

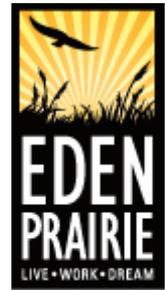
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PARKS DIVISION TO REVIEW PROPERTY BOUNDARIES

City of Eden Prairie Calls on Residents to be “Good Neighbors”

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. — The City of Eden Prairie is calling on residents to be “Good Neighbors” and help maintain its high quality parklands and open space by adhering to boundaries between City and private properties.

Letters from the Parks Division will soon be mailed to Eden Prairie residents who own property adjacent to City parkland informing them that boundary lines will be verified this summer by City employees.

“Homeowners are not always aware of where their property line interfaces with public property,” said Stuart Fox, parks and natural resources manager. “The City is responsible for protecting its property for a number of reasons, such as maintaining buffers, protecting natural resources and for future development.”

The City Council has directed the Parks Division to not only increase its efforts in verifying common boundaries, but to also install permanent signs on City property and to enforce City Code 9.04. The code prohibits vegetation cutting and clearing, planting, mowing, yard waste dumping, or installing plants, retaining walls or fences on park property.

Fox also noted that the City is responsible for maintaining its property and can be contacted if the control of noxious weeds or removal of diseased oak or elm trees is needed.

Once the City evaluates where property lines exist, boundary signs will be installed on City property reading “Eden Prairie Park Boundary.” Following the evaluation, homeowners will either receive a postcard acknowledging compliance with the ordinance, or a letter indicating that trespassing violations were observed.

The City thanks residents for being “Good Neighbors” by helping to protect the community’s extraordinary parkland and open spaces that make Eden Prairie a great place to Live, Work and Dream.

The City of Eden Prairie is a vibrant community of more than 60,000 people located just southwest of Minneapolis. Eden Prairie has been nationally recognized as a great place to live, work and raise a family. In 2006, MONEY Magazine named Eden Prairie the 10th “Best Place to Live” in America.

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