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Lake Street
 Lake Street reopened to two-way traffic Sept. 11, a milestone for the first phase of the Panoway on Wayzata Bay initiative.
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(SUN PHOTO BY JASON JENKINS)

Wayzata School District students head back to class

Meadow Ridge Elementary students, all wearing masks as a preventative measure against COVID-19, head to class on their first day of in-person learning since March. Under the Wayzata School District's hybrid model, most students will practice in-person learning at their school two days a week and distance learning from home three days a week. The district will be guided in its decision-making process during the school year by parameters from the Minnesota Department of Health, which has given school districts a guide for which learning model to use based on the number of COVID-19 cases per 10,000 residents in the county during a 14-day period. The Wayzata School Board has given district leaders the flexibility to move between learning models as needed in response to COVID-19. The district's overall guide for the school year is called "Wayzata Learns: A Flexible Plan for the 2020-21 School Year." To read the full guide, visit wayzataschools.org/wayzatalearns. **MORE PHOTOS ON PAGE 15.**

Plymouth adopts 6.97% preliminary tax levy increase

Increase includes new diversity, equity and inclusion coordinator

By **KRISTEN MILLER**
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The Plymouth City Council adopted the proposed 2021 tax levy at \$41,381,451 or a 6.97% increase from 2020 and set the budget public hearing for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8.

The general fund budget of \$44.9 million is an increase of \$1.36 million or 3.1% from 2020.

Jodi Bursheim, the city's finance manager, addressed some of the significant changes in the city's general fund, which are primarily salary and benefit increases.

The changes include 5.85 new full-time positions including three firefighters, a historical site manager, one police

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