

# CORCORAN HORIZONS

## SPRING/SUMMER 2026



### Corcoran Civic Campus Public Engagement

The remaining schedule for the Civic Campus Open House events can be found below. Join us in the coming months for one or more of these public engagement opportunities.

#### OPEN HOUSE GOALS

- Promote Awareness: facility conditions and needed spaces
- Constructive Dialogue: opinions, preferences, and concerns
- Shared Understanding: listen and learn together
- Collaborative Problem Solving: identify and develop best potential solutions

#### PROJECT GOALS

- Provide a cost-effective and responsible facility solution that addresses long-term operational needs for City Hall and the Police Department.
- Support efficient workflows, modern operations, and flexibility to adapt to future staffing, service, and technology changes.
- Enhance staff health, wellness, safety, and security while maintaining appropriate public access.
- Improve the public experience through clear access, wayfinding, and welcoming civic spaces that reflect community values, providing public gathering areas, and site amenities.
- Align facility planning with projected community growth and long-term service demands.

For more information on the ongoing Civic Campus project, visit [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – Our Community > Civic Campus Public Engagement.

### Civic Campus Survey Notice

Over the past decade, Corcoran's population has grown by more than 30%, and projections indicate this trend will continue. This steady growth has increased demand for essential public

services, requiring more staffing, more space, and additional facility maintenance. As a result, City Hall staff and the Corcoran Police Department have outgrown our current facility, making the need for a larger building increasingly urgent.

The City recently held several open house events to gather information for a new civic campus, with more to come, and received valuable feedback from attendees. However, to ensure every resident has a chance to share their thoughts, we will be mailing a survey notice to all households. This is your opportunity to share your thoughts on the proposed civic campus. Please watch for the survey in your mailbox in early April and take a few minutes to complete before the May 4, 2026, deadline. We value your feedback and look forward to hearing from you.

To keep all feedback confidential, survey responses will be collected by Community Perceptions, an independent research firm.

#### TWO WAYS TO TAKE THIS SURVEY

##### Online (saves postage expense):

1. Visit [www.Survey2000.com](http://www.Survey2000.com) or scan the QR code found on your survey notice
2. Enter the individual code you received in the mail
3. Complete the survey

##### Paper (two options):

1. Complete survey and return to City Hall
2. Complete survey and mail to:  
**Community Perceptions**  
**PO Box 607**  
**Slinger, WI 53086**

*\*The survey code can be used only once. To obtain additional surveys for other adults in your household, please call City Hall at 763-420-2288.*

#### Survey deadline: May 4, 2026

If you need additional support to complete this survey (including a different language), please contact City Hall. Survey results will be reported at a Council meeting and available on our website.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey!



## CIVIC CAMPUS OPEN HOUSE



### 2026 SCHEDULE

**April 28**  
Corcoran Public Works Facility  
6–7:30 p.m.

**May 6**  
Saint Therese of Corcoran  
10:30 a.m.–noon

**June 2**  
Hope Community Church  
6–7:30 p.m.

**August 4**  
Corcoran Public Works Facility  
at Corcoran Night to Unite 2026  
6–7:30 p.m.

JOIN US IN THE COMING MONTHS FOR OUR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES REGARDING THE CORCORAN CIVIC CAMPUS.



Scan the QR Code above for more information.

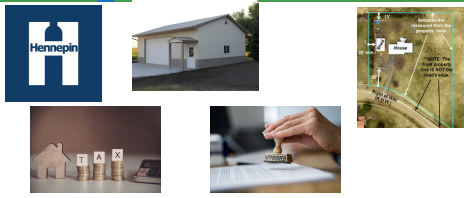


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## City Updates

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, as well as relevant City updates. A full recap from Council meetings can be found by reviewing the approved City Council minutes at [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) — *Our Government* > *Council* > *Meetings/Videos/Agenda Packets*.

### Recognition

At the February 12, 2026, City Council Meeting:

Natalie Davis McKeown, Community Development Director, was recognized for five years of service with the City of Corcoran.

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At the February 12, 2026, City Council Meeting:

Tom Anderson, outgoing Elm Creek Watershed Commissioner, was recognized for his service on the Elm Creek Watershed Commission for the past eight years.

### Hennepin County Property Assessments

At the February 26, 2026, City Council Meeting:

Joshua Hoogland, Hennepin County Assessor, gave a presentation detailing Hennepin County's assessment process, and responded to questions, in order to improve overall understanding of assessments for Corcoran City Council and Corcoran residents.

### Parks and Trails Commission Appointments

At the February 26, 2026, City Council Meeting:

City Council reappointed Phillip Christenson and Gary Erzberger to the Parks and Trails Commission, each for a term expiring February 28, 2029.

### Planning Business

At the February 26, 2026, City Council Meeting:

Council adopted Resolution 2026-17 approving a site plan from Josh Montgomery, of Saint Therese of Corcoran, LLC, for Phase Two of the Saint Therese project in Corcoran. The project includes 31 new independent living units, additional community space, and underground garage parking.

### Charter Commission Seats Open

The City of Corcoran is now accepting applications for two immediate openings on the Charter Commission.

For more information and to apply, visit the link below:

[www.corcoranmn.gov/news/what\\_s\\_new/commission\\_seat\\_open](http://www.corcoranmn.gov/news/what_s_new/commission_seat_open)

### Hiring Seasonal Elections Specialist

The City of Corcoran is hiring for a Seasonal Elections Specialist. The Elections Specialist will support the City Clerk with various election activities including election administration of local, state, and federal elections for the City of Corcoran.

Learn more and apply by visiting [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) — *How Do I?* > *Apply For* > *Employment/Volunteer Opportunities* > *Elections Specialist*

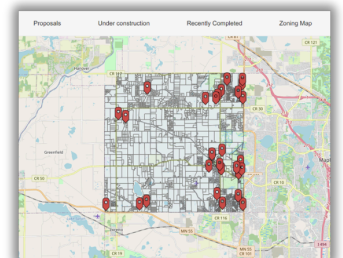
### Development Updates

Curious about a construction project in Corcoran?

Explore the Development Updates Interactive Map to learn more about current and upcoming development projects throughout the City.

To access the map, visit the Development Updates page on the City's website at

[www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) — *Public Services* > *Land Use and Development* > *Development Updates*.



