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# City of Eaton Rapids



April is Budget Billing sign-up month! If you are already enrolled in the budget billing program, a re-enrollment form will be sent to you. Be sure to complete and return the form promptly to stay enrolled in the program. If you are not already enrolled in the program, we encourage you to do so! To be eligible you must have lived at your current address for 12 consecutive months and have a zero balance on your account. Forms to enroll may be found on our website, in the "Payments" section [www.cityofeatonrapids.com](http://www.cityofeatonrapids.com). The deadline to enroll is April 30, 2021.

The City of Eaton Rapids has been the recipient of a \$2.9 million grant through the State of Michigan for the reconstruction of a number of assets at the G.A.R. Island Park. Over the next year, the City's contractor will reconstruct the sea walls around the island, replace the pedestrian bridge connecting the park to River Street, and the construction of a Riverwalk connecting Hamlin Square to Mill Pointe Park.

Construction activities will begin on Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> and will last until September 2021. During that time, residents will need to avoid the construction site around the island. The island will be closed during this time. Also, the lower area of parking lot 6 on the river's edge between E. Knight and Hamlin St. will be closed during this period.



We want to thank you for your patience during this time. Please address comments, questions, and concerns to City Hall either in person at 200 S. Main Street or by calling (517) 663-8118.



We want to hear from you and others in your household! The City of Eaton Rapids is interested in learning how to best communicate with you, your friends, your family and other members in your household, and to do that we have created a short survey for you to complete. Our goal is to gather information to help improve how we communicate with the community and how you like best to receive information. This survey is voluntary and open for anyone to take. Please use the link to the left to take the survey online. If you would prefer a paper copy, please stop in to City Hall for assistance during normal Monday-Friday 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM business hours. <https://forms.gle/RvJ7s7sNSV5pVFxD9>

Act now to avoid utility service interruption. If you or someone you know are in danger of utility service interruption due to non-payment, please dial 211 from any phone to be connected with a service representative who may be able to help you. Don't wait until it's too late, call now!



## Charlie's Corner

Hi! My name is Charlie, and I live at City Hall. Some of you may have met me before when you have come into the office to conduct business. If we have not yet met, stop in and say "Hi"!

*Interesting Fact: Did you know that a cat has the ability to rotate their ears 180-degrees-with the help of 32 different muscles that they use to control them? Wow! Now that's interesting.*



Join us for monthly virtual "create and take" classes hosted by the City of Eaton Rapids Arts Council! It's so easy! You will pre-register for the class online, you can find the link in the news and announcements section at [www.cityofeatonrapids.com](http://www.cityofeatonrapids.com).

Once your registration has been received and your kit is ready, you'll receive an e-mail letting you know when to pick it up. Each kit is \$10 and this month we will be creating some beautiful spring decor. Each kit will include everything you will need to create! Our classes will be streamed live on Facebook [@eatonrapidsart](https://www.facebook.com/eatonrapidsart). Be sure to follow us on Facebook or check out the City's website calendar for more information!

\*\*\*All meetings have been moved to a virtual platform. You may find links to each meeting on the "Notices" page under the "Government" tab on our website.



Don't forget to check the calendar at [www.cityofeatonrapids.com](http://www.cityofeatonrapids.com) for updates or changes

Planning Commission Master Plan Meeting	Monday, March 1, 2021 5-8 P.M.	Virtual
City Council Meeting	Monday, March 8, 2021 7-8 P.M.	Virtual
City Council Work Session	Monday, March 8, 2021 5-6 P.M.	Virtual
Arts Council Meeting	Tuesday, March 9, 2021 6-7 P.M.	Virtual
Parks Development Meeting	Tuesday, March 9, 2021 7-8 P.M.	Virtual
DDA Board Meeting	Friday, March 12, 2021 7-8 A.M.	Virtual
Quality of Life Board Meeting	Tuesday, March 16, 2021 7-8 P.M.	Virtual
River Recreation Meeting	Wednesday, March 16, 2021 7-8 P.M.	Virtual
LDFA Board Meeting	Friday, March 19, 2021 7:30-8:30 A.M.	Virtual
City Council Work Session	Monday, March 22, 2021 5-6 P.M.	Virtual
City Council Meeting	Monday, March 22, 2021 7-8 P.M.	Virtual



### Winter Tax Bill Information

Bills were sent on December 1, 2020 and the due date for winter taxes was Tuesday, February 16, 2021 by 4:00 PM. Any unpaid taxes will be assessed penalties and interest. Payments on past due accounts must be made through Eaton County and are not accepted at City Hall after March 1, 2021.

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