



## NOTICE FOR CITY OF ANDOVER NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PUBLIC MEETING

### Overall Summary

The City of Andover is required to comply with the latest state storm water quality regulations. The City is authorized to discharge storm water into water bodies as long as it meets the permit requirements as administered by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). The City accomplishes this by operating a series of Best Management Practices (BMP's), which are found in the City's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP). A public informational meeting will be held during the City Council meeting, 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at Andover City Hall. This will be preceded by a brief presentation on the new permit requirements and discussion of how alternative landscapes help improve the quality and reduce the quantity of storm water runoff.

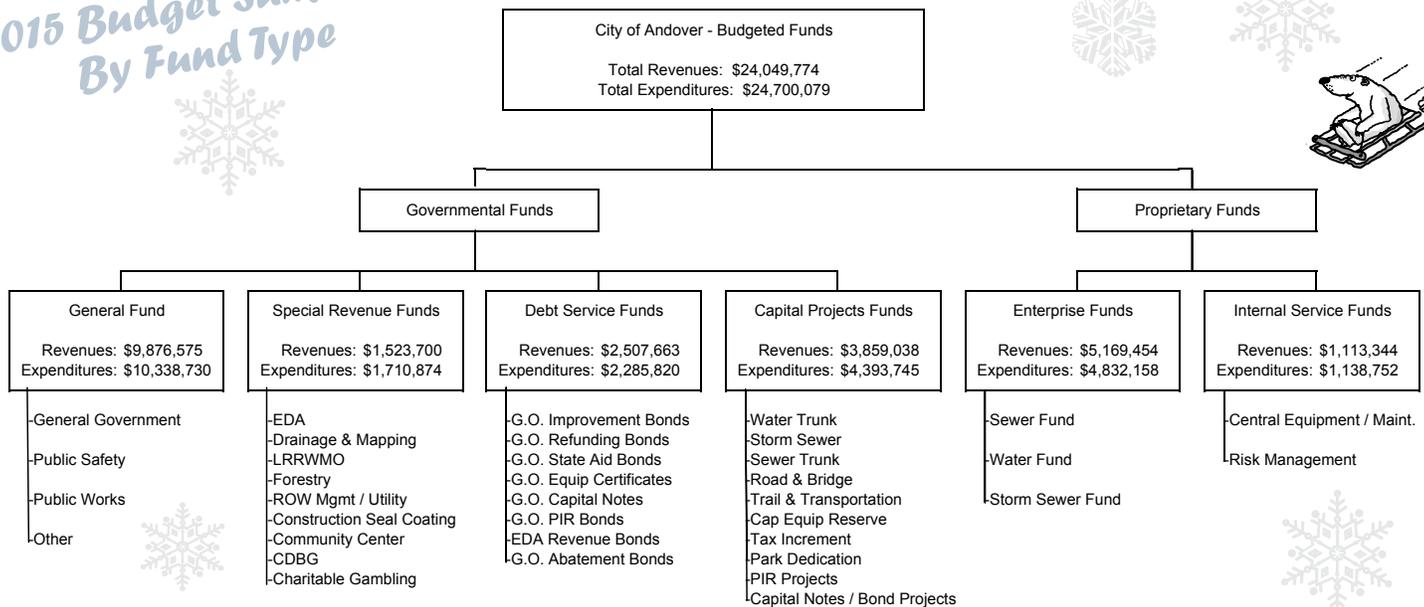
### Meeting Components:

- The public will have an opportunity to make oral and/or written comments on the adequacy of the City's program.
- To request a copy of the City's SWPPP contact City Hall or visit the City's website at [www.andovermn.gov](http://www.andovermn.gov) and follow the links: City Departments, Natural Resources, NPDES Phase II Program/Water Quality.
- The City will consider comments received, modify its SWPPP accordingly and include them in its Annual Report to the MPCA.

## CITY OF ANDOVER 2015 BUDGET & CERTIFIED 2015 PROPERTY TAX LEVY

City of Andover  
2015 Budget Summary  
By Fund Type

CITY OF ANDOVER  
2015 Budget Summary By Fund Type



Each year the City Council is required by state law to adopt an annual budget and submit a property tax levy certification to Anoka County Property Records and Taxation Division. The deadline for the 2015 budget was December 29<sup>th</sup>. The 2015 Budget and Tax Levy certification were adopted by the City Council at the December 16, 2014 regular meeting.

The 2015 Budget and Levy certification are the outcomes of budget workshops with the Council and numerous staff meetings. The overall City of Andover 2015 Budget proposes total revenues of \$24,049,774 and total expenditures of \$24,700,079. The \$650,305 of expenditures over revenues is largely due to the use of fund balance in the General Fund (\$462,155), the use of

tax increment for redevelopment (\$534,707) and some offsetting increases in other funds.

