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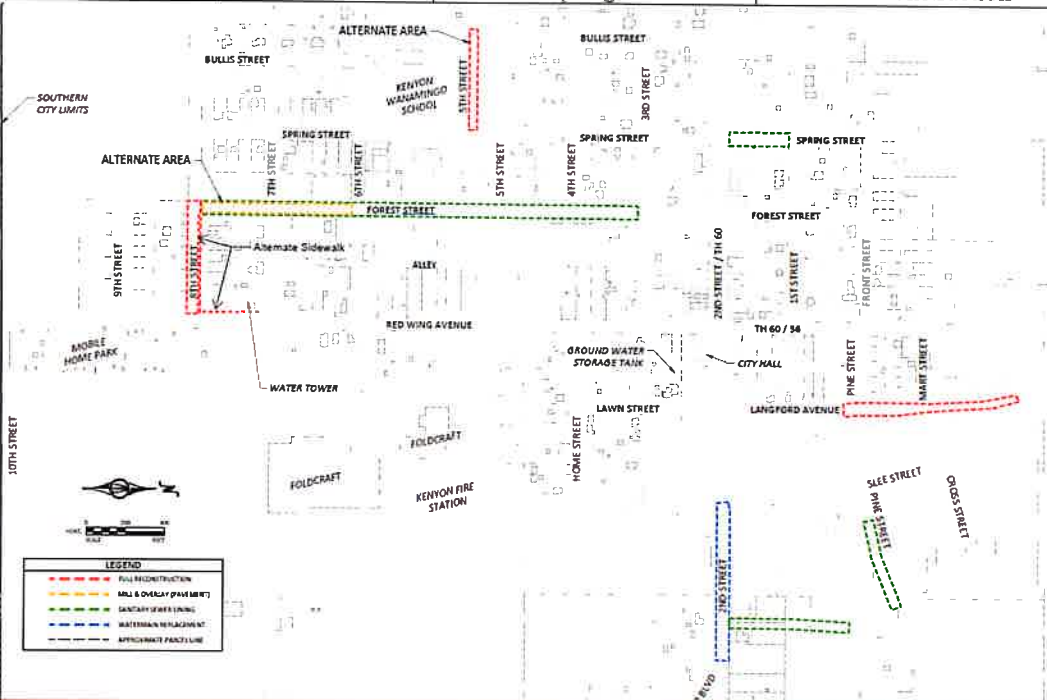
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The Boulevard of Roses



2025 Street & Utility Improvements

Street/Area	From	To	General Scope
2 nd St	Slee St	Mantorville Rd	Water Replacement
Langford Ave	Pine St	Mogren Hill	Full Reconstruction
Spring St	1 st St	2 nd St	Sanitary lining & repairs
Pine St	Slee St	Pearl Creek	Sanitary lining & repairs
Pearl Creek Main	2 nd St	Pearl Creek (north of 2 nd St)	Sanitary lining & repairs
Forest St	3 rd St	8 th St	Sanitary lining & repairs and pavement overlay
8 th St	Forest St	Red Wing Ave	Full Reconstruction
5 th St	Bullis St	Spring St	Full Reconstruction



Neighborhood Meeting on 2025 Street & Utility Improvements

A neighborhood meeting for residents affected by these projects will be held on Monday, January 27 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. at City Hall. At this meeting there will be updated plans, cost estimates and other information. This will be an open-house style meeting with no formal presentation. Formal invites will also be sent out to affected property owners.

New City Administrator

The City of Kenyon is excited to announce the appointment of Scott Lehner as its new City Administrator. He officially began his role in December 2024.



Scott previously served as the first City Administrator for the City of Nowthen. In addition to his municipal experience, Scott brings 30 years of private-sector expertise from his career with a Minnesota-based gas utility company. Welcome to Kenyon.

Utility Bill - Payment Options

Set up your online utility bill account on the city website www.cityofkenyon.gov using the "Pay Utility Bill" link. Customers are able to view their current and past bills and are able to see their current balance due. Options available include:

- ◆ E-Billing - Receive your bills online by enrolling for paperless billing.
- ◆ Text & Pay - Receive bill notifications and pay directly via text message.
- ◆ Auto-pay - Set up your bills to be paid automatically every month.



Pay Utility Bill

All payments made using your Credit/Debit card are charged a 2.75% processing fee. ACH payment from your bank account made online through Paya are charged a \$1.10 fee.

