



Ramsey Municipal Center  
7550 Sunwood Drive NW  
Ramsey, MN 55303  
Phone: 763-427-1410  
Fax: 763-427-5543  
[www.ci.ramsey.mn.us](http://www.ci.ramsey.mn.us)

January 6, 2009

Dear New Resident/Business:

Congratulations on your move and welcome to the City of Ramsey! Listed below is general information about the City.

**Recycling Service** is provided every other Monday. Contact Ace Solid Waste at 763-427-3110 or [SERVICE@ACESOLIDWASTE.COM](mailto:SERVICE@ACESOLIDWASTE.COM) to activate your account and to have a recycling cart delivered to your home. If recycling is not picked up on the scheduled date, call Ace Solid Waste the morning following the pick-up day and leave your name, phone number, and address. The program currently collects food and beverage aluminum, steel, and tin cans, #1 & #2 plastic bottles with necks, food and beverage glass containers, newspaper, corrugated cardboard, box board (cereal, chips and cake boxes) and mixed paper (including telephone books, magazines, and junk mail). Separating of materials is not required. Each household is charged \$8.85 per quarter (equivalent to \$2.95 per month) for recycling. Contact the City of Ramsey at 763-576-4343 with billing questions.

**Refuse Service:** Residents in the City of Ramsey are required to have refuse service provided by a licensed hauler. A list of licensed haulers is enclosed in this packet.

**Parking:** There is No Parking on streets within the City of Ramsey from 2:00 AM to 6:00 AM, 12 months of the year.

**Dogs:** All dogs older than six months must be licensed. The license is valid for two years, or to date of next rabies vaccination, whichever comes first. Three dogs are allowed per household. A Conditional Use Permit is required for 4 or more dogs. No dogs are allowed to run at large and must be on a leash when off the premises of the owner, additionally, dog excrement must be removed immediately by owner and disposed of in a proper receptacle.

**Utility Billing:** All City service billings, including street lights, sewer and water, recycling, and storm water drainage, are handled by the City of Ramsey. Call 763-576-4343 with billing questions.

**To Establish or Restore Water Service:** Call the City of Ramsey Building Department at 763-433-9850 to schedule water service appointments.

**Property Taxes:** Questions concerning property taxes should be directed to the Anoka County Assessor's Office at 763-323-5400.

**City Council Meetings** are open to the public and are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW. After the meeting is convened at 7:00 p.m., the floor is open for citizen input.

Once again, welcome to the City of Ramsey. If you have any questions, please call the City offices at 763-427-1410.

Sincerely,

CITY OF RAMSEY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Ramsey', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Bob Ramsey  
Mayor  
763-286-0171

## CONTACT INFORMATION



### City Phone Numbers

*Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm*

City Hall	763-427-1410
TDD	763-427-8591
Building Inspections	763-433-9850
Fire Administrative	763-427-4452
Fire Station I (non-emergency)	763-427-5210
Fire Station II (non-emergency)	763-427-3674
Fire Emergency	911
Parks/Utilities	763-427-8254
Police Department Admin.	763-427-6812
Police Emergency	911
Police Dispatcher (non-emergency)	763-427-1212
Public Works Department	763-427-8254

### Other Area Phone Numbers

Anoka Area Chamber of Commerce	763-421-7130
Anoka County	763-421-4760
Anoka-Hennepin School District #11	763-506-1000
Anoka High School	763-506-6200
Elk River School District #728	763-441-1003
Elk River High School	763-241-3434
PACT Charter School	763-712-4200
Ramsey Community Education	763-506-4012
Ramsey Elementary School	763-506-4000

### Utility Companies Servicing Ramsey

Connexus Energy	763-323-2650
Comcast	651-222-3333
CenterPoint Energy	612-372-4727
Qwest	1-800-244-1111

### Assessing Information

Anoka County Assessor's Office	763-323-5400
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## MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor		Term Expiration
Mayor Bob Ramsey	At Large	12-31-12
763-286-0171 (Cell)		
<a href="mailto:mayorramsey@ci.ramsey.mn.us">mayorramsey@ci.ramsey.mn.us</a>		

Councilmembers		
Matt Look	At Large	12-31-10
612-558-9111 (Cell)		
<a href="mailto:mlook@ci.ramsey.mn.us">mlook@ci.ramsey.mn.us</a>		
Jeff Wise	At Large	12-31-12
763-576-4361 (VM)		
David Jeffrey	Ward 4	12-31-12
763-576-4362 (VM)		
<a href="mailto:djeffrey@ci.ramsey.mn.us">djeffrey@ci.ramsey.mn.us</a>		
Colin McGlone	Ward 2	12-31-12
763-576-4360 (VM)		
<a href="mailto:colin@colinmcglone.com">colin@colinmcglone.com</a>		
John Dehen	Ward 3	12-31-10
763-323-3129 (H)		
David Elvig	Ward 1	12-31-10
763-323-7211 (O)		

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Meeting schedules of other boards and commissions are included in the Ramsey Resident.