The 2015 Budget proposes a total property tax levy of \$11,143,925 of which, \$2,136,065 is classified as a special levy for the payment of debt. In summary, the proposed tax levy reflects a 2.77 percent increase in the gross levy over 2014.

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Website: [www.andovermn.gov](http://www.andovermn.gov)  
Facebook: [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

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Anoka County Attorney  
Tony Palumbo ..... (763) 323-5550  
Anoka County Sheriff  
James Stuart ..... (763) 323-5000

**CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED THE FOLLOWING DATES:**

**Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**

**NEW**  
**business preview**

**TE Connectivity**  
1711 139<sup>th</sup> Lane NW  
Andover, MN 55304  
(763) 689-4870  
[www.te.com](http://www.te.com)

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Anoka County  
**UNION HERALD**

# COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

Valerie Holthus



Hello, I'm Valerie Holthus, and I'm honored to be your new City Council Member. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. I was born in Pipestone County, MN and grew up on a large stock cattle and dairy farm on the Minnesota/South Dakota border. After moving to Minneapolis, I attended college and worked several years as a computer programmer. I eventually changed my career to education, and my husband and I chose Andover as the place to lay down roots and raise our children.

I started my involvement with the City of Andover shortly after we moved here over 20 years ago because I saw many exciting opportunities for growth and change. My first City Council meeting I attended was located in what looked like a metal pole building, with a gravel parking lot and the inside of the council chambers were covered with 1970's wood paneling. I believe the back of the brown metal folding chair I sat on was either stamped "VFW" or "ANDVR" but the white stencil imprint had been worn off, so it was hard to tell. The Mayor, Jack McKelvy, was a gruff, but thoughtful person, and he was flanked by Council Members Don Jacobson, Mike Knight, Bonnie Dehn and Ken Orttel. I continue to admire these individuals for their vision back then, and also the Council Members since then, for boldly carrying out the changes that have made Andover the community it is today.

I started serving the City of Andover in 1998 when I was appointed to the Park Commission. Commissioner, David O'Toole was a wonderful inspiration and mentor. At that time most of the parks had non-ADA approved playground equipment, sand parking lots, and sub-standard playing fields filled with weeds and stickers. Sunshine Park, then called the "Field of Dreams", was under construction, and there was no YMCA/Community Center, no city hall water tower, no water treatment plant and no high school. Housing developments and commercial districts since then have supplied the City with funds for improvements to our parks and trails allowing our recreational facilities to increase exponentially. At this time

of high development the Park Commission was reviewing new parks within the new developments and making recommendations continually during my tenure. The AndoverToday newsletter was published monthly in which I initiated and wrote the column, "Park Place". Also during this time I served on the Community Center Task Force, and eventually on the YMCA Community Board. Those were truly exciting times. Then in 2004 I was appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission, which offered up another perspective of City government.

The nuts and bolts of the City Code would seem mundane to most, but within the code lies the closest connection between government and a resident's daily life. When I started on the Planning Commission Dean Daninger, Tim Kirchoff and Rex Greenwald served as my mentors as we reviewed and made recommendations on housing developments, conditional use permits, zoning and land use areas. I am truly indebted to them for their tolerance, instruction and insight. The past few years, we have been challenged to review and revise the land use chart. The task was recently accomplished only after many hours in work sessions where we had lengthy, productive discussions regarding the City overlay of zoning districts and land use areas. I hold the greatest respect for our current Planning and Zoning Commission members, Dean Daninger, Tim Cleven, Lynae Gudmundson, Bert Koehler, Kyle Nemeth and Steve Peterson, as they approach every issue intelligently and with due diligence.

I want to thank all the residents this past year for chatting with me when I knocked on your door and to everyone who gave me rides back to my car when it rained, bottles of water when it was hot and a minute in your house when it was cold. Thank you, also, for showing me your home improvement projects, antique cars, motorcycles, swimming pools, gardens and also for sharing your interesting stories of the big one that got away, how things used to be and, of course, how things should be. We'll get there.....you can be sure I'll work my hardest on your behalf.

## ACCAP CHORES & MORE PROGRAM

One stop shopping for minor home repairs, housekeeping and seasonal chores for people 60 +. We utilize independent contractors and when available volunteer groups. Give a call for more details. New phone number and address, (763) 783-4767, 1201 89<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.E. Suite 345, Blaine, MN 55434.



