



FALCON HEIGHTS

THE CITY THAT SOARS

2077 LARPENTEUR AVE. W.

Upcoming City Council Workshop and Meeting

Wednesday, February 25, 2026, City Council Workshop at 6:00 PM and City Council Meeting at 7:00 PM
Falcon Heights City Hall
2077 Larpenteur Ave. W.

Community Resources

Various resident resources can be found on the City Website [here](#).

Falcon Heights Elementary Read-a-Thon Book Fair

Shop for fabulous books and support your school at the same time—a portion of all book fair purchases will go back to Falcon Heights Elementary School. Learn more about the Book Fair [here](#).

Become a Ramsey County Recycling Ambassador

Registration is now open until March 12. Learn more about the program [here](#).

COUNCIL NEWS

City of Falcon Heights Joins Cities for Safe and Stable Communities Coalition

The City of Falcon Heights has formally joined Cities for Safe and Stable Communities, a nonpartisan coalition of Minnesota local governments working to address operational and economic instability tied to recent federal actions and the drawdown of Operation Metro Surge.

After reviewing the potential local impacts, the City Council voted to join the coalition to support local control, economic stability, and efforts to rebuild community trust. While respecting the role of federal immigration enforcement, the City remains committed to serving all residents with dignity and fairness, regardless of background or immigration status.

Falcon Heights stands with other Minnesota cities in advocating for stability, coordination, and the protection of our community.

Learn more about the city's response to federal immigration enforcement [here](#).

Community resources are available [here](#).



CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

City Council Meeting Unofficial Recap

City of Falcon Heights
City Council Meeting
February 11, 2026
7:00 PM

MINUTES

- January 28, 2026 City Council Workshop Minutes
- January 28, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes
(Wassenberg; Approved 5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

- General Disbursements, Payroll, Wire Payments
- City Licenses
- Approval of Public Works' Purchase of a 2017 Elgin Pelican NP Street Sweeper
- Approval of General Fund Budget Amendment for Share of City of St. Anthony Village Police Department Purchase of Axon Body-Worn Cameras
(Gustafson; Approved 5-0)

POLICY ITEMS

- Consideration of Ordinance 26-01 Amending Chapter 2 of the Falcon Heights City Code Concerning Stewardship of Community Resources
(Mogen; Approved 5-0)
- Approval of Resolution 26-13 Authorizing the City to Join the Nonpartisan Coalition of Cities for Safe and Stable Communities
(Mielke; Approved 5-0)

The full City Council agenda packet can be found [here](#).

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Visit the City Staff Directory [here](#).

City Hall Hours

Monday – Friday:

8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Emergency Services

In case of emergency, always call 9-1-1.

Dispatch: 651-767-0640

St. Anthony Police Department

Phone: 612-782-3350

St. Paul Fire Department

Phone: 651-224-7811



COMMUNITY UPDATES

City Council Action on Immigration Enforcement & City Resources

On January 28, the Falcon Heights City Council adopted [Resolution 26-12](#), affirming the City’s commitment to public safety and the well-being of all residents and visitors, regardless of immigration status or national origin, and outlining the responsible use of City resources.

To strengthen this position in City law, on February 11, the Council adopted an [ordinance amending Chapter 2](#) of the City Code related to the stewardship of City resources. The ordinance prohibits the use of City property or resources for federal immigration enforcement activities unless authorized by a judicial warrant, subpoena, or similar lawful authorization.

More information and community resources are available on the [City website here](#).

Get Involved!

Falcon Heights is looking for dedicated individuals to serve on one of the City Commissions. You are encouraged to apply if you’re passionate about community engagement. Don’t miss this opportunity to get involved!

To learn more about the commissions or to apply, [click here](#).

Immigration Resources

With recent reports of immigration officials targeting immigrant populations in the Twin Cities, the City of Falcon Heights wants to ensure that residents can connect to the proper resources that they need.

Learn more about immigration resources and how you can help [here](#).

AARP Tax-Aide Appointments

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide provides free in-person and virtual tax assistance, with a focus on taxpayers age 50+ and those with low to moderate income (AARP membership not required).

Appointments at Falcon Heights City Hall are currently full. A waitlist is available for this location only. Please call 651-504-5098 and leave a voicemail for a volunteer to return your call.

Falcon Heights Ice Rinks

Call the recorded weather line at 651-792-7607 to hear current skating conditions.



Neal Kwong Award

Neal Kwong was a Falcon Heights resident who tragically passed away at the age of fifteen. He was an outstanding member of our community. In his memory, the City established the Neal Kwong Award to recognize young people, ages 12 to 19, who display leadership and volunteerism in Falcon Heights. Nominees must live in or volunteer in Falcon Heights. Parents are encouraged to support their youth by nominating them or by helping neighbors and friends willing to nominate them.

Nominations for the 2026 Award are due no later than Friday, April 24th at 4:30 PM.

The award recipient(s) will be recognized at a Falcon Heights City Council meeting, in this newsletter, and on a plaque in the lobby of City Hall.

For more information on the award and for a link to the application, please [visit the website here](#).

See a Streetlight out?

