



Madison West Neighborhood Association, Inc. October Newsletter 10/17/16

MADISON WEST NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, INC

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Neighborhood Updates

by Joseph Ryan, MWNA President

Greetings all. The MWNA has been very busy! We are planning for next year for a lot of projects and events. We tried to do an October event this year but given the short amount of time and schedules we were not able to pull it off. But we are committed to doing not only a Fall event next year but also a summer event! We are also working on getting movies/yoga/fundraising/food cart events planned as well. But we need your help! If you want to help with any of these please reach out!!!

I am also proud to announce that the MWNA was recognized by the City of Madison for its time and dedicated service in forming, engaging, and working toward making a better place for residents to "Live, Work, & Play." GREAT WORK EVERYONE!

Major Topics for the Neighborhood:

- Next NA Meeting
- Community Garden Project
- West Side Farmers Market
- Social Media Update
- Ext. Property Enforcement Guide
- Neighborhood Meeting 'Hope & A Future' Expansion

- Planning for a Stronger Neighborhood: A Panel Discussion for Southwest Madison
- High Point-Raymond Dev Plan

Each of these topics will be explored, but we wanted to let you know that your neighborhood association is reaching out and trying to get you the information you need to join the conversation! Every voice is important!

**Next NA Meeting Nov 1st **

Agenda to be posted on www.madwest.org or new Facebook page!

<https://www.facebook.com/madwestna>

- Time: 6:30pm
- Location: MPD Westside Station
- Agenda: TBD

Membership

To join as a member to the MWNA, please go to <https://goo.gl/xc6na9>

With your membership we can grow this community so that neighbors start crossing fences!



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High Point-Raymond Neighborhood Development Plan Update

The MWNA is forming a work group to focus on this task! Updates included.

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Many members have expressed interest in a community garden! The MWNA, Parks Dept., Community GroundWorks. Have been in talks and things are moving!

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Community Garden Projects

The MWNA is working with Community Ground Works and Gardens Network to establish the neighborhoods first community garden. The idea is to have it on the north side of High Point Park. The reason this area was thought to be ideal was because of several factors:

Easy access from the condos and apartments nearby, nearness to water source, visibility from street, and open land availability

We are also working with the 'Madison Area Chef Network' on ways to help raise funds for the project! Stay tuned!

The location is not firm and is open to discussion.



NEED VOLUNTEER PROJECT LEAD

Want to lead the efforts for the High Point Park Community Garden or want to be involved in the planning/implementation? Please let us know! info@madwest.org



Westside Farmers/Artisan Market

The MWNA is looking to form a farmers/artisan markets on the westside. We are looking for interested people to help with this project and help fight food disparities, deserts, and provide locally sourced goods to our area.

If interested email: info@madwest.org

As a side note, we are thinking Elver Park for the location. At this time, we are only in the idea phase and have reached out to the city to start discussions on this idea!



Alder Announcements

Hope & a Future Development Project

Dear Neighbors,

Hope & A Future, an intergenerational community where young and old can draw on each other's strengths to serve each other's needs, is proposing to expand their facilities at 3440 High Point Road. Please join me for a neighborhood meeting where we will hear about their plans.

Thursday, October 20, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.

Hope & A Future - 3440 High Point Road

Hope & A Future proposes to construct a two-story building that would include a central Community Building with three connected residential four-plexes. The Community Building would house a stage, a multi-purpose space for daytime adult day care as well as programs or events, a small day care for children, offices and storage, and the residential component would be comprised of eight condominiums for residents age 55+ and four apartments for young families desiring mentoring and support. The project requires annexation into City of Madison from the Town of Middleton and proposes installation of a cul-de-sac at the end of Meadow Sweet Drive and creation of a path through the undeveloped end of the property to connect Meadow Sweet Drive with High Point Road. The development of the property will require land use approvals from the City's Plan Commission and Common Council prior to construction.

You are also invited to attend an open house at Hope & A Future on Saturday, October 22, from 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. for an opportunity to see the grounds, tour the facilities and learn more about their work.



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www.cityofmadison.com/council/district1/



Neighborhood Updates

Social Media Update

The MWNA has created a NEW Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/madwestna>

Please 'Like' us so that we can keep you updated on the most updated manner possible besides sending out email blasts. We will continue to work on best/efficient ways to communicate. If you are interested in directing the MWNA social content please contact us:
info@madwest.org

Planning for a Stronger Neighborhood: A Panel Discussion for Southwest Madison

*Thursday, Oct. 20 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Falk Elementary School
6323 Woodington Way
Sponsored by Prairie Hills Neighborhood
Association*

The panel will feature Anthony Cooper and Zandra Hagberg of Focused Interruption, a grassroots group formed to address violence in Madison; Stephanie Wilson, Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Project; Tutankhamun Assad, Mellowood Foundation, and Ruben Anthony, Urban League of Greater Madison. The panel will discuss what is being done to address the challenges facing neighborhoods in SW Madison. Sponsored by Prairie Hills Neighborhood Association. A question and answer session will follow. All are welcome.

