

CITY INSIGHTS

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Growing Moorhead

Growth area planning

With more than 5,300 housing units constructed since 2000, Moorhead's growth has exceeded expectations! The City recently initiated Growth Area Plans (GAPs) for future growth areas in east and south Moorhead. Area plans for north Moorhead have already been completed. GAPs provide a road map for long range development by designating land uses to ensure future development is connected to the larger community to guide decisions about transportation, utilities, and other important services to accommodate the City's growth.

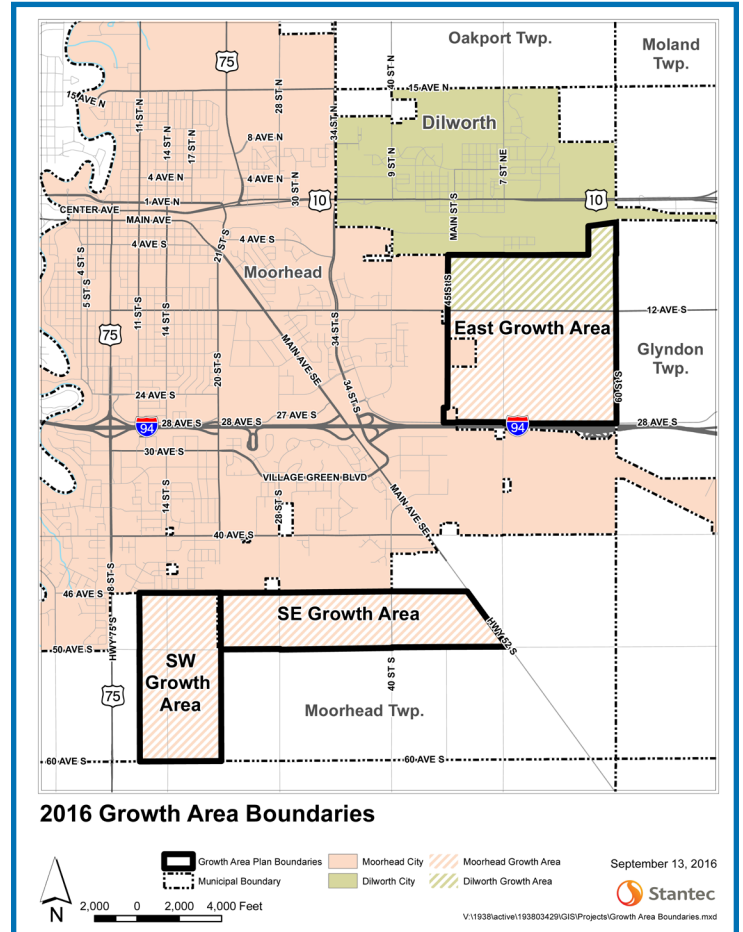
To learn more about the Growth Area Planning effort, visit cityofmoorhead.com/growth or contact the Planning Office at **218.299.5370** and mark your calendar for the Growth Area Plan Open House on November 3 from 5-7 pm at the Hjemkomst Center. We welcome your input!

Exciting redevelopment: *The Grove*

First Ave in north Moorhead is buzzing with activity – moving dirt and making room – as crews work on an environmental cleanup.

In 2017, this area will go from a former industrial site (Aggregate Industries) to a new housing neighborhood. The \$12.4 million project will bring 84+ housing units to the center of the city with the possibility of adding retail space in future phases.

From contamination to beautification, *The Grove* hopes to be open for business by the end of 2018.



Moorhead businesses: Options to increase your curb appeal

The Economic Development Authority (EDA) has introduced a new Façade Loan Program to help spruce up area businesses. Small businesses can apply for interest free loans to update signs, doors, windows, awnings, graphics, lighting, façade, and even landscape improvements.

The EDA wants to hear your ideas to help you launch your curb appeal. Call EDA Director Cindy Graffeo at **218.299.5302** or visit cityofmoorhead.com/business.

Parks and Recreation

Programs from Parks & Rec

Fall fun for the whole family!



Fall and winter program brochures were mailed to all Moorhead residents in mid-August. Additional copies available at moorheadparks.com, Moorhead Sports Center, City Hall, Moorhead Center Mall, Moorhead Library, or the F-M Convention and Visitor's Bureau.

Fall golf special

Beginning September 19, pay for 9 holes and play 18 holes at The Meadows and Village Green Public Golf Courses. Valid on regular nine hole rate, Monday - Friday only, carts not included. Not valid on weekends or holidays.



More special events and programs at moorheadparks.com

Farmers Market: Get fresh. Go local.

