



# RESIDENTIAL CODE REFERENCE GUIDE

January 2011

Community strength...for generations

	Page
Neighborhood Watch.....	8
Night to Unite .....	8
Noise.....	8
On-Street Parking .....	9
Parking.....	9
Pets.....	2
Phosphorous Fertilizer .....	9
Portable Storage Containers.....	11
Radio Towers.....	9
Recreational Fires .....	10
Recycling .....	10
Rental Dwelling License.....	10
Satellite Dishes .....	10
Services Telephone Directory.....	14
Signs .....	10
Signs on Public Rights-of-Way/Public Property .....	11
Sprinkling Restrictions .....	11
Storage Containers.....	11
Storm Drains.....	3
Swimming Pools.....	11
Temporary Structures .....	12
Vehicles, For Sale.....	5
Vehicles, Storage .....	12
Vehicles, Inoperable .....	12
Vehicle Sales .....	12
Watering Ban.....	11
Web Site Address .....	15
Weeds/Long Grass.....	12
Winter Parking Ban .....	9
Wood Storage .....	12

**Please Note:**

**Information in this guide was accurate at the time of publication (January 2011). However, it is subject to change. Please call the telephone numbers listed in this reference guide if you have any questions about a program or ordinance.**

## Index

### Page

Abatement .....	1
Adopt-a-Hydrant .....	5
Animals .....	2
Balcony Barbecues.....	2
Boulevard Encroachments .....	2
Building Inspection Division .....	3
Building Maintenance .....	3
Building Permits .....	3
Cat Registration .....	2
Catch Basins.....	3
Code Enforcement Division.....	1
Curfew.....	4
Day Care .....	6
Debris.....	8
Digging .....	4
Dog Licenses.....	2
Dumping .....	4
Fences .....	5
Fire Hydrants .....	5
Fires, Recreational .....	10
Firearms .....	5
Garage Sales.....	5
Garbage.....	6
Geese.....	6
Gopher State One Call .....	4
Ground Level Storage Containers.....	11
Hazardous Waste .....	7
Home Based Retail Sale Events.....	5
Home Day Care.....	6
Home Occupations.....	6
Household Hazardous Waste .....	7
Hunting .....	5
Illegal Dumping .....	4
Inoperable Vehicles .....	12
Junk, Exterior Storage.....	8
Lawn Sprinkling.....	11
Kennel License.....	2
Multiple Pet Permit .....	2

Coon Rapids City Center, 11155 Robinson Drive

Tel: 763-755-2880; Fax: 763-767-6491

[www.coonrapidsmn.gov](http://www.coonrapidsmn.gov)



Thank you for making Coon Rapids your home. This residential code handbook is designed to help residents of Coon Rapids better understand the rules and regulations governing activity in the residential neighborhoods of our City. Over a period of many years, Coon Rapids City Councils have adopted these regulations in order to maintain harmony and a quality of life within our community.

### CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement responds to nuisance and zoning code complaints concerning property use, outdoor storage, trash, signs and junk vehicles, as well as responding to inquiries and performing annual inspections of parcels to ensure Code compliance. Code Enforcement is an activity within the Community Development Department.

In the event that a property is in violation of one or more sections of the City Code, an *Administrative Citation* is delivered to the property owner. This citation states the section(s) of the City Code found in violation on the property and provides a time frame for compliance. If compliance is not met or an appeal filed within this time frame, a fine will be immediately assessed to the property. The City may also enter onto the property, remedy the violation(s) and assess to the property the costs incurred in removing the affected items. Code Enforcement staff will work with property owners to help them reach compliance within the desired time frame.

Most concerns can be expressed to the departments listed in the following pages. Where numbers are not listed, call Code Enforcement at 763-767-6470 or email us at [code@coonrapidsmn.gov](mailto:code@coonrapidsmn.gov).

**ANIMALS** (City Code Chapter 6-100)

All dogs and cats kept, harbored or maintained within the City must be licensed and registered.



