

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

**City of Plymouth** 

201 S. Main St.

Plymouth, MI 48170

734-453-1234

http://plymouthmi.gov

# **Pedestrian Safety**

One of the components in the City of Plymouth Strategic Plan is to improve pedestrian safety. To that end, you'll see plenty of work going on this summer.

This week, crews began work on installing new traffic and pedestrian crossing signals at the intersections of Harvey and Penniman and Harvey and Ann Arbor Trail. Crossings at these intersections have been a high priority for residents.

The Plymouth City Commission also approved the purchase and installation of five Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) pedestrian crossing lights at the following locations:

- Ann Arbor Trail at Evergreen
- Penniman at Evergreen
- Ann Arbor Trail at Forest
- Starkweather at Liberty
- Main Street mid-block between Penniman and Ann Arbor Trail



The units will be solar powered and are similar to the one at Main and Hartsough. They will be activated when pedestrians are in the crosswalk to alert drivers.

"It's important to remember that drivers should not stop unless there is a pedestrian in the crossing," said Director of Public Safety Al Cox. "Pedestrians must wait for traffic to clear before entering the crosswalk and drivers should not stop to allow a person to enter the crosswalk."

It's expected that work on the RRFB lights and the associated ADA sidewalk improvements will begin this month and will be completed in the fall.

# **May Police Training**

### **Crisis Intervention Team Conference**

Multi-discipline conference addressing issues surrounding crisis intervention incidents. Training included: Utilizing Social Workers in a Police Department: Co-Response with CIT & More; Building Bridges Between Law Enforcement and the LGBTQ+ Community; Meeting the Needs of Suburban Communities: Mobile Crisis Co-Response & Embedded Behavioral Health Clinicians; Current State of Crisis Systems: Field Research Across 33 Michigan Counties.

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

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

### **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.

### **Medical First Responder**

Certified officers attended Continuing Education training regarding Airway Management and Patient Assessment.

## **Plymouth City-Township Honor Guard Training**

Regular monthly training.

### **Patrol Rifle School**

Initial rifle training for probationary officer.

## **Forfeiture Law Legal Update Training**

WACO APA presented updates to law and procedures regarding OWI, Drug, and Nuisance Abatement forfeitures in Wayne County.



City of Plymouth Police Officers Jon Hiemstra (far left), Jeff Jones (second from left), and Scott Hockenberry (far right) participating in the joint Plymouth City-Township Honor Guard at the Memorial Day ceremony

# **Voter Information**

### **ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

Absentee ballots are mailed 45 days before each election for voters outside the U.S. and shortly after for all other voters. Voters must submit a signed application for each election ballot they would like to receive. **Ballots are not sent automatically**!

### **ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS**

Absentee ballot applications will be mailed out the week of June 6, 2022 to voters who are currently part of our Permanent Absent Voter Application List. The applications can be used to request a ballot for both the August 2, 2022 Primary Election and the November 8, 2022 General Election. Ballot choices Must Be Marked on the application and the voter Must Sign the application.

# BECOME PART OF OUR PERMANENT ABSENTEE VOTER LIST

Avoid the lines on Election Day. With the passage of Proposal 3 in November 2018, a reason is no longer required for requesting an Absentee Ballot. If you would like an Absentee Ballot Application automatically mailed to you for every election you may submit a request electronically: Permanent Absentee Ballot Request Mailing List (HTML). [https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us]

### **VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINES**

August 2, 2022 Primary Election:

July 18, 2022 Last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk (168.497)

July 19, 2022 through August 2, 2022 by 8:00 p.m. In-person registration with local clerk with proof of residency. (168.497)

November 8, 2022 General Election:

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)

### **VOTER ID CARDS**

As required by law for Michigan's redistricting process, new voter ID cards [replaces your old voter ID card and is yours to keep] have been mailed to all City of Plymouth registered voters at their registered address, and most should have been received the weekend of May 28, 2022. Please note that districts have changed as shown below, but everything else remains the same. City of Plymouth residents are now in Congressional District 06, MI State Senate District 13, and MI House District 22. Please let us know if you have any corrections to your name and address.

If you receive a voter information card for someone that no longer resides at your address, please write that information on the face of the card and place it in the City Hall 24-hour drop box, drop off at the Clerk's office or mail it back to City Hall. The Clerk's office will follow up with the voter.