Tuesdays through September 27, 3 – 6 pm
Moorhead Center Mall, corner of 4 St/Center Ave
Fresh produce, breads, jellies, lefse, and crafts available from local farmers and vendors.

German Kulturfest

September 17
Hjemkomst Center, 202 1 Ave N
Celebrate the German heritage of this area with food, crafts, and performances.

Haunted Mall

October 31, 4 – 8 pm
Moorhead Center Mall, 510 Center Ave
Trick-or-treat indoors, enjoy a spook house, and decorate pumpkins. Free and open to the public.

Pangea: Cultivate our Cultures

November 19, 10 am – 4 pm
Hjemkomst Center, 202 1 Ave N
Food, dance, crafts, and shopping to celebrate the blend of cultures in our community. Free admission.

Holiday Kickoff (formerly Tree Lighting)

November 22, 5 – 6 pm
Moorhead Center Mall, 510 Center Ave
Lighting of the City of Moorhead's holiday tree, refreshments, and Moorhead High School Carolers will ring in the holiday season.

Skate with Santa

December 11, 2:15 – 4:15 pm
Moorhead Sports Center, 324 24 St S
Free, open skate with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

Sleigh Rides

December 27 – 30, 1 – 4 pm
Viking Ship Park, 202 1 Ave N
Scenic sleigh ride along the Red River. Tickets available in the Hjemkomst Center.

Frostival

January 27 – 29
frostival.com

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Celebrate the cool of winter in one of the coolest places around.



Fall/Winter Reminders

Seasonal service schedules



Weekly curbside branch pick-up Through September 30 Resumes May 1, 2017

After September 30, citizens may request branch pickup at cityofmoorhead.com or **218.299.5422**. Cost included in

monthly Forestry fees; pile size limits apply.

Weekly curbside yard waste pick-up Through November 23 and resumes April 10, 2017

Place all leaves, grass clippings, and garden/flowerbed waste in transparent lawn bags or a garbage can (up to 32 gallon size) to ensure collection on your garbage day. Each container must not exceed 30 lbs, but there is no limit on the total amount that may be picked up.

Yard waste is processed at the City's Compost Site. Residents can haul brush and other yard waste to the Compost Site free of charge. Large loads of brush (1-ton trucks and above) will be subject to a disposal site fee. Finished compost is free to all Clay County residents (up to 2 cubic yards per household).

Yard Waste Compost Site 1800 Hwy 75 N | 218.979.9516

Open April 15 – November 23, 2016
Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:15 pm
Saturday, 8:00 am – 11:45 am

Visit cityofmoorhead.com for more information.

“Take Back Jack” pumpkin recycling November 1 – 14

Help keep pumpkins out of the waste stream by disposing your pumpkins at a recycling/compost collection site.



Christmas tree pickup January 2 – 13

Crews will collect trees on your regularly scheduled garbage pick-up day the first two weeks in January.

Holiday garbage collection

Following a holiday, garbage collection will begin at 4 am; to ensure collection, place garbage out the night before. Garbage may be collected later in the day due to the double route.

When a holiday falls on a Friday, garbage will be picked up the following Monday. When a holiday falls on a Monday, garbage will be picked up on Tuesday. **Sign up for eNotifications (choose ‘Service Alerts’) for email reminders on holiday garbage schedule.** The Garbage Transfer Station and Compost Site are closed on holidays.

Extended Garbage Transfer Station hours this fall

2727 Hwy 10 | 218.299.5464

September 1 – October 31

Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:15 pm

Saturday, 8:00 – 11:45 am



Snow and ice removal

Sidewalks

The owner of buildings and unoccupied lots must clear the sidewalk by 9 pm each day and keep it clear of snow and ice.

City abatement removal

Inspectors will leave a notice at the property when sidewalks are not cleared in a timely way. The notice will have a short compliance timeline. If the sidewalks are not cleared by the compliance date, the City will hire the snow removal and the property owner will be charged for all costs.

Depositing snow on streets

Property owners may not clear their snow on to the street or pedestrian paths.

Reporting

If a public sidewalk has not been cleared, contact the City and an inspector will initiate the enforcement process. Call **218.299.5434** or email neighborhood.services@cityofmoorhead.com.

Recycling and Compost Sites

Public Works, 700 15 Ave N
Southside Regional Park, 200 40 Ave S
Youth Hockey Arena, 707 Main Ave SE
Woodlawn Point, 418 Elm St S
Oakport (grass/leaves only), 809 58 Ave N

2016 General Election

Election and Voting Information

cityofmoorhead.com/government/elections or mnvotes.org

Find your polling location

General Election, November 8

A few polling locations changed in 2016. To find your location, use the "Polling Location Finder" at cityofmoorhead.com.