Every owner is responsible for the control and custody of their dog or cat, and every person in custody of the animal should be of sufficient age to adequately control the animal at all times. While the animal is off of the owner’s property, “control and custody” means on a leash no longer than six feet.

Any animal must be kept from causing frequent or long, continued noise that disturbs the comfort or rest of anyone in the vicinity. It is in violation of City Code to own, keep, have in possession or harbor any dog that howls, yelps or barks to the reasonable annoyance of other persons.

City Code requires that you clean up after your pet. It is a violation to allow your dog to defecate on private property without the property owner’s consent or on public property unless the excrement is immediately placed in a proper receptacle.

A property owner with three or more dogs, cats or any combination thereof is required to obtain a multiple pet permit.

A kennel license is required for any location where dogs and/or cats are kept for the business of selling, boarding for a fee, breeding for sale or some other enterprise intended primarily for profit making purposes, including pet stores.

Kennel licenses and multiple pet permits are issued by the Coon Rapids Police Department at 763-767-6481.

Dog licenses and cat registrations are issued by the City Clerk; call 763-755-2880.

Chickens and other non-domestic animals are not allowed on standard city lots.

Animal complaints should be registered with the Police Department by calling 911.

**BALCONY BARBECUES** (City Code Section 12-419)

City Code prohibits any fire or open flame on any balcony above ground level or on any ground floor patio immediately adjacent to or within 15 feet of any unit in a structure that contains two or more vertically stacked residential units. Additional information can be obtained from the Fire Department at 763-767-6429.

**BOULEVARD ENCROACHMENTS** (City Code Chapter 8-1000)

Encroachments (bushes, rocks, landscaping, retaining walls, permanent and temporary basketball hoops, etc) are not permitted within the public right-of-way. Exceptions include mailboxes, traffic signs, City-approved trees, and fire hydrants.

Housing Code Compliance .....	763-767-6575
Human Resources .....	763-767-6447
Ice Skating:	
Cook Ice Arena .....	763-421-5035
Outdoor Rinks .....	763-767-6462
Schwan’s Super Rink .....	763-785-3687
Information Technology .....	763-767-6581
Job Hotline .....	763-767-6597
Kinship .....	763-862-6755
Library - Anoka County, Crooked Lake Branch .....	763-576-5972
Mediation Services .....	763-422-8878
Neighborhood Reinvestment .....	763-767-6517
North Suburban Counseling Center .....	763-784-3008
Nucleus Clinic .....	763-755-5300
Park Scheduling .....	763-767-6462
Planning and Zoning Division .....	763-767-6430
Police Department Administration .....	763-767-6481
POLICE EMERGENCY .....	911
Post Office .....	1-800-275-8777
Property Description & Tax Information .....	763-767-6446
Public Works Department .....	763-767-6462
Recreation Coordinator .....	763-767-6513
Recycling Coordinator .....	763-767-6485
Rent Assistance .....	763-767-6468
Rental Property Licensing .....	763-767-6575
Senior Services .....	763-767-6473
Sewer Maintenance .....	763-767-6462
Special Assessments .....	763-767-6446
Street Light Repair .....	763-767-6462
Street Maintenance .....	763-767-6462
Teen Center (The Element) .....	763-506-4912
Transit:	
Anoka County Traveler .....	763-422-7075
Traveler Dial-a-Ride Transportation .....	763-323-5222
Volunteer Senior Transportation .....	763-422-7087
Metropolitan Transit .....	612-373-3333
Northstar Commuter Coach .....	1-888-528-8880
Twin Cities Gateway (visitors bureau) .....	763-785-5640
Water Bill Payment .....	763-767-6438
Water Service, On and Off .....	763-767-6438
Watermain Maintenance .....	763-767-6462
Web Site .....	www.coonrapidsmn.gov
Youth First .....	763-767-6565, X278

