

The Colony of Edina

August 2022 Newsletter

Colony Website

The Colony website has resources you might need:

- Governing documents
- Meeting information
- Forms
- Financial information
- Master insurance
- Policy
- Committees
- Newsletters
- Pay dues

colonyedina.com

Report a Problem on Edina 311

Use Edina 311 app to report concerns and feedback regarding issues such as animal control (dogs running off leash), damaged mailbox or sod, fire hydrant maintenance, streets or parks issues, overgrown vegetation, standing water, and more.

Download Edina 311 app at
www.edinamn.gov/891/Report-a-Problem-on-Edina-311

Bylaw Changes

The ballots continue to come in for the bylaws change

Homeowners have until **Tuesday, August 30, 2022**, to submit their bylaw change ballots. On July 1, 2022, we mailed packets to homeowners using certified mail. Unfortunately, we heard that many homeowners never received their packet or notification of an attempted delivery. Please contact the office at office@colonyedina.com or 952-920-7660 if you have not received your packet. We are happy to email you a copy of the proposed bylaws or stop by the office to pick up a packet.

Dog Issues

Here are some common issues with are having with dogs:

- Owners not picking up dog waste - results in a \$25 fine per occurrence
- Dogs off leash - results in a \$50 fine per occurrence per dog
- Dogs not registered with the office - results in a \$25 per month fine per dog

Additional Help from Edina

Unfortunately, the board cannot help you resolve issues with your neighbors.

- **Bias or Discrimination:** If you feel you have been discriminated against and the alleged act of discrimination occurred within the City of Edina with the last 365 days, please complete the [Report Bias or Discrimination form](#) or contact Race and Equity Coordinator, Heidi Lee, by email at HLee@EdinaMN.gov or by phone at [952-826-1622](tel:952-826-1622).
- **Police reports** are not taken online and must be reported in person. Please call 911 or the 24-hour non-emergency line at [952-826-1600](tel:952-826-1600) to request an officer or to report an in progress incident.
- **Calling the police:** if your neighbor's noise during city required quiet time (10 pm to 7 am) is disturbing you, please call the police department at their 24-hour non-emergency line at [952-826-1600](tel:952-826-1600). However, the board encourages you to first talk to your neighbor. They might not know they are disturbing you.

Thanks for Helping Weed the Grounds

You may have noticed a number of weeds popping up on our grounds. We are in the processes of treating them. However, we want to thank anyone who is helping keep the grounds weed-free, such as Linda and Mary who weeded near our sign on Barrie Road and 66th Street.



OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, 9 am -4 pm
Tuesday, 9 am - 4 pm
Thursday, 9 am - 4 pm

OFFICE PHONE:

952-920-6464

OFFICE EMAIL:

office@colonyedina.com

MAINTENCE EMAIL:

maintenance@colonyedina.com

BOARD EMAIL:

board@colonyedina.com

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE EMAIL:

landscape@colonyedina.com

OPEN FORUM:

Third Tuesday of month at 5:30 pm

BOARD MEETING:

Third Tuesday of month at 6 pm

Organics Recycling Bin in Gallery Garage

You may have noticed the organics recycling bins in the gallery garages are gone. This is because people were putting non-organic materials into the bins, causing maintenance staff to throw away all contents. If you live in a Gallery and want to recycle your organics, see if you can use a bin in a cluster condo or townhouse. Hennepin County has [drop off location](#) in Brooklyn Park and Bloomington.

Organics Recycling Guide



All food

- Fruits and vegetables
- Meat, fish and bones
- Dairy products
- Eggs and egg shells
- Pasta, beans and rice
- Bread and cereal
- Nuts and shells



Food-soiled paper

- Pizza boxes from delivery
- Napkins and paper towels
- Paper egg cartons



Certified compostable products

- Compostable paper and plastic cups, plates, bowls, utensils and containers

Look for the term "compostable" or the BPI logo on certified products.



Other compostable household items

- Coffee grounds and filters
- Hair and nail clippings
- Cotton balls and swabs with paper stems
- Houseplants and flowers
- Wooden items such as chopsticks, popsicle sticks and toothpicks



National Night Out

Thanks all who attended The Colony's National Night Out. Getting to know your neighbors is a great way to improve our community. Special thanks to all who were involved in planning and executing the night, and to anyone who brought food and beverages to share. The night was hot, but everyone had fun.



Edina Crime Prevention Fund

In light of recent security issues at the Colony, we want to remind our residents of opportunities for them to be involved in promoting a safer community.

For more than 45 years, the Edina Crime Prevention Fund has been a valuable community partner. The Fund is a proud and significant contributor to many police department services and programs including: Neighbor's Home Watch, Bike Patrol, Junior Police, Foot Patrol, K-9 Unit, Motorcycle Unit, Night to Unite, Mobile Surveillance Unit, Citizen's Academy, Police Explorers and many more. The Fund has also paid out a substantial amount in reward and informant money. This money has assisted the police in solving serious crimes, including burglaries and robberies. The victims of these crimes are Edina residents and business owners just like you – they're your friends and neighbors.

Visit their [Facebook page](#) for information about their activities and a link to contribute to the cause. The Crime Prevention Fund needs funds for drones and bicycles. You may also contribute by mail at 4801 W 50th Street, Edina, 55424.

Smoking



Smoking outside your unit or on Colony grounds is prohibited. Except as set forth herein, smoking and second-hand smoke, all as defined below, are prohibited in any common areas or limited common areas. This includes the limited common area like balconies and patios.

Secondhand smoke is prohibited from leaving a unit and then entering the common areas and/or limited common areas or any other unit.

Smoking and second-hand smoke is defined as smoking paper tobacco cigarettes, cigars, tobacco, pipes, herbs, plant leaves (whether legal or illegal), vaping of any such products, including any other practice of inhaling a vapor or other substance through any device such as e-cigarettes, vapor-cigarettes, pipes, or other vaping devices, and second-hand smoke or vapor exhaust/discharge from devices.

Some residents believe that smoking outdoors is okay. It is not. The only place that smoking is allowed is within your own unit. It is a violation of our smoking rule if smoke escapes from your unit into the common hallway, out your window, or into your neighbor's unit. When violations are reported, the office will notify the offending party and issue a warning. Multiple warnings will result in fines. The standard fine is \$100 per occurrence.

We can only enforce this rule when it is reported. If you are being affected by second hand smoke, please report it to the office - every time. We need specifics such as date, time, and the source of the smoke.

We have recently noticed an accumulation of cigarette butts just within the Colony property line on the west side of the property. This is hospital personnel leaving their non-smoking campus and invading our non-smoking private property. If you witness this, please try to take a picture. We will be contacting hospital administration about this.