Ward	Precinct	Location
1	1a	St. Francis de Sales Church
1	1b	St. Francis de Sales Church
1	2	Moorhead Center Mall
2	3	Moorhead Youth Hockey Arena
2	4	Triumph Lutheran Brethren Church
2	5a	Minnesota State University Moorhead, Comstock Memorial Union Ballroom
2	5b	Grace United Methodist Church
3	6a	Concordia College Knutson Campus Center
3	6b	First Congregational United Church of Christ
3	7	First Presbyterian Church
3	8	Valley Christian Church
4	9	Calvary Church at Village Green
4	10	Brookdale Baptist Church
4	11	Brookdale Baptist Church
4	12	Calvary Church at Village Green

Register to vote

Save time in line

Voter turnout is expected to be high this fall. To save time at the polls, register to vote in Minnesota by visiting the elections webpage. You can register in advance online or on paper; you can also confirm if you are registered at your current address.



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Other ways to vote

In Minnesota, you can vote early with an absentee ballot before Election Day.

- **Vote early by mail:** Apply to have an absentee ballot mailed to you. Visit mnvotes.org to apply online, by email, mail, or fax. It is recommended you apply before October 7 for the general election. Ballots must be returned on or before Election Day.
- **Vote early in person:** You can vote early with an absentee ballot at the Clay County Courthouse (Auditor's Office). If you are not registered, you can do so in person if you show proof of residence.
- **Vote from military or abroad:** Have an absentee ballot sent to you wherever you are in the world.

Now Hiring! Election judges: Election judges are paid officials that staff local polling places, administer election procedures, and ensure the rights of voters are protected on Election Day. If you are interested in applying, email cityclerk@cityofmoorhead.com by September 30.



Celebrate Public Power Week

Moorhead Public Service (MPS) is celebrating Public Power Week during the first week in October with over 2,000 other public utilities. To celebrate Public Power Week in Moorhead, MPS invites you to attend two open houses on October 4 at MPS' High Service Pumping Station (307 Hwy 75 N) and MPS' Capture The Sun® Community Solar Garden (2200 28 St N).

Visit www.mpsutility.com or find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/mpsutility](https://www.facebook.com/mpsutility) for more details.

Home Rehabilitation Loan Program

No interest, no payment loans for eligible Moorhead homeowners

Eligible homeowners can borrow \$20,000 – 25,000 for home improvements to be repaid when the owner moves or sells the house – apply today!

Qualifications:

- Income limit for 2 person household \$47,050
- Property – older than 15 years
- Code required repairs must be completed and lead paint hazards must be addressed as part of the project
- Mobile homes are ineligible

Applications processed on first come/first served basis. There will be 10 – 15 projects in the 2017 construction season. For more details, application, and income limits, visit cityofmoorhead.com and go to Residents/Housing, or call **218.299.5375**.

Accessibility Ramps

Temporary and permanent ramps are available to households that have a household member with mobility impairment. Income limits apply (for a two person household is \$47,050), but there is no cost to eligible households. Volunteer carpenters from the Home Builders Association of Fargo-Moorhead Remodeler's Council, in partnership with Freedom Resource Center and the City of Moorhead's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, will construct permanent ramps. Temporary aluminum ramps are also available for use until a permanent ramp can be installed if needed. The property must be the primary residence of the applicant and a rental unit can be improved with written permission from the property owner. Call the Freedom Resource Center at **701.478.0459**.

Other home improvement resources available at cityofmoorhead.com.



Vacation House Checks

Courtesy of the Police Department

Police Volunteers will check the security of your home while you are away. Make the request for this free service if you are leaving town on vacation, for an extended period of time, or if you travel south for the winter.

Residents requesting house checks must secure all doors and windows before leaving. Any open doors and windows will be investigated by an officer and the house will be secured.

Citizens may submit a house check request at moorheadpolice.com or by calling **218.299.5120**.

Enjoy your time away without the worry!



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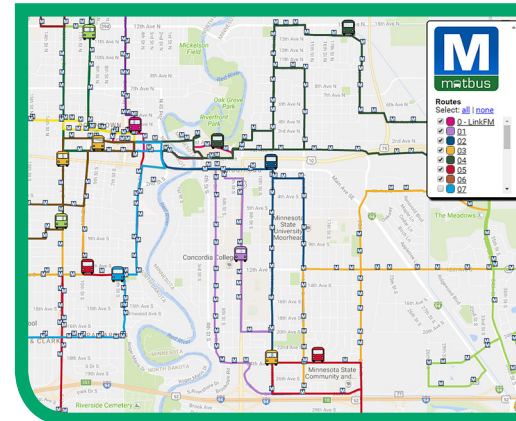
New technology puts MATBUS at your fingertips

Use Google Maps to plan your trip

Plan trips with ease using Google Maps. This app is already widely used to plan trips by car – now use it for MATBUS trips, too. Select the bus icon and Google Maps will show options to get to your destination. Select arrival or departure times, explore schedules, and find the nearest bus stop.

