

ONLY RAIN DOWN THE DRAIN

Storm drains carry water through pipes straight to our lakes, streams, and wetlands—no treatment.

Illicit discharge = anything but rain
(chemicals, waste, dirty water)

Report spills or illegal dumping:

Immediate threat to human health or safety, call 911. Non-emergencies call Lilydale city staff at 651-457-2316 or email cityoflilydale@comcast.net

Common issues:

- Chemicals & vehicle fluids
- Yard & pet waste
- Construction runoff
- Car wash/laundry water
- Pool or septic discharge



Watch for:

- Dumping into drains
- Odd colors or smells
- Dead fish or plants
- Flow during dry weather

Okay to drain:

Rainwater, irrigation, sump pumps, dechlorinated pool water

ADOPT-A-DRAIN

Keep your neighborhood drains clear—and help protect our rivers, lakes and streams—by adopting a drain!

It's easy: spend about 15 minutes twice a month clearing leaves, trash, and debris from your drain and nearby street.

Storm drains flow through underground pipes directly to ponds, lakes, streams, and wetlands—without treatment—so what goes in them goes out. Keeping them clean helps prevent algae blooms, protects wildlife, and keeps our community looking its best.

Small effort, big impact!



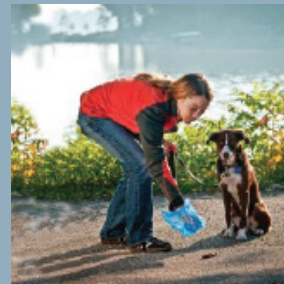
mn.adopt-a-drain.org

PROTECT WATER QUALITY – PICK UP PET WASTE

City ordinance (705.18) requires dog owners to clean up after their pets. Anyone walking a dog on property they do not own or lease—whether public or private—must carry a bag or other way to pick up dog waste. If your dog leaves waste, it must be picked up right away and disposed of in a proper trash receptacle.

Cleaning up after pets helps keep our community clean and enjoyable for everyone. It also protects our water. Pet waste is a source of pollution that can affect both water quality and human health. When this waste breaks down in water, it can cause excessive algae growth, making the water green, smelly, and unsafe for swimming, boating, or fishing. The bacteria and viruses in pet waste can also cause serious illness.

Rain and snowmelt can wash pet waste into storm drains, which flow directly to nearby lakes and rivers. Picking up after your pet is a simple step that helps protect our local waters.



Pet waste doesn't just decompose. It adds harmful bacteria and nutrients to lakes, rivers, and streams, when it's not disposed of properly.

CITY COUNCIL

Lyle Hanzal, Mayor
Jay Budge
Deborah Cornell
Mary Kleinberg
Bill Kleinman

City council meetings are held the second Monday of every month at 4:30 p.m. at city hall.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Bart Schneider, Chairperson
Jim Kleinberg
Tim Rourke
Julie Seykora
Tom Sutton

Planning commission meetings are held the third Monday of every month at 4:30 p.m. at city hall.

LILYDALE CITY HALL

1011 Sibley Memorial Hwy. Lilydale, MN 55118
Phone: 651-457-2316
Hours: M-F 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Email: cityoflilydale@comcast.net

BUILDING PERMITS & INSPECTIONS

Call SAFEbuilt at 952-442-7520

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HELP CLEAN OUR WONDERFUL CITY

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP 4.25.26

Let's make a difference together by collecting trash and preserving our park and river.

KICK OFF LOCATION AND PICK UP SUPPLIES

10:00 AM
Lilydale Pool & Yacht Club
1600 Lilydale Road

Music and Refreshments 12 p.m.!



More Information
and Register:
Scan QR CODE, or
Visit bit.ly/4d7180X
or call 651-457-2316



Mayor of Lilydale, Lyle Hanzal had the honor of meeting the new Mayor of St. Paul, Kaohly Her at the annual St. Paul Winter Carnival Mayors Reception prior to the Torchlight Parade.

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE OUR PAST

Our Lost Neighborhood

LOWER LILYDALE REUNITED

Join us for a special community gathering celebrating the history and people of Lower Lilydale. This free, public event—**Lower Lilydale: Our Lost Neighborhood Reunited**—will be held on **May 29 from 1:00–3:00 p.m. at the Pool and Yacht Club in Lilydale.**

This event is an opportunity to reconnect with friends and neighbors who once called Lower Lilydale home, share memories, and reflect on the neighborhood's unique history. Over the past year, the City has made meaningful progress through grant-funded work, including the completion of 11 oral history interviews with former residents and community members.

Attendees will have the chance to learn about the project, view highlights from the interviews, and hear stories that bring Lower Lilydale's past to life.

Whether you lived in Lower Lilydale, have a connection to the area, or are simply interested in local history, we hope you'll join us for this event.

Registration is encouraged by contacting Lilydale city staff at 651-457-2316 or email cityoflilydale@comcast.net.



