

CITY OF BELOIT



THE BELOIT REPORT

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

On Tuesday, August 6, the Police Department, Fire Department and the Greater Beloit Area Crime Stoppers organization will celebrate the 30th Annual National Night Out. The kick off location has been designated as St. Paul Lutheran Church, 617 St. Lawrence Avenue, beginning at 5:30 p.m. As always, there will be block parties, picnics and cookouts in various neighborhoods, churches and schools located throughout the Greater Beloit community.

As we do every year, the City Manager and various City Councilors will join the Police Chief, Fire Chief and other officials to travel throughout the community to visit as many neighborhood outings as possible.

BELOIT PUBLIC LIBRARY ADOPT-A-SHELF TRAINING SCHEDULED

The Beloit Public Library will hold training for "Adopt-A-Shelf" volunteers on Tuesday, September 17 from 3:30—5:30 p.m. in the Library meeting room, 605 Eclipse Blvd. Following training, volunteers will "adopt" a section of library shelves to keep the books in order, straightened, and dusted. Volunteers are asked to commit to monthly visits for at least one year. If you would like more information, please contact Vicki Hahn, Public Services Librarian at 364-5756.

DOWNTOWN BELOIT ASSOCIATION "CELEBRATE WEEKEND" AUGUST 2ND AND 3RD

The Downtown Beloit Association will sponsor their 20th "Celebrate Weekend" and Street Dance this weekend, **Friday, August 2 and Saturday, August 3, 2013**. The street dance will be held on Friday evening with sidewalk sales on Friday and Saturday. Obviously, Beloit's Farmer's Market will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday. Retailers and our wonderful restaurants will all be participating. Make sure you come downtown and join in on the fun for the 20th Celebrate Weekend.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2013

On Monday, August 5, 2013 the City Council will hold a **workshop** at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Forum for the purpose of further discussion on extending benefits to City employees who are **registered same sex couples**.

The City Council will hold a **workshop** at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Forum, on Monday, August 5, 2013 for the purpose of reviewing the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

The **attached** agenda is for the **Monday, August 5, 2013** regular City Council meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Forum.

3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. A **2013 National Award of Merit in Program Innovation—Affordable Housing** was presented to the Beloit Housing and Community Development Authority for the Parker Bluff Redevelopment at a recent National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) conference. Cathy Pollard, Beloit Housing Authority Director, will accept the award.
- b. Proclamation declaring August 6, 2013 as **National Night Out**. National Night Out, or “America’s Night Out Against Crime,” began in 1984 by the National Association of Town Watch, in an effort to promote police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. Police Chief Norm Jacobs will accept the proclamation.
- c. **Certificate of Appreciation** will be presented to Nicki Yoss to acknowledge her for renting the entire Krueger Municipal Pool and inviting the community for a free swim and lunch. Ms. Yoss will be in attendance to accept the certificate.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Proposed Ordinance amending the Future Land Use Map of the **Comprehensive Plan** from Single-Family Residential-Urban to Institutional and Community Service for various properties. This amendment was requested by the School District of Beloit to allow for the proposed expansion of Gaston Elementary School and Merrill Elementary School. Their plans are to demolish existing structures, expand the school grounds. The district has indicated that the subject properties will be used for open space and recreation, along with a staff parking lot on the Gaston grounds. Plan Commission recommended for approval.
- b. Proposed Ordinance amending the **Zoning District Map** to change the zoning district classification of the various properties listed in item 4(a). Plan Commission recommended for approval.
- c. Resolution amending the **2013 Community Development Block Grant Action Plan and Budget**. At the time the original budget was prepared, staff estimated the 2013 grant amount to be \$485,000. The City was recently notified by the Department of Housing and Urban Development that we will receive a grant amount of \$552,913. Therefore, the City must amend the 2013 CDBG budget and the Annual Action Plan to account for this increase.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the **minutes** of the regular meeting of July 15, 2013 and the Special Meeting of July 24, 2013.
- b. Application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a Residential Care Apartment Complex in a C-1, Office District, for the property located at 2157 Schuster Drive. A Conditional Use Permit was approved in June, 2012 but expired after a year of inactivity. The applicant has revived the application and proposes a 24-unit Community Based Residential Facility wing, an administration/commons area, and a 48-unit Residential Care Apartment Complex wing. This item will be referred to Plan Commission for their review and consideration.
- c. Application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a drive-through use, outdoor seating area, and indoor alcohol sales in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 2777 Milwaukee Road. This application is for the proposed Qdoba restaurant and retail space. Planning staff is reviewing the site plans and will refer the matter to Plan Commission for their review and consideration.
- d. Application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow indoor alcohol sales in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 946 Wisconsin Avenue. The applicant is operating a restaurant named La Fuente Restaurant and has applied for a Class “B” Beer and “Class C” Wine License. As this is in a Neighborhood Commercial District, a Conditional Use Permit is required for the sale of alcoholic beverages. This matter will be referred to Plan Commission for their review and consideration.