For information and updates, visit the City of Corcoran's website:

[www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov)



# Land Use Applications and Final Plats

*The Corcoran Planning Commission meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. 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.*

**M&J Creekside Interim Use Permit & Site Plan (PID 08-119-23-23-0017) (City File 25-026).** Margaret and John Fernandez request approval of a site plan and interim use permit to allow the operation of a wine tasting room at 23020 County Road 30. The operation would consist of wine sales, production, and processing. This item was reviewed by the City Council during the October 23, 2025, regular session. After some discussion, the Council approved the IUP and Site Plan with the conditions that the maximum number of guests be limited to 88, the hours of operation be limited to 12pm-9pm Thursday through Saturday, and 12pm-6pm on Sundays, and additional screening to be provided along the northwest and south sides of the parking lot. The applicants have also requested approval of an after-the-fact variance from the Shoreland Overlay District standards for a structure that was constructed within the minimum setback area from Rush Creek. Council reviewed this item during the February 26, 2026, meeting. The discussion included a recap of the previous approvals for the IUP, and a clarification on the accessory structures that would remain if the variance was approved. After some discussion, the Council approved the requested variance.

**Phil's Quality Auto Site Plan & Variance (PID 26-119-23-11-0029) (City File 25-030).** Phil's Quality Auto request approval of a Site Plan and Variance to allow the expansion of their parking lot within the minimum front yard setback area at 7590 Commerce Street. This item was reviewed and approved by the City Council during the November 25, 2025, meeting. Following the meeting, the applicant met with staff to discuss the project further. The applicant submitted a request for additional variance from the setback requirements and drive aisle width for paving and expanding the parking areas on the lot. The public hearing for this item was held during the January 6, 2026, Planning Commission meeting. After some discussion, the Commission motioned to recommend approval of the request. This item was approved by the Council on January 22, 2026.

**St. Therese Phase 2 Site Plan (PID 24-119-23-32-0004) (City File 25-043).** Saint Therese of Corcoran submitted a site plan for phase 2 of their campus, which would consist of 36 additional units at 19800 79th Place. Part of the request included an approval to allow the applicant to utilize the City-owned land on County Road 116 for construction staging. The Planning Commission reviewed this item during the February 5, 2026, meeting. After some discussion, the Planning Commission voted 3:0 to recommend approval of the site plan. The City Council reviewed this item during the February 26, 2026, meeting. The discussion included the applicants satisfying their landscaping requirements off-site on the adjacent parcel along County Road 116, as well as the development of the northern spur of the linear park. The Council voted to approve the Site Plan as presented.

**Kariniemi Orchards Preliminary Plat (PID 11-119-23-21-0002) (City File 25-044).** Nate Kariniemi submitted a preliminary plat application for a 12-lot subdivision at 20400 County Road 30. This item is complete for City review and is scheduled for the April 2, 2026, Planning Commission meeting.

**Springs at Corcoran Preliminary Plat, Preliminary PUD, Rezoning (PID 12-119-23-13-0007) (City File 26-001).** Continental 928 Fund, LLC. Request approval of a preliminary plat, preliminary Planned Unit Development (PUD), and rezoning to allow the construction of 294 market-rate rental units at 19330 County Road 30. The site is currently zoned General Mixed-Use. The applicant is requests the site be rezoned to Planned Unit Development (PUD), with an underlying zoning district of GMU. This item is not complete for City review and is not currently scheduled for any upcoming meetings.

**Lindberg ADU (PID 21-119-23-23-0001) (City File 26-002).** Heidi Lindberg requests approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the construction of an. accessory dwelling unit that exceeds 960 sq. ft. and is less than 1,200 sq. ft. at 8301 Strehler Road. This application is complete for City review and is scheduled for the April 2, 2026, Planning Commission meeting.

## 2026 Corcoran Events Calendar

*\*Meetings are held in person at City Hall or via an online stream. Visit [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) for updates.*

### April

- 2: Planning Commission Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 9: City Council Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 16: Parks and Trails Commission Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 23: City Council Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 28: Civic Campus Open House - 6 to 7:30 P.M.  
at Corcoran Public Works Facility  
9100 County Road 19, Corcoran, MN 55357

### May

- 5: Corcoran Clean Up Day - 8 A.M. to Noon  
at Corcoran Public Works Facility  
9100 County Road 19, Corcoran, MN 55357
- 6: Civic Campus Open House - 10:30 A.M. to Noon  
at Saint Therese of Corcoran  
19800 79<sup>th</sup> Place, Corcoran, MN 55340
- 7: Planning Commission Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 14: City Council Work Session Meeting - 5:30 P.M.
- 14: City Council Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 21: Parks and Trails Commission Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 25: City Hall Closed - Memorial Day
- 28: City Council Meeting - 7 P.M.

### June

- 2: Civic Campus Open House - 6 to 7:30 P.M.  
at Hope Community Church  
19951 Oswald Farm Rd, Corcoran, MN 55374
- 4: Planning Commission Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 11: City Council Work Session Meeting - 5:30 P.M.
- 11: City Council Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 18: Parks and Trails Commission Meeting - 7 P.M.
- 19: City Hall Closed - Juneteenth
- 25: City Council Meeting - 7 P.M.

## Subscribe to Future Council Packets

Visit [www.corcoranmn.gov/our\\_government/council/meeting\\_information](http://www.corcoranmn.gov/our_government/council/meeting_information) and look for the **Email Updates** box. From there, you can enter your email address and follow the prompts.



# Property Tax Information

Memo from the Hennepin County Assessor's Office

## Hennepin County 2026 Open Book Meetings

Open book meetings are a key component of transparency in the real property assessment process. They provide an opportunity for taxpayers to understand how their property values were determined and allow assessors to deliver high-quality customer service to the residents of Hennepin County.

### Open Book Meetings Overview

The Hennepin County Assessor's Office will host seven in-person open book meetings across the county in 2026, as well as one virtual session, for taxpayers who wish to discuss their 2026 assessments. Taxpayers living in a city that offers an open book process may attend any meeting at any location that best fits their schedule.

Meeting dates, times, and locations will be included with the valuation notices mailed in the spring. Each notice will also include an informational insert outlining the available appeal options.

