2025

This year's Country Daze will take place August 15-16, 2025, at Corcoran Lions Park. There will be plenty of free family fun on Saturday and bands will play Friday and Saturday night. Country Daze is an annual family favorite event in Corcoran! For more information visit:

<https://corcorancountrydaze.org/>



West Suburban Fire District Pancake Breakfast

Date: April 27, 2025

Time: 8 a.m. to noon

Location: Station 1 — 259 North Medina Street, Loretto, MN 55357

West Suburban Fire District will be hosting their annual All You Can Eat Pancake & French Toast Breakfast again this year at West Suburban Fire Station 1. Pancakes, French Toast, Sausage, Eggs and more!

Also, you can check out the fire trucks and get some fire prevention goodies as well!

Community

North Hennepin Pioneer Society

Mark your calendars for August 10, 2025, for the Annual Summerfest at Burschville School. Welcoming BSQ's BBQ, Bryan Swanson "Pitmaster", a returning food wagon to the event! To think, it has been 131 years since the One-Room School opened for students and 30 years of Summerfest fun.



The Pioneer Society invites alumni, family, friends, and people interested in local history to Summerfest. The Society will host the event with help from area businesses and members. The school will be open to visitors with many outdoor activities. Featured activities include entertainment with live music, free face painting by Encore Entertainment, kids' games, door prizes and raffle prizes, antique cars from a local club, flea market, plus the famous "BSQ's BBQ wagon" cooked and grilled by Bryan Swanson.

Funds collected at Summerfest help keep up the expenses of insurance, painting, utilities, maintenance, and lawn mowing. Last fall, Verdich Construction refurbished the bell tower. Midstate Crane helped to hoist the tower from the roof to work on it and then put it back up. Members painted the outhouse fences and Shane Dyreson sanded and repainted the west side of the school. Funds were obtained from the City of Corcoran's gambling funds to replace the 26-year-old wood shakes on the roof and repair the chimney. As you drive by the school look for work being done on the roof this spring and summer. Help from the community keeps the school open for students to experience life in an original one-room school setting. We could not do it without you.



The Society is continuously seeking historical documents, photographs or items you may have for donation or to copy. They are also seeking voluntary help for the grounds upkeep, building maintenance labor, and monetary donations to help with the expenses. NHPS is a 501 © (3) non-profit organization.

Contact the North Hennepin Pioneer Society at:

CorcoranSchool1894@gmail.com.

Interested in becoming a member? Yearly

Membership is: \$15 per person, \$25 per couple. Please call Bonnie at: 763-639-1438 or Verneal at: 763-234-4527 for more information or email:

CorcoranSchool1894@gmail.com.





Corcoran Lions Tractor Pull May 31, 2025

Meet us in the stands to feel the rumble beneath your feet and witness the awe-inspiring spectacle of our memorable tractor pull event!

Location

Corcoran Lions Park
Gates Open: 5:30 p.m.
Tractor Pull Begins: 7 p.m.

Admission

KIDS: FREE (ages 12 and under)
\$20 (everyone else)

Additional Details

FREE Parking
CASH only (ATM on-site)
Tickets sold ONLY at gate (night of event)
NO coolers allowed

For more information visit
<https://www.corcoranlions.org/>



Hennepin County Fair June 12-14, 2025

Come and enjoy the Hennepin County Fair, as they acknowledge 172 years of the Hennepin County Agricultural Society (the governing body of the Hennepin County Fair).

The 2025 Hennepin County Fair has added some new features this year. As the first fair of the season, come and get your favorite food item, bounce in the bounce-houses, pet the animals, watch the shows, look at the creations of exhibitors, and experience all that a county fair offers.

Located at the Corcoran Lions Park, the Hennepin County Fair provides family fun entertainment with carnival rides, games, and much more.

For more information visit
<https://www.hennepincountyfair.com/>

Corcoran Hidden Gem Photo Contest

Are you ready to show off your city? Here's your chance to do so! The City of Corcoran is hosting a photo contest and we want to see your best photos!

The themes for the contest are:

- **Connected Community**
- **Preserving Natural Character**
- **Preserving Agricultural Roots**

The City of Corcoran is not responsible for lost entries.

*Please note that City of Corcoran staff may remove any images deemed to be inappropriate, in violation of the rules above, or offensive.

Submit your photos between April 15 - May 26, 2025. Once photos have been received they will be added to a voting form shared on the City of Corcoran website and Facebook page for community voting to determine the top three winners. Winners will have their photos displayed in the Corcoran City Council Chambers, as well as featured on the city's website and social media pages. The first-place winner will also receive a City of Corcoran branded jacket.

Visit our website at www.corcoranmn.gov or scan the QR code on the flyer below for contest rules/guidelines/instructions.



CORCORAN HIDDEN GEM PHOTO CONTEST



Contest Details

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WWW.CORCORANMN.GOV

Contest Themes

- Connected Community
- Preserving Natural Character
- Preserving Agricultural Roots

If you have a photo that embodies one or more of these themes, we want to see them! Please scan the QR code below or visit our website to view guidelines/instructions and to submit your photos.

**Google account sign-in is required to submit photos.*

Submit Your Photos

To submit your photos, scan the QR code or visit our website at www.corcoranmn.gov.

Questions?

763-338-9294

communications@corcoranmn.gov

Scan for more information and to submit your photos (Google account sign-in required).



www.corcoranmn.gov



8200 County Road 116
Corcoran, MN 55340

General Information

Organics Recycling

Source: <https://www.hennepin.us/residents/recycling-hazardous-waste/organics-recycling>



About one-third of our trash is organic materials, including food, food-soiled paper, and certified compostable products, that could be composted. Organics recycling is the best opportunity to reduce our trash and put it to better use.

While composting is great for disposing of food scraps and other compostable materials, preventing wasted food is even more important and more impactful.

Making simple changes and working to adopt new habits can have a big impact. Creating and following a meal plan, keeping track of and using up the food you buy, understanding date labels, and learning how to properly store and process food can all significantly reduce the amount of food waste you generate.

For more information on resources that will help you reduce food waste and/or more information on organics recycling, visit the Hennepin County recycling webpage: <https://www.hennepin.us/residents/recycling-hazardous-waste/organics-recycling>.

Monthly Utility Bills

The city offers online account viewing and e-payment options via www.invoicecloud.com/corcoranmn. 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. You may also pay via cash or check at City Hall. Residents and business can place payments and utility service applications in the outdoor drop box located by the main entrance of City Hall at any time or at the front desk during business hours. Visit www.corcoranmn.gov — Pay Bills to view, pay or login to your utility billing account. Questions? Contact utilitybilling@corcoranmn.gov or call 763-420-2288 and select Option 1.

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(Outside of construction hours)
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