- e. Application for **Class “B” Beer and “Class C” Wine License** for Jesus Garcia, d/b/a Restaurant La Fuente at 946 Wisconsin Avenue. This pertains to item (d) above and will be referred to the Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee for their review and consideration.
- f. Resolution awarding **Public Works Contract** for street resurfacing. This project will overlay rough pavements on 40 blocks of city streets. One bid was received for this project, that being from Rock Road Companies, Inc. Funding is available in the 2013 Capital Improvement Plan and the Engineering Division is recommending approval.
- g. Resolution awarding **Public Works Contract** for Ute Court Standpipe Repainting. This project will provide maintenance access and safety devices for the Ute Street standpipe, as well as providing a painted interior and exterior to the structure. This project will provide several safety features for people who inspect and service the water tower, as well as protect the steel structure from weathering. Five bids were received and the Engineering Division recommends awarding the contract to L. C. United Painting Co. Funding is available in the 2013 Capital Budget.
- h. Resolution awarding **Public Works Contract** for the Shirland Avenue Bridge Seal. This repair project is necessary to protect the bridge bearings from corrosive road salt. Four bids were received and the Engineering Division recommends awarding the contract to Concrete Structures, Inc. There is a sufficient balance in a prior year street maintenance account to fund this repair.
- i. Resolution approving **Contract for Sale/Purchase** of clean mixed paper between the City of Beloit and Beloit Box Board Company, Inc. Since July, 1997, the City has taken 100% of its clean mixed paper to the Beloit Box Board Company, which in turn pays the City. This arrangement allows energy savings by reusing recycled paper, saving landfill space and preventing air, water and soil pollution. This resolution would allow the City Manager to enter into a 10 year contract with Beloit Box Board.

7. ORDINANCES

- a. Proposed Ordinance to repeal and recreate Section 1.04 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit relating to certain **Residency Requirements** for certain Municipal employees. The ordinance must be amended as a result of the new budget adopted by the Wisconsin State Legislature, prohibiting local governing boards from establishing residency requirements that would exceed the State standard, which currently is a radius of 15 miles from the City.

8. APPOINTMENTS

There are no appointments on the agenda for this Council meeting.

10. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION

None

11. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Resolution approving the City of Beloit's Provision of **Employee Benefits to Recognized Same Sex Couples**. It is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City amend its policies to recognize same sex couples that are listed on the Wisconsin Registry and afford them the same benefit structure as is provided to heterosexual couples. This would include the ability to participate in the City's group health insurance plan, as well as have equal benefit eligibility for family and medical leave, sick leave for dependent care, and funeral leave. This agenda item will be the topic of the 5:30 p.m. workshop on this same date.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR— AUGUST 5 – 9, 2013

Monday, August 5	5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop , Forum (All Councilors)
Monday, August 5	6:30 p.m.	Agenda Review , Forum (All Councilors)
Monday, August 5	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting , Forum (All Councilors)
Tuesday, August 6	5:30 p.m.	National Night Out (All Councilors)
Wednesday, August 7	7:30 a.m.	Rock County Breakfast, Eagle Inn (C. Haynes & M. Spreitzer)
Wednesday, August 7	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission , Forum (C. Kincaid)

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

This is just a sample of events coming up in Beloit. A more complete listing is available on the Visit Beloit website: www.visitbeloit.com

Beloit Public Library offers many events for youth, teens and adults. Please click [\[here\]](#) for more information.

Beloit Snappers season is underway! Please click [\[here\]](#) to view their website for game schedules, special promotions, and more.

Beloit Farmers Market every Saturday through October, 300 block of State Street, 400 block of East Grand Ave. and the Gantry Area. Produce, jams, honey, baked goods, fish, meet, flowers and more!

Fridays in the Park free Summer concert series every Friday through the end of August. Gantry Park in downtown Beloit, 11:30—1:30 p.m. Lunch available for purchase, \$6.

Friday, Aug. 2	5:00—8:00 p.m.	First Friday Reception —Pastels by Jordan Kammer, at Beloit Fine Arts Incubator, 520 E. Grand Ave.
Friday, Aug. 2	8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Sidewalk Sale , Downtown Beloit
	11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Fridays in the Park Concert Series, featuring “Brother K” and lunch by Otha’s Ribs (\$6), Downtown Beloit
	5:30 p.m.—11:00 p.m.	Street Dance , \$5 admission. At 5:30 p.m., “Reverend Raven & The Chain Smokin’ Altar Boys” will play the Blues. At 8:00 p.m., “The Eddie Butts Band” will take the stage to play funk and R & B.
Saturday, Aug. 3	8:00—1:00 p.m.	Farmers Market and Sidewalk Sale in Downtown Beloit
Tuesday, Aug. 6	5:30-8:30 p.m.	National Night Out



PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Beloit City Council will hold a workshop on Monday, August 5, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. in the Forum, located on the first floor of City Hall, 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511. The purpose of the workshop is for further discussion on extending benefits to City employees who are **registered same sex couples**.

