

# The Beloit Report

### "To Become a Place Anyone Could Proudly Call Home for a Lifetime"

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### CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### **CITY MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES**

- Participated in Economic Development Rapid Response Team (EDRRT) meeting to discuss economic development prospects.
- Held Leadership Team meeting with Department Heads and Division Heads. An all-day Ethics Training is scheduled for the team in December.
- Held one-on-one meetings with direct reports.
- Attended the noon Rotary Club meeting.
- Participated in the Visit Beloit Board meeting.
- Served as the Master of Ceremonies for the Co-Hosted Greater Beloit Chamber of Commerce and Stateline Chamber Women's Luncheon.
- Celebrated the official opening of the Big Hill Bike Path. The second phase of the Bike
  Path project started in July, and was completed the first week of August. With the addition
  of the trail extension, the bike path in Big Hill Park is now 4,049 feet long, or about 3/4 of a
  mile. The trail extension adds a better connection to roads within Big Hill Park and allows
  cyclists to avoid biking on a portion of Afton Road when going between Janesville and
  Beloit. "The second phase has been well received by our cycling community," said Mark
  Edwards, Interim Director of Parks & Recreation. "Big Hill Park is a beautiful amenity for
  our community, and we're excited to offer even more opportunities for people to bike and
  hike in the park."
- Attended the ribbon cutting led by Council Vice-President Regina Dunkin for the Literacy for Life Initiative at Culvers.
- Participated in business and retention visits with major employers.

### **HIGHWAY 51 RECONSTRUCTION**

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation will hold an informational meeting from **6:00** - **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at the Rotary River Center, 1160 S. Riverside Drive**, regarding the expected Highway 51 reconstruction beginning in May, 2019. The project is expected to extend from the Hwy. 11 bypass south of Janesville to Henry Avenue in Beloit. A portion of Hwy. 51 from the railroad overpass near Boundaries Bar & Grill south to County Q will be realigned. The road will be reduced from two lanes in each direction, to one lane each direction and reconfigured to include a shared center turn lane. The public is encouraged to attend the meeting.

### COLLEY ROAD UNDER I-39/90 NEAR BELOIT CLOSED UNTIL EARLY DECEMBER, 2018

We have been advised by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation that Colley Road under Interstate 39/90 near Beloit is closed to all traffic until early December. Crews will begin work on the new piers for the I-39/90 bridges over Colley Road in advance of the 2019 construction in this area. These operations and closure are weather dependent and subject to change.

Emergency access will be provided to police, fire and EMS.

Motorists are reminder to be alert for crews and equipment working in this area, and drive with caution through all work zones. Visit the I-39/90 Expansion Project website, <u>www.i39-90.wi.gov</u> to register for project email updates and follow the I-39/90 Project on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/WisconsinI3990Project</u>

### I-39/90 EXPANSION PROJECT

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation continues to send out weekly updates on the I-39/90 expansion project. <u>Attached</u> is a map showing the South Segment construction schedules (Beloit to Janesville, Illinois state line to County O, south of Janesville).

Nighttime closure of the I-43 southbound ramp to I-39/90 northbound in Beloit:

- 10 p.m. Thursday (October 4) to 5 a.m. Friday (October 5)
- Alternate routes are required

#### MORE ORANGE BARRELS

We're still in road construction mode! You'll notice more orange barrels on Milwaukee Road. Concrete pavement repairs will begin next week east of the Turtle Creek bridge on Milwaukee Road and also on Willowbrook Road. As you drive, please be patient and respectful of workers and construction equipment, as well as your fellow drivers.

#### **COFFEE WITH A COP**

Join Beloit Police Department's Captain Stigler at Beloit's newest coffee shop for Coffee with a Cop on **Wednesday**, **October 3**, **1:00 - 2:30 p.m.** Blue Collar Coffee Co., 443 E. Grand Ave. (entrance on Pleasant Street). The mission of Coffee with a Cop is to break down the barriers between police officers and the citizens they serve. Stop by, grab a cup of coffee (graciously provided by Blue Collar Coffee) and have an informal conversation with Capt. Stigler.

### FIRE PREVENTION WEEK AND PIZZA HUT FUNDRAISER FOR SURVIVE ALIVE HOUSE

National Fire Prevention week is observed October 7 - 13, 2018. The theme this year is "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware. Fire can happen anywhere."<sup>™</sup> The theme reminds us that fires can (and do) happen anywhere. "Look" for places fire could start. "Listen" for the sound of the smoke alarm. "Learn" two ways out of every room. This is a good time of year to check that smoke detectors are well placed and functioning properly. The Fire Department recommends changing batteries twice a year and replacing smoke detectors at least every 10 years. Carbon monoxide detectors should be replaced every 5-7 years. (Beep sequences are noted on the back of the carbon monoxide detector.) Look on the back for a manufacturer's date that will help determine the age of the detector.