Residents can report outages directly to Xcel Energy using an online form. To report an outage [click here](#).

If an outdoor lighting pole is broken, please call Xcel Energy Customer Care at 1-800-895-4999.

Please call City Hall to report any outages to the decorative lighting on Larpenteur Avenue.

Community Garden Lottery Open

Are you a Falcon Heights resident interested in gardening but living in an apartment or townhome? Or, maybe your yard is too shady? Consider renting a garden plot at Community Park this spring.

The Community Garden consists of 38 plots, each approximately 10' x 12' in size.

New this year, the City of Falcon Heights will only accept applications through a lottery system and will randomly select applications based on the number of garden plots available, as returning gardeners have first right of refusal. Lottery applications will be accepted through February 28. Any applications that are not selected will be discarded and not kept on file.

[Click here for more information and to apply through the lottery.](#)



New Items accepted at the Environmental Center

In addition to electronics, residents can now drop off kitchen countertop appliances and small electric items for recycling, free of charge, at the Environmental Center.

Environmental Center

1700 Kent St., Roseville

Tuesday-Friday: 11 AM-6 PM

Saturday: 9 AM-4 PM

Sunday-Monday: Closed

See the complete list of accepted items and restrictions [here](#).

Limited Time: Free Mattress, Box Spring and Metal Bed Frame Recycling

Say goodbye to that old bed for free! Between March 3 and April 30 only, Ramsey County residents can bring a maximum of four mattresses and box springs total and a maximum of four metal bed frames to the [Environmental Center](#) at no cost. [Second Chance Recycling](#) in Minneapolis will recycle the mattresses and box springs and either reuse or recycle the metal bed frames.

Please [register](#) in advance for a drop-off date and time so staff can plan accordingly.

Learn more at RamseyCountyMN.gov/Mattress

St. Anthony Park Area Seniors

St. Anthony Park Area Seniors and Twin Cities PBS (TPT) present: Art + Medicine: Disability, Culture and Creativity

- Date: Thursday, February 26, 2026
- Time: 2:00 – 4:00 PM
- Place: 2200 Hillside Ave. W., the Centennial United Methodist Church building. Come to Door 2.

Details: Enjoy a movie and discussion with your neighbors! Artists and healthcare clinicians create alternative perspectives on disability through stories and performances, and redefine what we perceive as normal. Hosted by artist and storyteller Kevin Kling, Professor Jessica Horvath Williams, PhD, and Doctor Tsegaensh Selameab. Created in collaboration with the Center for the Art of Medicine at the University of Minnesota Medical School.

Registration is not required.

Call the SAPAS office at 651-642-9052 or e-mail sc@sapaseniors.org for more information.



NATURE NEWSFLASH

Plastic Film Recycling

The City of Falcon Heights has a plastic film recycling program! Bring your clean plastic grocery bags, bubble wrap, bubble mailers, Ziploc bags, and product overwrap (from packages of paper towels and toilet paper, for example) to the collection bin located near the entrance of City Hall instead of throwing them away. A full list of the [accepted products](#) is posted next to the container.

Stretchy plastics like grocery bags are usually difficult to recycle because they get caught in the machines that sort cans, bottles, and paper products at the recycling center. However, companies like NexTrex can take plastic films and recycle them into plastic decking! The City of Falcon Heights partners with the company [Merrick, Inc.](#), which sorts and bales plastic films and ships them off to [NexTrex](#). Currently, the City is donating its gathered plastic to Falcon Heights Elementary to help them achieve their goal of collecting 1,000 pounds by mid-April to receive a new park bench.

Recycling plastic films is one way you can help reduce plastic pollution. Many residents are undergoing the [Plastic Free February Challenge](#), which is being put on by Hennepin, Ramsey, and Washington Counties. The challenge is intended to help you cut down on your consumption of single-use plastics. They are borderline ubiquitous in society today, but that does not mean a conscious consumer cannot do their best to avoid them.

There are tons of different [actions](#) on the challenge webpage and [events](#) happening around the metro area where you can learn more and get involved!

This article was written by Olivia Siebert, a Minnesota GreenCorps member who previously served with the City of Falcon Heights. Is there something you want to see in the Nature Newsflash, or are you an expert and want to be included in future articles? Send your ideas over to Hannah Lynch, Community Development Coordinator, at hannah.b.lynch@falconheights.org.

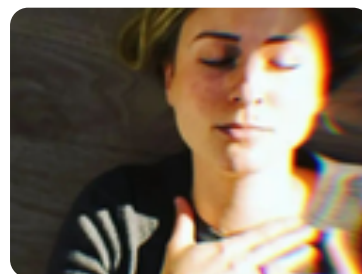
CITY PROGRAMMING



Yoga

YogaHotDish Instructor Shaila Cunningham's unique yoga recipe combines classical yoga with modern best practices, served up with a side of humor!

[Registration and information](#)



Breathwork Class

Calling all folks looking to ground, release, move stuck energy and restore!

[Registration and information](#)



Tae Kwon Do

Instructor Joshua Jordan's Tae Kwon Do mission is to empower all ages with the knowledge of self-defense.

[Registration and information](#)