

The Beloit Report

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CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

CITY MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES

- Attended the Town of Beloit Incorporation Hearing held on Monday, August 20, 2018 from 1:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Beloit Turner High School. After listening to the testimony presented and analyzing the Town of Beloit's incorporation petition, the City of Beloit maintains its position that the Town of Beloit has not met the statutory requirements for incorporation. We remain hopeful for an outcome that will be in the best interests of the entire Greater Beloit Region.
- Participated in the United Way Board meeting.
- Held Department Head meeting and met one-on-one with direct reports.
- Met with City Councilor Nancy Forbeck
- Met with City Councilor Clinton Anderson
- Met with City Councilor Beth Jacobsen
- Conferred with both Council President Kevin Leavy and Vice President Regina Dunkin
- Continued preparation of Capital and Operating budgets.
- Evaluated options for health insurance third party administrators (TPA), networks, and other potential cost savings.

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING - AUGUST 27, 2018

The Beloit City Council will hold a hearing on Monday, August 27, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Forum, 100 State Street, regarding an application for an Operator's/Bartender's License. Please see the <u>attached</u> notice for more information.

BELOIT CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP - AUGUST 27, 2018

At 7:00 p.m. or immediately following the special meeting, the Beloit City Council will hold a workshop in the City Hall Forum, 100 State Street, to discuss changes to the residential rental property legislation. Meeting notice is <u>attached</u>.

OPEN STREETS. OPEN DOORS.

Join us in Downtown Beloit for a behind-the-scenes look at all downtown has to offer. This free event will be held from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, August 25, 2018**. Experience Beloit's rich history, learn more about the vibrant businesses, and discover something new! Bring the whole family, and feel free to bring bikes, strollers, and other non-motorized transportation. Map <u>attached</u>.

FOURTH STREET CLOSING

One block of Fourth Street in front of Beloit Memorial High School (between Middle and North Streets) is temporarily closed for the 2018-19 school year. Drop-off and pickup will be in the parking lot west of the high school and at the loading zone on North Street. For comments regarding traffic flow in the parking lot, parking or other areas on Beloit Memorial High School property, contact Sean Winters, Director of Facilities for the School District of Beloit, 608-361-4085 or swinters@sdb.k12.wi.us. Please see attached press release for more information.

PHASE 2 BIKE PATH

The bike path in the lower level of Big Hill Park is now complete and ready for biking! This is the second phase of the bike path that was installed in 2016. A ribbon cutting is being planned and we will share information as it becomes available.

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BELOIT TRANSIT ANNOUNCES ROUTE CHANGES

Beloit Transit System is enacting several route changes to provide improved service and more efficient routes. Some of the changes include:

- Updated stops near Beloit Memorial High School (Change in effect August 20th)
- Improved accessibility at Woodman's stop, with better shelter and seating (Change if effect August 27th)
- Additional service to Eclipse Center (Change in effect August 27th)
- More direct service (Change in effect August 27th)
- Safer turns (Change in effect August 27th)

Please see the attached press release for more information, or click on the Beloit Transit website at https://www.beloittransit.com/

ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE - August 24, 2018

Milwaukee Road Project Update:

- Milling and paving operations along the main roadways has been completed.
- Work will continue on the bio-infiltration area and grading activities throughout the project.
- Electrical work is on-going.
- Work scheduled for the upcoming week will include:
 - Grading, restoration, and striping operations.
 - Electrical work (signals and lighting), with the installation of the poles to follow.
 - Left turn lanes are open, which will help with traffic operations; however, additional work is still required for these areas so intermittent closures may be required.

Drivers are urged to use caution and have patience while driving through the construction zone. Be prepared to stop for construction vehicles during the paving operations. For additional information or questions regarding this project, please contact Jason Dupuis at 608-364-6735 or <u>dupuisj@beloitwi.gov</u>

Branigan Road Re-Alignment Update:

- The work on the Branigan Road Re-alignment project is almost complete. The new road alignment has been paved, striped, and is open to vehicles.
- Scheduled work will include finalizing the restoration work.