For more information, contact Gloria Meyer at gkmeyer68@gmail.com

2017 City Improvement Plan (CIP) / Budget

The 2017 Capital budget that the Mayor has put out is available for review. The total capital budget that is purposed is \$329 million 46% of this is borrowed money. There are many projects listed in this budget such as: Bike path improvements, updating roads, Olbrich Improvements, a new downtown park, a Public Market, County Hwy M improvements, planning for bus rapid transit, affordable housing, new library, new neighborhood center, etc. The MWNA does not have a stance on the budget at this time. However, we do encourage all neighbors to be informed of the budget and to communicate with both the Mayor's office and Common Council on this topic.

- City Finance 2017: <https://goo.gl/boEuGi>
- Budget Page: Mayor's Email: mayor@cityofmadison.com
- Alder McKinney: district1@cityofmadison.com
- All Alders: allalders@cityofmadison.com

High Point-Raymond Neighborhood Development Plan Workgroup

The city is going to be redoing the development plan for a large portion of our neighborhood. The MWNA has decided to be proactive and start forming a workgroup of neighborhood members that are interested in having a say on how their neighborhood is developed by the city and developers. To join the work group email info@madwest.org

- City Project Page: <https://goo.gl/wakXCg>
- Current Plan: <https://goo.gl/c8JxDs>
- First City Meeting scheduled 12/15/2016

We currently have around 15 members that are interested in participating. We are looking for a November (TBD) intro meeting date.

Elver Park Hayrides

Madison Parks has three scheduled hayride events in Elver Park:

1. Friday, Nov 4 6:00-7:00pm & 7:15-8:15pm
2. Saturday, November 5, 2:00-3:00pm & 3:15-4:15pm
3. Sunday, November 6, 2:00-3:00 pm & 3:15-4:15 pm

More information at:

<https://www.cityofmadison.com/parks/events/hayrides.cfm>

Trick-of-Treating City Recommended Hours

The City of Madison does not have official Trick-or-Treating hours.

- **Recommended hours:** 4pm - 8pm on Monday, October 31, 2016

Exterior Property Enforcement Guide

HELP BUILD STRONG & HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS

Clean – Safe – Accessible

City of Madison

Department of Planning & Community Economic Development

Building Inspection Division 608 226-4551

<https://www.cityofmadison.com/dpced/bi/documents/ExtPropEnfGuide.pdf>

TRASH, RECYCLING, AND CART STORAGE

1. Trash and recycling carts shall not be placed on the terrace (area between street and sidewalk) more than 12 hours before the day of collection. MGO 10.18(1)
2. All trash and recycling carts shall be removed from the terrace within 24 hours after the day of collection. MGO 10.18(6)
3. Trash and recycling containers shall be stored at the rear of the building. MGO 7.36
4. The owner of every building shall be responsible for supplying adequate trash and recycling facilities. MGO 27.04(2)(c)

NOTE:

Additional questions about recycling can be answered by calling Streets West (266-4681), Streets East (246-4532) or the City Recycling Coordinator (267-2626). To obtain additional City of Madison trash and recycling carts, please contact your local Streets Department.

The Streets Department will **ONLY** pick up trash and recycling in the City supplied carts. Materials outside the cart **WILL NOT** be collected. Many appliances, vehicle tires and rims require a sticker for City pick-up. TVs, CPUs and monitors are no longer collected.

VEHICLES

All vehicles parked on residential lots must be operable and must have current license plates. MGO 28.141(10)(d)

FENCES, WALKS, DRIVEWAYS, ETC.

Fences, walks, driveways, parking areas, other minor construction, etc., shall be properly maintained in a safe, sanitary and substantial condition. MGO 27.05(2)(d)

TREES

All private trees, not located in the terrace area, shall be maintained in good health and not encroach onto any building or structure, and may not obstruct the sidewalk lower than 7 feet. Any trees encroaching onto structures or sidewalks, or any diseased, dying, or dead trees or branches shall be trimmed or removed as necessary. MGO 27.05(2)(f) and MGO 27.05(3)(b)(1)

LAWNS AND PLANTINGS

1. Grass shall be maintained to a height not to exceed eight inches; this includes the terrace. MGO 27.05(2)(f)
2. All plantings shall be maintained so as not to obstruct the public sidewalk. MGO 27.05(2)(f)
3. All noxious weeds shall be destroyed and eliminated, including any thistles, ragweed, burdock, and poison ivy. MGO 23.29

EXTERIOR PROPERTY AREA

All exterior property areas shall be properly maintained in a clean and sanitary condition free from debris, rubbish, garbage, physical hazards, rodent harborage and infestation. MGO 27.05(2)(c)

YARD WASTE AND BRUSH

Yard waste and brush should not be set out for regular trash pickup. Placement of yard waste, grass clippings and / or leaves in the street is prohibited. MGO 10.17 and MGO 10.18(7) (d)

Yard waste (small twigs, grass clippings, leaves, plant stalks, etc.) is collected in April and again in October. Yard waste drop-off sites are available at 4602 Sycamore, 1501 West Badger Road, and 402 South Point Road.