Following this workshop, or at 6:30 p.m., the Council will hold another **workshop** in the Forum Conference Room on the first floor of City Hall, to review the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

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Larry N. Arft, City Manager

Dated: July 31, 2013
Rebecca Houseman LeMire
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**AGENDA
BELOIT CITY COUNCIL
100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511
City Hall Forum – 7:00 p.m.
Monday, August 5, 2013**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a. **2013 National Award of Merit in Program Innovation – Affordable Housing** to the Beloit Housing and Community Development Authority for the Parker Bluff Redevelopment, presented by NAHRO (Pollard)
 - b. Proclamation declaring August 6, 2013 as **National Night Out** (Jacobs)
 - c. **Certificate of Appreciation** recognizing for Nicki Yoss for renting Krueger Pool and inviting the community for a free swim (Spreitzer)
4. PUBLIC HEARINGS
 - a. Proposed Ordinance amending the Future Land Use Map of the **Comprehensive Plan** from Single-family Residential-Urban to Institutional and Community Service for 1536 Forest Avenue; 1537 and 1543 W. Grand Avenue; and 1650 and 1654 Porter Avenue (Christensen) Plan Commission recommendation for approval 4-0
First Reading, suspend rules for Second Reading
 - b. Proposed Ordinance amending the **Zoning District Map** to change the zoning district classification of the properties located at 1536 Forest Avenue; 1537 and 1543 W. Grand Avenue; and 1650 and 1654 Porter Avenue from R-1B, Single family Residential District, to PLI, Public Lands and Institutions District (Christensen)
Plan Commission recommendation for approval 4-0
First Reading, suspend rules for Second Reading
 - c. Resolution amending the **2013 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Action Plan and Budget** (Christensen)
5. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION
6. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered at this point on the agenda.

 - a. Approval of the **Minutes** of the Regular Meeting of July 15, 2013, and the Special Meeting of July 24, 2013 (LeMire)

- b. Application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a Residential Care Apartment Complex in a C-1, Office District, for the property located at 2157 Schuster Drive (Christensen) Refer to Plan Commission
- c. Application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow a drive-through use, outdoor seating area, and indoor alcohol sales in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 2777 Milwaukee Road (Christensen) Refer to Plan Commission
- d. Application for a **Conditional Use Permit** to allow indoor alcohol sales in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 946 Wisconsin Avenue (Christensen) Refer to Plan Commission
- e. Application for **Class “B” Beer and “Class C” Wine License** for Jesus Garcia, d/b/a Restaurant La Fuente, 946 Wisconsin Avenue (LeMire) Refer to ABLCC
- f. Resolution awarding **Public Works Contract C13-07**, Street Resurfacing (Boysen)
- g. Resolution awarding **Public Works Contract C13-15**, Ute Court Standpipe Repainting (Boysen)
- h. Resolution awarding **Public Works Contract C13-14**, Shirland Avenue Bridge Seal (Boysen)
- i. Resolution approving **Contract for Sale/Purchase** of Clean Mixed Paper between the City of Beloit and Beloit Box Board Company, Inc. (Walsh)

7. ORDINANCES

- a. Proposed Ordinance to repeal and recreate section 1.04 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit relating to certain **Residency Requirements** for certain Municipal employees (Arft) First reading, suspend rules for Second Reading

8. APPOINTMENTS – none

9. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

10. CITY MANAGER’S PRESENTATION – none

11. REPORTS FROM BOARD AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Resolution approving the City of Beloit’s Provision of **Employee Benefits to Recognized Same Sex Couples** (Arft)

12. ADJOURNMENT

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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Beloit City Plan Commission
Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at 7:00 PM
The Forum
Beloit City Hall, First Floor
100 State Street, Beloit

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Approval of the Minutes of the July 17, 2013 Meeting**
3. **Conditional Use Permit – La Fuente Restaurante – 946 Wisconsin Avenue**
Public hearing, review and consideration of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the indoor sales, possession, and consumption of alcohol in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 946 Wisconsin Avenue
4. **Conditional Use Permit – New Restaurant/Retail Development – 2777 Milwaukee Road**
Public hearing, review and consideration of a Conditional Use Permit to allow a drive-in use, an outdoor seating area, and the sales, possession and consumption of alcohol in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located 2777 Milwaukee Road
5. **Conditional Use Permit – Residential Care Apartment Complex – 2157 Schuster Drive**
Public hearing, review and consideration of a Conditional Use Permit to allow a Residential Care Apartment Complex in a C-1, Office District, for the property located at 2157 Schuster Drive
6. **Status Report on Prior Plan Commission Items**
7. **Adjournment**

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please contact Gail Riddle in the Planning Office at 364-6700 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.**

Notice Mailed: August 2, 2013

Approved: Julie Christensen
Community Development Director

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