## ELECTED OFFICIALS



<b>Governor</b>	<b>State Auditor</b>
Tim Pawlenty – R (651) 296-3391	Rebecca Otto - DFL
75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd	525 Park St, Ste 500, St Paul MN 55103
130 State Capitol, St Paul MN 55155	651-296-2551
<b>County Commissioner</b> District No. 1	<b>Attorney General</b>
Dennis Berg	Lori Swanson - DFL
Anoka County Government Center	1400 Bremer Tower
2100 3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Anoka MN 55303	445 Minnesota St, St Paul MN 55101
763-753-3014 (home) or 763-323-5700 (office)	651-296-3353
<b>State Legislators</b> <b>District 48</b>	<b>National Officials</b>
Senator Mike Jungbauer – R (651) 296-3733	US Senator Amy Klobuchar - DFL
21212 E Bethel Blvd, E Bethel, MN 55011 or	1200 Washington Ave S Ste #250
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	Minneapolis, MN 55415
121 State Office Bldg., St. Paul, MN 55155	(612) 727-5220
<a href="mailto:sen.michael.jungbauer@senate.mn">sen.michael.jungbauer@senate.mn</a>	
	<b>US Senator</b>
<b>District 48B</b> State of MN House of Rep.	Al Franken - D
Representative Jim Abeler – R	60 E. Plato Blvd., Suite 220
3400 Rum River Dr, Anoka, MN 55303 or	St. Paul, MN 55107
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	(651) 221-1016
203 State Office Bldg., St. Paul, MN 55155	
<a href="mailto:rep.jim.abeler@house.mn">rep.jim.abeler@house.mn</a> (651) 296-1729	<b>Congressional District No. 6</b>
	Representative Michele Bachmann - R
<b>Secretary of State</b>	St. Cloud/Waite Park Office
Mark Ritchie – DFL	110 2 <sup>nd</sup> St S, Suite 232
180 State Office Bldg, St Paul MN 55155	Waite Park, MN 56387
100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	(320) 253-5931 phone (320) 240-6905 fax
<a href="mailto:secretary.state@state.mn.us">secretary.state@state.mn.us</a> 651-296-2803	website: <a href="http://bachmann.house.gov/">http://bachmann.house.gov/</a>

## CITY OF RAMSEY CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS

### [Anoka Area Chamber of Commerce](#)

Pete Turok, President  
12 Bridge Square, Anoka MN 55303  
Phone: 763-421-7130  
Email: [mail@anokaareachamber.com](mailto:mail@anokaareachamber.com)  
Website: [www.anokaareachamber.com](http://www.anokaareachamber.com)

### [Anoka Area Girl Scouts](#)

5601 Brooklyn Blvd, Brooklyn Center, MN 55429  
Phone: 763-535-4602

### [Anoka Ramsey Athletic Association](#)

Lisa Chamberlain, President ARAA  
PO Box 265, Anoka, MN 55303  
Hotline: 763-422-9555  
Email: [president@anokaramseysports.org](mailto:president@anokaramseysports.org)  
Website: [www.anokaramseysports.org](http://www.anokaramseysports.org)

### [Boy Scouts-Viking Council](#)

5300 Glenwood Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55422  
Phone: 763-545-4550

### [4-H Clubs U of M Extension Service](#)

550 Bunker Lake Blvd, Andover, MN 55304  
Phone: 763-755-1280  
Fax: 763-755-6950  
Email: [anoka@extension.umn.edu](mailto:anoka@extension.umn.edu)

### [Metro North Anoka County Chamber of Commerce](#)

Tom Snell, Executive Director  
9830 Central Ave NE, Ste 320, Blaine, MN 55434  
Phone : 763-783-3553

### [Ramsey Community Education](#)

15000 Nowthen Blvd, Ramsey, MN 55303  
Phone: 763-506-4012

### [Ramsey Garden Club](#)

President : Mary Pelto @ 763-427-2921  
Email: [mmpelto@aol.com](mailto:mmpelto@aol.com)  
Vice President: Donna Nelson  
Information: Sharon # 763-576-6992

### [Ramsey Lions Club](#)

PO Box 771, Ramsey, MN 55303  
Phone: 763-439-2695 & Leave Message  
Email: [info@ramseylions.org](mailto:info@ramseylions.org)  
Website: [www.ramseylions.org](http://www.ramseylions.org)

### [Ramsey Rotary](#)

7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, MN 55303  
Contact: Heidi Nelson @ 763-433-9817  
Meet Wednesdays @ Wells Event Center  
6415 Hwy 10, Ramsey @ noon