MATBUS Mobile Bus Tracker

Never miss a trip with MATBUSmobile.com – the metro's live bus tracker. This tool will show the exact position of your bus in real time. Select the route and bus stop to see what time the vehicle will arrive. In bad weather, stay inside until you know the bus is nearby – no more standing in the cold for longer than necessary!



Navigate downtown Fargo-Moorhead with ease on LinkFM

It's the fun, fast, and free way to get around downtown



LinkFM is quickly becoming one of the easiest options for shopping, dining, and special events. You may have already used it for a Hjemkomst festival or the Fargo Street Fair, but LinkFM is available all year round! Be on the lookout for the bright pink bus as it circulates every 15 minutes past a variety of popular locations. There's a new genre of music playing every day to make your trip even better. Visit GoLinkFM.com for the route map and bus stop details.

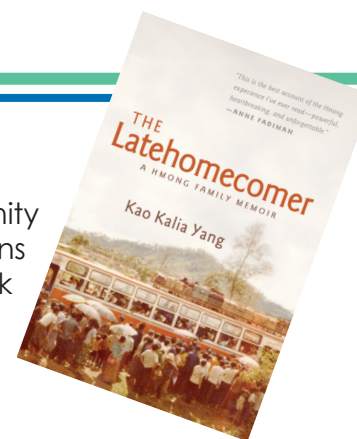
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Library

One Book, One Community

Pick up a copy of Kao Kalia Yang's *The Latehomecomer*

This title has been selected as the focus of this year's One Book, One Community project. The fifth annual community book discussion and related series of events begins in September. Visit 1book1community.org for a list of events, including an author talk on October 14. All Minnesota residents have access to the free digital copy of *The Latehomecomer* and other titles through Ebooks Minnesota. Skip the waiting list at Ebooksmn.org.



Storyland

Relive and share classic childhood tales at the library's returning exhibit, "Storyland: A Trip through Childhood Favorites." *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*, *Where's Spot?*, and *A Snowy Day* will all be showcased by the Minnesota Children's Museum in an interactive display at the library this fall.

Event
details at
larl.org

Harry Potter Mania

Return to Hogwarts Saturdays in September and October with a movie series. Celebrate the end of the marathon on October 22 at the library's all-ages Harry Potter Party!

Monday – Thursday, 9 am – 9 pm | Friday & Saturday, 10 am – 6 pm | Sunday, closed
118 5 St S | Moorhead, MN | 218.233.7594 | larl.org

Greater Moorhead Days

Celebrate our city, September 8 - 14

Thursday, September 8

Welcome Back Students

5 - 10 pm | First Ave N Bridge
Enjoy music by The Johnny Holm Band and enjoy area food trucks cuisine.

Friday, September 9

Greater Moorhead Days Parade Cancelled

The usual parade route is part of this year's construction detours. The parade will be back next year, better than ever!

Saturday, September 10

Wings & Wheels Fly In & Car Show

8 am - 2 pm | Moorhead Municipal Airport
Exit 6 on I-94

Aircraft on display, youth airplane rides, Fargo Custom Car Show, Sanford rescue team with helicopter, pancake breakfast (8 am - noon), and sky dive exhibition (noon). Questions? 218.287.1400

The Flatlander FM Rotary Bicycle Ride

7:30 am | Lindenwood Park (Rotary Shelter)

1955 Roger Maris Dr, Fargo

Bike through Gooseberry Park and stop at Miracle Field for activities and photos before heading back to Lindenwood Park. Questions? fmrotaryride.com

Heritage Garden and Amphitheater Grand Opening

4 - 10 pm | Woodlawn Park, 400 Woodlawn Dr

Join us for live music, kids activities, food, and a movie in the park. Heritage Garden pays homage to the Moorhead power plant and important role it played in our community's development.