Taxpayers wishing to participate in the virtual meeting will need access to a computer or smartphone and must call ahead to schedule an appointment. A Microsoft Teams link will then be provided for the selected date and time. Appraisers will offer flexible scheduling options to accommodate taxpayers' needs for virtual, face-to-face discussions. Below are the locations, dates, and times of the meetings for 2026.

| Location                                  | Date     | Time            |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| Richfield City Hall                       | April 20 | 4 - 7 P.M.      |
| Plymouth City Hall                        | April 22 | 8 A.M. - 7 P.M. |
| Maple Grove City Hall                     | April 23 | Noon - 7 P.M.   |
| Mound Centennial Building                 | April 27 | 4 - 7 P.M.      |
| Edina Fire Station 2                      | April 28 | Noon - 7 P.M.   |
| Virtual                                   | April 29 | 8 A.M. - 7 P.M. |
| 21st Century Bank<br>Event Center, Rogers | April 29 | 4 - 7 P.M.      |
| Crystal Community Center                  | April 30 | Noon - 7 P.M.   |

Taxpayers may also contact their assessor at any time after receiving their valuation notice and before the County Board of Appeal and Equalization (CBAE) appointment deadline on May 20, 2026. Each notice includes the appropriate phone number for reaching the assigned appraiser or assessor. Many questions can be answered—and concerns resolved—through a phone conversation.

### Hennepin County Assessor Value Review Process

Hennepin County appraisers will continue to respond promptly to taxpayer inquiries regarding property values. We will conduct in-person valuation and classification reviews. To support this process, we may request relevant documentation from property owners, such as inspection reports or independent appraisals.

In addition to physically inspecting property, we will also utilize all available tools to ensure accurate assessments, including aerial imagery, GIS technology, street-view photography, and sales listing information.

### Contact

#### County Assessor

Joshua Hoogland  
(612) 348-8853  
[joshua.hoogland@hennepin.us](mailto:joshua.hoogland@hennepin.us)

#### Hennepin County Assessor's Office

300 South 6th Street MC-213  
Minneapolis, MN 55487  
612-348-3046 | [hennepin.us/assessment](https://hennepin.us/assessment)

## 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 were not 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 left 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](https://hennepin.us/assessment) for more information.





# 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:

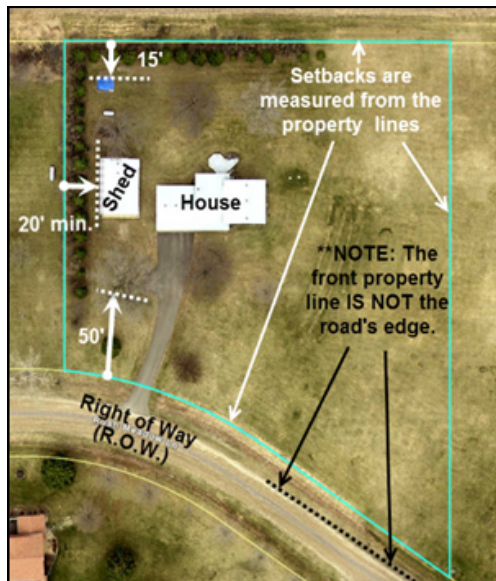
- Proposed construction plans illustrating design, materials, and scale
  - Certificate of Survey indicating the location of the structure;
- \*Or site plan, allowing the proposed structure meets all the required setbacks by at least **two** times. Site plan must be drawn to scale and indicate the lot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

To apply for a permit or view additional specific permit type guidance and handouts visit [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – Public Services > Construction Services & Inspections. To schedule an inspection or for building code-related questions contact the City's contracted Building Official, Metro West Inspection Services at 763-479-1720. Questions? Contact [permits@corcoranmn.gov](mailto:permits@corcoranmn.gov).

## 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 with account registration and the online permitting process. To begin the registration process and/or apply for a permit visit [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://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](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – Public Services > Construction Services & Inspections.

Metro West Inspection Services is contracted to conduct plan reviews and inspections. For building plan 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 Unit Replacement  
**\$76/unit**

Gas Fireplace  
**\$76**

General Plumbing  
**\$51+**

Water Heater or Water Softener  
**\$36/unit**

*\*Fees include \$1 State Surcharge.*



# 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 March 3, 2026.

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 2026 seasonal load limits. **PLEASE NOTE:** Overweight vehicle permits will NOT be issued except for emergency situations (LP, Septic, Well, etc.), or if agriculturally exempt. Agricultural overweight permits are still required and will be issued at no charge. Overweight Vehicle permit applications can be found at [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) — *Public Services > Construction Services and Inspections > Overweight Permits*. For more information or to submit a permit application contact [kmeer@corcoranmn.gov](mailto:kmeer@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)  
Hackamore Road (between Old Settlers Road and Butterworth 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?

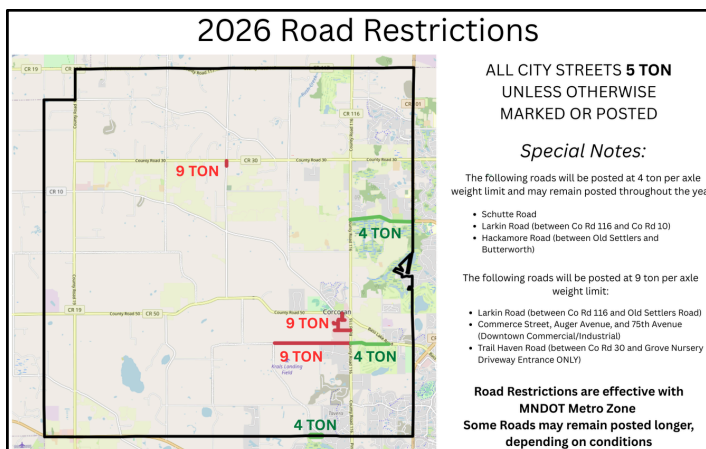
Each year during the spring thaw (typically early-March), State, County, and local agencies impose axle weight restrictions to protect the investment that has been made in their roadways. Restrictions continue until the road surface is again strong enough to carry normal loads (typically mid-May).

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.



## National Public Works Week May 17-23, 2026

(Source: American Public Works Association — <https://www.apwa.org/>)

The American Public Works Association has announced that the theme for National Public Works Week, taking place from May 17–23, 2026, is “Rooted in Service, Powered by Community”. The roots of service run deep in public works. It is what has propelled public works innovations that have helped our communities evolve into places where people can lead lives of purpose and possibility. Some work—like building roads and bridges—is highly visible, while other public works contributions—like maintaining water and sewer systems—are sometimes hidden from view. Together, these efforts form the foundation of thriving communities, reminding us that every project, seen or unseen, powers the connection between service and the people it supports.

The theme “Rooted in Service, Powered by Community” reminds us that public works professionals are motivated to serve the communities that they love and that power them to always do their best. Whether serving as first responders, responding to electricity outages, providing regular waste pickup, or making roads and sidewalks passable after a winter weather event, public works puts service at the forefront for their community.

We would like to honor our Public Works team for their commitment to this year's theme and thank them for their time and dedication to the City of Corcoran.