For additional information or questions regarding this project, please contact Bill Frisbee at 608-364-6699 or <u>frisbeew@beloitwi.gov</u>

I-39/90 EXPANSION AND I-43 RECONSTRUCTION

Illinois state line to Hart Road; County X/Hart Road to Freeman Parkway, Beloit Anticipated construction completion: November, 2019

- Crossover construction underway on I-43 for future traffic staging.
- Nighttime work involves sawing for crossover construction in I-39/90.
- One lane closed on I-43 northbound and southbound (County X/Hart Road to I-39/90) until mid-September.
- More detailed information available here: <u>https://projects.511wi.gov/i-39-90/beloitconstruction2018-2019/</u>

Drivers are urged to use caution and have patience while driving through this "new" construction zone. For additional information, contact Steven Theisen, I-39/90 Project Communications Manager for WisDOT and the I-39/90 Project Team, 608-884-1230 or steven.theisen@dot.wi.gov

CITY CLERK-TREASURER EXTENDS THANKS

Lori Stottler, City Clerk-Treasurer, extends her thanks to the 146 citizens who stepped forward on August 14, 2018 to conduct the Partisan Primary-Election at nine polling locations throughout the City.

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CITY MEETING CALENDAR – AUGUST 27 - 31, 2018

Monday, August 27	1:30 p.m.	Traffic Review Committee, 4th Floor City Manager's Conference Room (S. Blakeley)
Monday, August 27	Cancelled	Police and Fire Commission
Monday, August 27	6:30 p.m.	Special Beloit City Council Meeting, , Forum (All City Councilors)
Monday, August 27	7:00 p.m.	<u>City Council Workshop (</u> following the 6:30 Special Meeting), Forum (All City Councilors)
Wednesday, August 29	4:30 p.m.	Community Development Authority Special Meeting, Forum (K. Leavy and N. Forbeck)

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

Saturdays May - October	through Octol	owntown Beloit Farmers' Market, 8:00 - 1:00 p.m. every Saturday from May 5 prough October 27, 2018. Rain or shine, more than 100 vendors. Meet us at State and prand, and in the Mill Street Parking Lot.		
Fridays, through Sept. 21	Fridays in the Park , Downtown Beloit. From 11:30 - 1:30 p.m., enjoy lunch and live music at First National Bank Plaza. Lunch is available to purchase for \$7.			
	August 31	Susan Picking & The Leg Up Band	Domenico's Italian Ristorante	
	Sept. 7	Frank & Co. Band	Fresco Fajita House	
Fridays through August 31	Music At Harry's Place concert, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Harry Moore Pavilion, Riverside Park, 1160 South Riverside Drive, Beloit. FREE concert, food available for purchase. BYO lawn chair.			
Sunday, August 26 6:30 p.m.	Movie on the Big Lawn: Disney's Brave. Friends of RiverFront and First National Bank sponsoring the Disney movie Brave. Riverside Park, Beloit. Activities and food begin at 6:30 p.m. Bring a blanket to sit on!			
Friday, September 7 1:00 p.m.	Spaghetti Western presented by Grinnell Theatre Productions at Grinnell Hall Auditorium, 631 Bluff St. Free and open to the public. For more information, call Grinnell Hall at 608-364-2875.			



PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA COUNCIL WORKSHOP AND/OR SPECIAL MEETING City Hall Forum- 100 State Street 6:30 PM Monday, August 27, 2018

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Section 2.02(3) of City Code of Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Beloit Rock County, Wisconsin, is being called.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. The City Council shall hold a hearing to regarding an application for an Operator's/Bartender's License for Austin J. Brinkman (Bruce)

During the course of item 2, the City Council may adjourn into closed session pursuant to sections 19.85(1)(a), Wis. Stats., for deliberations regarding these matters and reconvene into open session for possible action.

3. Adjournment

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Lori S. Curtis Luther, City Manager

Dated: August 22, 2018 Lorena Rae Stottler City Clerk-Treasurer www.beloitwi.gov

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PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA COUNCIL WORKSHOP AND/OR SPECIAL MEETING City Hall Forum- 100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511 7:00 PM Monday, August 27, 2018

At 7:00 p.m. or immediately following the August 27, 2018 special Beloit City Council meeting the City Council will hold a workshop in the City Hall Forum, 100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511. The purpose of the workshop is to discuss changes to the residential rental property legislation.

