

# Plymouth PULSE \_\_\_\_\_\_

**City of Plymouth** 

201 S. Main St.

Plymouth, MI 48170

734-453-1234

http://plymouthmi.gov

# **Parking**

When Richard Blodgett, who was the Plymouth City Manager in the early 1960s, stopped by City Hall a few years ago, we asked him what the main issue in town was back then. Without missing a beat, he answered, "PARKING!"

If you ask some residents and business owners today, they might have the same answer. Perception, though, is individual.

On September 19, the City Commission hosted a study session to learn about the past, present, and future of parking in the City. From 1976 to 2019, there have been 11 different parking committees and 12 studies or surveys. From the opening of the Central Parking Deck in 1984 to the purchase of the Saxton's lot in 2014, the committees worked diligently to increase the inventory.

One thing has remained constant throughout - while the City of Plymouth doesn't currently charge those who use it, parking isn't free. Acquiring property, building, maintenance, and parking enforcement all cost money. That's why the City Commission is considering instituting paid parking.

"This is merely fact finding at this time," said Mayor Nick Moroz. "No decisions have been made."

It's estimated that installing parking meter kiosks in the downtown would cost around \$600,000, and operating them would cost an estimated \$35,000 per month, which includes software, cellular service, debt service and labor.

Some business owners expressed opposition to paid parking, stating that they fear they'll lose employees if there is a cost for them to park their vehicles, and others commented that employees should park outside the prime area to leave nearby parking to customers.

A video of the study session is linked on our website at plymouthmi.gov. The direct link is https://vimeo.com/753821841.

# City Commission to Consider Allowing Additional Liquor Licenses

The Plymouth City Commission will hold a public hearing in accordance with the liquor management ordinance on Monday, October 17, 2022. The hearing will take place during their regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. The public hearing is to consider expanding or deleting the license cap that is a part of the City's Liquor Management Ordinance. The current ordinance caps liquor licenses at 16 in the DDA and 12 in other areas of the City.

This is a public meeting and any interested person is invited to attend and provide comment. To provide comment to the City Commission prior to the meeting, you may send an email to citycommission@plymouthmi.gov.

The meeting will be held in person at City Hall, 201 S. Main, with Zoom access at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85275511067

Passcode: 369373

Webinar ID: 852 7551 1067

# 2022 Infrastructure Improvement Program

# ANN ARBOR TRAIL RETAINING WALLS The barricades have been delivered and demolition and installation will start next week.

### **BYRON STREET**

All work is done, with the exception of restoration, which is scheduled to take place shortly.

## CAROL AND EVERGREEN

Due to delays caused by Consumer's Energy, this project has been pushed out to next year.

SEASONAL PATHWAY ON N. TERRITORIAL The concrete has been poured and is currently curing. Restoration work is expected to begin next week.



# **UNION STREET**

Crews have removed the street surface and are scheduled to begin the storm sewer work the first week of October. The project is on schedule and expected to wrap up at the beginning of November.

# **September Police Training**

# **Western Wayne County Special Operations Team Training**

Team members attended the required regular monthly training sessions involving the many skills needed to successfully intervene during a critical incident situation such as a hostage rescue or barricaded gunman. These skills include: proper planning and response, firearms and equipment proficiency, team movement, surveillance, and much more.

# **FBINAA- MI Chapter Fall Training Conference**

Police Chief attended this annual conference involving legal updates, officer wellness and post critical care, new federal intervention programs, and a debrief of the 2021 Oxford School Shooting.

## **MI Law Enforcement Accreditation Program Conference**

Accreditation Manager and Lieutenant attended this annual conference.

### **Evidence Technician School**

The detective attended training in the collection, preservation, and packaging of evidence, and crime scene processing.

## **Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design**

Crime Prevention Officer attended training regarding the design and layout of structures and properties to deter criminal activity.

### **Mobile Field Force Bike Team Training**

Tactical training for team members assigned to the police bicycle team within the MFF team.