# Public Works

## Corcoran Clean Up Day 2026

The City of Corcoran's annual Clean Up Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 2, 2026, 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](mailto:environment@hennepin.us), call 612-348-3777, or visit [www.hennepin.us/residents/recycling-hazardous-waste/drop-off-facilities](http://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](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) — Public Services > Public Works > Corcoran Clean Up Day 2026. Staff will verify quantities and determine total amount due.*

# CORCORAN CLEAN UP DAY

## May 2, 2026

**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**

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| <b>TIRES</b><br>Motorcycle, Car, Pickup Under 15"<br><b>\$6/each</b><br>If On The Rims<br><b>\$10/each</b><br>Large Truck 15" and Up<br><b>\$10/each</b><br>Tractor/Truck<br><b>NOT ACCEPTED</b> | <b>ELECTRONICS</b><br>Televisions 27" and Smaller<br><b>\$27/each piece</b><br>Televisions 28" and Larger<br><b>\$35/each piece</b><br>Flat Panel LCD, LED, Plasma<br><b>\$25/each piece</b><br>Computer, Monitor, Laptop, Large Copier<br><b>\$10/each piece</b><br>Printer, Fax, Scanner, DVD/VCR, Stereo<br><b>\$5/each piece</b> | <b>NO CHARGE ITEMS</b><br>- Recyclable Steel/Scrap Metal (fluids must be drained where applicable)<br>- Propane Tanks (valves removed and no disposable tanks)<br>- Vehicle Batteries (no household batteries)<br><br>Mattress<br><b>\$25/each piece</b><br>Box Spring<br><b>\$20/each piece</b><br>Upholstered Furniture (E.G., Couch, Loveseat, Chair, Recliner)<br><b>\$40/each piece</b><br><br>Carpet/Carpet Pad<br><b>\$8/square yard</b> |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS</b><br><b>\$20+ (depending on amount)</b><br>Level Pick Up Box<br><b>\$70/each</b><br>Level With Cab<br><b>\$115/each</b><br>Fluorescent Bulbs Up To 8"<br><b>\$1/each</b>      | <b>APPLIANCES</b><br>Compressed Gas Appliances (Fridge, Freezer, A/C, ETC.)<br><b>\$25/each piece</b><br>General Appliances (Washer, Dryer, Stove, ETC.)<br><b>NO CHARGE</b>                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

\*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.

763-420-2288   publicworksoperations@corcoranmn.gov   www.corcoranmn.gov

## City of Corcoran Welcomes New Staff

### Matthew Gsellmeier

Hi everyone! I started working for the City of Corcoran on January 12 as the Finance Director. Prior to working for Corcoran, I spent 12 years working for the Metropolitan Council, and before that I worked in the private sector for IBM and Target. I also have a bachelor's degree from St. Bonaventure University (BBA in finance) and a master's degree from Villanova (MPA). Outside of work I enjoy spending time with my wife (Missy), our 10-year-old son (Jacob), and our two golden retrievers (Chewie and Tucker). I'm excited to get to know everyone as I learn my new role!



### Bryce Haw

Hi! I am Bryce, the new IT Technician for Corcoran. I graduated in 2021 with a degree in computer programming. Shortly after, I started working in IT where I have a strong passion for all things technology; whether I'm at home or in the office, I genuinely enjoy working with tech and problem-solving complex issues as they arise.

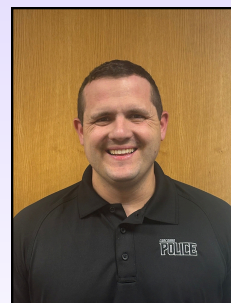


Over the last few years, I've focused on gaining as much hands-on experience as possible, and I can't wait to help staff utilize technology to the best of their ability.

In my free time I like to play baseball, softball, golf, and hockey. I play on a town league baseball team and a softball team in the summer with occasional golf thrown in. During the winter, I will be playing outdoor hockey when it's not too cold. I look forward to being part of the team and working with everyone!

### Jordan Myhre

Hello! I joined the Corcoran Police Department as a Police Officer in March. I received a bachelor's degree in law enforcement from Minnesota State Mankato. I have been a police officer for the past 12 years with two other Hennepin County Agencies. I have been married to my wife for nine years and we have three beautiful daughters. In my free time, I enjoy going to the lake with my family, hunting, fishing, and playing golf. I am excited about the opportunity to serve as a police officer with the City of Corcoran and look forward to a long career here.





# Parks and Recreation

## Summer Soccer

Youth soccer is coming back this year after taking 2025 off due to park construction. While some fields are still going to be off limits while we let the grass grow back, we cannot wait to see everyone back at the park for summer soccer nights!

Corcoran residents receive priority registration beginning Monday, April 6, at 8 a.m., through Monday, April 13, at 7:59 a.m. During this window, residents can register using the password “Kick” to begin the process. Non-residents that register during this window will be unregistered and asked to re-register during open registration, which opens on Monday, April 13, at 8 a.m. and runs through Monday, May 25, at 11:59 p.m. (or until filled). Registration can be completed at [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – *Public Services > Parks and Recreation*.

The season will run on Tuesdays and Thursdays from early July-August. Volunteer coaches are needed as part of the program – if interested, please be sure to mark that on your child’s registration. Volunteer coaches receive one registration refund at the end of the season upon equipment return.

Participants should come prepared with shin guards, socks that cover the shin guards, and a labeled warm-up soccer ball (U6/U8: Size 3; U10/U12: Size 4).



## Fall Baseball

Fall baseball is also making a return in 2026 so get ready to hit the field! Corcoran Parks and Recreation offers three youth baseball opportunities designed to help players build skills and learn the game, while having a fun in a supportive environment.

T-ball (ages 4-5) meets Mondays, Coach Pitch (ages 6-7) meets Wednesdays, and Machine Pitch (ages 8-10) meets on Mondays and Wednesdays. All programs take place at Heritage Park (20200 County Road 50). Registration opens Monday, June 15, at 8 a.m. and closes Sunday, August 2, at 11:59 p.m.

Registration can be completed at [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – *Public Services > Parks and Recreation*.



## 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! Love to garden or want to learn? Join the City's Garden Club!

Whether you are a seasoned green thumb or just curious about getting started, this is a great opportunity to connect with fellow residents, share tips, and grow something beautiful together.

Visit <https://app.seemylegacy.com/community/1278/campaign/5115/overview> and fill out the form!



## Country Daze Bean Bag Tournament

The City of Corcoran is teaming up with Country Daze again for the 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 start on Monday, June 15, at 8 a.m. and closes on Saturday, August 15, at 8 a.m. The tournament is limited to 16 teams so be sure to register early!