# Recreation Department Welcomes New Staff

Brandon Szachta has a heart for recreation, and when the City of Plymouth created a recreation supervisor position, he enthusiastically applied. The Central Michigan University graduate, who also holds an MBA from Lawrence Technological University, worked in recreation at the University of Southern Indiana and in athletics at University of Michigan-Dearborn before seeing his position being eliminated due to Covid.

"I have worked in various aspects of recreation, sports, events, and athletics for close to a decade," he said, "And the opportunity to get back into recreation, especially programming, is an opportunity that brings me great joy."



Recreation Supervisor Brandon Szachta



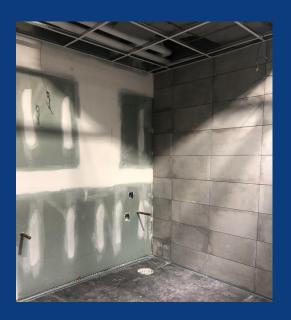
New athletic field workers Kunal and Alexandra

# Fall Youth Soccer

Just a reminder fall youth soccer registration is now open and ends June 30.

Recreation Department
Front Counter Hours

Monday – Friday 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
recreation@plymouthmi.gov
734-455-6620 extension 0



They don't look like much now, but within a few weeks, the new PCC restrooms will be complete.
"Construction is never easy," said Recreation Director Steve Anderson, "But to make these restrooms ADA compliant is worth every minute."

# Let's All Pitch in to Help the Pollinators

When choosing trees, shrubs and plants for the garden, consider native species that support the pollinator habitat and life-cycle. Native plants grow naturally in regions where they have evolved over time. They provide habitat to native insects, pollinators, birds, and other animals who have co-evolved with them. The benefits of native plants include less maintenance and water, and that no chemical pesticides or herbicides are required.

Not sure how to start? Here are some examples of plants native to Plymouth.

- Goldenrod
- Sunflower
- Lupine
- Violet
- Geranium
- Flax
- Blackeyed Susan
- Primrose
- Hibiscus
- Iris
- Aster
- Bee Balm
- Milkweed
- Sage
- Clematis
- Phlox

The National Wildlife Federation has a native plant finder with many more ideas. Check out their website at nwf.org/nativeplantfinder/



Dave Cirilli points out the milkweed plants among the hostas in the traffic island on Church St.

We're doing our part at the City of Plymouth. Department of Municipal Services crews are expanding the pollinator garden program around the City. A recent addition is the milkweed plants interspersed with the hosta plants in the Church Sttrry island by City Hall.

"These are the only plants that Monarch butterflies will lay their eggs on," said DMS crew member Dave Cirilli, who also began the nonprofit Plymouth Pollinators group with his wife Carly. "Once their migration is complete, you'll start finding the caterpillars on the underside of the leaves."

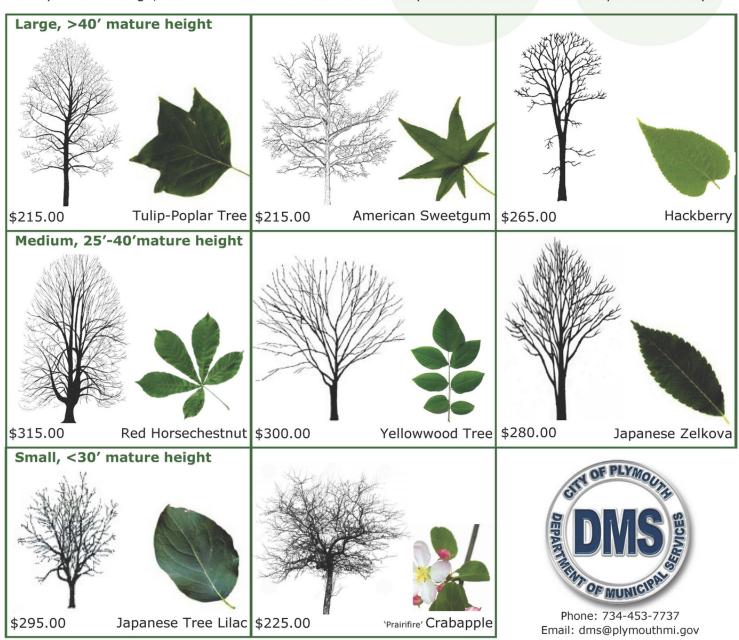
On Monday, June 6, Plymouth Pollinators will be teaming up with Keep Plymouth Leafy to install "soft landings" gardens around several trees at Lions Club Park. The idea of these gardens is to provide shelter and habitat during some of the life cycles of butterflies, moths and other pollinators when they fall from the trees they feed on. For more information about these gardens, visit pollinatorsnativeplants.com/softlandings.html.

