November 2022 Newsletter

**MEETINGS**

Committee Meetings  
virtual until further notice

Community Building Committee  
Thursday November 3, 4:30pm

Environment Committee  
Tuesday November 8, 6:30pm

Land Use & Planning Committee  
Thursday November 10, 7:00pm

Transportation & Safety Committee  
Wednesday, November 9, 7:30pm

Community Meetings  
22 Orlin Ave SE, PPUMC

PPA Board Meeting & Community Meeting  
--virtual meeting--  
Monday Dec 5th  
6:30pm - 8:00pm  
Note: access info on PP-elis

ABOUT PPA

Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area of the city of Minneapolis.

Donate to PPA

Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.

GET INVOLVED!

PPA Event Calendar for Updated Meeting Information
Give to the Max Day is November 17th, 2022!

PPA is able to continue putting on programs and events through donations from our community. Please join us for early giving or on November 17th to support PPA here.

“Give to the Max is a celebration of the generosity of Minnesotans and the organizations which make our state stronger,” said Jake Blumberg, executive director of GiveMN. “Every dollar donated powers vital work being done in communities in every corner of Minnesota.”

Early Giving
Early Giving starts on November 1st and runs until Give to the Max Day (November 17th). Donations made during the early giving period are eligible for the daily $500 Early Giving Golden Ticket and the $10,000 Super-Sized Golden Ticket.

That means your donation could be randomly selected to turn into a donation of $500 or even $10,000 — talk about making an impact with your giving decisions!

PPA Board/Community Meeting and Approved Minutes

Upcoming PPA Board/Community Meeting:
All community members welcome! **Monday, December 5, 2022, 6:30-8:30pm**
Virtual meeting access and the board agenda will be provided in PPA’s upcoming newsletter and on the ppe-list.

PPA Meeting Minutes and Committee Reports approved at the October 24 Board meeting:
[Board/Community Meeting, September 26, 2022](#)
[Environment Committee, August 9, 2022](#)
[Environment Committee, September 13, 2022](#)

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Please donate to PPA at GiveMN or mail checks to
PPA, P.O. Box 141095, Minneapolis 55414.
"25% by '25" Presentation  
Return on Investment and Financial Information on Home Energy Improvements

Presented by the PPA Environment Committee  
Tuesday, November 15th, 6 pm - 7:00 pm  
Zoom Meeting - Registration necessary  
FILL OUT FORM HERE

When registering, please call out any questions you may have so that we can prepare.

High energy bills are affecting everyone, but there are ways to cut costs and still remain comfortable in your home. Making your home energy efficient is a smart financial action to take. We will start by covering home energy audits - what they entail and how to sign up for one. Rick McCormick, a long time Prospect Park resident, will share his experience with a home energy audit. Please join us as we review how long before you start making money back on insulation investments, what rebates and tax credits are available and what impact energy upgrades will have when it is time to sell your house.

Thanks, Mary Britton, PPA Environmental Committee Chair

**Fall Clean Up Needs a Champion**

For many, many years, fall brought together a cadre of willing volunteers from the Prospect Park neighborhood to haul items from neighbors to the Transfer Station in South Minneapolis. People gathered for a quick cup of coffee and treats before heading out on a Saturday morning on big trucks, pick ups, and cars to scour the neighborhood for metal, concrete, tires, and brush. These items could not ordinarily go into the regular trash. For the past 3 years, it's been COVID or we lacked volunteers to do the clean up. For fall 2023, we hope to find a crew of people willing to help organize (about an hour's worth of work), recruit volunteers (another hour or two), and organize the Saturday morning activity (4-5 hours). Past records and information make the organizing and planning very simple - this would be available for whoever wanted to be involved. If you are new to the neighborhood or have lived here for ages, now is the time to get involved. Please reply to environment@prospectparkmpls.org if you are interested in getting involved. If we don't find someone in the next few months, we'll figure there is no interest in having this event next year, so it will be put to rest for the foreseeable future. *Please note that the event will not take place in Fall 2022.*
Yard waste pickup has returned to a weekly schedule for all City of Minneapolis Solid Waste & Recycling customers, and the yard waste collection season has been extended through the end of November going forward to accommodate late-dropping leaves. City customers’ garbage day the week of Nov. 28-Dec. 2 will be their last 2022 pickup of leaves, brush and other yard trimmings. There will be no additional 2022 yard waste service after the last scheduled pickup. Read more.
Southeast Seniors needs your help recruiting snow removal folks for hire as well as Volunteer Snow Angels!

Southeast Seniors helps neighborhood seniors with snow removal in two ways. For folks who can afford to pay for it, we help them find individuals or services who are available for hire. Do you know anyone looking for this type of work this winter? This includes teenagers & college students! Really, anyone who is looking for a little winter income & likes shoveling/snow blowing! If you've got any leads, please reach out to Southeast Seniors at 612-331-2302 or ann@seseniors.org.

For neighborhood seniors who are not able to pay for snow removal assistance, we do our best to find a volunteer Snow Angel who can help this neighbor free of charge. If you or anyone you know wants to learn more about being a Volunteer Snow Angel for a senior neighbor, please reach out to us at the contact info above. Thank you!