For more information or to register, visit [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – *Public Services > Parks and Recreation > Bean Bag Tournament - Country Daze*.





# Parks and Recreation

## Heritage Park Remaster Project – Update!

We are getting closer to the completion of Heritage Park and the big changes that have occurred! As a reminder, the planned improvements include:

- New (and newly located) farm-themed playground
- Heritage Park Building, which includes a gathering space
- Improved trail connections throughout the park
- Paved main parking lot
- Enhanced field conditions for sports and activities

Work is progressing and anticipated to pick up even more with the warmer months! If you are interested in following along with the project, more information and photos of the progression can be found online at [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – *Public Services > Parks and Recreation > Heritage Park Remaster.*



## Field and Park Shelter Rentals Available

Several amenities are available to reserve at Heritage Park (20200 County Road 50) including the open-air pavilion, some ballfields, and the volleyball courts.

Reservations can be placed with a one-week hold, but are confirmed once the reservation agreement, rental fees, and damage deposit are submitted. Corcoran residents also receive a 10% discount on rental fees!

To learn more about renting park facilities, visit [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – *Public Services > Parks and Recreation > Heritage Park.*

At this time, we are not taking reservations for the new park building but will provide more information once it is available for rent.





# Weaver Lake Regional Trail

## Project Overview

### Project Background

Three Rivers Park District is kicking off the Weaver Lake Regional Trail (WLRT) Long-range Plan in spring 2026. The first phase of the WLRT planning process will determine a preferred route that connects the communities of Brooklyn Park, Maple Grove, and Corcoran (see Project Map). Future extensions will be to the West Mississippi River Regional Trail in Brooklyn Park and Lake Rebecca Park Reserve in Greenfield. The WLRT will be a 10-foot-wide, paved, multi-use trail supporting biking, hiking, dog walking, running and in-line skating. The WLRT preferred route will prioritize high natural resource value (where feasible), local parks or trails, commercial areas, and other planned or existing regional trails. The first phase of the WLRT project will make several connections to north-south regional trails, including the Crystal Lake, Medicine Lake, future Diamond Lake, and Lake Independence Regional Trails.

### Public and City Partner Engagement

Three Rivers will work with city partners to obtain public input and identify the preferred trail route between the future Brooklyn Boulevard Blue Line LRT Station in Brooklyn Park and Lake Independence Regional Trail in Corcoran. Resident and community engagement will kick off in summer 2026 along the corridor and in adjacent communities. The engagement event schedule will be available in early summer 2026 on Three Rivers' Let's Talk website.

### Planning Process

Three Rivers will use community and city partner feedback gathered throughout 2026 to determine a preferred route. Three Rivers will then bring forward the WLRT Long-range Plan to public agency partners, Three Rivers' Board of Commissioners, and the Metropolitan Council for approval.

### Questions?

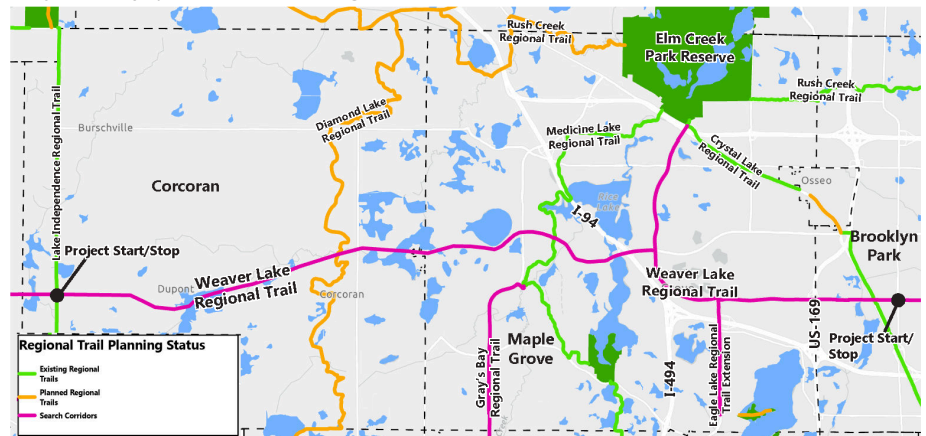
Visit the Let's Talk project page at:

[www.letstalkthreerivers.org/weaver-lake-regional-trail-long-range-plan](http://www.letstalkthreerivers.org/weaver-lake-regional-trail-long-range-plan)

Or reach out to the project manager:

Maggie Heurung, Planner, [maggie.heurung@threeriversparks.org](mailto:maggie.heurung@threeriversparks.org)

Project Map | Weaver Lake Regional Trail Search Corridor



## Proposed Timeline

### Spring 2026

- Inform cities (i.e., park commissions and city councils) about project
- Work closely with city staff to understand existing conditions and future development for the area
- Create graphics and maps to share with the public for spring/summer engagement

### Summer/Fall 2026

- Assess routes and engage residents in Brooklyn Park, Maple Grove, and Corcoran

### Winter 2026-2027

- Finalize long-range plan based on public feedback

### Spring 2027

- Initiate 30-day public comment period

### Summer 2027

- Seek long-range plan approval from City Councils and Park District Board of Commissioners

## Rental Dwelling Licenses

**Reminder:** A Rental Dwelling License is required for property owners renting their houses in Corcoran. This program helps ensure that rental housing is safe, well-maintained, and compliant with applicable City and State codes.

If you currently own a rental property, or are considering converting a home into a rental, please take a moment to review the program requirements and application materials available on the City's website.

To find more information about the Rental Dwelling License Program, visit [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – Public Services > Rental Dwelling Licenses.



# Public Safety

## Corcoran Police Administrative Office

Phone: 763-420-8966

(Only to be used during office hours)

### 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



Please be advised that the Administrative Office phone line is **not monitored 24/7**. Staff are available to answer calls during **regular business hours**.

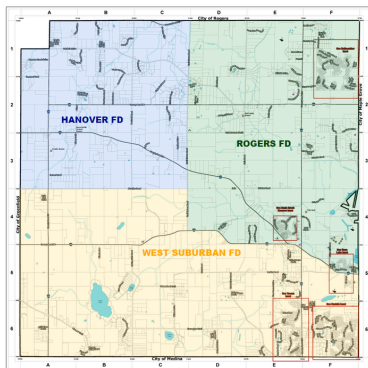
For police services **after hours**, on **evenings or weekends**, please contact the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) non-emergency dispatch at: **952-258-5321**

**For emergencies requiring immediate police assistance, always call: 9-1-1**

Thank you for your cooperation.

