



Spring Update



2026 Annual Meeting Reminder

This year's annual meeting will be held on April 22 in Peterson Hall at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5701 Raymond Road, Madison, 6:00-8:00 pm.

Our agenda for the meeting includes MPD Crime & Safety Update, introduction to Board members, review of 2025 accomplishments, summary of 2025 expenses, walkthrough of the 2026 adopted budget, and then election of Board members.

For more detail, go to:

<https://westhaventrails.org/events/>

You will find the Zoom link located here, if you wish to join virtually.

2025 Highlights Include:

- Transition to Madison Property Management
- Completing Private Court Repairs, Parks Clean Up Projects, Tree Planting, and Capital Improvements
- Transitioning Webhosting

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Board of Directors

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Madison Property Management

Brittany Chavarria, 608-268-4980

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Board Elections

We have two Board Members' terms expiring this year, and they are both running for re-election. Their statements and qualifications are listed on the website prior to the annual meeting for membership review.

Financial Update

2025 expenses came in \$12,097 under budget, primarily driven by savings from private court repairs and tree removal.

Ending cash balance is \$77,871.

The 2026 budget increases funding for the parks. Total parks budget (including mowing, landscaping, maintenance, and tree removal) accounts for 50% of 2026 general assessment dues.

Proxy Forms and Votes

We've received some questions about the proxy form process since we sent forms out to all members with the annual meeting notice. **Proxy votes are NOT required for all residents but are available for you if you do want to vote and are unable to attend the annual meeting in person.**

If you do want to vote and are unable to attend the annual meeting in person, you must designate a proxy who will attend the annual meeting to represent you, as outlined in Section 2.07-08 of our Bylaws. This can be a Board member or another resident who will be attending the meeting in person. This year, we will only be voting on Board Member elections; there are no other issues before members to vote on.

If you wish to complete and return the proxy form, clearly communicate with your proxy how you wish to vote and fill out and return the proxy form to Madison Property Management to brittanyc@madisonproperty.com. This ensures that all proxies are in writing and will be filed with the Board Secretary before the annual meeting.

Refuse and Large Item Pickup Information

In 2025 throughout the Westhaven Trails Association, there was an increase in occurrences of large items that were left curbside but not scheduled for pickup.

Large items are too big or inappropriate for your collection carts such as furniture, pianos, vacuums, etc.

Association board members monitored the situation and on the behalf of residents submitted 23 requests for pickup and made four trips with items to a City of Madison drop-off site.

The City of Madison provides a terrific service that residents should use to schedule the pickup of these items. Information on how to schedule these pickups can be found on the city's website. Thank you for helping keep the neighborhood beautiful.

<https://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/trash-recycling/how-do-i-dispose-of/large-items-and-appliances>

PARKS

Westhaven Trails has over 20 acres of private parks, open spaces, and woodland preserves.

In 2025, the parks committee requested an increase in budget for parks maintenance due to the amount of maintenance needed for the aging equipment and vegetation.

The parks committee has a list of opportunities for each park and has drafted a 3-year maintenance plan.

This plan will be posted on the Association website and Facebook pages.

Any suggestions or feedback can be directed to Board@Westhaventrails.org.

Architecture Review Board

If you are planning a Spring or Summer project on your property, be sure to submit your plans to the ARB for approval.

To contact the ARB or submit an ARB Request, please use arb@westhaventrails.org.

Last year, six total requests were submitted to the ARB for decks, solar panels, and fences.