RECYCLING WORKS

Recycling is a team sport, and each player is important. Haulers collect recycling and bring it to a recycling facility. At the recycling facility, people pull contaminants out and keep the equipment running. Machines sort by materials to make sure items go to the right places. Businesses and manufacturers, many of which are local to Minnesota, turn those items into new products like boxes, bottles, cans and even lawn furniture.

This process starts at home. When you recycle right, you maximize the number of valuable materials that can be turned into new products.

Recycle these items:

Paper

- Newspaper and inserts
- Magazines and catalogs
- Mail and office papers

Cardboard

- Corrugated cardboard
- Paperboard (e.g., cracker boxes)

Cartons

- Milk and juice cartons
- Soup, broth and wine cartons
- Juice boxes

Metal cans

- Aluminum, tin and steel cans

Glass bottles and jars

Plastic bottles, containers and jugs

- Containers numbered 1, 2 or 5
- Soda, juice and water bottles
- Milk and juice jugs
- Margarine, cottage cheese and other tubs and lids
- Laundry detergent bottles and jugs
- Clear berry and produce containers

How to recycle right:

- Empty and dry bottles, jars and containers (they don't need to be perfect—just free of most food and residue).
- Leave caps on containers.
- Flatten boxes.
- Put these items loose into your recycling bins.
- Do not put plastic bags, batteries, black plastic, food and things that can tangle around moving machines into your recycling at home

If you're wondering about a specific item, use the online Recycling Guide at www.dakotacounty.us, search recycling guide.

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STAY SAFE WITH THE RECYCLING ZONE

Instead of leaving unwanted household items like yard and garden chemicals, cleaners, auto products, and electronics around your house or garage, take them to the Recycling Zone in Eagan.

The Recycling Zone makes sure the stuff that doesn't belong in the trash or recycling is disposed of the right way to keep our environment safe.

Dropping off is easy. You stay in your car while staff unload materials from the trunk or backseat. Put smaller items in a box that you can leave behind.

Accepted items – free drop-off unless noted

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| • Auto products like motor oil, antifreeze and gas | • Lightbulbs – all types | • Scrap metal |
| • Batteries | • Needles and sharps (in a closed rigid container, keep in front seat) | • Tires (fee) |
| • Bug killers/repellants | • Paints and stains | • Small household electronics like toasters and vacuums |
| • Cardboard (no larger than 36" x 36") | • Personal care products like nail polish and hair dye | • String lights and cords |
| • Cleaners | • Propane tanks and aerosol sprays | • Vaping devices |
| • Electronics (fee for TVs and computer monitors) | | • Weed killer |
| | | • Most products that say caution, warning, danger or poison |



If you have an unknown or unique household chemical, email recyclingzone@co.dakota.mn.us prior to dropping off to work with Recycling Zone staff about safe handling.

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Please recycle this newsletter after use.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Candidate Filing for City Offices

The candidate filing period opens July 14 and ends on July 28. The offices to be elected at the November 3, 2026 General Election are:

Mayor **2 year term, beginning January 2027**
2 Councilmembers **4 year term, beginning January 2027**

If you are interested in running for a city office, stop by city hall to file an Affidavit of Candidacy. The filing fee is \$5.00. City hall is open Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Candidate qualifications:

- Must be eligible to vote in Minnesota
- Must have not filed for the same or any other office at the upcoming primary or general election
- Must be 21 years of age or more upon assuming office
- Must have maintained residence in Lilydale for at least 30 days before the general election

2026 Election Dates

State Primary Election:
August 11, 2026

Absentee Voting
June 26–Aug. 10, 2026

State General Election:
November 3, 2026

Absentee Voting
Sept. 18–Nov. 2, 2026



Become an Election Judge

Election judges are temporary, paid employees trained to oversee voting and assist voters at polling places. It's a great opportunity to learn about elections and serve your community!

Election judge requirements

To serve as an election judge, you must:

- Be at least 18 years old
- Be a Minnesota resident for at least 20 days
- Be a U.S. citizen
- Be able to read, write, and speak English
- Be eligible to vote in Minnesota
- Be appointed by a municipal clerk
- Attend required training

You cannot serve as an election judge if you are:

- Related to another election judge serving in the same precinct
- A candidate in the election you are serving
- The spouse, parent, child, sibling or household member of a candidate on the ballot

MORE LOCAL EVENTS

Shred Event



Saturday, April 11
9 a.m. – Noon

WSP Sports Complex
1650 Oakdale Ave.
West St. Paul

Place documents in paper grocery bags or bankers boxes.
FREE 8 bag/box limit

Officer Scott Patrick Memorial 5K Run/Walk



Saturday, June 6
Registration: 7 a.m.–8:30 a.m.
Race begins at 9 a.m.

The Village at Mendota Heights

Registration information:
lilydale.govoffice.com, search 5K

Fix-It Clinic



Saturday, May 16
11 a.m.–2 p.m.

Two Rivers High School
1897 Delaware Ave.
Mendota Heights

Items are accepted until 30 minutes before the end of the event. No pre-registration required.

www.dakotacounty.us, search fix-itclinics