# **Western Wayne County Mobile Field Force Team Training**

Team members attended regular quarterly training session involving maintenance of skills necessary during civil disturbances. Skills included proper command and control techniques, tactics, communication, and equipment proficiency.

# **Cultural Demystification- Arab and Muslim Communities**

Cultural diversity training sponsored by the Middle Eastern Law Enforcement Officer's Association.

### Penumbra Through the Lens Video Evidence Training.

Training for detectives handling video crime scene evidence.

# **November 8 General Election Information**

### REGISTRATION

City residents may register to vote in person at the clerk's office during regular business hours through 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. Voter registration is also accepted at any Secretary of State branch office, the Wayne County Clerk's office, military recruitment centers and other state agencies, as well as by mail, until 15 days before each election. During the 14 days prior to each election, voters are required to register in person with the clerk's office and provide proof of residency. Voters who have moved within the City of Plymouth may update their address at any Secretary of State branch office, online, or in person at the clerk's office.



October 24, 2022

Last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk (168.497)

October 25, 2022 through November 8, 2022 by 8:00 p.m. In-person registration with local clerk with proof of residency. (168.497)

### **APPLYING TO VOTE ABSENTEE**

To be sure we are only sending ballots to currently registered voters, ballots are not sent automatically! BUT it is easy to submit your Michigan Online Absent Voter Ballot Application online at mvic.sos.state.mi.us/AVapplication/index. You may also receive and submit an application at the clerk's office. Applications may be returned by hand, via postal mail, fax, or email, as long as the voter's signature is visible and can be verified with the voter record. If the ballot must be issued by mail, the application for the ballot must reach the clerk's office no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Friday prior to the election. Absent voter ballots may be received by a voter in person any time up to 4:00 p.m. on the day prior to the election. A voter who visits the clerk's office on the day prior to the election to obtain an absent voter ballot must vote the ballot in the office; the voter is not permitted to leave the office with the ballot.

### **VOTING ABSENTEE**

Absentee ballots are in the mail! Anyone who previously submitted an absentee ballot application for the upcoming November 8th General Election, should be receiving their ballot sometime next week (depending on mail service). Voters who requested a ballot and don't receive it within the next week or so, should check the status of their ballot at mvic.sos.state.mi.us/voter/index to be sure your ballot was issued. After receiving your absent voter ballot, you have until 8 p.m. on Election Day to complete the ballot and return it to the clerk's office. Your ballot will not be counted unless your signature is on the return envelope and matches your signature on file. Only you, a family member or person residing in your household, a mail carrier, or election official is authorized to deliver your signed absent voter ballot to your clerk's office. If you received assistance voting the ballot, the signature of the person who helped you must also be on the return envelope in the appropriate space.

### **VOTING IN PERSON**

In the City of Plymouth, all precincts vote at the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer, Plymouth, MI 48170. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on November 8.

# Rectangular Rapid - Flashing Beacons

Prioritizing pedestrian safety is a key component of the City Commission's Five Year Strategic Plan. To that end, the City has been installing Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) lights at strategic locations in town. For these tools to increase safety, however, they must be used properly.

Drivers and pedestrians should be aware that a flashing RRFB signal does not constitute a red light, and drivers are not required to stop. When pedestrians wish to cross the street, they must wait for traffic to clear, *then* activate the light. This signals oncoming drivers to be aware that there are pedestrians present and they should be cautious.

According to the Federal Highway Administration, RRFBs can reduce pedestrian crashes up to 47% and can increase motorist yielding rates up to 98%.

"You still have to be smart," said Director of Public Safety Al Cox. "Never enter a crosswalk when traffic is present and don't assume drivers can see you."

RRFB lights have been installed on Mill between N. Main and Ann Arbor Trail, Starkweather at Liberty, Harvey between Penniman and Ann Arbor Trail, Penniman near Evergreen, Ann Arbor Trail between Harvey and Main, and Main between Harvey and Penniman.