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 quarantees; 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:

Location Instruction:

- 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.



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1231 Goldsmith

Plymouth, MI 48170

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

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# **Food Waste Composting**

In an effort to increase environmental sustainability, the City of Plymouth has partnered with Midtown Composting, a provider of residential food waste composting. Using coupon code *Plymouth*, residents who register will receive their sign-up fee and first month free – a savings of \$21.00. The recurring monthly fee is \$16.00 and includes weekly pick-up directly from your porch.

Each participating household may order 15-gallons of compost each spring.

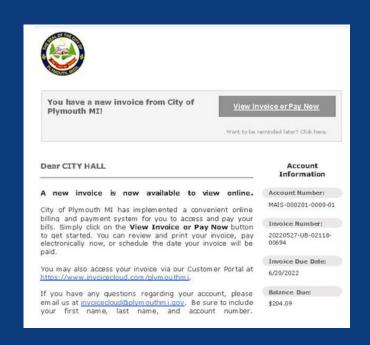
This offer is being provided by Midtown Composting and is not directly affiliated with the City of Plymouth. For questions, or to sign-up, please visit www.midtowncomposting.com.

# Wayne County COVID-19 Dashboard

Wayne County has launched an updated COVID-19 dashboard to share community-level data on cases and deaths for Wayne County residents. The dashboard reports on cumulative cases and deaths in the county and also now shares vaccination data by community. The dashboard reflects positive cases reported from March 2020 through the current date, and the vaccination data is from January 2021 through the current date. The dashboard is updated daily and includes a timestamp of the last update. You may view the dashboard at https://www.waynecounty.com/covid19/dashboard.aspx.

# Paperless Billing Made Simpler

The City of Plymouth is now using the Invoice Cloud platform for utility billing. This platform makes paying your bills quick and easy. In fact, it's so easy that we use it ourselves! Once you've signed up, you'll receive notifications like the one we received at City Hall and can make your payment in a few short steps. To register, visit our website at plymouthmi.gov and click the online payments button on the home page.



# REMINDER

In order to help limit water rate increases from the Great Lakes Water Authority, please do not water your lawn during peak usage times, which are 5:00-9:00 a.m. and 6:00-9:00 p.m.



At your service! Municipal Services crews are shown here using the Vactor truck to dig out and replace a curb box that was broken by contractors. The Vactor is a versatile truck that is able to quickly dig holes with hydro-power. It's often used to clear drains with vacuum power and to assist on water main repairs.

# **May Boards and Commissions**

# City Commission -May 2, 2022

### CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of April 18, 2022 City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. Special Event: Plymouth Farmers Market- Saturdays, May 14- October 22, 2022
- c. Special Event: 6th Grade Farewell Picnic- Friday, June 3, 2022
- d. Special Event: Good Morning USA Parade- Monday, July 4, 2022
- e. Special Event: Robots in the Park-Sunday, August 14, 2022

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Cultural Center Room Use and Room Rental Policy Update approved
- b. Authorization to Hire Recreation Department approved
- c. 2022 Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon Improvements approved
- d. Third Quarter Budget Amendments approved

Historic District Commission Meeting - May 4, 2022 - Canceled

Zoning Board of Appeals - May 5, 2022 - Canceled

Downtown Development Authority -May 9, 2022

### City Commission - May 16, 2022

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approval of April 2022 Bills
- b. Authorization to Hire Part Time Staff
- c. Special Event: Memorial Day Procession May 30, 2022
- d. Special Event: Fund Run 5K August 21, 2022

# **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Designated Depositories approved
- b. Waste and Recycling Rates approved
- c. Focus Group Facilitation Proposal no action

## Planning Commission May 19, 2022

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Postponed to June 8, 2022: SP22-03 110 W. Ann Arbor Trail: Special land use and site plan review for a liquor-serving establishment

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. SP21-05 1490 W. Ann Arbor Rd: Site plan amendment
- b. Discussion only: Zoning Audit Project Description

# For More Information

Agendas and links for all meetings are posted on our website a minimum of 18 hours before every meeting.