## COON RAPIDS SERVICES DIRECTORY

Adopt-a-Park; Adopt-a-Road.....	763-767-6552
Animal Control .....	763-767-6481
Anoka County Government Center.....	763-421-4760
Anoka County Parks Department .....	763-757-3920
Anoka-Hennepin School District #11 .....	763-506-1000
Anoka-Hennepin Community Education Department .....	763-506-1260
Assessor .....	763-767-6446
Auto License Registration.....	763-785-5999
Building Inspection Division .....	763-767-6476
Bunker Beach Water Park.....	763-767-2895
Bunker Hills Regional Park .....	763-757-3920
Bunker Hills Golf Course .....	763-755-4141
Cable TV - Comcast.....	651-222-3333
Cable TV (CTN Studios) .....	763-767-6525
Chamber of Commerce (Metro North) .....	763-783-3553
Chores and More.....	763-767-6521
City Attorney .....	763-767-6495
City Clerk.....	763-767-6457
City Hall.....	763-755-2880
City Manager .....	763-767-6493
Civic Center Reservations.....	763-767-6522
Code Enforcement .....	763-767-6470
Community Development Department .....	763-767-6430
Compost Site.....	763-767-7964
Coon Rapids Athletic Association .....	763-757-8359
Coon Rapids Dam Regional Park .....	763-757-4700
Coon Rapids Herald.....	763-421-4444
Crime Prevention/Neighborhood Watch .....	763-767-6482
Dog Licenses.....	763-755-2880
Driver's License Renewal.....	763-785-5999
Driver's License Exam.....	763-422-3401
Electric Service:	
Connexus Energy .....	763-323-2600
Xcel Energy.....	1-800-895-4999
Engineering Division .....	763-767-6479
Fax Machine.....	763-767-6491
Fire Department Administration .....	763-767-6429
FIRE EMERGENCY .....	911
Forester .....	763-767-6455
Gas Leak: CenterPoint Energy.....	612-372-5050
Gopher State One Call .....	811
Head Start.....	763-783-4300
Household Hazardous Waste, Blaine.....	763-323-5730

## BUILDING INSPECTION

The Building Inspection Division responds to concerns regarding the maintenance of buildings and other structures. The Building Maintenance and Occupancy Code (City Code Chapter 12-300) provides minimum standards for the maintenance of existing buildings to protect the character and stability of all buildings and properties in the City. This Code includes minimum standards for heating, sanitation, ventilation, light and maintenance for existing buildings.

For more information regarding building maintenance requirements, call 763-767-6476.

## BUILDING PERMITS

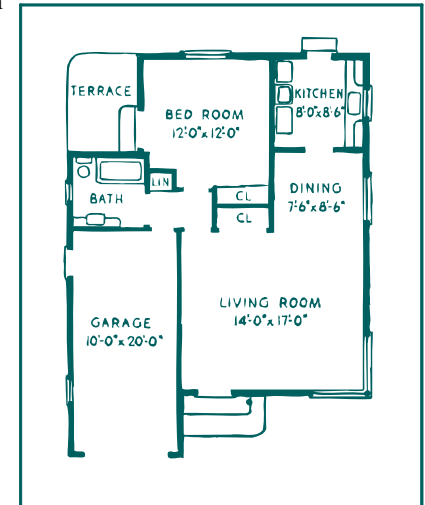
(City Code Chapters 12-100, 12-200, 12-300) Building permits are required for all new home construction and most home improvements, including decks, garages, storage sheds over 120 square feet in area, additions, re-roofs, re-sides, basement finishes, water heaters, plumbing fixtures and furnaces, and windows and patio doors. The permit procedure ensures the structure will meet state standards and building code requirements.

Building and electrical permits may be obtained from the Building Inspection Division located in the City Center. If your project is to be performed by a contractor, the contractor must meet certain licensing and bonding requirements and the contractor is required to obtain the permit. All electrical work requires a permit which is now issued by the City rather than the State. For more information on the permitting process, call the Building Inspection Division at 763-767-6476.

An inspection appointment requires advance notice. During busy periods the wait for an inspection may be several days.

## CATCH BASINS AND STORM DRAINS

The storm water drains and catch basins drain untreated runoff directly into the Mississippi River. The dumping of debris or any material into storm water drains and catch basins is illegal. Homeowners can help prevent pollution of waterways by picking up pet waste on a daily basis, keeping lawn fertilizers off paved surfaces and limiting its use, and never allowing oils or antifreeze to leak from vehicles or be washed into the street. To report a problem with a storm drain, contact the Street Division at 763-767-6462.