Contractors installing an RRFB at the Main St. mid-block crossing



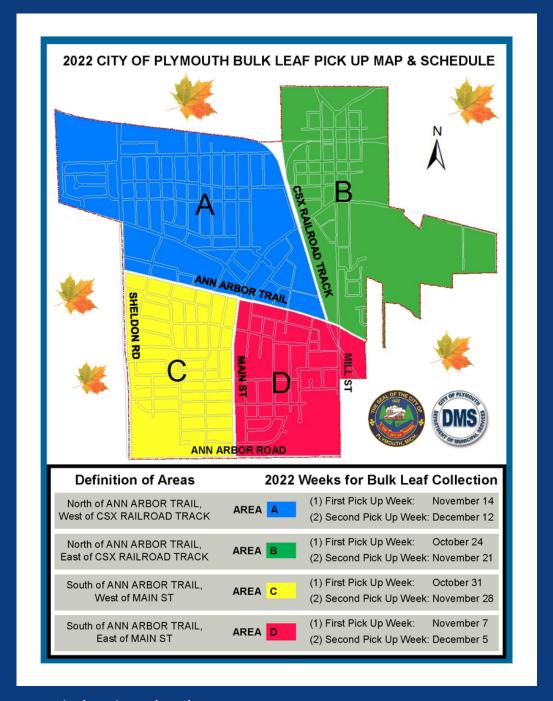
# **Bulk Leaf Pickup Begins October 24**

Bulk leaf pickup will begin on October 24. Please refer to the map to determine the assigned weeks for pickup at your address.

Residents are required to have leaves neatly raked to the curb by 7:00 a.m. on the Monday of their designated weeks. Having the leaves at the curb on time and on schedule will ensure that when we are collecting leaves on your street, your leaves will not be missed. If we are on your street on Monday and your leaves are not at the curb, it may be several weeks until we are back in your area.

### **REMINDERS:**

- Park cars away from leaf piles as car exhaust may catch leaves on fire.
- Leaf piles that are over storm drains will cause flooding.
   Please take care to keep grates free of



leaves, even if you have to go out in the rain to clear the grates on your street.

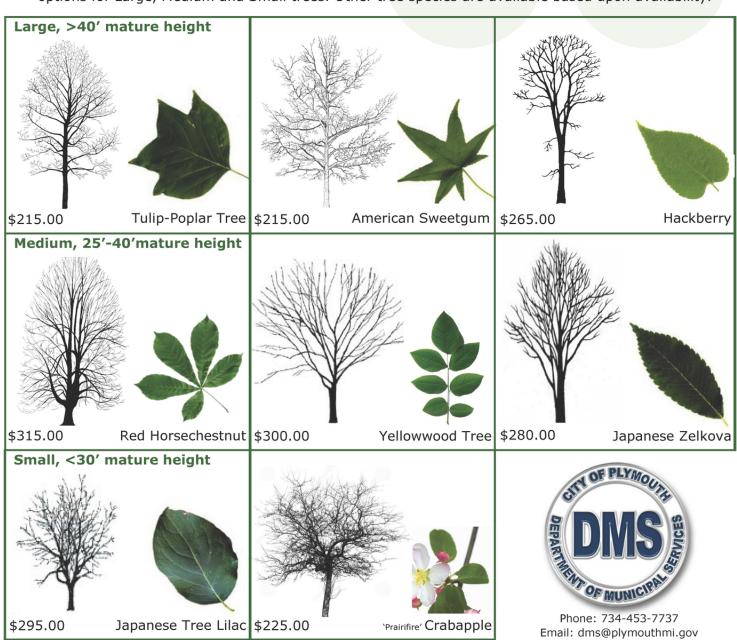
- Grass clippings, branches, corn stalks, pumpkins, dirt, rocks, firewood, stumps, root balls, etc. cannot be picked up with bulk leaves. Please do not place these items on top of leaf piles.
- Bulk leaf pickup occurs only in the fall and is separate from curbside compost pickup and brush chipping.
- Please place grass clippings, brush, corn stalks, pumpkins, etc. in brown paper lawn refuse bags or in containers labeled "compost." Weekly compost pick up will occur on your regular trash day through the week of December 5, 2022 by the City's Solid Waste contractors.

