

# Le Sueur Living

## Comprehensive Plan Update

Recently, the Le Sueur City Council awarded a contract to Hoisington Koegler Group (HKGi) to update the City's Comprehensive Plan. The purpose of a comprehensive plan is to guide future development of land to ensure a safe, pleasant and economical environment for residential, commercial, industrial and public activities. The original Comp Plan was developed in the mid-1960's and has not been updated since that time.

The Comprehensive Plan also provides the overall foundation for all land use regulation in the city. The land use plan lays out desired timing, location, design and density for future development, redevelopment or preservation taking into consideration the following factors: public or community facilities; parks and open space; housing; natural resources; transportation and infrastructure

The first step is to identify a working group that serves as a conduit to the community and provides guidance to the consultant team. Those members of the working group will be selected from various community interests including, parks, economic development, housing, downtown, education, etc. The second task is to conduct a community audit and visioning, looking at land use patterns, walkability, bikeability, street network and traffic patterns, neighborhood cohesion, schools, parks and recreation systems, demographic trends and future conditions. Third, using what is learned from the community audit process, a vision, goals and policies are determined around future land use distributions (jobs, housing and shopping), development patterns and character, park and open space systems, trail and sidewalk connectivity, infrastructure service and capacity, redevelopment (including a focus on downtown), street network and traffic circulation/patterns.

Finally, the plan is assembled, and included are strategic goal areas that we can focus on achieving over the next 15 to 20 years. Watch the City's website and upcoming newsletters for additional information.

## Update from Mayor Bob

The 2015 Sidewalk Project is complete, with the reconstruction of sidewalks on South 3rd St. from Davis to Bridge St. The City is making plans for additional sidewalk improvements over the coming years.

### Sober Bus Available Wednesday, Nov. 25th FREE!

8:00 p.m. – 1:30 a.m.  
Within Le Sueur City Limits  
Call (507) 665-6211  
to reserve a ride



## Calendar At-A-Glance

### City Council Meeting

Monday, Nov. 9th

City Hall  
Council Chambers  
6:30 p.m.

### Veteran's Day

Wednesday  
Nov. 11th

City Offices  
will be  
Closed

### City Council Meeting

Monday, Nov. 23rd

City Hall  
Council Chambers  
6:30 p.m.

### Thanksgiving Holiday

Thursday, Nov. 26th  
Friday, Nov. 27th

City Offices  
will be  
Closed

### Holiday Lights Parade

Friday, Dec. 4th

Downtown Le Sueur  
5:30 p.m.  
Fireworks to Follow

## A REMINDER ABOUT FIREARM SAFETY AND ORDINANCES

Hunting Season is upon us. Please remember to use caution while handling any firearms!

### Three Basic Rules of Firearm Handling:

1. Treat each firearm as if it is loaded
2. Always control the muzzle of your firearm
3. Be sure of your target and what is BEYOND your target

According to City ordinance, it is unlawful to use, shoot, fire or discharge a firearm of any description in the City of Le Sueur. If you have any questions, please contact the Le Sueur Police Department at (507) 665-2041.

## City of Le Sueur Rental Licensing Program

The Le Sueur City Council recently adopted a Rental Licensing program in an effort to ensure all rental properties are safe and healthy for their occupants. The program requirements will go into effect on January 1, 2016.

Highlights of the program include:

- Crime Free Housing standards including background checks on managers and tenants.
- Each license holder must complete a Crime Free Housing Program offered by the City (or proof of completion from another entity).
- The licensee or applicant must not be delinquent on any property taxes, assessments or other financial obligations owing to the City.
- Each rental license is good for a three-year period.
- A license can be suspended or revoked for allowing a disorderly house or a public nuisance.
- An appeals process for any license rejection, suspension or revocation.



With a 3-year license/inspection cycle, property owners will have a period of time to bring their properties into compliance.

Direct communication with greater detail will be sent to rental property owners by the end of November. If you own rental property in the City and don't receive anything by the end of November, please call us at (507) 665-6401.

## Open Skate at the Community Center!

Our Open Skate/Hockey schedule can be found on our website and Facebook page. Check often, as the schedule is subject to change without notice.

Web: [www.cityoflesueur.com](http://www.cityoflesueur.com)

Click on Community Center under the Departments tab.

Facebook: "Le Sueur Parks & Rec./LSH Community Ed."



## Missing a Bike?

Bicycles are one of the most commonly stolen items. The Le Sueur Police Department retains lost and stolen bicycles and would like to reunite them with their owners! If your bicycle has gone missing within the last year, contact the Le Sueur PD with a description of your bike.

Le Sueur Police Department

Phone: (507) 665-2041

Address: 205 South 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

## Notify Me: A New Subscription Service from the City of Le Sueur

With Notify Me, residents can sign up for notifications via email and/or text message about community activities, city council meetings, snow emergencies and other news direct from the City of Le Sueur. Notify Me will allow you to subscribe to topics you care about.

To sign-up for Notify Me, visit: <http://www.cityoflesueur.com/notifyme>. Type your email address in the box and click "Sign-In". You then have the option to choose your delivery method (email or text). Then, simply click on the subscriptions you are interested in receiving.

Notifications will be sent by the City of Le Sueur only (we will never sell your information to 3rd parties) and you can easily change your subscription preference at any time by checking or unchecking selections.