

ARDEN HILLS

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The Official City Newsletter for Arden Hills Residents

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Community Development Updates

Boston Scientific wins Manufacturer of the Year Award

On Wednesday, September 27, 2022, Mayor Grant presented members of Boston Scientific Arden Hills with the Manufacturers Alliance award for Manufacturer of the Year in the large company category. Since 1990, the Manufacturers Alliance has provided manufacturers with practical peer-to-peer training, education, and resources in the State of Minnesota. Award winners are selected based on peer recognition and demonstration of sharing continuous improvement experiences that contribute to the strength of the local manufacturing community. Educational seminars, facility tours open to community members and peer organizations, public best-practices articles, sponsorship of peer mentoring programs, and more factors are also considered.

The Manufacturers Alliance differentiates itself from other associations by relying on collaborations with a wide variety of valued resources rather than government, academia, or consulting for financial support. Since its inception, the Alliance has enrolled entire companies instead of individuals, with the goal of affecting the whole enterprise. This unique approach draws primarily from peer-to-peer experiential learning.



Boston Scientific staff pose with the Manufacturer of the Year Award

Congratulations Boston Scientific for the work you do, we're grateful to have you as a part of our community!



Mayor Grant, City Councilmembers Holmes, Holden, Radziej pictured with Royal Credit Union executives.

Royal Credit Union Ribbon-cutting Event

Royal Credit Union hosted a grand opening celebration for its new Lake Area Mortgage, a division of Royal Credit Union office. The new office is located at 1200 County Road East.

On Wednesday, September 21st, City Councilmembers Fran Holmes, Brenda Holden, David Radziej, and Mayor David Grant visited Royal's new office to learn more about the company and take part in a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Royal Credit Union is a federally insured credit union proudly serving over 270,000 Members in Minnesota and Wisconsin. Royal is driven by a core ideology built on a strong purpose and values. To learn more about Royal Credit Union, visit rcu.org or call 800-341-9911.



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City Council Liasons

Fran Holmes and David Radziej

Resident Resources

cityofardenhills.org/resident-resources

Council meetings are held at City Hall on the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. Meetings are televised live on Cable Channel 16. Planning Commission meetings are also televised. Please visit cityofardenhills.org for information about archived meeting playbacks.

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City News

Ramsey County Residents Can Get Rid of Unwanted Electronics for Free at Repowered

Used and old electronics are the fastest-growing waste in the country and often contain toxic metals like lead, mercury and cadmium. Ramsey County residents looking to get rid of laptops, televisions, cell phones or other electronics (e-waste) now have a free and easy way to recycle them. Ramsey County Environmental Health is partnering with Repowered so that residents can dispose of and recycle unwanted electronics at no cost. Recycling e-waste keeps toxic metals out of the environment. All data from electronics dropped off at the e-waste site will be destroyed physically or electronically wiped. Learn more at ramseycounty.us/Electronics or call Ramsey County's Disposal hotline at 651-633-EASY (3279).

The electronics collection site is located at:

Repowered
860 Vandalia Street
Saint Paul, MN 55114



Access the State of the City Recording

The City's annual State of the City Address recording is now available on the City website at cityofardenhills.org/SOTC. The annual presentation from City Council highlights important information about the City's financial standing, development projects, public works projects, parks and trails improvements, and more in the past year. Thank you to our host this year, Boston Scientific!

Parks & Recreation Summer Highlights



Photos taken at the Penny Carnival, a visit from LJFD at Cummings Park, and a Bee event at Hazelnut Park.

We had a blast this summer and hope you did too! Thank you to all the program participants, leaders, coaches, and other volunteers—we couldn't do this without you. Find information about current programming at cityofardenhills.org/recreation.

City Council Benchmarks

September 12, 2022 City Council Meeting

All items were approved unanimously by a 5-0 vote unless indicated otherwise.

- Approved Permanent Drainage and Utility and Temporary Construction Easements – PNL Invest, LLD – Karth Lake Runoff Control Project.
- Approved Payment No. 1 – Astech Corp- Arden Oaks Neighborhood Improvement Project.
- Approved Amended Planned Unit Development (PUD) Agreement – Scannell Properties – Planning Case 22-014.

September 26, 2022 City Council Meeting

All items were approved unanimously by a 5-0 vote unless indicated otherwise.

- Approved Application of Catholic United Financial for an Exempt Permit to Conduct a Raffle with the Drawing being March 9, 2023 with No Waiting Period.
- Approved Resignation of Recreation Supervisor.
- Approved Recruitment of Recreation Supervisor.
- Approved Payment of Annual League of Minnesota Cities Membership Dues.
- Approved Professional Services Agreement for the Little Lake Johanna and Pike Lake Stormwater Retrofit Analysis – HR Green.
- Approved Payment No. 2 – Vinco, Inc. Lift Station No.10 Rehabilitation Project.
- Approved Payment No. 2 – Bituminous Roadways, Inc. – City Hall Parking Lot Project.
- Approved Amendment for Professional Services Agreement for Final Design and Construction Administration – SRF Consulting Group Inc. – Mounds View High School Trail Improvements.
- Approved Quote for Hydrant Replacement on Grey Fox Road – Valley-Rich Co. Inc.
- Approved Resolution 2022-041 Adopting and Confirming Quarterly Special Assessments for Delinquent Utilities.
- Approved Resolution 2022-042 - the Setting Preliminary Levy at 7% for Proposed Taxes Payable in 2023. Vote of 3-2 with Grant and Radziej voting in opposition.
- Approved Resolution 2022-043 - Establishing Truth-In-Taxation Public Hearing Date of December 12, 2022.