City of Plymouth Department of Municipal Services

# 2022 Street Tree Planting Program Information & Order Form

- Tree Selection
- Pricing
- Specifications
- Requirements

**Tree Selection** is organized by the size of the species. The City of Plymouth offers several options for Large, Medium and Small trees. Other tree species are available based upon availability.



Please contact Municipal Services at 734-453-7737 for additional tree species. Due to limited nursery stock, species listed may not be available. Additional species may be available on request.

### Specifications:

• All street trees purchased through the City of Plymouth Street Tree Program are guaranteed to be true to name, disease free and healthy at the time of planting

Trees do not come with any other guarantees; expressed nor implied and come with NO WARRANTY.

- All street trees must be planted in the City owned right-of-way. Typically this is the area between the sidewalk and the curb, known as the tree lawn. Trees purchased through this program are not allowed to be planted on private property.
- All street trees listed are Balled & Burlapped stock. The prices listed are for 2 inch to 2-1/2 inch caliper trees. Caliper is the diameter of the trunk of the tree at 4-1/2 feet above ground level. Other caliper trees are available upon request, pricing corresponds to the size of the tree. The larger the caliper of tree, the higher the price.
- All street trees are planted according to ANSI A300 (Part 6) Standards for tree care.
- All street trees are watered, staked and mulched at the time of planting.

# Ordinance Requirements:

The planting of street trees must follow all applicable City of Plymouth Ordinances. The following are summaries from the ordinance related to new street tree planting:

- Spacing: 25 feet min. on center for deciduous, 15 feet min. on center for ornamental
- Placement: Middle of lot frontage, between the driveways

### Recommendations for placement:

- Spacing: 25-50 feet between trees depending on species and purpose
- Distance from back of curb & edge of sidewalk: 2 feet min.
- Distance from street corners: 35 feet min.
- Distance from utilities (fire hydrants, manholes, etc.): 10 feet min.
- Distance from overhead utilities & street lights: 10 feet min.
- Distance from driveways & alleyways: 10 feet min.

### Ordering:

- Call the City of Plymouth Municipal Services at 734-453-7737 or email at dms@plymouthmi.gov to schedule an appointment.
- A representative will meet with you to evaluate the tree lawn at your property. This ensures the tree(s) you choose will meet the ordinance requirements.
- After you have selected your street tree you will be mailed an invoice. Once payment has been received, tree(s) will be scheduled to be planted.
- Your street tree will be planted in early fall, or periodically through the Spring, Summer and Fall seasons depending on weather conditions and crew availability.



# City of Plymouth Municipal Services

1231 Goldsmith Plymouth, MI 48170

Phone: 734-453-7737 Fax: 734-455-1666 E-mail:

dms@plymouthmi.gov

Name:	Address:	
Phone:	Email:	
Tree (s):		Qty:
Location Instruction:		

# **News in Brief**

The City of Plymouth is hiring!

Part-Time Zamboni Drivers

Ages 18 and up

Starting at \$16.50 -\$17.50 depending on experience.

Plymouth Cultural Center Building Supervisors
Ages 16 and up
Starting at \$15.00

Apply at plymouthmi.gov/jobs

# **Upcoming Red Cross Blood Drives**

October 4 PARC 650 Church
October 10 Church of Christ 9301 Sheldon
October 11 Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer
October 13 Metropolitan SDA Church 15585 Haggerty
October 13 First Presbyterian Church 701 Church
October 24 VFW Post 6695 1425 S. Mill

**Call 800-REDCROSS to schedule an appointment** 

As the leaves begin to fall, please be sure to keep catch basins on your street clear of debris. This will allow rainwater to flow to the drain instead of accumulating on the sidewalks and roadways.



...if I see water bubbling up in the street or in my yard?

Chances are, if it's in your yard, it's either your sprinkler system that hasn't been blown out for the season or your sump pump. Call your plumber for advice.