### [Ramsey Senior Citizens](#)

President: Zola Malamen  
226-1<sup>st</sup> Street, Elk River, MN 55330  
Phone: 763-441-7841

### [Ramsey Women of Today](#)

PO Box 934, Anoka, MN 55303  
Kathryn Wilson @ 763-486-9103  
Kim Ballard @ 763-712-9608  
Email : [ramseywomenoftoday@yahoo.com](mailto:ramseywomenoftoday@yahoo.com)  
Meetings : 4th Tuesday of each month @ Ramsey  
Municipal Center, Alexander Ramsey Room  
@ 7:15 pm

### [Rum River Scout Camp](#)

Phone: 763-427-8340

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## CITY OF RAMSEY CHURCHES

Cross of Hope Lutheran Church  
Pastor Fred Hanson  
5730 179<sup>th</sup> Lane NW  
Phone: 763-753-2057  
Website: [www.crossofhope.net](http://www.crossofhope.net)  
Sunday Worship: 9:00 & 10:30 am

Hope Fellowship  
Pastor Don Bishop  
6000 167<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW  
Phone: 763-422-4928  
Sunday Services: 9:00 & 10:30 am  
E-mail: [Doncbishop@aol.com](mailto:Doncbishop@aol.com)

Independent Baptist Church  
Pastor Chuck Nichols  
15650 Sunfish Lake Blvd. NW  
Phone: 763-421-3050 or 763-323-7266  
E-mail: [cnichols@cleaninter.net](mailto:cnichols@cleaninter.net)  
Website: [independentbaptist-ramseymn.org](http://independentbaptist-ramseymn.org)  
Sunday School: 9:45 am  
Sunday Worship: 11:00 am

Jehovah Witness  
13751 Dolomite Street NW  
Phone: 763-427-3943

Lord of Life Lutheran Church  
Senior Pastor Steve Perkins  
14501 Nowthen Blvd. NW  
Phone: 763-427-1100  
Website: [www.lol.org](http://www.lol.org)  
Sunday Worship: 9:00, 10:00 & 11:00 am

New Life Church  
Senior Pastor Jay Snyder  
17261 St. Francis Blvd. NW  
Phone: 763-421-0166  
Website: [www.newlifemn.org](http://www.newlifemn.org)

Pathways Community Church  
Pastor Steve Fawcett  
[pastorsteve@pathwaytolife.org](mailto:pastorsteve@pathwaytolife.org)  
Pastor Russ Benson  
[RussellBenson@msn.com](mailto:RussellBenson@msn.com)  
6341 – 167<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW  
Phone: 763-753-9221 or 763-464-0335  
Website: [pathwaytolife.org](http://pathwaytolife.org)  
Sunday School: 9:00 am  
Sunday Worship: 10:00 am

Ramsey Assembly of God  
Senior Pastor Tony Welman  
Meet at Comfort Suites @ 6440 Hwy #10 NW  
Phone: 763-712-8333  
Sunday Service: 10:00 am  
E-mail: [PastorTony@RamseyAssemblyofGod.com](mailto:PastorTony@RamseyAssemblyofGod.com)  
Web-site: [www.ramseyassemblyofgod.com](http://www.ramseyassemblyofgod.com)

St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Community Church  
7101 – 143<sup>rd</sup> Avenue NW Ste G  
Phone: 763-323-4424  
Father Paul Jaroszeski – Pastor 763-323-7044  
Sister Dianne Perry – Pastoral Assoc. 763-323-7048  
Sister Bridget Waldorf – Pastoral Assoc/Youth 763-323-7012  
E-mail: [bwaldorf@stkdcc.org](mailto:bwaldorf@stkdcc.org)  
Website: [www.stkdccorg](http://www.stkdccorg)  
Sunday Worship: 10:00 am at the Pact Charter  
School @ 7250 E. Ramsey Pkwy

Trott Brook Gospel Hall  
Tom Wright  
17301 Nowthen Blvd. NW  
Phone: 763-753-4212 or 763-753-3429  
E-mail: [wecare@trottbrook.org](mailto:wecare@trottbrook.org)  
Website: [www.trottbrook.org](http://www.trottbrook.org)

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## COMMONLY REQUESTED CONTACT INFORMATION

### CLINICS

<b>Allina Medical Clinic</b> 5300 Alpine Drive NW, Ramsey MN 55303 763-236-0000 <a href="http://www.allina.com">http://www.allina.com</a>	<b>North Memorial Clinic – Elk River Physicians</b> 800 Freeport Avenue N, Elk River MN 55330 763-441-1448 <a href="http://www.northmemorial.com/nmClinics/elkriver.cfm">www.northmemorial.com/nmClinics/elkriver.cfm</a>
<b>Fairview Elk River Clinic</b> 290 Main St, Elk River MN 55330 763-241-0373 <a href="http://www.fairview.org">www.fairview.org</a>	<b>Riverway Clinics</b> 1833 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Anoka MN 55303 763-712-6100 <a href="http://www.riverwayclinics.com">www.riverwayclinics.com</a>