**CURFEW** (City Code Chapter 7-400)

The purpose of a curfew law is to inhibit crimes like vandalism, theft and other frequently committed crimes. Curfew laws apply whenever a youth is in a public or semi-public place such as a restaurant, entertainment facility, park, sidewalk, etc. *Parents may not give permission for their child to disregard curfew laws.*

Violations of curfew laws can be reported to the Police Department at 911 or by calling 763-427-1212.

AGE	WHEN	TIMES
Under 12 years	Sunday to Thursday Friday and Saturday	9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.
12 to 14 years	Sunday to Thursday Friday and Saturday	10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.
15 to 17 years	Sunday to Thursday Friday and Saturday	11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. midnight. to 5:00 a.m.



Valid exceptions to the curfew law include:

- When involved in employment or when going to, or returning from, the youth’s place of employment.
- If the youth is involved in an emergency.
- If the youth is participating in a school, church or other organized activity with adult supervision, or is returning home from such function, without any detour or stop.
- If the youth is on an errand as directed by a parent, without any detour or stop.
- When accompanied by a parent or an adult authorized by the parent. If contacted, the parent should be able to say specifically who they have authorized their child to be with.



**DIGGING**

Before digging any hole on your property for any reason, call Gopher State One Call at 811 at least two days in advance. They will mark the location of underground electricity, gas, and utility lines in your yard. This is a free service.

**DUMPING** (City Code Sections 8-111 and 8-202)

It is illegal for any person to deposit garbage, rubbish, offal, the body of a dead animal or other litter (including snow, leaves, grass or other yard waste) in or upon any public highway, street, alley, public waters or the ice thereon, public lands or on any private lands or water or ice thereon.

Notes:

### **TEMPORARY STRUCTURES**

Temporary structures are prohibited except by permit for use as emergency or interim housing. For additional information, contact the Community Development Department at 763-767-6430. To report an illegal temporary structure, contact Code Enforcement at 763-767-6470 or code@coonrapidsmn.gov.

### **VEHICLES** (City Code Sections 11-1827 through 11-1831)

The following regulations apply to vehicles parked on residential properties:

- Vehicles must be operable. All motor vehicles must display current registration.
- The maximum number of vehicles permitted is two more than the number of persons with valid driver's licenses residing on the property. This number excludes visitor parking, major recreational vehicles, collector vehicles, two- and three-wheeled vehicles, and vehicles servicing the property.
- The number of major recreational vehicles is limited to two. They must be in a condition for the safe and effective performance of their intended function. Recreational vehicles may not be used for living purposes except to accommodate visitors.
- A maximum of two operable, licensed collector vehicles is permitted.
- Only one vehicle in excess of 9,000 pounds gross vehicle weight is permitted. It must be parked on an improved surface.
- Semi-trailers and special mobile equipment are prohibited.

### **VEHICLE SALES** (City Code Section 11-1862)

A resident of any premises may show one vehicle for sale on the premises provided the resident is the registered owner of the vehicle. There are restrictions on where a vehicle may be located and the length of time it may be displayed. See GARAGE SALES for more information.

### **WEEDS/LONG GRASS** (City Code Chapter 8-500)

Weeds or grass growing to a height greater than eight inches may be declared a nuisance. Contact the Weed Hotline at 763-951-7200 or e-mail weeds@coonrapidsmn.gov



### **WOOD STORAGE** (City Code Section 8-903)

Wood stored in the City must be contained within a covered enclosure impervious to the elements or it must be kept in neat and secure stacks no more than five feet in height measured from the surface of the ground. Wood may not be stacked within the required front yard setback or within the public street right-of-way. Storage of elm or oak wood with the bark intact is illegal.

### **FENCES**

Fences may be constructed up to the property line. Fences within the required front yard setback may not be more than 48 inches in height. Fences more than six feet high in side and rear yards require a building permit. Contact the Building Inspection Division at 763-767-6476 for more information.