Lori S. Curtis Luther, City Manger

Dated: August 22, 2018 Lorena Rae Stottler City Clerk-Treasurer www.beloitwi.gov

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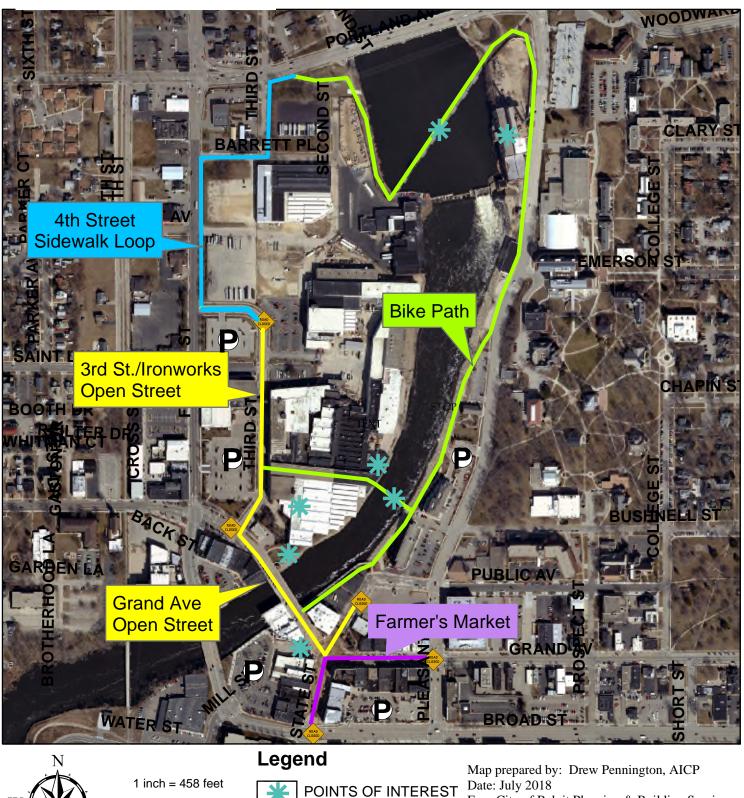
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Beloit Open Streets - Open Doors Event Saturday, Aug. 25th 10AM-2PM



For: City of Beloit Planning & Building Services Date of Aerial Photography: March 2011 Photo Source: Madison.com

PUBLIC PARKING PLANNING & BUILDING SERVICES DIVISION

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE For more information, contact: Sarah Millard, Director of Strategic Communications (608)364-6726 or millards@beloitwi.gov

Fourth Street Closing Near High School for 2018-19 School Year

Aug. 16, 2018 - The School District of Beloit and the City of Beloit are partnering together to create a safer environment on the Beloit Memorial High School campus by closing the one block of Fourth Street in front of the school, effective Monday, Aug. 20, 2018.

Fourth Street separates the parking lot from the school building, which has created an unsafe environment for students who are walking across the busy street. Because of these concerns, city and school staff are implementing the street closure as a temporary, one-year trial period. The temporary closure creates an opportunity for city and school district staff to make any necessary changes prior to developing a permanent solution.

The closure will be between Middle and North streets with the intersections remaining open for traffic. As part of this change, there is **no parking allowed on either side of Middle and North streets between Fourth and Sixth streets.**

The closure will initially begin with barricades until the installation of removable bollards, which are short posts used to divert traffic. First responders will have the ability to lower the bollards on Fourth Street to access the school building.

Drop-off and pickup will be in the parking lot west of the high school and at the loading zone on North Street. For comments regarding traffic flow in the parking lot, parking or other areas on Beloit Memorial High School property, contact Sean Winters, Director of Facilities, at 608-361-4085 or swinters@sdb.k12.wi.us.

At the intersection of Fourth and Middle, northbound traffic on Fourth Street will have a lane to turn left and a lane to turn right. On Middle Street going eastbound, there will be a lane to go straight or to turn right. At the intersection of North Street and Fourth Street, southbound traffic on Fourth Street will turn right onto North Street. Eastbound North Street traffic will be able to turn left onto northbound Fourth Street.