### HOSPITALS

<b>Mercy Hospital 763-236-6000</b> 4050 Coon Rapids Blvd, Coon Rapids MN 55433 <a href="http://www.allinamercy.org/ahs/mercy.nsf/">www.allinamercy.org/ahs/mercy.nsf/</a>	<b>Unity Hospital 763-236-8111</b> 550 Osborne Road, Fridley MN 55432 <a href="http://www.allinaunity.org/ahs/unity.nsf/">www.allinaunity.org/ahs/unity.nsf/</a>
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### DENTISTS

<b>Anoka-Ramsey Dental 763-427-8117</b> 5300 Alpine Drive NW Ste 3, Ramsey MN 55303	<b>Ramsey Dental Center 763-421-2660</b> 15243 Nowthen Blvd NW, Ramsey MN 55303
<b>Barnett Family Dentistry 763-712-9715</b> 7962 Sunwood Drive NW Ste 200, Ramsey MN 55303	<b>Rivers Bend Family Dental Center 763-576-1855</b> 14061 St Francis Blvd NW, Ramsey MN 55303

### GARBAGE HAULERS

<b>Residential &amp; Commercial</b>	
<b>Ace Solid Waste, Inc 763-427-3110</b> 6601 McKinley St, Ramsey MN 55303 <a href="http://www.acesolidwaste.com">www.acesolidwaste.com</a>	<b>Randy's Sanitation, Inc 763-972-3335</b> 4351 US Hwy #12 SE, Delano MN 55328 <a href="http://www.randyssanitation.com">www.randyssanitation.com</a>
<b>Allied Waste Twin Cities 763-784-2104</b> <a href="http://www.alliedwastetwincities.com">www.alliedwastetwincities.com</a>	<b>Waste Management of MN Inc 952-890-1100</b> 10050 Naples St NE, Blaine MN 55449 <a href="http://www.wmtwincities.com">www.wmtwincities.com</a>
<b>Walters Recycling &amp; Refuse 763-780-8464</b> PO Box 67, Circle Pines MN 55014 <a href="http://www.waltersrecycling.com">www.waltersrecycling.com</a>	

### LIBRARY

<b>Rum River Library 763-576-4695</b> 4201 – 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anoka MN 55303 <a href="http://www.anoka.lib.mn.us/">www.anoka.lib.mn.us/</a>
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### POST OFFICE

<b>Anoka Post Office 763-421-1115</b> 2168 – 7 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anoka MN 55303 <a href="http://www.usps.com/">www.usps.com/</a>
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## MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE CITY OF RAMSEY...

**Nuisance Ordinance:** The City's nuisance ordinance is enforced to prevent activities that maintain or permit a condition which unreasonably annoys injures or endangers the health morals decency safety or public peace so that such activities do not affect the comfortable enjoyment of life or property.

**Quad Cities Cable Television (QCTV):** City Council, Planning Commission and Park and Recreation Board Meetings are televised live and re-broadcast on Comcast Channel 16. Please visit [www.QCTV.org](http://www.QCTV.org) for broadcast schedules. QCTV also broadcasts local channels 15 and 19. Channel 15 broadcasts various community programs and channel 19 broadcasts a bulletin board for upcoming community events. QCTV also webcasts recent Council meetings from their website—visit [www.qctv.org](http://www.qctv.org) where there is a link on the front page to the webcasts.

**Ramsey Resident Newsletter:** The City Newsletter is published at least six times per year and is delivered via US Mail to every address in Ramsey. Questions regarding the newsletter should be directed to the Assistant City Administrator at 763-433-9817.



**Recycling Day:** The City has two recycling days each year. These events are designed for residents to dispose of materials generally not accepted in the curbside program, including electronics, appliances, scrap metal, tires, batteries and good, useable furniture. Watch the Ramsey Resident for dates and locations of drop-offs. Typically, they are held on the first Saturday in May and the last Saturday in September at the Public Works Facility located at 14100 Jasper Street.

**Snow Plowing and Icy Roads:** To report a plowing problem or slippery intersection or road, contact Public Works at 763-427-8254. For updates on current plowing operations, call the snow plowing hotline at 763-433-9852.

**Snowmobiling/ATV's:** The City of Ramsey regulates the operation of snowmobiles and ATV's within the City limits. More information on City and State regulations is available at the City's website at <http://www.ci.ramsey.mn.us/departments/police/recvehfaq.asp> or by contacting the Ramsey Police Department at 763-427-6812.