### **FIRE HYDRANTS**

To promote public safety it is important to keep the area surrounding a fire hydrant clear of snow and other debris that could hinder access in an emergency.

### **FIREARMS AND HUNTING** (City Code Section 7-202)

Hunting and the discharge of firearms are prohibited within the City of Coon Rapids. Violations should be reported immediately to the Police Department at 911.

### **GARAGE SALES/ HOME BASED RETAIL SALE EVENTS** (City Code 11-1862)

Home based retail sale events include garage sales, moving sales, boutiques and craft sales. They are allowed in the City of Coon Rapids under the following rules:

1. A maximum of six sale events per calendar year per property.
2. Each sale event may last a maximum of four consecutive days. A day is defined as midnight to midnight.
3. Unused days may not be added to future sale events.
4. There must be a separation of 90 days between the third and fourth sale events in the same calendar year and also between the last sale event of one year and the first sale event of the following year. Other sale events must be separated by a minimum of one day from the previous sale event at the same location.
5. A sale event may not include the use of motor vehicles, trailers or ground level storage containers.
6. The display of any vehicle for sale is considered a home based retail sale event and is subject to the rules above. Any vehicle displayed for sale must be parked on an improved driveway and must be owned by an occupant of the premises or by a member of the occupant's immediate family. Only one vehicle may be displayed for sale at any time. Refer to VEHICLE SALES.



**GARBAGE** (City Code Chapter 8-200)

Every business and residential household within the City is required to have garbage collection service. Garbage must be kept in fly-tight, waterproof containers between the times of collection. Outside storage of garbage cans cannot be closer to the street than the setback for the residence, except on collection days when the emptied containers must be returned to their regular location on the property no later than 10:00 p.m. on the day of collection. Violations may be reported to Code Enforcement at 763-767-6470 or e-mail code@coonrapidsmn.gov.



Garbage collectors provide curbside recycling of many materials. Providers are licensed by the City. Call Public Works at 763-767-6485 for more information and a listing of licensed haulers.

**GEESE** (City Code Section 10-404; 6-503)

It is unlawful to feed geese, ducks, deer, raccoons, etc., (all wildlife and waterfowl) in parks and on any public or private property. Songbirds are an exception.

**GROUND LEVEL STORAGE CONTAINERS**

See STORAGE CONTAINERS.

**HOME DAY CARE**

Home day care businesses are licensed by Anoka County (763-422-7146) and are not subject to the City’s home based business regulations. Commercial day care centers are licensed by the State of Minnesota (651-296-3971).

**HOME OCCUPATIONS** (City Code Sections 11-603, 11-604, 11-703 and 11-704)

Home based business regulations are in place to ensure that residential neighborhoods remain residential in character and that non-neighborhood parking and traffic concerns are avoided.

The following home occupations are prohibited:

- Repair of internal combustion engines of more than 12 horsepower
- Body shops, machine shops, and welding shops
- Ammunition manufacturing
- Flea markets
- Motor vehicle repair, maintenance, service, or sales
- Firearm sales
- Tattoo parlors
- Other objectionable uses as determined by the City Council.

Home occupations in violation of City Code should be reported to 763-767-6470.

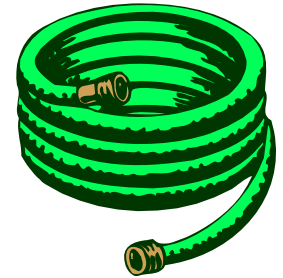
**Posting Signs** - Signs may not be posted on the public right-of-way, including the following:

- Boulevard area of lawns
- Trees
- Utility, traffic and sign poles

Signs placed on public property will be removed. Contact the Community Development Department at 763-767-6430 for these regulations and general sign inquiries.

**SPRINKLING RESTRICTIONS** (City Code Section 13-223)

From June 1 through August 31 an annual partial watering ban is in effect. Lawn and garden watering and use of irrigation systems is permitted for properties having odd numbered addresses only on odd numbered days and by even numbered addresses only on even numbered days. Exceptions are made for new sod, seed and shrubs. Additional restrictions may be applied if conditions warrant.