Minutes are posted after they are approved.

If you would like to receive agendas and other
City of Plymouth information by email, please sign up on our webside at plymouthmi.gov/notifyme

# Visit Us Online

www.plymouthmi.gov



# June Board and Commission Meeting Links

June board and commission meetings will be held in person in the City Commission Chambers at Plymouth City Hall, 201 S. Main.

The public may attend all of the meetings either in person or via the Zoom links provided at the right.

# Historic District Commission - June 1, 2022 7:00 p.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89095028242 Webinar ID: 890 9502 8242 Passcode: 222282

Zoning Board of Appeals - June 2, 2022 7:00 p.m. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81478224730

Webinar ID: 814 7822 4730 Passcode: 435648

City Commission -June 6, 2022 7:00 p.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87344388707 Webinar ID: 873 4438 8707 Passcode: 744091

Planning Commission Meeting -June 8, 2022 7:00 p.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83303691307 Webinar ID: 833 0369 1307 Passcode: 374515

Downtown Development Authority -June 13, 2022 7:00 p.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82134070577 Webinar ID: 821 3407 0577 Passcode: 961521

City Commission Meeting - June 20, 2022 7:00 p.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83741738232 Webinar ID: 837 4173 8232 Passcode: 456978

# The City of Plymouth is Hiring!

Assistant Facility Operations Manager
MSD Seasonal Laborer
MSD 3/4 Laborer
MSD Building Maintenance
Zamboni Driver - Facility Maintenance

To apply, mail, fax or e-mail resume to Human Resources, 201 S. Main, Plymouth, MI 48170 Fax (734) 455-1892 or jobs@plymouthmi.gov.

Job descriptions are available on our website at https://www.plymouthmi.gov/government/departments/human\_resources/employment\_opportunities

The City of Plymouth is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, pregnancy, disability, weight, height, marital status, and any other protected category protected by federal and/or state law.

# Music at Kellogg Park

**June 2022** 



# First Responders Open House

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 8:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M. PLYMOUTH CITY HALL 201 S. MAIN ST.

Featuring

FIRE DEPARTMENT
MUNICIPAL SERVICES
POLICE
SPECIAL OPERATIONS TEAMS
Vehicles and Personnel

DEMONSTRATIONS GIVEAWAYS

FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL CHELINSKI@PLYMOUTHMI.GOV

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

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

<u>(734)459-8888</u>



# IUNE 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

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>DESTINATIONS</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>PICK UP TIMES</u>	<u>RETURN TIMES</u>
6/1	IKEA, Kohl's, Home Goods, Target, Hobby Lobby, Michaels, Goodwill or Joann Fabrics	or \$6 IOam Ipm		
6/3	WALMART	\$6	9am	I 2pm
6/10	MEIJER	\$6	9am	I 2pm
6/13	12 OAKS MALL - Min. 6 Riders	\$6	10:30am	1:30pm
6/17	DOLLAR TREE	\$6	9am	I 2pm
6/24	MEIJER	\$6	9am	I 2pm

# **MEDICAL SCHEDULE & FEES** WE ONLY TRANSPORT TO WELL APPOINTMENTS

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SERVICE DAYS	<u>DESTINATIONS</u>	<u>COST</u>	SERVICE HOURS
THROUGH FRIDAY	*Canton Medical Facilities  *Livonia Medical Center on Schoolcraft College Campus  *Livonia St. Mary Hospital & Medical Facilities across from St. Mary  *U of M Northville (7 Mile / Haggerty Location)	\$6	9am-2:30pm
M-W-F	Novi Providence Park \$6		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	\$2	9am	I OR 2 HOURS AFTER DROP OFF
TUESDAY	KROGER	\$2	9am	I OR 2 HOURS AFTER DROP OFF
WEDNESDAY	FRESH THYME	\$6	9am	I OR 2 HOURS AFTER DROP OFF
THURSDAY	KROGER	\$2	9am	I OR 2 HOURS AFTER DROP OFF