For a complete listing of recent City Council actions, visit cityofardenhills.org and click on “View Agendas and Minutes.”

November 8 General Election

Early voting is underway. The options are to request an absentee ballot be mailed to you, or you can apply for an absentee ballot and vote in person at either the Ramsey County Elections office located at 90 Plato Blvd in St. Paul or at the Ramsey County Library located at 2180 Hamline Avenue in Roseville. Want to skip the extra step of applying for an absentee ballot at various Ramsey County locations? Tuesday, November 1 through Monday, November 7 you will not have to complete a ballot application and instead will be given a ballot to place directly into the voting machine yourself. For more information about these options, including locations and hours of operation, please visit ramseycounty.us/residents/elections-voting/voters/vote-election-day.



Those voting on election day must do so at their local polling place on November 8. The polls open at 7:00 am and close at 8:00 pm on Election Day. There are three precincts in Arden Hills:

- Precinct 1: Presbyterian Church of the Way, 3382 Lexington Avenue N
- Precinct 2: Anderson Center (Bethel University Satellite Campus), 2 Pine Tree Drive
- Precinct 3: North Heights Lutheran Church, 1700 W Highway 96

If you do not know your polling place location, please visit the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State’s Polling Place Finder at <https://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us/>.

Information about elections including registering to vote, candidate profile statements, and more is available on the City’s website at cityofardenhills.org/vote or you may call City Hall at 651-792-7800 if you have questions.



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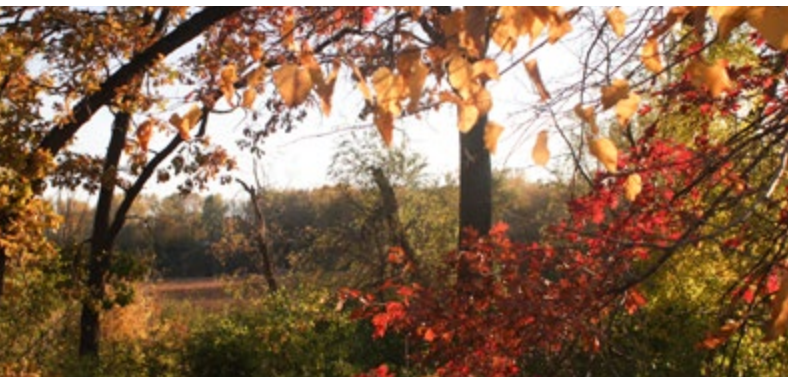
Tackling Fall Yard Clean-up

Wondering how to take care of your lawn *and* the environment this fall? Follow these best practices as the season changes:

- 1. Clear out debris** – Survey all your plant beds and remove fallen foliage, leaves, and weeds. This will remove possible nesting spots for harmful critters.
- 2. Trim and prune** – Get out your trimming saw and shears and trim and prune away! Hire a professional if any limbs are too high or daunting to tackle. The City licenses tree contractors and has a list at cityofardenhills.org/411
- 3. Dig and plant** – Add some color and variety to your yard by planting fall annuals, shrubs, or spring bulbs.
- 4. Rake and mulch** – If left unattended, fallen leaves can quickly smother your lawn. Instead rake your leaves, shred them if you have a shredder, and use them as mulch around young trees and planting beds. You could also gather them

up and bring them to a yard waste site.

- 5. Fertilize a final time** – Before your lawn takes a winter snooze, give it the nutrition it will need in the spring to come back healthy, green, and vibrant with fertilizer.
- 6. Seed and re-seed** – Fall can be a great time to seed or over-seed your lawn. To optimize the life of your seeds, get the grass seed down soon enough to germinate, water it well, and protect it from hungry critters.
- 7. Reduce and trim** – Gradually reduce your lawn mower height between now and your final cut of the season, as shorter grass in the fall helps ensure a healthier lawn in the spring.
- 8. Compost your pumpkins and jack-o-lanterns** – Pumpkins cannot be thrown away in the trash. However, your old Halloween pumpkin can still be beneficial to your yard and garden. After removing decorations from the pumpkins, the pumpkins can be placed in the compost or broken down and spread around the garden to improve the soil. They also can be disposed of at a yard waste site.



The Ramsey County Yard Waste Drop Off Site in Arden Hills is located at 3530 Hudson Ave. For more information about yard waste disposal, visit cityofardenhills.org/compost or call Ramsey County's Recycling & Disposal hotline at 651-633-EASY (3279). Content for this article was provided by Ramsey County at www.ramseyrecycles.com.