



September Neighborhood Meeting





Windom Park Citizens in Action

What we do:

WPCIA works to create a well-connected and livable neighborhood by creating an open process for all residents to be involved in the affairs of the community.

Our goals:

- Eliminate disparities in livability
- Create Safe & connected people
- Develop complete neighborhoods
- Pursue a healthy environment





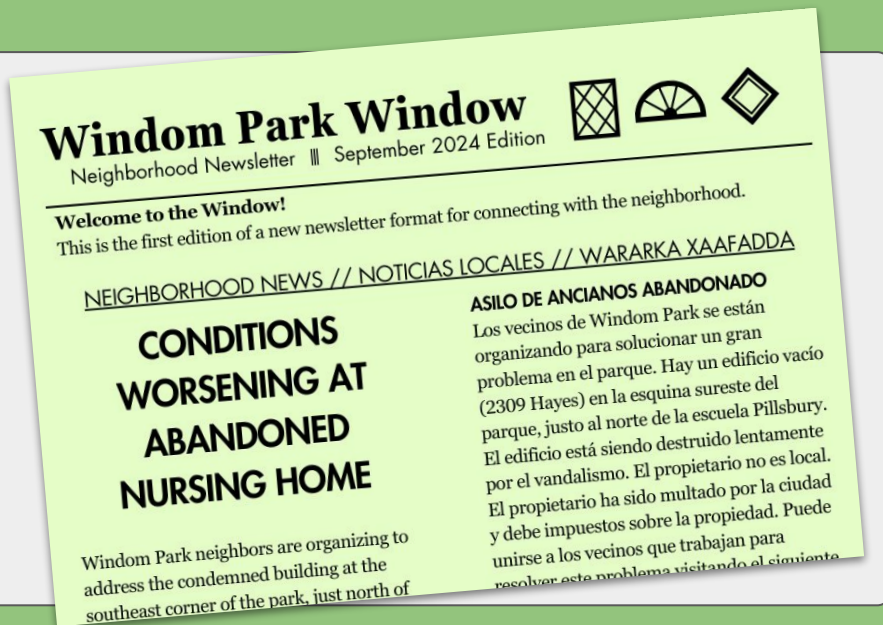
September Meeting Agenda

- **WPCIA Neighborhood Programs & Updates**
- **Ward 1 Update**
City Council President Elliott Payne
- **Twin City Gardens Property**
Q&A w/ City regulatory services
Activity: What would you like to happen here?
- **Johnson Street Boulevard Plantings**
Public Works - Intentions, shortcomings and a path forward



New Newsletter Format

- We're seeking feedback on this new newsletter format!
- This was our first-ever newsletter and we're looking to improve it with each new edition.
- Please send us news and events that need to be shared with the neighborhood.





Financial Assistance Programs

\$200 Home Security Rebate

- Helping you invest in a safe and secure home
- Up to \$200 rebate per year for qualifying security investments

FREE Home Energy Squad Audits

- Improve comfort, save \$\$
- No cost to WP residents, \$100 per audit
- A visit includes small upgrades done at the time of visit, alongside recommendations for future changes.

Low-Interest Home Loans

- Tackle big projects around the house
- Low interest rates 0-2% with 5-8 year terms
- \$1,000-30,000 loan amounts

Low-Interest Commercial Loans

- For businesses in Windom Park & adjacent
- Low interest rate at 2% with 5-8 year terms
- Up to \$50,000 loan amounts

** Loans through Center for Energy & Environment.
Find details and links on our website: windompark.org*



Financial Assistance Programs

Emergency Deferred Loans

- An emergency is defined as a condition that makes a house uninhabitable, extremely dangerous to the occupants, or is capable of causing severe health problems.
- 1-4 unit structures (properties under construction are not eligible)
- Loan amounts \$500-5,000, 0% APR, no monthly payments,

National Night Out Rebate

- \$150 towards approved expenses
- Can be used towards food/drinks, decorations, entertainment, etc
- Reduce isolation and develop greater connections in our community!

Rain Garden Rebate

- \$125 towards kit of your choice
- Submit application, purchase rain barrel kit, install then submit receipts/documentation
- Conserve water, minimize flow to river and have free water for your yard & garden!



WPCIA Updates

Johnson St./I-35W Intersection Project



- Nearly all work complete by Thanksgiving of 2024
- Working on Northbound Johnson St currently, expected to be done the first week of October. Northbound Johnson St (and the off-ramp for 35W) will then be re-opened
- Southbound Johnson St, between 14th Ave NE and the on-ramp to 35W, will be closed (along with ramp to 35W as well)
- A temporary signal will be used at the intersection of Johnson/35W/Quarry entrance for much of the winter
- Work will continue on the signal (weather permitting) throughout the winter, with expectation to have new signal operational in early-Spring
- Final cleanup by the contractor by end of May 2025.



WPCIA Updates



Movies in the Park!

- We've shown 3 movies in August & September, averaging 70+ attendees. Great times!
- Music, bonfires, marshmallow roasting, games and your neighbors!
- This Friday we'll have **Encanto** on the big screen at 7:45pm, music, fires and Smores Bar at 7pm!



Ward 1 Update



**City Council President
Elliott Payne**



Twin City Gardens Property

2309 Hayes Street NE





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General Background

- Built in 1960
- Decades of proper management & oversight
- Sold in 2014, new owner
- Reports of abuse from residents
- Unpaid state taxes, unpaid utility bills and lack of property/building maintenance
- 2021 State of Minnesota placed a “receivership on the business/property.



Twin City Gardens Property

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FOR SALE

by AUCTION on Sept 23rd (5 days)

- The building will likely NOT remain a nursing home, could change use.
- Some neighbors want local control.
- WPCiA is considering a bid to buy the building.
- Today, WPCiA lacks the capacity to rehab & operate the building today.
- We could build capacity.
- We need expert partners and broad support from the neighborhood.



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ACTIVITY - 10 min for discussion and review.

PROBLEM

Why is it a problem for your family?

What harm does it cause?

What's the cost of this problem?

ACTION

What steps can we take now?

Where can we find resources?

How would we organize to drive change?

VISION

What is your dream outcome?

What events or activities do you imagine?

Who owns it? Who operates it?

This activity will help us organize and imagine a better future.

Johnson Street Boulevard Plantings



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Thank you!

Your involvement is vital to your community's health & well-being

Upcoming Dates

Next Board meeting:

Wednesday, October 2

Next Neighborhood Meeting:

Wednesday, November 20

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