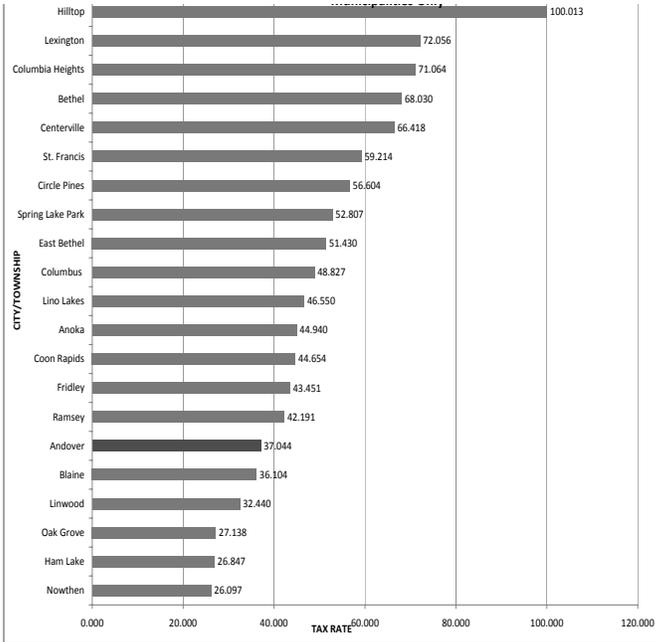
# CITY OF ANDOVER 2015 BUDGET & CERTIFIED 2015 PROPERTY TAX LEVY

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This article contains the City of Andover 2015 Budget in summary form, a property tax rate comparison and various charts and graphs. For further information on the City of Andover 2015

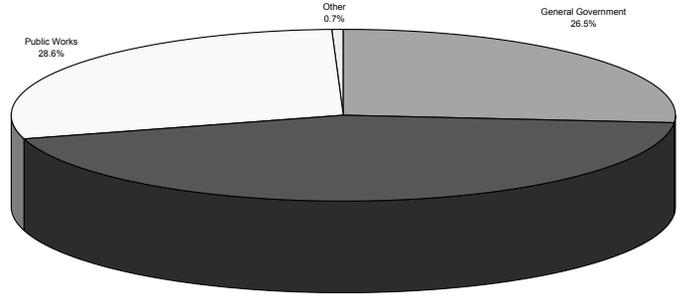
Budget, please view on the City website [www.andovermn.gov](http://www.andovermn.gov) or call the City Administrator / Finance Director, Jim Dickinson at (763) 767-5110.

## MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN ANOKA COUNTY PROPOSED 2015 CITY TAX RATE COMPARISON MUNICIPALITIES ONLY

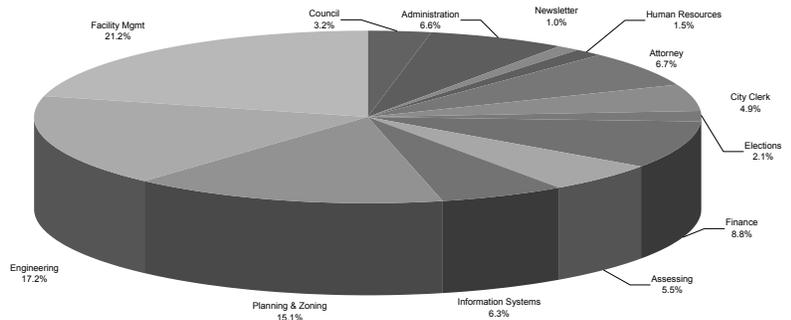


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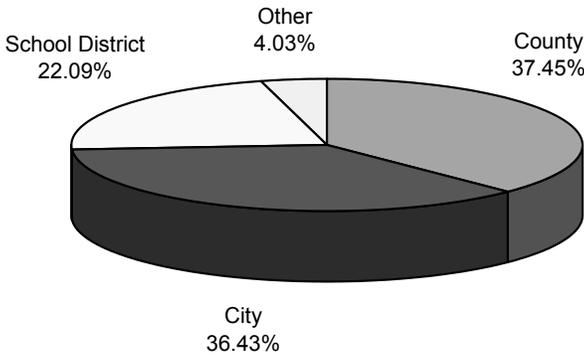
CITY OF ANDOVER  
2015 General Fund Expenditures by Function



## GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES

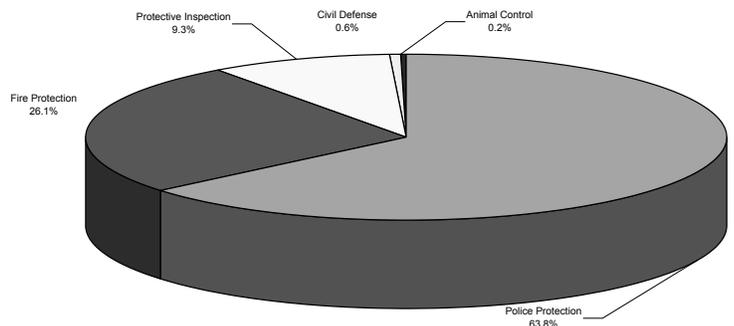


## 2015 PROPOSED TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

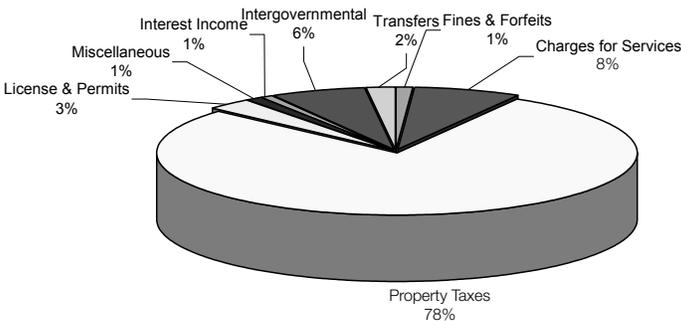


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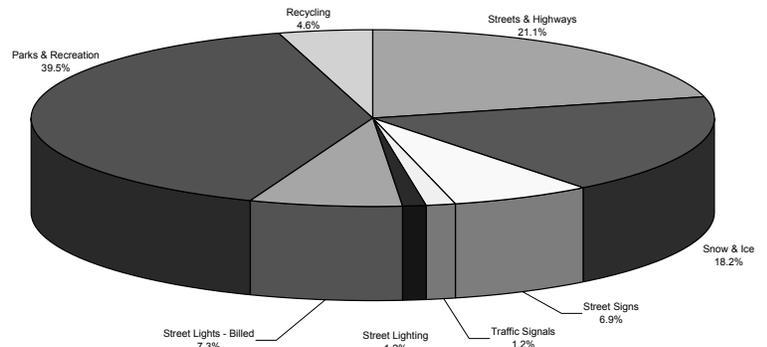
## PUBLIC SAFETY EXPENDITURES



## 2015 GENERAL FUND REVENUE COMPARISON



## PUBLIC WORKS EXPENDITURES



## PARK PLACE

Well here we are at the midst of the winter season and the City is already working on planning for 2015 park improvements. Some of the improvements the City will be working on over the next few months to get ready for summer construction include the possibility of replacing the existing playground equipment with new equipment at Andover Lions Park and Timber Rivers Park along with upgrading the existing playground area at Hidden Creek East Park with new fall zones and a new concrete border around the playground structure. Surveys have been sent out to the neighborhoods near the park. The results of the survey and what should be done at these parks were discussed by the Park & Recreation Commission at the December 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Pine Hills North will also be getting a new playground structure for 2-5 year olds near Grow West Field along with new restroom enclosures.

As far as projects coming up for this summer, the remaining irrigation will be completed at Oak Bluff and Pine Hills South Parks. The majority of the irrigation system was installed in the summer of 2014 but a couple areas still need to be completed. In regards to Rose Park (which included 2 new ball fields, parking lots and a storm water pond) most of the work was completed this past fall and will not be usable for the upcoming 2015 season until the grass is established in the ball field areas. The playground equipment and shelter will be open to the public for use.

For those that are outdoor nature enthusiasts, the Park & Recreation Commission will be hiring an independent consultant to advise the City on what future improvements should be planned in Kelsey Round Lake Park. The potential future opportunities for the park may include trail development, prairie and woodland restoration, interpretive center/restrooms/plaza, playground equipment and additional landscaping. Once the consultant is hired, it will take 6 months or so to complete.

If you are a winter enthusiast, Andover offers many opportunities to enjoy the winter activities including ice skating, cross country skiing, snowshoeing and downhill sliding. A number of these activities are located in City parks or you can check out one of the Regional County Parks (Bunker Hills and Rum River Central Parks) for winter activities they offer.

For further information regarding City parks, free park maps are available at City Hall or visit the City of Andover's website at [www.andovermn.gov](http://www.andovermn.gov) If you are interested in one of the County parks, you can stop by the Bunker Hills Activity Center on Bunker Lake Boulevard NW or visit the Anoka County website at [www.anokacountyparks.com](http://www.anokacountyparks.com).

If you have questions about any of these projects or parks in general, feel free to contact Todd Haas at the City at (763) 767-5131.