Brush is collected once a month or may be dropped off year round at 1501 West

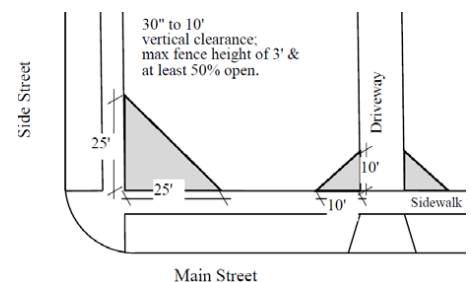
Badger Road or 4602 Sycamore Avenue. For more information and the collection schedule, call 267-2088.

COMPOSTING

1. All compost piles, other than compost piles consisting solely of yard waste, excluding fruit, shall be enclosed in a free standing compost bin and be no larger in volume than one hundred twenty-five (125) cubic feet, and be no taller than five (5) feet. MGO 7.361(3)(a)
2. No compost pile or bin shall be located in any yard except a rear yard. All piles or bins shall be placed between the rear building wall, excluding all portions of a building which are occupied seasonally, and the rear lot line extended to the side lot line. MGO 7.361(3)(d)

VISION CLEARANCE

Within any vision clearance triangle, other than at a railroad crossing, screening, planting, fences or other obstructions are not permitted between a height of thirty (30) inches and ten (10) feet above the curb level or its equivalent, with the exception of fences a maximum of three (3) feet in height and at least fifty percent (50%) open to vision. MGO 27.05(2)(bb)



PLANTINGS ON TERRACE

1. Any non-woody plantings that are commonly found in vegetable gardens, flower gardens or landscaping are allowed. Landscaping features mulch, small rocks or other similar features,

shall be allowed provided the materials are stable, do not create any potential public safety hazard, and are easily removable. Temporary wire fencing, lattices, vegetable cages and the like are permissible. MGO10.25 (2)(a) and MGO10.25 (2)(b)

2. No person shall plant or maintain or cause to be planted or maintained on any terrace any plant or shrub in excess of twenty-four (24) inches in height or within a distance of twenty-four (24) inches from the back of the curb unless necessary to control erosion of the soil. MGO 10.25(3)

GRAFFITI

Graffiti must be removed from all exterior property and the removal is the responsibility of the property owner. To report graffiti on private property, call 266-4551; on public property, call 246-4532. MGO 27.05(2)(v)

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

MGO 10.28 requires that public sidewalks be cleared of all snow and ice not later than 12:00 noon the day after the snow or ice has accumulated. Days end and begin at 12:00 midnight.

**THERE ARE NO WARNINGS
GIVEN FOR
THIS VIOLATION.**

When public sidewalks are found in violation, the property owner is issued a fine in the form of a Citation. Failure to clear the public sidewalk may also result in the City directing crews to satisfactorily clear the sidewalk, with the cost of the work assessed against the property in addition to the fine.

Inspectors are looking for reasonably safe conditions. When ice has formed on the sidewalks and cannot be removed, the property owner must use salt, sand, or other abrasive substance to effectively eliminate the hazard until the ice can be removed. Property owners on a corner lot are required to clear the portion of a sidewalk or curb ramp that leads to the crosswalk on the street and must keep it clear.

Message from the TENANT RESOURCE CENTER and the MADISON AREA

APARTMENT ASSOCIATION:

Property owners have a duty and an obligation to see to it that local trash storage and removal Ordinances are followed. This means being aware of the trash pickup day in the area, the day and time garbage may be left at the curb and

the time that cans must be removed from curbside for storage.

Tenants need to take on some responsibility as well. On some leases, tenants have specific duties such as keeping yards and sidewalks clean or snow-free. In such cases where tenants are fully or partially responsible for trash storage and removal, property owners should advise their residents as to the proper procedures at THE BEGINNING OF THE LEASE TERM. All rules and responsibilities should be spelled out in writing and signed by both parties at the time of "check-in." Where tenants and owners can help most is by getting garbage and trash out on the right day, in containers acceptable for pickup and removing trash containers within the allotted time frame. Don't let your garbage become your neighbor's problem.

This pamphlet contains a summary of information only. For more information or to make a complaint please go to www.cityofmadison.com/bi or call Building Inspection at 266-4551 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

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