**Special Assessments & Escrows:** Contact Joan Smith (Finance Office) at 763-433-9822.

**Tree Questions:** Contact Chris Anderson, Environmental Coordinator, at 763-433-9905. The City of Ramsey also has a Tree Book, which serves as a reference guide for choosing, caring for and planting trees, available at City Hall.

**Business Operation in Residential Areas:** Operation of a home business requires that the resident apply for and receive a Home Occupation Permit. A permit for a home occupation may be applied for by submitting the required information to the Community Development Department. Residents should contact the Community Development Department at 763-433-9824 for more information.

**Conditional Use and Interim Use Permits:** Contact the Community Development Department at 763-433-9824.

**Dog/Cat Licensing:** Dog and cat licenses are available at the Ramsey Police Department during regular business hours. Resident must present a rabies vaccination record from their veterinarian with the date of expiration on it. The license is good for two years but, expires with the rabies vaccination. The cost is \$20.00, or \$10.00 for spayed or neutered pets.

**Four or More Dogs:** Require a Conditional Use Permit. Contact the Community Development Department at 763-433-9824.

**Horses:** Residents may have horses in accordance with City Code. **Please contact the Community Development Department at 763-433-9824 for more information.**

## **BUILDING DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

The Building Department staff is here to help ensure all your construction projects meet the requirements of the Minnesota State Building Code. So feel free to stop in.

### **Building Permits Required**

#### **Why do I need a permit?**

A permit ensures proper services are provided to safeguard life, health, property and public welfare. If work is done improperly, such work can become unsafe for the homeowners and their families, as well as devalue their home.

Homeowners doing their own project need to obtain the necessary permit(s) and call to arrange the required inspections.

When a contractor is hired, the homeowner may direct the contractor to obtain the necessary permit(s) enabling both the homeowner and the contractor to work with City staff to make sure the work is completed according to code.

#### **When do I need a permit?**

Building permits are required to construct, add onto, alter, remove, demolish, or repair a structure.

If you are making changes, repairs, alterations, or additions to any structure, such as your home, office, basement, swimming pool, garage, deck, porch, or storage shed, a building permit may be required before you begin construction.

Mechanical permits are required for installation or replacement of mechanical systems in structures. This includes furnaces, air conditioners, gas lines, gas fireplace inserts and additional ductwork.

Plumbing permits are required for all new or replacement fixtures in structures and added gas lines for anything other than the main heating system of the structure. This includes replacement water heaters, water softeners, and plumbing fixtures.

Building permit fees vary according to the value of construction. Mechanical and Plumbing permit fees are based upon the type of installation.

Electrical Inspections are handled by the State of Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry. Contact Ted Hagfors at 1-320-396-2648. He accepts calls between 7 and 8:30 a.m.

**Informational handouts are available, if you have questions about permits, need a permit, have a permit and need to schedule an inspection, please call 763-433-9850 or stop by the Building Division located at City Hall.**

**Final Inspections Comment.** Once you have received any necessary permits from the City to perform the work on your property, it is always a good idea to make sure the work covered under your permit has been inspected by the city building inspector. These required inspections are noted on the city inspection card you receive from the building division when picking up the permit. The state building code requires the “applicant” to contact the building division for all the required inspections, but the owner is always considered the responsible party for making sure the work has been inspected and approved. Also, it is usually a good idea to withhold any final payments until the final inspection as required by the state code has been called for and approved.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

**Fire Department questions may be answered by calling 763-427-4452.**

**Paid-on-call Firefighters:** The City recruits for Paid-on-call firefighters on an “as needed” basis. Applications are available during the recruitment period at City Hall or on our website @ <http://www.ci.ramsey.mn.us/employment.asp>. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Fire Department and we are currently not recruiting, you may complete a job interest card at City Hall.

**RECREATIONAL FIRES: PERMITS NOT REQUIRED FOR FIRES UNDER 3 FEET IN DIAMETER.** A recreational fire means a fire set with approved starter fuel contained within the border of a recreational fire site using dry, clean wood; producing little detectable smoke, odor or soot beyond the property line; conducted with an adult tending the fire at all times; for recreational, ceremonial, food preparation or social purposes; extinguished completely before quitting the occasion; and respecting weather conditions, neighbors, burning bans and air quality so that nuisance, health or safety hazards will not be created. In no event shall a recreational fire be closer than twenty-five feet to any structure, unless approved by the Fire Chief or Fire Inspector. Fires shall not be allowed to smolder with no flame present.