## COMMUNITY GROUPS

**Andover Women of Today:**  
(763) 516-6283

**Andover/Ramsey Moms Club:**  
[www.facebook.com/  
MomsClubOfAndoverRamsey](http://www.facebook.com/MomsClubOfAndoverRamsey)

**Andover Seniors:**  
(763) 754-0963

**TOPS Club:**  
(763) 757-5822

**Andover High School Football Boosters:**  
(763) 506-8555

**Andover Lions:**  
(763) 286-9782 or (763) 434-9403 for  
membership interest/questions

**DFL Meetings:**  
(763) 434-1394

**Republican Meetings:**  
(763) 712-5378

**Moms In Prayer:**  
Moms praying for their children  
& local schools.  
[www. MomsinPrayer.org](http://www.MomsinPrayer.org)  
Marsha Rouch  
(763) 862-8969

**Lamplighters 4-H Club:**  
Marsha Rouch  
(763) 862-8969

*(Many others; please visit the  
City of Andover's website  
and click on the  
Community Info. Tab.)*

### Coon Rapids/Andover American Little League

Baseball/T-Ball for Girls and Boys  
(ages 4-14)

Online registration @  
[www.CRALLbaseball.com](http://www.CRALLbaseball.com)  
(starting January 1<sup>st</sup>)

Walk in registration:

Andover Elementary - February 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> 9am-1pm  
Sand Creek Elementary - February 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> 9am-1pm

email [CRALLbaseball@gmail.com](mailto:CRALLbaseball@gmail.com) with questions..



Andover Residents,

The Andover Baseball Association is proud to represent baseball in OUR community. For 2015 the New Year brings the sense of hope for yet another great baseball season. Did you know? Over 750 families participated last year. The Andover Baseball Association offers baseball programs starting at T-Ball (4-5 years old), In-House leagues (6-15 years old), Traveling Baseball (9-14 years old), the High School age programs (15-19 years old), as well as VFW and American Legion programs. We also host a variety of tournaments

including in-house, traveling, state and all-star tournaments in our community. The ABA is affiliated with the Minnesota Youth Athletic Services (MYAS), Gopher State, and USSSA.

Look for us around the community on banners, bulletin boards, and signs. You can also visit us on our website at [www.andoverbaseball.org](http://www.andoverbaseball.org). Baseball registration will open January-March 2015. Come join us!!!



## ANDOVER COMMUNITY CENTER'S FACEBOOK PAGE

The Andover Community Center facebook page will keep you up to date with events, programs, lessons, community events and more!



## A FAMILY HAPPY NEW YEAR EVENT

Join us Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> for A Family Happy New Year Event. Admission wristbands are \$5 and includes ice skating from 11:15 am – 2:15 pm as well as inflatable bounce houses and slide from 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Fun for all ages! Skate rental available for \$3/pr.



## INDOOR YOUTH WINTER SOCCER PROGRAM

The Andover Indoor Winter Soccer program will be held Saturday mornings, January 3 – February 28, 2015 (7 sessions) for youth ages 4-9. This program focuses on individual skill development and having fun! Teams play 6 v 6 games with a maximum of 10 players per team. A great start for beginners and a fun league for those who have already played organized soccer! League is held at the Andover Community Center Field House and players will be organized into age levels 4/5, 6/7 and 8/9 year-olds. Registration fee is \$79 per player.



## INTRODUCTION TO ICE - ICE SKATING LESSONS

This 3 week program will introduce the sport of ice skating to students ages 3 - 10. Each class is 30 minutes in length and will feature age appropriate, on and off-ice activities including games and music for the younger students. Students will gain confidence to advance to the Andover Skate School. Skate rental is available for those needing ice skates. This program is for students who have no ice skating experience. Upcoming classes include:

Introduction to Ice Ages 3 - 6  
January 10, 17, 24 Saturday Mornings - FULL  
January 15, 22, 29 Thursday Mornings  
February 12, 19, 26 Thursday Mornings  
February 14, 21, 28 Saturday Mornings

Introduction to Ice Basic Ages 7 - 10  
January 10, 17, 24 Saturday Mornings - FULL  
February 14, 21, 28 Saturday Mornings

Saturday classes are from 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Thursday classes are from 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Classes cost \$30, per 3 week session.

## ANDOVER SKATE SCHOOL ICE SKATING LESSONS

Winter Learn to Ice Skate Lessons will be held Saturday mornings, January 10 – February 28, 2015 (7 sessions) and Spring Lessons March 21 – May 2, 2015 (6 sessions). Lessons available for students ages 3 – Adult, classes offered are: Parents & Little Skaters (PALS), Basic, Freestyle and Pre-teen/Adult. Hockey Development Classes will be held during Spring lessons only. Class descriptions and registration available online.