Contact the Public Works Department at 763-767-6462 with questions regarding sprinkling.

**STORAGE CONTAINERS** (City Code Section 11-1823)

Ground level storage containers and semi-trailers are permitted only in conjunction with an active construction or remodeling project. Additional information can be obtained from Code Enforcement at 763-767-6470 or code@coonrapidsmn.gov.

**SWIMMING POOLS** (City Code Chapter 12-500)

Swimming pools are allowed in residential districts. A swimming pool is defined as a structure intended for swimming, recreational bathing or wading that contains water over 24 inches deep. This includes in-ground, above ground, and on-ground pools; hot tubs; spas; and fixed-in-place wading pools. A portable swimming pool is a body of water contained in a plastic or rubber vessel erected without permanent support.

A building permit is required prior to construction of a swimming pool or before any alteration, addition, remodeling, repair or other improvement in excess of \$100 is made to a swimming pool.

All pools with a depth of 24 inches or more must be completely enclosed by a non-climbing type fence, at least 48 inches in height. All gates in this fence must be self-closing and self-latching.

Contact the Building Inspection Division at 763-767-6476 for swimming pool requirements, setbacks and other information.

**RECREATIONAL FIRES** (City Code Chapter 12-415)

Recreational fires must comply with the following requirements:

- Burning may occur any day of the week.
- Burning is allowed between 8 a.m. and midnight with a six hour fire duration.
- Fire may not exceed 3 feet in diameter contained within a recreation fire site.
- No burning of trash, leaves or brush. Only clean wood or charcoal may be burned.
- Approved starter fluid only may be used to start the fire.
- The fire must be attended continuously by a person at least 18 years old.
- No burning when wind speed exceeds 15 mph.
- The fire must be at least 25 feet from any structure or combustible material.
- The fire must burn cleanly and not cause objectionable smoke beyond the property line.
- Outdoor barbeque pits must be constructed of non-combustible materials.



Call the Fire Department at 763-767-6429 for additional information.

**RECYCLING**

The Coon Rapids Recycling Center is located at 1831 111th Avenue NW, on the east side of the Public Works facility. Hours of operation are Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Appliances are accepted the first Saturday of each month. For information call the Recycling Coordinator at 763-767-6485.

**RENTAL LICENSING** (City Code 12-900)

Owners of rental dwelling units are required to obtain a license prior to the occupancy of any unit. This process requires the successful completion of a maintenance and safety inspection, and crime-free educational course. A rental dwelling license is valid from one to four years depending on the type and condition of the property. For more information on rental dwelling licensing contact the Neighborhood Reinvestment Division at 763-767-6575.

**SATELLITE DISHES** (City Code Section 11-1859)

Satellite dishes are allowed with the following regulations:

- The dish diameter is no greater than 12 feet.
- Satellite dishes greater than 24 inches in diameter must be ground-mounted in the rear yard.
- A building permit is required for roof-mounted satellite dishes greater than 2 feet in diameter.
- No signage is allowed on the dish.

Contact the Community Development Department at 763-767-6430 for additional information.

**SIGNS** (City Code Chapter 11-2100)

Each single- and two-family residence and townhouse is allowed one ground sign no larger than 6 square feet. The sign must be located at least 18 feet from the public street right-of-way and 10 feet from property lines. No sign permit is required.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

Waste may be brought to the Anoka County facility, 3230-101st Avenue NE, Blaine, year-round. (763-323-5730) email: recycle@co.anoka.mn.us

Hours: Wednesdays 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Additional summer hours are Fridays 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This service is available to all Anoka County residents.

