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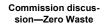
Public Works & Engineering Division

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Solar Group Purchase Reminder

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Sustainability Tip of the Month

Did you know the average American throws away 70 pounds of clothing each year? Clothing production is very resource–intensive, and only 15% of clothing is recycled or donated; the rest winds up in landfills. Here are some tips to approach clothing more sustainably:

- 1. Buy less, and keep your clothes longer. Keep a notebook or mark on the tag whenever you wear a piece of clothing to track what you wear most, and invest in pieces that outlast seasonal trends.
- 2. **Learn how to make simple repairs!** Our local community center, <u>Anpétu Téča</u>, offers beginning sewing lessons in their <u>adult education program</u>. A popped button or ripped seam can be repaired, giving that piece of clothing many more wears!
- 3. **Purchase clothing made from natural fabrics.** Polyester is cheap, but also releases microplastics into our water with each wash.
- 4. **Take good care of your clothes**—while convenient, dryers are hard on clothing and cause premature wear. Dry your favorite pieces on a drying rack or clothes line to extend their life.

PWET Commission meeting—Zero Waste Discussion



When: Tuesday, August 23rd, 6:30pm Where: Roseville City Hall, 2660 Civic Center Drive, or Virtual

Our Public Works, Environment, and Transportation (PWET) Commission will be discussing ways to reduce waste from takeout containers and plastic bags at their upcoming August meeting. Join to hear the discussion and voice your opinion!

There is currently an open seat on the PWET commission! Fill out an application here—becoming a City of Roseville

Commissioner is an excellent way to get more involved in your community and contribute to the City's goals.

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Roseville Tree Sale



The City of Roseville is within the Emerald Ash Borer infestation zone, and we've sadly lost many ash trees already to this invasive pest. In an effort to maintain the tree canopy, Roseville is holding a tree sale for residents wishing to plant trees on their private property in the City.

Trees cost \$40 each, limit 2 per property, and will be available to pick up on October 1, 2022 from 9am-noon at the Roseville Public Works Building, 2660 Civic Center Drive, Roseville MN 55113.

For more information, visit <u>CityofRoseville.com/Treesale</u>.

Twin Cities Solar Group Purchase Reminder

Interested in powering your home with solar energy? Building on the tremendous success of previous programs, the <u>Midwest Renewable Energy Association (MREA)</u> is partnering with local organizations to once again offer the solar group purchasing program to property owners throughout the Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area. This group purchase will be offered through **September 30, 2022.**



The City of Roseville hosted an educational webinar to learn more about solar and how the group purchasing program works. You can watch the recorded webinar at this link.

Volunteer Opportunity



We're looking for volunteers to help monitor recycling and compostable waste stations at <u>Tapped & Uncorked</u>! Volunteer shifts are 2 hours each and include a discounted \$10 ticket to the event—and a free tshirt!. Volunteers must be 21+, no exceptions.

Volunteers also must attend one training session Thursday, September 22nd at 6pm. Both events are at the Roseville OVAL, 2661 Civic Center Drive, Roseville MN 55113

ZEROWASTE Help us make the first Zero Waste Tapped & Uncorked event a success! Email noelle.bakken@cityofroseville.com for more information. Tapped & Uncorked is organized by the Friends of Roseville Parks; ticket proceeds support the City of Roseville Parks.

Upcoming Sustainability Events

Visit Roseville at the State Fair! - Friday August 26th, 10am-1pm, corner of Cooper & Randall. Sustainability Intern Noelle Bakken will be representing the City of Roseville at the Green-Step Cities exhibit in the Eco Experience building!

<u>Wild Rice Festival</u>—Saturday, September 17th, 10am-4pm, Harriet Alexander Nature Center. A celebration of wild rice, the Minnesota fall season, and Native American culture. We will be there with some fun sustainability-related activities for both adults and kids!



<u>Tapped & Uncorked</u>—Friday, September 23rd, 6-10pm at the OVAL in Roseville. This year we are partnering with Eureka Recycling to make this special event Zero Waste! Enjoy local craft beer, wine, and spirits while raising money for your Roseville parks. 21+ only—\$35 in advance, \$40 at the door. Tickets <u>available online</u> or at the Parks & Rec office at Roseville City Hall.

Thank you from your Sustainable Roseville Team!

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