Permitted starter fuels include dry paper, clean cardboard, liquid charcoal fire starter, paraffin candles, propane gas torches or clean and dry kindling/limbs. Burning hours are Monday – Friday 6:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m., Saturday – Sunday 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 a.m. and Federal Holidays 12:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

A recreational fire site is an area of no more than a three (3) foot diameter circle; completely surrounded by non-combustible and non-smoke or odor producing material, either of natural rock, cement, brick, tile or blocks of ferrous metal only; and is located depressed below ground, on the ground or on a raised bed. Included are permanent outdoor wood burning fireplaces. Mobile cooking devices such as manufactured hibachis, charcoal grills, wood smokers and propane or natural gas devices are not defined as recreational fires. **Burning barrels are prohibited. It is illegal to burn garbage, furniture, construction material and alike.**

**OPEN BURN: PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR FIRES OVER 3 FEET IN DIAMETER.** Fires found to be exceeding the above listed guidelines for recreational fires shall be considered open burns, for which a permit is required. Any person conducting an open burn without the necessary permit shall be required to extinguish said fire and can be cited and prosecuted under City Code § 7.83. Conviction of violation of this ordinance is punishable as a misdemeanor in addition to possible civil damages for injury or property damage and assessed cost of fire suppression services from the Ramsey Fire Department at the rate of \$300/hour plus any other costs incurred by the City.

Applications for an open burn permit are available upon request. Please contact the Fire Department through City Hall regarding permitted purposes, permitted materials and fire safety requirements for open burns prior to preparing the pile. Please allow at least ten (10) days after preliminary inspection to process the application. The rate schedule for approved applications for open burn permits is as follows:

Non-refundable application fee	
Residential	\$25.00 (2004)
Commercial	\$50.00 base rate (2004) plus
Up to 5 cubic yards of material	\$10.00
6 to 50 cubic yards of material	\$3.00/cubic yard
51 - 100 cubic yards of material	\$4.00/cubic yard
Over 100 cubic yards of material	\$6.00/cubic yard
Open burn permit fire suppression escrow	\$500
Open burn permit fire suppression services	\$300.00/hr – min. \$300.00

## **FIRE SAFETY/AIR QUALITY REQUIREMENTS OF OPEN BURN PERMITS**

### **You are responsible:**

- To keep the fire under control and to assume responsibility for all damages and costs that may result from burning done under the permit.
- To attend the fire until completely extinguished.
- Not to burn if there is a practical alternative method for disposal of the material such as chipping or composting.
- To use a clean burning device to start a fire.
- Not to conduct burning during any air quality alert.
- Not to burn paper or cardboard except as provided under Minnesota Statute 17.135.
- To extinguish the fire immediately if the permit is revoked.
- To have the permit available at the burn site for inspection.
- That prevailing wind **MUST** be away from nearby occupied buildings, and less than 5 mph.

- That fires will not be allowed to smolder without flame.
- Burning barrels are prohibited, as well as burning leaves, garbage, furniture etc.

**PROHIBITED MATERIALS:** oils, rubber, plastics, tires and chemically treated materials such as railroad ties, treated lumber, composite shingles, tar paper, insulation, composition board, sheetrock, wiring, paint and hazardous and industrial solid waste and alike.

MINNESOTA RULES parts 7005.0705 to 7005.0805 "Open Burning", Minnesota Statutes 88.16 to 88.17 and Minnesota Fire Code are adopted by reference and made a part of this Ordinance as if fully set forth.

## PARKING

### Parking is Prohibited on City Streets:

- between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.
- within twenty (20) feet of a fire hydrant
- within a properly marked fire lane
- within a cross walk
- within twenty (20) feet of a cross walk at an intersection
- at any place where official signs prohibit stopping
- on any boulevard
- with the keys in the ignition (passenger automobiles parked on a public street, alley, public parking lot, or place affected with a public interest in the City shall lock the ignition, remove the key and take the key with him/her)
- when, within the preceding 24 hours, there is an accumulation of falling or blowing snow three (3) inches or more in depth at street level anywhere within that block, until the block has been cleared of snow from curb to curb (commonly referred to as "snowbirds").

**Off-Street Parking Restrictions.** Off-street parking areas in residential areas are permitted only on an improved surface. Blacktop or concrete is required in all MUSA areas.

- Currently licensed and operable motor vehicles, the primary purpose of which is for private transportation or recreational use may be parked in the front yard if on a driveway or in the side or rear yard provided they are parked on a residential parking surface that consists of either bituminous pavement or concrete in the MUSA area, or recycled concrete, bituminous or prepared gravel outside of those boundaries.
- Commercial use motor vehicles and equipment may be parked outside for short-term periods (8 hours or less) or for long terms under the following conditions:

The vehicles and/or equipment is screened to a degree of 75% at ground level view.

The vehicles and/or equipment shall be parked only on the side yard or rear yard of the subject property and said items shall be parked on a residential parking surface that consists of either bituminous pavement or concrete, or outside the boundaries of the MUSA on a minimum of con bit or prepared gravel with at least 2 inch base.

An "Interim Use Permit" is required for all commercial use vehicles and equipment that cannot meet the criteria established above.

Active agriculture vehicles and equipment necessary to sustain agricultural uses are allowed and not required to be parked on prepared surfaces or screened.