Alternative through routes include Riverside Drive or Sixth Street.

Comments specific to city streets only should be directed to Mike Flesch, City Engineer, at 608-364-6690 or <u>fleschm@beloitwi.gov</u>.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For more information, contact: Sarah Millard, Director of Strategic Communications (608)364-6726 millards@beloitwi.gov

Beloit Transit Announces New Route Changes

Aug. 17, 2018 - The Beloit Transit System is enacting several route changes to provide improved service and more efficient routes.

The updated Beloit Transit Rider's Guide has been posted online at www.beloittransit.com, and paper copies will be available on buses Aug. 23.

Some of the changes include:

- **Updated stops near high school.** With the closure of Fourth Street in front of the Beloit Memorial High School, the Red Route will travel on Sixth Street near the school. Stops near the high school include Sixth and Middle, Sixth and North, and on Fourth Street just south of Liberty Avenue. *Change in effect Aug. 20, 2018*
- Improved accessibility at Woodman's stop. A new ADA-compliant concrete bus pad was installed on the east side of Woodman's Food Market for improved accessibility for riders. This also provides better shelter and seating for waiting riders. This change will shorten the route from Madison Road to Burton Street while providing service to Woodman's. The bus will now travel along the frontage road on the east and turn east onto Burton Street. *Change in effect Aug. 27, 2018*
- Additional service to Eclipse Center. The Eclipse Center now has service to the west side of the complex. Stops on the Red and Yellow Routes will be available on the west and north sides of the complex. *Change in effect Aug. 27, 2018*
- More direct service. The Shore Drive/Carpenter Street area will now be served by the Red Route (it previously was the Blue Route). The change results in direct service to the Eclipse Center and Walmart, as well as better connections to the Prairie Avenue area for access to Shopko, Beloit Clinic and Beloit Memorial Hospital. The route to downtown remains a direct route. Passengers in that area traveling to areas covered by the Blue Route will transfer downtown. *Change in effect Aug. 27, 2018*
- Safer turns. The Blue Route inbound to downtown will travel on Eighth Street, instead of Bluff Street, to ensure a safer turn onto to Shirland Avenue. *Change in effect Aug.* 27, 2018



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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA TRAFFIC REVIEW COMMITTEE August 27, 2018 @ 1:30 P.M. City Manager's Conference Room, 4th Floor City Hall Beloit, WI 53511

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call.
- 2. Approval of the minutes from the May 14, 2018 Special Traffic Review Committee meeting.
- 3. Public Participation
- 4. Discussion Items:
 - 4(a) Hackett Street Speed and traffic concerns
 - 4(b) Stop sign request at Golden Eagle Drive and Eagles Ridge Drive
 - 4(c) Truck traffic on Manchester Street
 - 4(d) Speed bumps on Yates and Washburn
 - 4(e) Cluster mailbox locations
 - 4(f) Location of future meetings
- 5. Action Items:
 - 5(a) Ordinance to remove parking on Townhall Road from Gateway Boulevard to RR tracks.
 - 5(b) Ordinance establishing stop sign and turn lane designations on Branigan at frontage Road
- 6. Committee Member Items:
 - 6(a) Cranston Road Corridor update
 - 6(b) Milwaukee Road update
- 7. Committee Member participation.
- 8. Next meeting is scheduled for September 24, 2018.
- 9. Adjournment
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PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 5:30 PM Monday, August 27, 2018

MEETING CANCELLATION

The regular meeting of the Police and Fire Commission scheduled for August 27, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. has been canceled due to lack of business items.

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PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 4:30 PM Wednesday, August 29, 2018

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3. MINUTES
 - 3.a. Consider approval of Minutes of the regular meeting held on July 25, 2018 Attachment
- 4. BELOIT HOUSING AUTHORITY
 - 4.a. Presentation of July Activity Report (Cole) Attachment
 - 4.b. Presentation of June Financial Report (Cole) Attachment
 - 4.c. Consideration of Resolution 2018-13 Approving the Smoke-Free Policy (Cole) Attachment

5. ADJOURNMENT

- 5.a. The CDA will adjourn to a workshop to hear presentations from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Applicants for the 2019 CDBG funding (Downing)
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