## SPECIAL INFLATABLE/SKATE EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming special inflatable/skate events. \$5 admission wristbands include both ice skating and inflatable bounce houses and slide. Specific skate and inflatable times will be posted on the website.



MLK DAY: January 19, 2015  
Presidents Day: February 16, 2015  
March Madness: March 10, 2015

## ACTIVE OLDER ADULT OPPORTUNITIES!!

Monthly activities for active older adults include; pot-lucks, book club, walking club, educational seminars and classes, bingo and fitness opportunities. AOA activity calendars are available at the Andover YMCA Community Center and at [www.andovermn.gov/acc](http://www.andovermn.gov/acc). For more information contact Jodi Blowers, YMCA (763) 230-6552. You do not need to be a member of the YMCA to participate in many of these activities.

## INDOOR WALKING CLUB

Indoor walking available Monday – Friday, 5:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. All walkers sign-in at the YMCA front desk each morning and walk around the perimeter of the community center field house (10 laps, equals one mile). Walkers enjoy complimentary coffee in the YMCA lobby area. ½ Season Passes for non-YMCA Members are \$25 (or \$1 per day) and walking is free for YMCA members. Walkers must register at the Andover YMCA front desk. If you have any additional questions, please contact the Andover YMCA at (763) 230-9622.

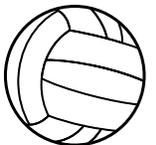
## TOT-TIME OPEN GYM

Tot-Time Open Gym is offered most Mondays & Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to Noon in the Andover Community Center Field House. Parents/caregivers and kids, infant – K, will meet new friends and get to socialize and play in a non-structured, super fun, environment! There are many items available for children to play with and lots of room for them to run. Inflatable bounce house/slide, story time and craft days are held each once a month during Tot-Time. No need to pre-register. Tot-Time will not be offered days when students in District #11 are not in session.

## SUNDAY NIGHT OPEN VOLLEYBALL 16+

- Minimum Age 16+
- No Claiming Courts
- Play one game, rotate out and let waiting teams play
- Limit game scoring to 21 points
- \$3 Residents / \$5 Non-Resident
- I.D.'s Required

Please refer to our monthly field house schedule, as volleyball is not offered all Sundays. Schedules located at [www.andovermn.gov/acc](http://www.andovermn.gov/acc)



## OPEN GYM AND OPEN SKATE

All open gym and open skate times are included on our monthly schedules. All schedules are available in the community center lobby and on the web at [www.andovermn.gov/acc](http://www.andovermn.gov/acc). Please contact us if you would like to receive this information by mail. As a reminder you do not need to be a member of the YMCA to use the ice arena or field house (gymnasium).

### ACC 3 V 3 MITE HOCKEY

The Andover Community Center Ice Arena will host ACC 3 v 3 hockey for Mites looking to extend their hockey season. This program is available for both boys and girls and open to the public (not just Andover residents). 3 v 3 cross-ice hockey promotes offensive skill development by playing in a small area and having fewer players. This format gives all players more time with the puck and encourages creativity. Players participating in this program must have previous hockey experience.



Registration is limited and accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Cost is \$89 per skater (includes jersey). Program will be held Friday evening, March 20 and the following dates on Sunday mornings; March 22, 29, April 12, 19, 26 and May 3 (7 sessions). \$89 per skater.

**NOW TAKING RESERVATIONS FOR 2015 LOCK-IN'S, BUSINESS MEETINGS, FIELD TRIPS, BIRTHDAY PARTIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS. CONTACT US AT (763) 767-5100.**



**Saturday, March 21, 2015**  
**Andover YMCA Community Center**  
**9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m**

**100 + Home Improvement Exhibitors, Door Prizes, Kids Workshop, Demonstrations and More!**

Free Admission, however please consider bringing a non-perishable food item. Cub Scout Pack 609 will be collecting items for the ACBC Emergency Food Shelf.



**www.NorthSuburbanHomeShow**



### CLEAN WATER TIP #8 WINTER SALT ALTERNATIVES

Coon Creek, like the rest of the Metro, is getting increasingly polluted with chlorides, primarily from road salt. This pollutant doesn't go away and is harmful to aquatic wildlife.

Prevention is key! Since most road salt is used for highway safety we can all help reduce its use by adjusting our expectations from summer to winter road conditions and slowing down during icy or snowy weather.

To find out what YOU can do to have safe walkways and prevent chloride pollution of our waters, go to: <http://tiny.cc/irlopX> or check out a short 1-minute video of winter salting tips at home at: <http://tiny.cc/dolopX>.