If it's in the street or on the tree lawn area, it's probably a water main break. Call the Department of Municipal Services at 734-453-7737. After hours, please call the Police Department non-emergency line at 734-453-8600. They will contact the the on-call DMS crew 24/7.

# Scarecrows in the Park



City of Plymouth Recreation - 525 Farmer St. - 734-455-6620 recreation@plymouthmi.gov

Register using the QR code below







Monday Night League: October 17 thru December 12 Thursday Night League: October 20 thru December 15 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

No games during Election and Thanksgiving week

- Games will be played at the Plymouth Cultural Center.
- Each League will be a maximum of 14 teams. Teams can roster 2-5 players per team. All players must be 18 years or older.
- Cost per team \$100.
- Teams will play 6 games a week, playing a different team each game.
- This is a fun social league. A chance for you to get out and have some fun with your spouse or friends.
- · ACA Rules and League equipment will be used

Registration will take place from September 5 until October 7 or until league is filled.

For more League Info and Online Registration, go to www.plymouthmi.gov, go to the "City Departments" page, then click "Recreation"

 You must have a household account set up with the Recreation Dept. before you can register on-line.

Please contact Brandon Szachta, Recreation Supervisor with any questions at bszachta@plymouthmi.gov

# First time doing online registration?

To set up an account and receive a user name and password, email us at recreation@plymouthmi.gov

# City of Plymouth Recreation Department

525 Farmer St. - 734-455-6620 - recreation@plymouthmi.gov

# Next date October 12th

# When

GIRT CARD October 12th - 7-8:30 p.m.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

# Where

Plymouth Cultural Center

# **Categories**

Everything, from sports to history to pop culture to geography to music to science and more!

How much?

# FREE TO PLAY!

Alcohol available for purchase (21+) QR code to register. Only a team "captain"

# First time doing online registration?

To set up an account and receive a user name and password, email us at recreation@plymouthmi.gov

Bring your own food

# Fire Station Open House

Fire Safety Information

Vehicle &
Equipment
Demonstrations

Hands-On Activities



Thursday, October 13, 2022 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, October 15, 2022 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

CITY FIRE SERVICES
201 S. MAIN ST. PLYMOUTH, MI 48170

# September Board and Commission Synopses

## Zoning Board of Appeals - September 1, 2022

Z22-11: 383 N. Harvey, non-use variance request for generator location - approved



Zoning Board of Appeals members left to right: Dave Latawiec, Jim Burrows, Joe Elliott, Mike Devine, Mike Pappas

# City Commission -September 6, 2022

**CONSENT AGENDA** 

Special Event: Heroes on Hines 5K Run/Walk-Saturday, September 24, 2022

Special Event: Main Street Boulevard Tree Lighting/Salvation Army Red Kettle Kickoff- November 11, 2022

Special Event: Ladies' Holiday Shopping Night-Thursday, November 17, 2022

Special Event: Holiday Greens Market-Saturday, November 26, 2022

Special Event: World Cup in the Park-Tuesday, November 29, 2022 - moved to regular agenda

**NEW BUSINESS** 

- a. MML Annual Meeting approved
- b. MERS Resolution Authorized Signatories approved
- c. Capital Improvement Equipment 26' Scissor Lift Purchase approved
- d. Special Event: World Cup in the Park Tuesday, November 29, 2022 -approved

# **Historic District Commission Meeting**

September 7, 2022

H22-03, 860 Penniman, Westborn Market: banners with signage - approved

### Downtown Development Authority -September 12, 2022

2022 Central Parking Deck Bid Award - approved

# Planning Commission September 14, 2022

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. SP22-04-900 N. Mill, Special Land Use and Site Plan Review approved
- b. Text Amendments for Impervious Surfaces approved
- c. Text Amendments for B-2 Central Business Districts approved

**NEW BUSINESS** 

a. SP22-05: 936 N. Sheldon, Site Plan Review - approved

### City Commission - September 19, 2022

**CONSENT AGENDA** 

a. Approval of August 2022 Bills

**NEW BUSINESS** 

- a. Set Public Hearing for Liquor License Cap Review/Change
- b. Accept Resignation of Mayor Pro Tem Tony Sebastian approved
- c. Elect Mayor Pro Tem Suzi Deal elected