## 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](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) — **Public Services > Fire > Fire Protection Services**.



## Coffee With A Cop

Connect with Corcoran's Finest – Coffee, Conversation, and Community.

Join the Corcoran Police Department for a relaxed and friendly meet-and-greet held on the first Tuesday of every month.

Officers will be visiting local restaurants and community spaces to connect with residents—no speeches, no agendas, just a chance to talk, ask questions, share concerns, or simply get to know the men and women who serve our community.

Enjoy some coffee, engage in meaningful conversation, and take part in a few fun giveaways while you are there.

To view our upcoming schedule, visit [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) — **Public Services > Police > Coffee With A Cop**.

**Please note – dates, times, and locations are subject to change. Please keep an eye on the City website and social media pages for updates.**



## Who To Call? 911, Non-Emergency, or Administrative Office

### Call 911 for Emergencies

Call 911 immediately if there is a situation requiring urgent police, fire, or medical response:

- Medical emergencies – chest pain, heart attack, unconsciousness, stroke symptoms, severe bleeding, head injuries
- Accidents and injuries – car crashes (with or without injuries), serious falls, fires
- Crimes or threats in progress – active or dangerous situations

### Call Non-Emergency Dispatch (952-258-5321)

Use this number for situations that require police attention but are not urgent:

- Suspicious activity – unfamiliar person or vehicle lingering for extended periods, possible mail tampering
- Lost or missing property – misplaced items, stolen property reports, lost animals
- Minor disturbances – loud neighbors, barking dogs, non-violent disputes

### Call the Police Administrative Office

For general questions or follow-up matters:

- Following up on a case
- Requesting a police report
- Questions about permits (burn permits, permit to purchase, etc.)

**Note:** The Administrative Office cannot dispatch officers. All service calls are handled through the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office dispatch. If you call the administrative office for police response, you will be redirected.

### When in Doubt

If someone needs immediate help and you are unsure what to do, **call 911**.

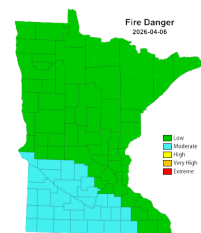
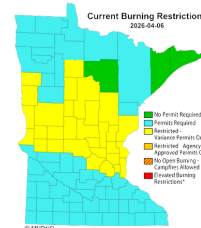
Avoid calling 911 for non-emergencies such as minor illnesses, small issues, or general questions.

## Spring Burning Restrictions and Fire Danger

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources produces and updates the burning restrictions and fire danger maps daily. The current burning restrictions map shows where you must have a permit to burn debris like small amounts of dry leaves and brush. The fire danger map is a tool providing a relative measure of burning conditions and wildfire growth potential. The rating takes into account current and preceding weather, fuel types (grasses, brush, timber, and slash), and live and dead fuel moisture.

At the time of this newsletter's production, there is a burning restriction in effect for Hennepin County, but the fire danger remains low. We recommend checking the Minnesota DNR website regularly for updates as spring arrives.

Spring burn restrictions typically begin two weeks after the snow melts and remain in place until summer green-up occurs. To view the most up to date burning restrictions and fire danger from the Minnesota DNR, visit: [https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire/firerating\\_restrictions.html](https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/forestry/fire/firerating_restrictions.html)





# Elections 2026

## Primary Election Dates

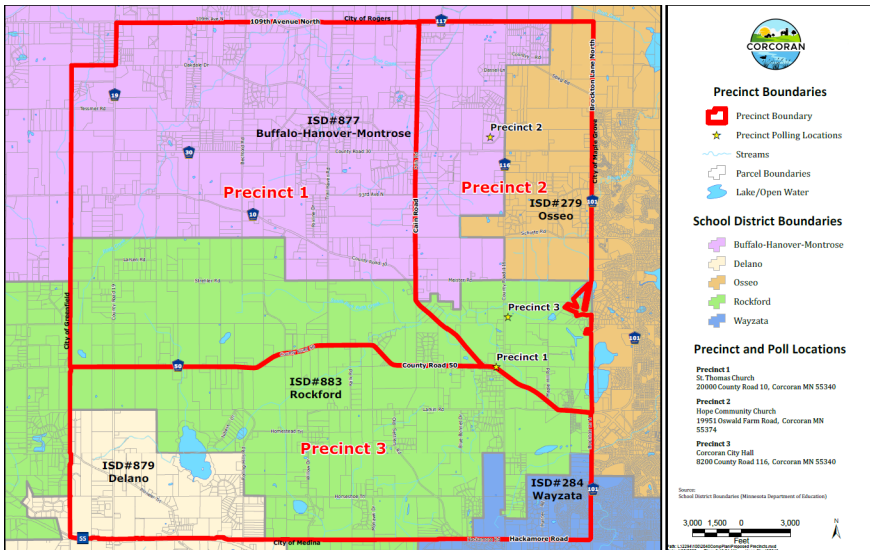
**Jun 26:** Absentee voting begins (by mail and in person)  
**July 24:** Early voting begins (in person)  
**Aug 8:** City Hall open from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. for in-person absentee voting  
**Aug 10:** City Hall open until 5 p.m. for in-person absentee voting  
**Aug 11:** **Primary Election Day** – Polls open 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

## General Election

**Sept 18:** Absentee voting begins (by mail and in person)  
**Oct 16:** Early voting begins (in person)  
**Oct 31:** City Hall open from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. for in-person absentee voting  
**Nov 1:** City Hall open from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. for in-person absentee voting  
**Nov 2:** City Hall open until 5 p.m. for in-person voting  
**Nov 3:** **General Election Day** – Polls open 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Additional election information is available on the City's website at [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) – Our Government > Elections > Election General Information or by contacting City Clerk, Deb Johnson, at [dkjohnson@corcoranmn.gov](mailto:dkjohnson@corcoranmn.gov) or 763-338-9291.

Additional information can also be found by visiting the Minnesota Secretary of State website at the following link: [sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/](https://sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/).