Information provided by Coon Creek Watershed District (763) 755-0975 or [www.cooncreekwd.org](http://www.cooncreekwd.org).

### ANDOVER'S NEW RECYCLING CENTER

1825 Crosstown Blvd. NW • Hours 8:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

Entrance is the same as the outdoor hockey rink.

There is an automatic gate which will open at 8:00 a.m. and close and lock at 8:00 p.m. This is necessary because there has been illegal dumping and theft of scrap metal. New cameras were installed at our new Recycling Center which has allowed us to see these activities. We can now see vehicles, and identify the numbers on license plates. The Anoka County sheriff's office has been actively pursuing these individuals. Also many residents who have seen these activities have informed us because they want our Recycling Center to continue to be a viable operation.

You may recycle your papers, glass bottles, and plastic containers # 1-7 all in the same containers, just like your curbside recycling. Plastic bags (from retailers like big box stores and grocery stores) into the barrel in the center of the building.

We still have 8 cardboard containers, a scrap metal roll-off, books recycling, Salvation Army drop boxes and used motor oil tank. Place antifreeze on the pallet by the oil tank.

### MONTHLY APPLIANCE AND ELECTRONICS

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month there is appliance, electronics and fluorescent bulbs recycling. JR Appliance Recycling will accept these items from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Our next days are January 10<sup>th</sup> and February 14<sup>th</sup>.

### FUTURE FIX IT CLINICS

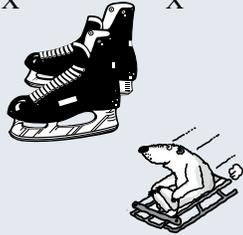
Andover's next Fix It Clinic will be Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. All Anoka County residents are invited. If you want to volunteer to be a fixer coach, call Cindy at (763) 767-5114 or email [c.deruyter@andovermn.gov](mailto:c.deruyter@andovermn.gov).

Coon Rapids is holding a Fix It Clinic on January 31<sup>st</sup>. For more information email Colleen at [csinclair@ci.coon-rapids.mn.us](mailto:csinclair@ci.coon-rapids.mn.us)

# 2014 - 2015 ICE SKATING RINKS & SLIDING HILLS

Listed below are park ice rinks that will be maintained by the Public Works Parks Department throughout the skating season.

PARK	LOCATION	WARMING HOUSE	HOCKEY RINK	ICE SKATING
Prairie Knoll	595 - 146 <sup>th</sup> Lane	X	X	X
Crooked Lake School	2939 Bunker Lake Boulevard	X	X	X
Hawkridge	18001 Verdin Street	X	X	X
City Complex East/West	1885 Crosstown Boulevard	X	X	X
Nordeens	15535 Juniper Street			X
Hidden Creek North	2620 Bunker Lake Boulevard			X
Hidden Creek East	2156 - 135 <sup>th</sup> Lane			X



### SLIDING HILL (LIGHTED)

Andover Station North	1823 - 139 <sup>th</sup> Lane
Prairie Knoll Park	595 - 146 <sup>th</sup> Lane

### WARMING HOUSE HOURS OF OPERATION AND RINK ATTENDANTS ARE:

- Monday, Tuesday & Thursday - (Andover Huskies Youth Hockey Association), 4:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- Wednesday – 4:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- Friday – 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday – 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Sunday – 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

### HOLIDAYS AND DISTRICT #11 SCHOOL BREAKS WARMING HOUSE HOURS ARE:

- Monday, Tuesday & Thursday  
1:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- Wednesday & Friday  
1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## WINTER REMINDERS FROM PUBLIC WORKS...

**MAILBOX REQUIREMENTS** - The base of the box should be 48-50" above street level. The post should be 20" back from the curb. The face of the mailbox should line up with the curb. The snowplow wing needs the 48" height clearance to avoid hitting the box and the 20" from the curb to clear the post. The City does NOT assume liability for mailboxes damaged during plowing operations, unless it is determined the plow made direct contact with a mailbox that is properly installed using the standard 4 x 4 post and metal box requirements. Decorative mailboxes are not within the requirements and will not be replaced if damaged. The mailbox should be secured to the base and post and the post securely in the ground, no rotting wood. There should not be any plastic newspaper tubes or attachments to the mailbox below the 44" minimum height requirement. (See mailbox placement diagram on the City web site at [andovermn.gov](http://andovermn.gov)).

**TRAILS** are plowed during the regular scheduled working shift with the exception of trails within a 2-mile radius of a school. These trails are plowed as soon as possible during regular plowing operations.