**Count Me In, Como! Games & More**  
**Thurs., Nov. 3, 10:30-11:30am, Southeast Christian Church, 960 SE 15th Ave**  
Join us for this monthly social opportunity to gather with neighbors for friendly conversation while playing cards and board games together! Prizes awarded & light refreshments served. For more information or to register, call (612) 668-4828 or visit [https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/.../count-me-in-como....](https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/.../count-me-in-como....)

**Making Holiday Cards**  
**Wednesday, November 9, 1:00 – 2:30pm, Van Cleve Park, 901 SE 15th Ave**  
Come and join your friends to create and assemble personalized holiday cards using papers, inks, embellishments, and stamps. Kits provided. Anne Frazer is certified as a Copic Alcohol Ink Marker instructor and has taught card making to kids, beginning and advanced card makers, older adults and vulnerable adults. [https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/course/41963/.../making-holiday-cards-roosevelt-55](https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/course/41963/.../making-holiday-cards-roosevelt-55)

**Chair Yoga 101 (via Zoom)**  
**Wednesday, November 16, 12:00 – 1:00pm**  
Chair yoga is a gentle yoga practice where poses are modified to be done seated in a chair. Chair yoga can improve flexibility, strength and mindfulness, as well as many other health benefits. Instructor Alex La Belle has learned that yoga can help people change their relationship with themselves for the better. [https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/course/41965/lifelong-learning-55-fall-2022/chair-yoga-101-roosevelt-55-online](https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/course/41965/lifelong-learning-55-fall-2022/chair-yoga-101-roosevelt-55-online)
Watch for your voter guide in the mail

If you’re a Minneapolis voter, watch your mail for a voter guide. Minneapolis Elections & Voter Services is sending a voter guide to every household in Minneapolis to help voters understand their rights, how they can register and vote, and what’s on the Nov. 8 general election ballot.

The guide includes instructions on voting early. Any Minneapolis voter can choose to vote early by mail or in person instead of waiting for Election Day.

The Early Vote Center is now open

The Early Vote Center, 980 E. Hennepin Ave., makes early in-person voting more convenient for Minneapolis voters. It’s especially helpful to people who need language support or other special accommodations, such as curbside voting. Voting early can help people avoid lines and crowds at polling places on the day of the election.

The Early Vote Center’s hours are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. The center will have extended hours, including Saturday and Sunday hours, for the final two weeks of voting.

Additional Early Vote Centers open Nov. 1. Hours for all centers are on the City website.

Voters in Minneapolis can also vote early in person at Hennepin County’s elections office at the Hennepin County Government Center, 300 Sixth St. S.

Vote early by mail

If you’re planning to vote by mail, the City recommends applying for a mail ballot by Oct. 25 so you have enough time to receive it, complete it and mail it back in time to be counted on Election Day. Go to vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/vote-by-mail to apply for a mail ballot.
You can confirm the City received your mail ballot application through an online ballot tracking tool. After you mail a completed ballot, you can also use the tool to confirm that the City has received it in time.

After Nov. 1, the City recommends returning mail ballots in person to avoid a late delivery. Ballots can be dropped off during regular business hours at Minneapolis Elections & Voter Services, 980 E. Hennepin Ave., or at the Hennepin County Government Center, 300 Sixth St. S. Three more drop-off sites will open Nov 1. On Election Day, Nov. 8, completed mail ballots will only be accepted until 3 p.m.

Confirm your polling place location

If you’re planning to cast your ballot on Election Day, Nov. 8, check the location of your polling place. Many Minneapolis voters have a new polling place because of the redistricting process. Find your polling place at pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us.

Save time by following these tips

- Make sure you’re registered to vote by registering in advance by Oct. 18. Otherwise, you’ll need to register on Election Day right before you vote. Voters can register or check the status of their registrations at the Minnesota Secretary of State’s website.
- Look at a sample ballot ahead of time; even bring it to refer to when you go to vote. Find your sample ballot at vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/ballot.

The Minneapolis Elections & Voter Services Division is responsible for administering elections in the City of Minneapolis. For information about registering and voting in Minneapolis, go to vote.minneapolismn.gov.

- Sign up for Council Member Robin Wonsley Worlobah’s Ward 2 newsletters and get updates on the ward and the city.

- Click to subscribe to MN Representative Mohamud Noor’s 60B newsletter

- Click to subscribe to MN Senator Kari Dziedzic’s SD60 newsletter.
Helpful COVID-19 Resources
Governor Walz' Response and Preparation

Click here for updated Covid-19 news from Governor Walz

Free Covid-19 Testing Hennepin County

Click here for information on FREE testing open to those with or without symptoms

Additional Resources
City of Minneapolis
MN Department of Health
Center for Disease Control (CDC)
World Health Organization (WHO)

Follow the Off-Campus Living Facebook Page and sign up here for their newsletter to receive updates on safety, business, and more in the University of Minnesota Campus area. Non-students are also encouraged to participate!

Go to our Website / Like us on Facebook / Follow us on Instagram

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