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## **BURNSVILLE PARKS & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION TO HOST INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON PROPOSED XCEL ENERGY GAS PIPELINE PROJECT**

The Burnsville Parks & Natural Resources Commission (PNRC) will host an informational meeting on a proposed Xcel Energy gas pipeline project.

**When:** Monday, March 6  
*Xcel Energy Answers Comments/Questions from Public:* 5:30 p.m.  
*PNRC Meeting/Presentation:* 6:30 p.m.

**Where:** Burnsville City Hall Council Chambers | 100 Civic Center Parkway

Xcel Energy is proposing to construct a new gas pipeline to serve the Black Dog Power Plant in Burnsville. This pipeline is part of the plant's conversion from coal to gas power generation.

The gas pipeline is not proposed to be placed on any private property. To keep the pipeline as far from private property as possible, the City and Xcel have determined that the most feasible and lowest impact option is to place it in the Highway 13 right-of-way, and use an existing easement through Tennesioux and Black Dog parks.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission approved a routing permit for the project.

### **Public Comment**

At 5:30 p.m., prior to the PNRC meeting, Xcel Energy staff will be available outside of the Council Chambers to meet with individual members of the public to answer questions.

Starting at 6:30 p.m., as part of the PNRC meeting, City Staff will provide an update on required City project approvals. Xcel Energy will give an informational presentation to the commission and be available for questions. The public will also have an opportunity to ask questions and provide input after the presentation.

In conjunction with this project, the City is evaluating the feasibility of a future trail connecting Highway 13 to Black Dog Park via Tennesioux Park. Future trail planning will also include public involvement.

*If you have questions or concerns, or are unable to attend this meeting and would like to comment, please contact Burnsville Public Works Director Steve Albrecht at 952-895-4544 or at [steve.albrecht@burnsvillemn.gov](mailto:steve.albrecht@burnsvillemn.gov). You may also watch the meeting live on BCTV Ch. 16 or HD 859 (cable subscribers) or online at [www.burnsville.tv/live](http://www.burnsville.tv/live).*

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