Private and/or commercial use type motor vehicles and equipment parked on properties must be owned by the person owning or leasing the parcel. MN Department of Motor Vehicles registration records will be used to determine the owner of registered vehicles and/or equipment and said owner's address.

**For more information regarding parking of private or commercial vehicles and/or equipment, please contact the Community Development Department at 763-433-9824.**

### **TREES/PLANTINGS AND STREET VISIBILITY**

Safety on our streets depends on good visibility. Vegetation growing in easements and/or road right-of-ways may obscure sight lines; endangering motorists and pedestrians. Overgrown vegetation needs to be pruned, removed or transplanted.

Planting under power lines, in the road easement, or near property lines may create problems in the future. Spruce trees, for instance, hold their lower limbs, making them a popular choice for screening purposes. However, the same characteristic creates problems when the tree matures and begins blocking sight lines. When this happens, the tree needs to be radically pruned, destroying its beauty. Spruce trees commonly grow to 50 feet tall and nearly 30 feet across at the base. When choosing trees for your yard, please consider carefully their location and mature size and growth characteristics before planting.

If you have questions regarding tree selection and their individual traits, please contact Chris Anderson at 763-433-9905. The City of Ramsey Tree Book, a reference guide for choosing, caring for and planting trees, is available at the Municipal Center.

Questions regarding sight line problems, easement, right-of-way, tree trimming and/or removal may be directed to Grant Riemer at the Public Works Department at 763-433-9863.



**Call Gopher State Before Digging @ (651) 454-0002**  
<http://www.gopherstateonecall.org/>

For all other related questions regarding tree health, location or preservation, recommended species planting for your site, or tree root preservation/Oak wilt concerns, contact:

**Chris Anderson**  
**Environmental Coordinator**  
**763-433-9905**  
**Fax: 763-427-5543**  
**Email: [canderson@ci.ramsey.mn.us](mailto:canderson@ci.ramsey.mn.us)**

## FUN FACTS ABOUT THE CITY OF RAMSEY...

- Ramsey has a population of over 22,500 and growing.
- Ramsey is home to over a hundred businesses such as Connexus Energy, Life Fitness, Ace Solid Waste, and Vision Ease Lens.
- Ramsey covers 28 square miles and is bordered by both the Rum and Mississippi Rivers.
- Ramsey offers two championship public golf courses—The Links at Northfork and Rum River Hills.
- Ramsey has two regional parks, three major City parks, and a network of trails and neighborhood parks.
- Ramsey is working to develop a new downtown, Ramsey Town Center.
- Ramsey is served by 52 volunteer paid-on call Fire Fighters, and has 2 Fire Stations.
- Ramsey has commuter, non-stop bus service to downtown Minneapolis during the weekdays.

### Demographic Summary for the City of Ramsey

Population (2000 Census)	18,510
Population Estimate (2007 City of Ramsey)	22,408
2010 Population Forecast (2006 Metropolitan Council)	31,300
2020 Population Forecast (2006 Metropolitan Council)	45,000
2030 Population Forecast (2006 Metropolitan Council)	44,000
Households (2000 Census)	5,907
Household Estimate (2007 City of Ramsey)	7,629
2010 Household Forecast (Metropolitan Council)	10,900
2020 Household Forecast (Metropolitan Council)	16,200
2030 Household Forecast (Metropolitan Council)	16,500
Employment 1990 (Metropolitan Council)	1,941
Employment 2000 (Metropolitan Council)	4,008
2010 Employment Estimate (Metropolitan Council)	6,700
2020 Employment Estimate (Metropolitan Council)	9,100
2030 Employment Estimate (Metropolitan Council)	11,300
<b>Other Demographics (2000 Census)</b>	
18 years or older	68%
Median Age	32.1
Median Income (family)	\$70,926
Education Level-High School or higher	94%
Education Level-BA/BS or higher	23%
% families with children	51%
% married couples, no children at home	32%
% living alone, with roommates	17%
<b>Housing</b>	
Average Home Value (EMV, 2005 Anoka County Assessor)	\$230,000
% of homes built after 1990 (2006)	46%
% owner-occupied (2006)	97%
% townhomes/apartments (2006)	17%

## CITY OF RAMSEY PARKS

Park Map & Additional Information is Available  
on the City's website @ <http://www.ci.ramsey.mn.us/parks.asp>

