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Updates of Interest

National Night Out. I've participated in four City of Shavano Park National Night Out events and last month's event was the best. There were 14 planned neighborhood block parties, which was an increase from the 12 last year and the City Hall event enjoyed the biggest crowd yet. The one thing that stuck me most during my visits to the neighborhood block parties was the number of new residents that had just moved in and were participating and getting to know their neighbors – now that's exactly what is supposed to happen. Life is good in Shavano Park!

Bulk Trash Pick Up. I'm sure that you noticed the delay in bulk trash pick-up in October. Several factors in other cities scheduled before us contributed to the delay. Compounding the situation is the fact that many people place bulk trash out a week or two in advance of the scheduled pickup. The results were parts of our neighborhoods that were not attractive for an extended period. I'm in coordination with Republic Services to determine a better way to approach this situation in the future.

ISO Rating. Effective November 1st 2016, the City's new ISO rate of 2 will go into effect. This places Shavano Park in the top 2% of 49,010 of fire protection ratings nationwide. My check with my insurance carrier indicates with better ISO scores some home owners might qualify for a home owner's insurance discount and they are already crediting us with the 2 rating. Any discount usually becomes effective at the annual policy renewal.

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