

More News From The City...

Snow...did someone say SNOW?

As a resident of NYA, do you know what the City Code states as far as parking and shoveling sidewalks during a snow event?

Parking

Subd.1 Snowfall. "Snowfall" shall mean any accumulation of two or more inches of snow on a street when snow is falling or has fallen within the previous twenty-four hours.



Section 720.04 Restricted Parking During Snowfall and Blowing Snow.

No person shall park or leave a motorized vehicle on any street within the City during or after a snowfall or a period of blowing snow until the snow has been removed from the street. Parking may be prohibited or restricted following snow removal as provided by City Code or State Law.

Sidewalks

800.04 Removal of Snow Required. The owner of any lot or parcel of land within the City shall, within twenty-four (24) hours after a snow fall or otherwise accumulate upon any sidewalk designated by a resolution of the city Council as a part of the sidewalk thoroughfare program in front of or adjoining such lot or parcel of land, remove or cause the snow to be removed from the sidewalk.



800.05 Removal of Snow by City; Assessment. In case the owner of any lot or parcel of land within the City shall fail to remove any snow that has fallen or otherwise accumulated upon any sidewalk as required by Subsection 800.04, it shall be the duty of the street commissioner of the City to cause

the snow to be removed from the sidewalk at the expense of the owner and the expense incurred in the removal thereof may be recovered against the owner in a civil action, or be assessed upon the lot or parcel of land from in front of which the snow shall be removed, and returned, collected and enforced as City taxes.

SUMP PUMP REMINDER

Sump pumps may not be discharged into the storm sewers between November 1st and April 1st. Doing so results in dangerous ice conditions on the city streets. Should you need to discharge your sump pump during this time, please do so on your own outdoor property away from city streets, alleys and sidewalks.

Ticketing and Towing

This winter the City will be stepping up its ticketing and towing of vehicles that are in violation of parking on city streets during a snow event which is the accumulation of two (2) or more inches of falling or blowing snow. Vehicles parked on a city street during a snow event will be ticketed and if not moved within four (4) hours will be towed. All fines for tickets are to be paid to the Carver County Court Administrator's Office. Vehicles that are towed will be towed to Smith Oil and Food Mart in Norwood Young America. Prior to getting their vehicle back, the vehicle owner will be required to pay all towing fees, show proof of vehicle ownership, proof of vehicle insurance, and a valid driver's license. The vehicle will also have to have up to date license plates.

**Questions about Ticketing and Towing?
Call City Hall at 952/467-1800**

HELP WANTED

The City of Norwood Young America is looking for on-call Bus Drivers. A State of Minnesota driver's license is required (CDL is NOT required). Training will be provided.

**Check out the
community
event calendar at
www.cityofnya.com**





Coming in 2020

Census 2020 is coming next spring! In 2010, the city of Norwood Young America had 3,549 people counted. In 2020, we hope to see a significant increase in that number. We will continue to share information on the upcoming census through our city newsletter as well as the city website.

Who participates in the Census? The U.S. Constitution (Article I, Section 2) mandates a headcount every 10 years of everyone residing in the 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the Island Areas of the United States. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, both citizens and noncitizens.

Why should I participate? Participating in the 2020 Census is a civic duty and is good for our community. The very first responsibility of the federal government under the U.S. Constitution is a count of all persons living in the United States to allocate seats in the U.S. House of Representatives among the states. But your participation in the census impacts a much broader range of decisions, from how legislative districts at all levels of government are drawn, to where roads and transit are built in the future, to how more than \$800 billion in federal funding is distributed annually across the country.

How will I be counted? This time there are multiple options for response which include online, by phone or by mail. In mid-March 2020 most addresses in the United States will receive a mailing with instructions to participate online, but you will also still have the option to respond via phone or mail. Through spring and summer 2020, Census Bureau employees will follow up in-person at addresses that have not yet been counted.

Apply for a 2020 Census Job! Click on APPLY NOW at 2020census.gov/jobs

2020 Highway 212 Improvement Project Update

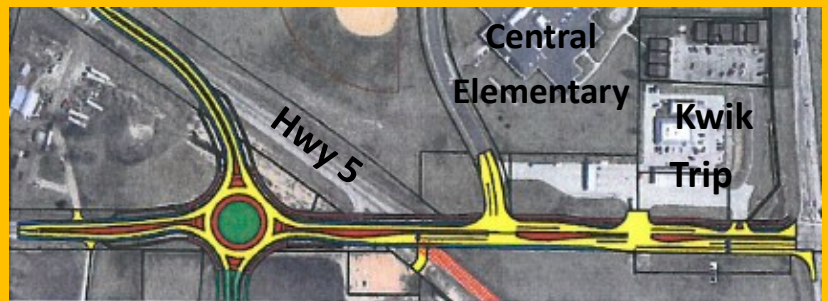
Construction work is scheduled to begin next Spring on the Highway 212 Mill & Overlay Improvement Project which includes a new Underpass, and construction of a Roundabout on County Road 33 immediately north of the Highway 5 intersection. Diane Langenbach, MnDOT Hwy 212 Project Representative, gave a project update at the City Council's October 28, 2019 regular meeting. Earlier this Fall, Carver County sent a letter to MnDOT requesting they reconsider the reconstruction of a segment of highway experiencing some settlement issues located east of Bongards. Proposed was to wait and address the issues with the 4-lane highway expansion. Carver County has been aggressively seeking funding for the project and is striving to have the funds secured within the next 6-years. MnDOT considered the County's concerns and has elected to not reconstruct the segment of Highway 212 east of Bongards but rather to mill & overlay that segment like the work that will be completed within the city of Norwood Young America.

Ms. Langenbach also announced, because Highway 212 will not be fully closed east of Bongards, MnDOT has elected not to fully close Highway 212 within the city of Norwood Young America during the construction of the Underpass. Rather the Underpass will be constructed in halves requiring only two of the four lanes to be closed at one time. This major change avoids 3-months of Highway 212 full closure. There will still be periodic traffic impacts during the project such as lane, roadway, intersection, and access closures. Due to the project changes, MnDOT is revising their traffic control plan for the project.

To follow MnDOT's progress of the Highway 212 Mill & Overlay Improvement Project, log on to <https://www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/hwy212nya/index.html>

Highway 5/33 Roundabout Project

Carver County partnered with MnDOT and the City of Norwood Young America to conduct a transportation study for the State Highway 5/25, County Highway 33/ Reform Street, and US 212 area. This intersection is considered a priority in the County Highway Safety plan. The study began in April 2018 and included the evaluation of intersection alternatives at the State Highway 5/25 and County Highway 33 intersection to address the existing intersection safety issues. A roundabout option was identified as the preferred alternative. The study also looked at the surrounding area, specifically Reform Street North.



Carver County is continuing to coordinate closely with MnDOT and Norwood Young America to simultaneously deliver the State Highway 5/25, County Highway 33 roundabout and the US 212 project in 2020.