Sunday, September 11

Remembering 9/11 Ceremony

9 am | Veterans Memorial Bridge
Main Ave

Sidewalk Art and Poetry Reading

2 pm | Rourke Art Gallery
521 Main Ave

Tuesday, September 13

Moorhead Farmers Market

3 - 6 pm | Moorhead Center Mall parking lot
Corner of 4 St/Center Ave

Midco Kids Fest

5:30 - 7:30 pm | Bluestem Center for the Arts
810 50 Ave S

Free family fun with Penny and Pals, Game Galore Inflatable Games, petting zoo, clowning, Play-Doh station, and kite flying.

Explore Moorhead All Week

Treasure Hunt for Kids

Begins September 8

Treasure Hunt forms at moorheadparks.com - complete form in advance or at Kids Fest, September 13 and pick a prize from the Treasure Chest.

I Spy Photo Contest

Begins September 9 at 5 pm

How many buildings and landmarks can you identify based on an architectural detail photo? Photo clues, prizes, and rules will be posted at moorheadparks.com. First person to correctly identify all photos wins the grand prize valued at \$500; \$300 value for 2nd place and \$200 value for 3rd place.

Medallion Hunt

September 12 at 8 am

Three medallions will be hidden in city limits, on public land. Unravel the clues to win prizes including \$1,000 to Hornbacher's, \$500 from MSUM, and \$500 to Matt's Automotive Service Center. Daily clues posted at moorheadparks.com and announced on Big 98.7, Bob 95FM, and 107.9 The Fox.

Sign up today for email alerts at cityofmoorhead.com.

moorheadparks.com



Coffee with the Mayor

Mayor Del Rae Williams invites citizens to join her for coffee on the third Wednesday of each month



10 am – 12 pm and 7 – 9 pm
Moorhead Center Mall Atrium
500 Center Ave

Free and open to the public. Coffee provided.

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Moorhead, MN 56560

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September

- 5 Labor Day / City offices closed / no garbage collection (collected September 6) / no buses
- 6 Farmers Market / garbage collection begins, 4 am
- 8 – 14 Greater Moorhead Days
- 13 Farmers Market
- 17 German Kulturfest
- 20 Farmers Market
- 21 Coffee with the Mayor
- 24 City Auction
- 27 Farmers Market
- 30 Curbside branch pick-up ends

October

- 2 – 8 Public Power Week
- 9 Fire Department Open House
Cultural Diversity Day
- 19 Coffee with the Mayor
- 31 Halloween / Haunted Mall

November

- 1 "Take Back Jack" pumpkin recycling (through November 14)
- 3 Growth Area Plan Open House
- 6 Daylight Saving Time ends
- 8 Election Day
- 11 Veterans Day / City offices closed / no garbage collection (collected November 14)
- 14 Take Back Jack ends / garbage collection begins, 4 am
- 16 Coffee with the Mayor
- 19 Pangea: Cultivate our Cultures
- 22 Holiday Kickoff
- 23 Curbside yard waste pick-up ends / Compost Site closes
- 24 Thanksgiving Day / City offices closed / no garbage collection (collected November 25) / no buses
- 25 Garbage collection begins, 4 am
- 25 & 26 MATBUS Half-fare Days

December

- 3 MATBUS Half-fare Day
- 10 MATBUS Half-fare Day
- 11 Skate with Santa
- 17 MATBUS Half-fare Day
- 21 Coffee with the Mayor
- 23 Christmas Eve observed / City offices closed / garbage collected
- 24 Christmas Eve / MATBUS Half-fare Day and routes ending early
- 25 Christmas Day / no buses
- 26 Christmas Day observed / City offices closed / no garbage collection (collected December 27)
- 27 Garbage collection begins, 4 am
- 27 – 30 Sleigh Rides
- 31 New Year's Eve
MATBUS Half-fare Day

January

- 1 New Year's Day / no buses
- 2 New Year's Day observed / City offices closed / no garbage collection (collected January 3)
- 3 Christmas tree collections (through January 15) / garbage collection begins, 4 am
- 4 Deadline to apply for 2016 Energy Rebates
brightenergysolutions.com/moorhead
- 15 Last day of Christmas tree collection
- 16 Martin Luther King, Jr Day / City offices closed / no garbage collection (collected January 17)
- 17 Garbage collection begins, 4 am
- 18 Coffee with the Mayor
- 27 – 29 Frostival

February

- 16 Coffee with the Mayor
- 20 Presidents Day / City offices closed / no garbage collection (collected February 21)
- 21 Garbage collection begins, 4 am

Mayor

Del Rae Williams

218.299.5307

First Ward

Nancy Otto

218.233.2834

Second Ward

Jim Haney

218.299.5547

Third Ward

Brenda Elmer

218.299.5548

Fourth Ward

Steve Gehrtz

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City Council
through December 31, 2016

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