## Polling Locations:

### Precinct 1:

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

### Precinct 2:

Hope Community Church  
19951 Oswald Farm Road  
Corcoran, MN 55374

### Precinct 3:

Corcoran City Hall  
8200 County Rd. 116  
Corcoran, MN 55340

*\*To find your polling location, visit <https://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us/>.*

## ELECTION JUDGES NEEDED

The City of Corcoran is seeking  
Election Judges for the 2026 election season

PRIMARY  
**AUG.  
11**

GENERAL  
**NOV.  
3**

## ELECTION JUDGE ELIGIBILITY:

- ✓ Must be eligible to vote
- ✓ Cannot be a candidate in that election
- ✓ Must be able to read, write, and speak English
- ✓ Must not be a spouse, parent, child, or sibling of any election judge serving in the same precinct or of any candidate in that election

SCAN THE QR CODE  
BELOW FOR MORE  
INFORMATION



## OR CONTACT:

CITY CLERK - DEB JOHNSON  
[DKJOHNSON@CORCORANMN.GOV](mailto:DKJOHNSON@CORCORANMN.GOV)  
763-338-9291



# Community

## West Suburban Fire District Pancake Breakfast

**Date:** April 12, 2026

**Time:** 8 a.m. to noon

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

The West Suburban Fire District invites the community to its annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 12, 2026. This family-friendly event brings together residents from across the district — including Medina, Loretto, Hamel, and Maple Plain — for a morning of great food and community connection. Guests will have the opportunity to meet firefighters, learn about fire safety, and see firsthand the people who serve their communities. Breakfast is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children, or \$25 per family. All are welcome to attend and support their local fire district. Scan the QR code for more event information.



## St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church Pancake Breakfast

**Date:** April 19, 2026

**Time:** 8:30 a.m. to noon

**Location:** St. Thomas the Apostle — Parish Center Dining Hall, 20000 County Road 10, Corcoran, MN 55340

Come for breakfast! Hosted by the St. Thomas Men's Club, with all proceeds going to Youth Ministries. Cost is \$8 per person or \$20 for families. For more information, visit: [www.churchofstthomas.org](http://www.churchofstthomas.org)



## Hennepin County Fair

**Dates:** June 11-13, 2026

**Location:** Corcoran Lions Park — 7205 County Road 101, Corcoran, MN 55340

Come celebrate 173 years of tradition at the Hennepin County Fair! Join as they honor the Hennepin County Agricultural Society (the governing body of the fair since 1853).

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: [www.hennepincountyfair.com/](http://www.hennepincountyfair.com/)



## Hamel Rodeo

**Dates:** July 9-12, 2026

**Location:** Corcoran Lions Park — 7205 County Road 101, Corcoran, MN 55340

Mark your calendars for the 2026 Hamel Rodeo! 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 The One Armed Bandit. For more information visit: [www.hamelrodeo.org](http://www.hamelrodeo.org).



## Corcoran Country Daze

**Dates:** August 14-15, 2026

**Location:** Corcoran Lions Park — 7205 County Road 101, Corcoran, MN 55340

Country Daze is an annual family favorite event in Corcoran! Mark your calendars for this year's event that will feature concerts on Friday and Saturday night, as well as the popular and free Kid's Day on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information visit: [www.corcorancountrydaze.org](http://www.corcorancountrydaze.org).



## North Hennepin Pioneer Society

A new event is planned for June of 2026! The North Hennepin Pioneer Society is announcing a three-day Children's Summer Camp at the Burschville School. Please mark your calendars for June 9, 10, and 11, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Expect turn of the century lessons, crafts, games, and dress in period clothing. Call to register at: 763-639-1438. \$50 per child. Limited class size of 20 children.



*St. John's 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, Mr. Koosman in 1914*

The NHPS welcomes all who are interested in preserving history to give them a call and attend a meeting. The annual meeting will take place Saturday, April 18, at 9:30 a.m. at Immanuel United Methodist, 10025 Brockton Lane, in Corcoran. Summer meetings are May 19, June 16, and July 21 at 7 p.m. at the Burschville one-room schoolhouse. Finally, save the date for the annual NHPS fundraiser, Summerfest, taking place on Sunday, August 9, on the Burschville schoolhouse grounds.

The Society is continuously seeking historical documents of Corcoran, 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. The school is open from May to October for schools to visit and tours by appointment. If you know of a school class that would like a field trip to our one-room school, please call us or email. NHPS is a 501 © (3) non-profit organization.

**For more information on attending a meeting or becoming a member, please contact:**

Bonnie M. at: 763-639-1438

Dale P. at: 763-458-9880

Email: [CorcoranSchool1894@gmail.com](mailto:CorcoranSchool1894@gmail.com)

**Yearly Membership:**

\$15 per person

\$25 per couple





## County Roads 19 and 117 Intersection Improvement Project Update

(Update from *Be Heard Hennepin* (Hennepin County) - <https://beheardhennepin.org/county-roads-19-and-117>)

### Spring 2026

Share updated design and details.

### Spring 2027

Begin construction.

### Fall 2026

Share construction details.



Photo Courtesy of Hennepin County

### What We Have Heard So Far

Last summer, more than 350 community members shared their thoughts on the initial design and their experiences at this intersection. Here are the top things that we heard from people:

- Make the intersection safer
- Address safety for people walking and biking
- Ensure larger vehicles (cars with trailers, etc.) can get through
- Consider how to keep people moving

We also learned that most people like the idea of a roundabout.

We have considered all of these wants and ideas and are now ready to share our updated design with you.

### What Is Next?

There are two ways to participate right now:

#### 1. Visit us online

See the most up-to-date project information and design, visit: <https://beheardhennepin.org/county-roads-19-and-117>

#### 2. Join us at our open house

Come and go as you are able.

Thursday, April 23

5:30 – 7 p.m.

Hanover City Hall

11250 5th Street NE, Hanover, MN 55341

### Roundabouts

Want to learn about roundabouts, how to use them, and the benefits they provide?

Visit: <https://www.dot.state.mn.us/roundabouts/index.html>

## Corcoran Hydrant Flushing

The City of Corcoran will begin its annual hydrant flushing in the upcoming weeks. This process will be conducted during nighttime hours to minimize disruptions to our residents. Our utilities team will continue flushing through all areas of the city until the project is complete. During the flushing process you may notice some discoloration or other differences to the water. Do not be alarmed, these differences should regulate as flushing concludes.

If flushing has recently occurred in your neighborhood, residents are encouraged to:

- Run water to check for discoloration.
- Check water prior to washing light colored items.

Please keep an eye on the city website and social media for updates on when to expect hydrant flushing to occur in your neighborhood. If any differences persist, please contact [utilities@corcoranmn.gov](mailto:utilities@corcoranmn.gov).



## Conservation Cover: Coming Soon To A County Road Near You

(Featured article and image from the Hennepin County *Conservation Connection* February 2026 Newsletter)

Just north of Corcoran City Hall on County Road 116 are several fields that have been growing corn, soybeans, and other crops every season for decades. But what do you do with a field when it no longer can be farmed? One option is to convert those acres back to what they were before a plow first touched that soil.

