**Mendota News**



**City of Mendota**

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Non-emergency: 651-452-1366

Emergency: 911

**Fire:**

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Tom Loonan, City Attorney:

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**The City of Mendota holds City Council Meetings at 7:30 on the second Tuesday of every month at the**

**VFW Post 6690**

**1323 Sibley Memorial Hwy.**

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**Summer 2021**

**Mendota Days:**

Mendota Days was cancelled this year again due to COVID-19. We are hoping next year looks better. Anyone interested in joining the Mendota Days Committee please let Melody Rasmussen and Kathy Krotter know. Any ideas are greatly appreciated.

**Reserving the Gazebo:**

The park is available for all Residents of Mendota to use. There is a sign-up sheet at the Post Office or feel free to call the City Clerk and have her reserve it for you. So far the Mendota Picnic is a go!! It will be September 11, 2021. This is always a great time and a fun way for the community to get together and enjoy the day. The city supplies hot dogs and beverages, and everyone brings a dish to share. We even get the Mayor to cook the hot dogs. There are games and prizes for the kids and they give away a new bike, one for the girls and one for the boys. There is even a horse shoe tournament for the men and women. So sign up and play. The only thing the city asks is that you respect the park and clean up after you are done. Please do not vandalize the park or Gazebo. It is there for everyone to use.

**Recycling & Trash**

​Recycle bottles, paper and cans! Dakota County residents and businesses recycle nearly 50 percent of materials, but there are many new opportunities to do even better.

**Recycling at home**

All recycling service providers must accept the items listed below.

Follow these rules to ensure your recycling gets recycled:

Do not use plastic bags. Place recyclables loose in your recycling cart or in a paper bag.

Empty and dry bottles, jars and containers. They don't have to be perfect — just free of most residue. Leave caps on containers. Empty and flatten boxes. Check the Recycling Guide if you are not sure about an item.

Paper, Newspaper and inserts, Magazines and catalogs, Mail and office papers, Cardboard, Corrugated cardboard, Paperboard (e.g., cracker boxes), Cartons, Milk and juice cartons, Soup, broth, and wine cartons, Juice boxes, Metal cans, Aluminum, tin, and steel cans, Glass bottles and jars, Plastic bottles, containers and jugs, Containers numbered 1, 2 or 5, Soda, juice and water bottles, Milk and juice jugs, Margarine, cottage cheese, cream cheese and other tubs and lids, Laundry detergent bottles and jugs, Clear berry and produce containers.

**NO – DO NOT put these items in your recycling**

Batteries, Black plastic, Ceramic dishware, Clothing and textiles, Food, Household hazardous waste/hazardous waste, Paper plates, cups, and napkins, Diapers, Pharmaceuticals and medicines/medical waste, Plastic bags and film, Metal cylinders (e.g., propane tanks), Scrap metal\* (e.g., metal pots and pans), Shredded paper, Styrofoam™, Tanglers (e.g., chains, extension cords, hoses, string lights), Trash, Yard waste and Christmas trees.

All items banned from being placed in the trash or recycling in state or local law – including:

Electronics, Major Appliances, Sharps (e.g., lancets, needles, syringes), Tires, \*Scrap metal is allowed in carts and dumpsters only if delivered to the Tennis Sanitation recycling facility.

**Recycling requirements by 2021 for Businesses**

​​County Ordinance 110 Solid Waste Management includes recycling and waste management requirements designed to reduce waste going to landfills, improve the quality of materials recycled, and make progress toward the state's goal to recycle 75 percent of waste by 2030.

Effective dates

July 1, 2020: Business already required to recycling under the state's commercial recycling law must meet requirements listed below.

Jan. 1, 2021: All other businesses and organizations (e.g., manufacturers, small businesses/churches) must meet the requirements listed below.

2020: Labels must be placed on trash, recycling and organics containers (if collected) purchased after 2019 and by Jan. 1, 2022 for containers purchased prior to 2020.

Jan. 1, 2022: Some businesses must collect food scraps.

Who is responsible?

The property owner and manager of commercial buildings and properties.