The following types of waste are accepted:

- |                               |                                             |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| pesticides                    | gasoline                                    |
| liquid paint (oil base/latex) | fuels                                       |
| mercury                       | driveway sealer                             |
| paint thinner                 | used motor oil, filters                     |
| paint stripper                | antifreeze                                  |
| wood preservatives            | household products                          |
| aerosol cans with product     | that are corrosive,<br>flammable, poisonous |



Wastes that will not be collected, and appropriate contacts, are:

Business or other non-household waste	Anoka County Environmental Services 763-422-7093
Ammunition/explosives	Anoka County Integrated Waste Management - 763-323-5730
Appliances	City of Coon Rapids Recycling Coordinator 763-767-6485
Batteries	Throw alkaline batteries in the garbage. Take motor vehicle batteries to an automotive battery retailer. Call 1-800-BATTERY for rechargeable and nickel-cadmium battery drop-off sites.
Dried paint	Remove lids and throw cans in garbage.
Empty containers	Remove lids and throw cans in garbage.
Farm pesticides	Waste Pesticide Hotline 651-297-4870
Tires	City of Coon Rapids Recycling Coordinator 763-767-6485

**JUNK AND DEBRIS** (City Code Chapter 8-100)

Exterior accumulation of junk and debris on residential properties is prohibited. The storage of items not intended for exterior use is also prohibited. Violations should be reported to Code Enforcement at 763-767-6470 or code@coonrapidsmn.gov.

**MINNESOTA NIGHT TO UNITE**

On the first Tuesday evening of August, Minnesota celebrates Night to Unite (formerly National Night Out) which involves citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials.

Night to Unite is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and to send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Night to Unite is an effective, inexpensive and enjoyable program to promote neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships in our fight for a safer nation. Benefits derived from Night to Unite most certainly extend well beyond the night.



Contact Officer Thomton at 763-767-6482 for information about this event. Early registration is required to arrange visits to your event by police and fire units

**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

Neighborhood Watch is a basic crime prevention program that stresses education and common sense. It gives citizens an opportunity to contribute to the well-being of their community. Neighborhood Watch has helped restore America’s “front porch” and emphasizes cooperation between community members and law enforcement personnel.

For more information, contact Officer Thomton at 763-767-6482.

**NOISE** (City Code Chapter 8-400)

It is illegal to make unnecessary and continued loud noises within the City limits. Such noises occurring between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. may constitute a misdemeanor violation of City Code. Report excessive noise levels during those hours to the Police Department by calling 911 or 763-427-1212. Other questions and concerns about noise or the noise ordinances can be directed to Code Enforcement at 763-767-6470 or code@coonrapidsmn.gov.

**PARKING** (City Code Sections 12-306(19) and 11-705(10))

**Single- and Two-Family Residential Properties**

Front and Side Yards: In the front and side yards, the parking of vehicles, recreation vehicles and trailers is permitted only on improved driveways.

Rear Yard: Vehicles may be parked off the paved surface in rear yards.

Refer to VEHICLES section for additional information about vehicles parked on residential property. Violations of vehicle regulations on private property should be reported to Code Enforcement at 763-767-6470.

**Multiple Residential Properties**

Vehicle parking is restricted to improved parking areas.

**On-street Parking Regulations**

Parking is prohibited in any of the following places:

- On any sidewalk.
- In front of, or directly across from, a driveway.
- Within five feet of a driveway.
- Within an intersection.
- Within 10 feet of a fire hydrant or within a fire lane.
- Within 30 feet of a roadside traffic semaphore.
- Within 50 feet of a railroad crossing.
- Within 20 feet of a fire station entrance.
- In “No Parking” and “No Stopping” zones.
- On a bridge or within an underpass.
- On the boulevard.
- On the roadway side of a parked vehicle.



**Winter Parking Ban**

Parking is prohibited on City streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. from November 1 through April 1. Parking is also prohibited anytime there is a snow accumulation of three or more inches or until the street has been plowed curb to curb.

Parking violations should be reported to the Police Department at 911.

**PETS** – See Animals

**PHOSPHOROUS FERTILIZER** (City Code Section 8-505)

With the exception of new seed or sod, or soil tested to be insufficient in phosphorous, state law prohibits the application of phosphorous fertilizer on any turf.

**RADIO TOWERS**

Amateur radio towers are allowed but may need a permit. They may not exceed 60 feet in height in most residential districts. Contact the Building Inspection Division at 763-767-6476 for more information.