# **October Board & Commission Meetings**

# City Commission - October 3, 2022 - 7 p.m.

In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82749373669 Passcode: 568997 Webinar ID: 827 4937 3669

# **Historic District Commission October 5, 2022 - 7 p.m.**

In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84523427811 Passcode: 674929 Webinar ID: 845 2342 7811

# Zoning Board of Appeals - October 6, 2022 - 7 p.m.

In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85977495742 Passcode: 470060 Webinar ID: 859 7749 5742

# **Downtown Development Authority -October 10, 2022 - 7 p.m.**

In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81448235555 Passcode: 034001 Webinar ID: 814 4823 5555

# Planning Commission Meeting -October 12, 2022 - 7 p.m.

In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83238770467 Passcode: 186509 Webinar ID: 832 3877 0467

## Northville-Plymouth Fire Advisory Board Meeting - October 17, 2022 - 4 p.m.

In-person at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main St., Northville

# City Commission Meeting - October 17, 2022 - 7 p.m.

In-person at Plymouth City Hall with Zoom access for the public https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85275511067 Passcode: 369373 Webinar ID: 852 7551 1067



# Plymouth Community Senior Transportation

Located at Plymouth Township Friendship Station Senior Center at 42375 Schoolcraft Rd.

The Plymouth Community Senior Transportation Program is an independent, curb to curb transportation service owned and operated by the Charter Township of Plymouth in partnership with the City of Plymouth.

Transportation is available to residents 60 years old and older, living in the Charter Township of Plymouth or the City of Plymouth.

Reservations are required at least 2 business days in advance and can be made by calling the reservation line Mon through Fri from 8:30am-11:30am

(734)459 - 8888

# OCOTBER SPECIAL TRIPS - Please be ready 30 minutes prior to your scheduled pick up. Return times will be 2 hours from time you are dropped off at the store

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESTINATIONS</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>PICK UP TIMES</u>	<u>RETURN TIMES</u>
10/5	10/5 IKEA, Kohl's, Home Goods, Target, Hobby Lobby, Michaels, Goodwill or Joann Fabrics		9am	12pm
10/7	WALMART		10am	lpm
10/14	MEIJER		9am	12pm
10/21	DOLLAR TREE		9am	l 2pm
10/28	MEIJER		9am	l 2pm

# MEDICAL SCHEDULE & FEES WE ONLY TRANSPORT TO WELL APPOINTMENTS

\*First pick up is at 9am / \*Must be finished with your appointment by 2:30 p.m.

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SERVICE DAYS	<u>DESTINATIONS</u>	<u>COST</u>	SERVICE HOURS
	*ALL Canton Medical Facilities		
MONDAY	*Livonia Medical Center on Schoolcraft College Campus		
THROUGH	*Livonia St. Mary Hospital & Medical Facilities across from St. Mary	\$12	9am-2:30pm
FRIDAY	*Livonia Beaumont Urgent Care - Haggerty Square		
	*U of M Northville (7 Mile / Haggerty Location)		
M-W-F	Novi Providence Park \$6	\$12	9am-2:30pm

GROCERY SCHEDULE & FEES - Please be ready 30 minutes prior to your scheduled pick up. Return times will be 1 or 2 hours from time you are dropped off at the store.

<u>DAYS</u>	<u>DESTINATIONS</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>PICK UP TIME</u>	<u>return times</u>
MONDAY	BUSCH'S	\$4	9am	I OR 2 HOURS AFTER DROP OFF
TUESDAY	KROGER	\$4	9am	I OR 2 HOURS AFTER DROP OFF
WEDNESDAY	FRESH THYME	\$12	9am	I OR 2 HOURS AFTER DROP OFF
THURSDAY	KROGER	\$4	9am	I OR 2 HOURS AFTER DROP OFF