Other payment options still available:

- ◆ Pay in person with cash, checks, money orders, or credit/debit cards (2.75% fee applies) or use the drop box located in the alley behind city hall or in the city hall lobby.
- ◆ ACH payment - sign up at City Hall for your payment to be deducted automatically from your bank account on the 10th of each month. **This option is FREE.**

Committee Vacancies

- ◆ The Kenyon Park & Rec Committee has one vacancy.
- ◆ The Historic Preservation Committee has one vacancy.

Interested persons should contact City Hall.

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Shoveling Driveway Openings

The City requests that residents wait until the public works crew have completed plowing the streets before cleaning the end of their driveway. City plows are designed to discharge the snow to the sides of the road



and cannot "skip over" driveways. Shoveling the snow from the bottom of the driveway to the right as you face the street will help lessen the amount of snow that will be deposited in the end of a driveway during the next plowing.

Wayne Ehrlich, Public Works Superintendent

Trash/Recycle Bins

Reminder from the Public Works Department and Flom Disposal: To avoid damage to your trash and recycle bins, please keep them out of the street and place them at the end of your driveway. The receptacles must be brought back up to your house after trash and recycling is picked up each week.

ATTENTION: All KMU WATER Customers!

Customers are urged to take the temperature of their water and then continue monitoring it for the next two months even if we get several days of warmer weather.

You should immediately start running a continuous pencil lead-width stream of water from a faucet:

- If your water temperature is below 36 degrees Fahrenheit.
- If you notice rusty or below-normal flow of water.

A frozen water service repair could cost between \$800-\$1000 or more. The cost to run a constant pencil lead-width stream of water to avoid a frozen water line is much less (\$50-\$60 per month including sewer fees). Frozen pipes can occur in any structure regardless of its age.

Randy Eggert, KMU Operations Superintendent

Round Up Program Supports Food Shelf

As a customer of Kenyon Municipal Utilities, you have an opportunity to help support a program which provides financial assistance to the All Seasons Community Service Food Shelf located in Kenyon.

For those who participate, KMU rounds up your monthly utility bill to the next dollar amount and donates the spare change to the food shelf. This is a great way to help families in need in our community. The maximum donation for each account per month is \$.99 or less. 100% of the funds received are donated to the food shelf. **In 2024, the round up program raised \$2,980.12.**

If you would like to participate and support the food shelf in Kenyon, please call City Hall at 789-6415.

Food Shelf



3-Year Pet License

Kenyon City ordinance requires ALL cats and dogs over the age of 6 months to be licensed. All pet licenses are now good for three years. Licenses issued in 2025 will expire on December 31, 2027. All licenses must be renewed before March 1. Current rabies information is required to obtain the license. **Licenses are available at City Hall.**



Cost: \$10 (spayed/neutered)

\$20 (not spayed/neutered)

Penalty after February 28, add \$5.

Sidewalk - Snow Removal

Property Owners: All ice and snow must be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours after the snow or other precipitation causing the condition has ceased to fall. All sidewalks abutting Hwy. 56 & 60 between Langford & Spring streets must be clear of all ice and snow within 12 hrs.

REMINDER: When removing snow from your property, it cannot be put onto city streets, alleyways or your neighbor's property.

KANS For Kenyon

The Rose Fest Committee continues to collect aluminum cans as a fund raising effort. You can contribute by depositing your empty aluminum cans in the trailer located in the **Kenyon Market parking lot at 109 Red Wing Avenue**. All proceeds will be used to sponsor Rose Fest events. **In 2024, the donation of cans raised \$1,297.** The Rose Fest Committee thanks you for your support!



Winter Parking Regulations

It is unlawful to park a vehicle on a street or highway after a continuous or intermittent snowfall **that requires mobilization of City snow plow crews**, and until all snow, ice, and similar debris has been plowed or removed from the paved portion of the street or highway. The police dept. is authorized to ticket and/or tow vehicles that are in violation. The fine for violation is \$50 if paid within 48 hours, \$100 if not paid within 48 hours but within a week, and \$200 if paid after one week.



Fire Hydrants

REMINDER from Kenyon Fire Department:

If a fire hydrant is located near your property, we ask that you clear the snow away from it as you shovel. Precious minutes could be lost if firefighters need to dig out hydrants in the case of fire.



Wayne Ehrlich, Fire Chief

UPCOMING MTGS & EVENTS:

- FEB. 11 & MAR. 11: CITY COUNCIL MTG. AT 7 P.M.
- FEB. 18 & MAR. 18: KMU COMMISSION MTG. AT 4 P.M.
- FEB. 5 & MAR. 4 PARK & REC. COMMITTEE MTG. AT 6:00 P.M.
- FEB. 4 & MAR. 4: LIBRARY BOARD AT 6:00 P.M.
- Feb. 17 - Holiday - Office Closed