These fields, owned by the City of Corcoran, were scheduled to be removed from production. City staff wanted to reduce overall maintenance while providing environmental benefit. City of Corcoran Public Works partnered with Hennepin County staff to design a conservation cover, or native seeding and management plan, that would return a diversity of prairie grasses and plants to the area. After finding a seed mix, conservationists advised city staff on field preparation and seeding methods to ensure that future forage cover is consistent and sustainable.

This return to a mix of deep-rooted plants will help keep soil in place, reduce runoff to a nearby wetland east of the property, and store carbon. Additionally, wildflowers and forbs will provide color throughout the year for passing motorists, as well as habitat and food for pollinators.

Some special care will be required as the new plants get started, but as it grows, it becomes a more stable system. Staff and residents will reap the visual and ecological benefits of a diverse landscape.

Interested in learning more about converting your own landscapes to conservation cover?

Contact: Kevin Ellis, Conservation Specialist  
[kevin.ellis@hennepin.us](mailto:kevin.ellis@hennepin.us), 612-382-3956.



Former farm fields prepped and planted with a native prairie seed mix that will germinate in the spring.

## Proper Pet Waste Management

(Source: West Metro Water Alliance – [www.westmetrowateralliance.org](http://www.westmetrowateralliance.org))

### Scoop that poop during the spring thaw!

Spring is coming, which means snow and ice will soon melt and wash into storms 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 [www.westmetrowateralliance.org/pet-waste](http://www.westmetrowateralliance.org/pet-waste).

## Corcoran Yard Waste Management Survey Results

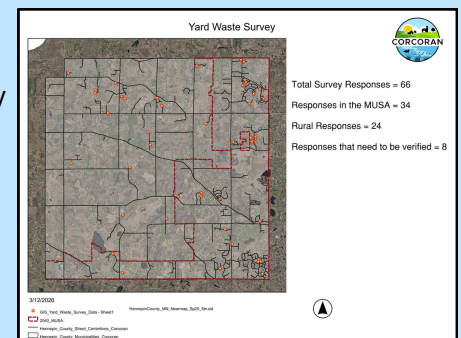
In an effort to gauge the concern and need for yard waste services within the City of Corcoran, staff created a survey that was distributed to residents via the City website, social media channels, and newsletter. The survey was active between February 2 and February 27, 2026, and was only open to Corcoran residents. The City received a total of 66 responses. A summary of those responses can be found below:

- Approximately 60% of respondents indicated they were “very concerned” or “somewhat concerned” about yard waste management.
- Among those expressing concern, the top themes included:
  - Lack of disposal options
  - Convenience and access to disposal options
  - Cost of services
  - Currently composting or storing yard waste on their property
  - No concerns
- A clear majority of respondents do not support a levy to help subsidize a yard waste service. However, a small group expressed interest in a hybrid approach.
- Over 90% of respondents were not willing to pay more than \$100 annually for a yard waste service program.
- Approximately 60% of respondents would be willing to drive up to five miles to utilize a yard waste drop-off site.

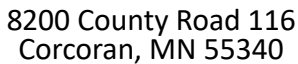
At the March 26, 2026, City Council Meeting, Council concluded that the implementation of a City-operated yard waste management site is not a viable option at this time, but did provide various yard waste management options for interested residents, which can be found below.

- Manage yard waste on own property
- Utilize the City's burn permit process
- Explore options available through Hennepin County
- Contact licensed waste haulers to inquire about yard waste collection
- Visit other yard waste management sites and pay any applicable visitor fees.

**More details on these options, complete survey results, and a map showing the geographical distribution of responses are available on the City's website. Please scan the QR code to the right for more information.**







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## Monthly Utility Bills

The city offers online account viewing and e-payment options via [www.invoicecloud.com/corcoranmn](http://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 drop off payments and utility service applications at the front desk during regular business hours.

Visit [www.corcoranmn.gov](http://www.corcoranmn.gov) — *Pay Bills* to view, pay or login to your utility billing account. Questions? Contact [utilitybilling@corcoranmn.gov](mailto:utilitybilling@corcoranmn.gov) or call 763-420-2288 and select Option 1.

**UNDERSTANDING YOUR UTILITY BILL**

The City of Corcoran sends out monthly utility bills. Please see the guide on the right-hand side to understand what your bill consists of.

#### YOUR BILL AT A GLANCE

Basic account information is in this section. You can view the billing date, your account number, amount due and due date.

#### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Detach and return this portion of the bill with your payment (if you choose to pay by mail or in person) for prompt and accurate credit to your account.

#### YOUR FULL ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

This area provides overview of your account activity. This includes Previous Balance, Penalties, Payment, Adjustment. The sum of these charges is the Balance Forward.

#### DETAIL OF CURRENT CHARGES

In this area, you can view your current itemized charges.

#### AUTO-PAY SCHEDULE

This section will let you know if the bill will be withdrawn via Auto-Pay or how to sign up for Auto-Pay.

#### MESSAGE CENTER

Here you can view messages from the City about your account or general information and updates.

5200 Charles Hall Rd.  
Corcoran, VA 22424  
www.corcoran.gov

**SERVICE ADDRESS: 1234 Bluedawn Lane**

RESIDENT NAME  
1234 BLUEDAWN LANE  
CORCORAN, VA 22424

## UTILITY BILL

BILLING DATE: 06/01/2023  
ACCOUNT #: 20001234567890  
AMOUNT DUE: \$61.50  
DUE DATE: 06/14/2023  
PAID TO: \_\_\_\_\_

Notched for Mailing by City of Corcoran

DETACH AND RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT.

RECEIVED BY MAIL: MAILING DATE: 06/01/2023

| BILLING DATE | SERVICE PERIOD           | SERVICE ADDRESS    | ACCOUNT NUMBER |
|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| 06/01/2023   | 05/01/2023 TO 06/01/2023 | 1234 BLUEDAWN LANE | 20001234567890 |

|                   |        |  |  |
|-------------------|--------|--|--|
| PREVIOUS BALANCE: | \$0.00 |  |  |
| PENALTIES:        | \$0.00 |  |  |
| ADJUSTMENTS:      | \$0.00 |  |  |
| BALANCE FORWARD:  | \$0.00 |  |  |

|          | DATE     | TYPE  | AMOUNT | DATE  | TYPE   | AMOUNT |
|----------|----------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| 06/01/23 | 05/01/23 | 12661 | 17000  | 05/01 | Actual |        |
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Total Current Charges: \$61.50  
Total Due: \$61.50

#### AUTO-PAY MESSAGE HERE

CITY OF CORCORAN/BLUEDAWN LANE

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