A MESSAGE FROM THE CITY MANAGER

2019 was a busy year in Prior Lake. Both residential and commercial development continued to grow, the long-awaited reconstruction of the TH13/CR21 intersection in downtown was initiated, and the new joint water treatment plant with the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community (SMSC) was completed. At the same time, the City remains committed to providing high-value services. This report shares the City’s activity in 2019 and reflects our commitment to accountability and transparency to our citizens. Please take a moment to reflect on all that was accomplished this past year as we continue to move forward as a vibrant, growing community while maintaining and prioritizing our small-town feel.

— Jason Wedel, City Manager

HIGH-VALUE CITY SERVICES

Property Taxes:
The City taxes account for one-fourth (26%) of property taxes in Prior Lake. The remainder is comprised of taxes for the school district (41%), county (26%) and other jurisdictions (7%).

General Fund: 
General fund revenue, the primary source for city operating funds, comes from the following sources – 63% property taxes, 14% intergovernmental revenue, 13% charges for services, 5% licenses and permits, 5% other.

General Fund: 
General fund expenditures included 46% for public safety, 20% general government, 15% public works, 14% parks and recreation, 3% community development, and 2% transfers.

The City of Prior Lake received a AA+ bond rating from Standard and Poor’s.
**PUBLIC SAFETY**

**Police Department** had 19,127 calls for service

Police responded to 3,546 traffic stops

**Fire Department** responded to 576 calls

Fire Department responded to 115 medical calls, 98 vehicle accidents, and 40 fires in Prior Lake, Credit River Township and Spring Lake Township

**Increase of 103 calls from 2018:**
- Medical call response +50
- Vehicle accidents +35
- Fires +18

**QUICK FACT**
The most traffic citations issued in 2019 were for speeding and license violations.

**QUICK FACT**
The top code violations in 2019 involved garbage/refuse and property maintenance.

**Completed 5,614 building permit inspections**

**QUICK FACT**
Construction activity in 2019 was consistent with last year. In 2018, total permit valuation was $75 million.

**DESIRABLE & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

Total commercial and industrial building permit valuation totaled $14.3 million

Issued 203 permits for single-family homes

Total building permit valuation was over $78 million

Welcomed over 83,000 sq ft of new commercial/industrial space in 2019

Median new home value: $505,000

**Issued 2,625 permits** for new and addition/alteration permits for residential and commercial projects
TRANSPORTATION & MOBILITY

Maintained 143 miles of watermain, including 1,646 fire hydrants

Completed the Duluth Avenue/Village Lake Drive project

Completed full-depth reclamation of Fish Point Road south of CR21 to Fawn Meadow Curve

Partnered with Scott County and MNDOT to complete the TH13 reclamation project and phase 1 of the TH13/CR21 downtown project, including the roundabout at CR21 and Arcadia Avenue

Managed 130 miles of sanitary sewer, including 41 lift stations

Maintained 113.4 miles of streets
82 miles of sidewalks and trails

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP & RECREATION

Peak single water usage day on August 4th was 3.5 million gallons (Peak is largely due to irrigation)

Inspected and maintained 153 storm water ponds

Removed 75 tons of garbage from our 53 parks

8,821 seniors enjoyed Club Prior, the City’s 55+ activity center

175 park shelter and pavilion rentals

QUICK FACT
Average daily water usage is 1.4 million gallons.

QUICK FACT
After years of planning, the SMSC and the City opened a joint water treatment facility built to meet the needs of both growing communities over the next 20 years while at the same time reducing costs and protecting regional groundwater.
ADMINISTRATION

Hired
44 seasonal employees

Facebook 5,777 followers
– an increase of 1,000 over 2018

98 full and part-time employees

Filled 18 permanent job openings
and 4 paid-on-call firefighters

9,239 Utility Billing Accounts

DON’T FORGET TO VOTE

August 11
Primary Election

November 3
General Election

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