1.	Alpine Park 6600 Alpine Drive NW	6600 Alpine Drive NW
2.	Autumn Heights Park 17450 Nutria Street NW	Northwest of the intersection of 168 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW and Nutria Street NW
3.	Bear Park 15500 Roanoke Street NW	Roanoke Street NW at 155 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW
4.	Beaudry's Park 6911 152 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW	North side of 152 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW
5.	Brookview North Park 17200 Germanium Street NW	East of Germanium Street NW at 170 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW
6.	Brookview South Park 5621 170 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW	North of 170 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW at Helium Street NW
7.	Caroline Acres Park 7610 178 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW	South of 178 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW
8.	Central Park 7925 161 <sup>st</sup> Avenue NW	East of Armstrong Boulevard NW
9.	Cottonwood Park 6901 Sunwood Drive NW	6901 Sunwood Drive NW
10.	Deerwood Park 8001 177 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW	North of 177 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, east of Eland Street NW
11.	Elmcrest Park 16303 Quicksilver Street NW	16303 Quicksilver Street NW
12.	Emerald Pond 6000 142 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW	6000 142 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW
13.	Flintwood Terrace 14250 Fluorine Street NW	a/k/a Flintwood Hills Park a/k/a/ Ramsey Terrace Park
14.	Ford Brook Park 5459 180 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	North side of 180 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW at Fluorine Street NW
15.	Forest Hideaway Park	Southwest of 160 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW and Kangaroo Street NW
16.	Fox Park 17150 Potassium Street NW	South of 172 <sup>nd</sup> on Potassium Street NW
17.	Gorham's Sandy Acres Park 15120 Yakima Street NW	Northwest of Yakima Street NW and 151 <sup>st</sup> Avenue NW
18.	Greenland Hills East Park 15141 Yolite Street NW	East side of Yolite Street NW from 150 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW, north to 152 <sup>nd</sup> Lane NW
19.	Greenland Hills West Park 15230 Alpaca Street NW	End of cul-de-sac on west side of Alpaca Street NW, north of 152 <sup>nd</sup> Lane NW, east side of Armstrong Boulevard NW at 153 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue NW
20.	Hunter's Hill Park 6301 144 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW	North of 144 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW
21.	Itasca Park 8561 154 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW	End of cul-de-sac on west side of 154 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW, north of Okapi Street NW

22.	Itasca Trail Head 15700 Okapi Street NW	15700 Okapi Street NW
23.	Mississippi West Park 14100 Traprock Street NW	Either side of Traprock Street NW, south of Highway #10 NW
24.	Pelzer Park 7001 149 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW	East of Kamacite Street NW
25.	Ramsey Elementary School 15000 Nowthen Blvd NW	Nowthen Boulevard NW and County Road #5 NW the same
26.	Ramsey Terrace Park 5455 142 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW	East side of Junkite Street NW north of 142 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW, a/k/a Flintwood Terrace Park
27.	Reilley West Park 5160 156 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW	One lot west of Juniper Ridge Drive NW on 156 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW
28.	Riverdale Park 6860 Riverdale Drive NW	Riverdale Drive NW and Garnet Street NW
29.	River's Bend Park 14201 Waco Street NW	Access at 142 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW and Waco Street NW
30.	Riverwood Hills North Park 17801 Fluorine Street NW	From Fluorine Street NW to Erkium Street NW between Highway #27 (179 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW) and 177 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW
31.	Riverwood Hills South Park 5230 177 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW	South of 177 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, one lot past Argon Street NW to the River
32.	Rum River Central Park 17955 Roanoke Street NW	179 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW and Roanoke Street NW
33.	Shawn Acres Park 17421 Chameleon Street NW	East of Chameleon Street NW at approximately 17421
34.	Solstice Park 14700 Erkium Street NW	South of Sunwood Drive NW on Erkium Street NW on cul-de-sac
35.	Sports Haven South Park 16520 Xenolith Street NW	End of cul-de-sac on west side of Xenolith Street NW, south of 166 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW
36.	Stanhope River Hills Park 15500 Oneida Street NW	East of Roanoke Street NW at 153 <sup>rd</sup> Lane NW to River
37.	Titterud Park 16100 Jaspar Street NW	From Jaspar Street NW to Ramsey Boulevard NW at 161 <sup>st</sup> Lane NW on Jaspar Street NW
38.	Traprock Commons Park 15650 Traprock Street NW	From Variolite Street NW to Traprock Street NW at 157 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW on Variolite Street NW
39.	Trott Brook Park 6571 171 <sup>st</sup> Lane NW	North of 171 <sup>st</sup> Lane NW, west of 6525 - 171 <sup>st</sup> Lane NW
40.	Wayside Rest Park (MnDot) 9220 Highway #10 NW	Approximately 9220 Highway #10 NW
41.	Whispering Pines North Park 15721 Kangaroo Street NW	On east side of Kangaroo Street NW between 158 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NW and 157 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW
42.	Whispering Pines South Park 8081 154 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW	North side of 154 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW at approximately 8081 - 154 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW
43.	Woodland Green Park 5201 155 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW	Three lots east of Barium St. NW on 155 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW and accessed west of Yakima St NW on 156 <sup>th</sup> Lane NW