**CUL-DE-SAC** streets are plowed by smaller snow removal vehicles. You may notice the large plow truck will clear one path while turning around in the cul-de-sac, but the smaller plows will clear the street curb to curb. Plow operators try to evenly distribute snow throughout the cul-de-sac, but limited space makes it difficult.

Remember to keep cul-de-sacs clear of all sports equipment such as hockey nets, basketball hoops, etc.

**DO NOT** plow, shovel or blow snow **ONTO** or **ACROSS** any public roadway. Minnesota State Statue 160.27 - The Minnesota Department of Transportation reminds everyone it is against state law to deposit snow onto a public roadway. Dumping or plowing snow onto a roadway can create a slippery area, frozen rut or bump, which has the potential to contribute to a motor vehicle or pedestrian accident. MN Statue 160.27 and many local ordinances prohibit the plowing, blowing, shoveling, or otherwise placing of snow from sidewalks, driveways, and parking lots onto public roadways. The public is cautioned that violations are misdemeanors and civil liability can extend to both the property owner and the person/company who placed the snow improperly.

**GARBAGE CANS**/recycle bins should be placed approximately 2 feet behind the curb **IN** the driveway. Plow operators cannot leave the vehicle to move objects left in the road.

**SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** placed in the curb right-of-way are not the responsibility of the City if damaged during snowplowing operations.

**SOD DAMAGE** caused by the snowplow during plowing operations will be repaired in the spring by the Street Department with black dirt and seed. If you have damage

and would like it repaired, feel free to call the Street Department at (763) 767-5178 to be put on a list for spring repairs.

**NO PARKING** on any City street after 2 inches or more snowfall until the streets have been plowed curb to curb. The City of Andover observes a parking ordinance during the winter months, which is **NO PARKING** on any City street between the hours of 1:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. from November 1<sup>st</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup>. Cars parked or left unattended in a City street during plowing operations will be tagged and towed.

**CITY PARK** parking lots that are NOT required to stay open during winter months will not be plowed.

**LEAVES**/grass clippings should not be blown or raked into City streets or along roadways. The Bunker Hills Compost Site at 13285 Hanson Boulevard is available for residents through November, weather permitting. For more information call Anoka County Integrated Waste Management at (763) 323-5730.

**TREE TRIMMING** is done during the winter months when the Street Department is not busy with snowplowing. Fall and winter are the best times to prune or remove trees blocking signs, obstructing traffic visibility or in the right-of-way. Feel free to contact the Street Department at (763) 767-5178 with any questions or concerns.

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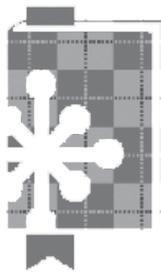
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**DATED MATERIAL**

## **LIBRARY FOCUS: 2015 WINTER READING PROGRAM**

“Winter Jackets”—Anoka County Library’s winter reading program for adults and young people over age 16—is here once more! The program is again taking place in January and February. Participants receive a small incentive, bookmark, and short review form to fill out for a book they read during the program. The completed review then serves as an entry into the regular drawings for prizes. With no limit to number of entries, each added review increases the chances of winning.



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Winter Jackets is offering special author appearances as well, with dates and details at [anokacountylibrary.org](http://anokacountylibrary.org). Check the website also for opportunities to share your favorite places to read through social media, by posting Facebook photos or tweeting with the hashtag #ireadhere. For more on Winter Jackets and other library services, please contact Rum River Library, 4201 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW, Anoka, (763) 576-4695.

## **FREE PRESCHOOL FAIR JANUARY 23<sup>RD</sup>, 5:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.**

The Andover/Ramsey Moms Club will be hosting a FREE Preschool Fair on Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. at the Andover Community Center. It’s a great opportunity to meet various preschools throughout Anoka County in one location.

We’ll also have prizes, food and activities. We just ask that you bring a non-perishable food item to donate to

the ACBC Food Shelf. For each food item you bring, you’ll be entered into a drawing for various gift certificates to local merchants.

The Andover Community Center is located at 15200 Hanson Blvd. NW Andover. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Wintz at [swintz762@hotmail.com](mailto:swintz762@hotmail.com).

## **ANDOVER IDENTIFIED AS ONE OF THE BEST CITIES FOR YOUNG FAMILIES IN MINNESOTA**

Andover was recently identified as being in the top 10 of the Best Cities for Young Families in Minnesota. 88 cities with over 10,000 residents were analyzed on factors such as: public school excellence, home affordability, and growth and prosperity. The results of the study can be found at: [www.nerdwallet.com/blog/cities/economics/cities-young-families-minnesota/](http://www.nerdwallet.com/blog/cities/economics/cities-young-families-minnesota/)