Beloit Pizza Hut fundraiser for Survive Alive House will take place on **October 11, 2018 from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.** Firefighters will be waiting tables in the restaurant and all tips and a percentage of the evening's profits will go towards maintaining the Survive Alive House and education center. Bring the whole family to see the fire trucks and equipment at Pizza Hut, 2787 Prairie Avenue, talk to the firefighters and gather up "freebies." Your support is greatly appreciated in the continuing effort to educate our students in fire safety as they participate in tours of the Survive Alive House.

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### CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2018

At 6:30 p.m., the City Council will hold a Workshop in the City Manager's Conference Room to review the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting. Please click <u>here</u> to view the agendas and regular Council meeting packet.

### 3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Proclamation declaring October 7 13, 2018 as National Fire Prevention Week.
- b. Proclamation declaring September 15, 2018 to October 15, 2018 as Hispanic Heritage Month.

### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Consideration of Resolution 2018-163 approving a Conditional Use Permit to allow a drive-in use in a C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 2648 Prairie Avenue. Plan Commission recommendation for approval 3-2. This is property that includes a commercial building with a drive-through window and parking lot that was previously Fiesta Cancun. The Plan Commission reviewed this item on September 5th and 19th, 2018 and voted (3 -2) to recommend approval of the Conditional Use Permit to allow a drive-in use, subject to two conditions recommended by planning staff and an additional condition added by the Plan Commission that would prohibit the sales of alcohol in the drive-through lane. The condition recommended by Plan Commission is not supported by substantial evidence and is based on speculation.

### 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. Consider approval of Minutes of the regular meeting of September 17, 2018.
- b. Consideration of Resolution 2018-173 Authorizing Final Payment of Public Works Contract C16-10 Third Street Demolitions. Four city owned houses were demolished. It is recommended that the final payment be made to Earth Construction LLC.
- c. Consideration of Resolution 2018-172 Authorizing Final Payment of Public Works Contract C17-28 Primary Clarifier #2 Rehabilitation. This project rehabilitated one of the two primary clarifiers at the Water Pollution Control Facility. It is recommended that the final payment be made to Fab Tech Wastewater Solutions LLC.
- d. Referral to Plan Commission: Consider application for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a drive-in use for the properties located at 802, 810, and 816 Fourth Street. The applicant intends to remodel the existing Pizza Hut restaurant located at 802 Fourth Street, and has proposed numerous site improvements including a pick-up window. The project also involves elimination of the front parking area between the building and Fourth Street, and the construction of a new off-street parking lot on the adjacent parcels as shown on the site plan.
- e. Referral to ABLCC: Consider Application for a new Class "A" Beer and "Class A" Liquor License for Nicholas F. Lerma, d/b/a Nico's Convenience & Liquor Store, located at 2648 Prairie Avenue, Katrina Poulisse, Agent. The ABLCC will review the application to assure conformity with existing rules, regulations and zoning ordinances of the city and state and will make a recommendation to the Council based on their review.

### 7. LICENSES

a. Consideration of Resolution 2018-170 for approval/denial of 2017-2019 applicants for an Alcohol Beverage Operator's (Bartender's) License for period September 11-25, 2018.

### 8. ORDINANCES

- a. Consideration of Ordinance No. 3629 to amend certain sections of the Index of Special Locations Section 13.02 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit, relating to the establishment of stop signs and turning movements at the Branigan Road/Frontage Road Intersection. Traffic Review Committee recommendation for approval 6-0. First reading. The intersection was recently redesigned and reconstructed. The City of Beloit will be responsible for the fabrication and installation of the signage related to stopping on the south and west legs along with the signage and pavement marking related to the lane designations for northbound traffic.
- b. Consideration of Ordinance No. 3630 to amend certain sections of the Index of Special Locations Section 13.02 of the code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit, relating to the removal of parking along Townhall Road. Traffic Review Committee recommendation for approval 6-0. First reading. To enhance traffic circulation along this stretch of Townhall due to the curves along the roadway, truck turning movements and new driveway layouts, parking should be removed for this segment of Townhall Road.

#### **11. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION**

- a. Presentation of the draft 2018-2020 Strategic Plan. A copy of the draft is included with the Council packet.
- b. Presentation of proposed 2019 Operating, Library, and Capital Improvements Budgets. (Proposed budget available for review here)

### 12. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Consideration of Resolution 2018-165 authorizing the City Manager to acquire Tax Delinquent Properties from the Rock County Treasurer. Once the houses are purchased, we will evaluate whether they are appropriate for rehab or demolition. ACTS Housing, a non-profit who will be starting a new program in Beloit to help people become homeowners, will also be evaluating the houses to see if they are suitable for some of their participants.
- b. The City Council may convene in closed session in the City Manager's conference room on the fourth floor of City Hall pursuant to Wis. State. 1985 (1)(c) to consider the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of a public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, namely to discuss mid-year performance of City Manager Luther. The Council will not reconvene into open session.

### 13. ADJOURNMENT

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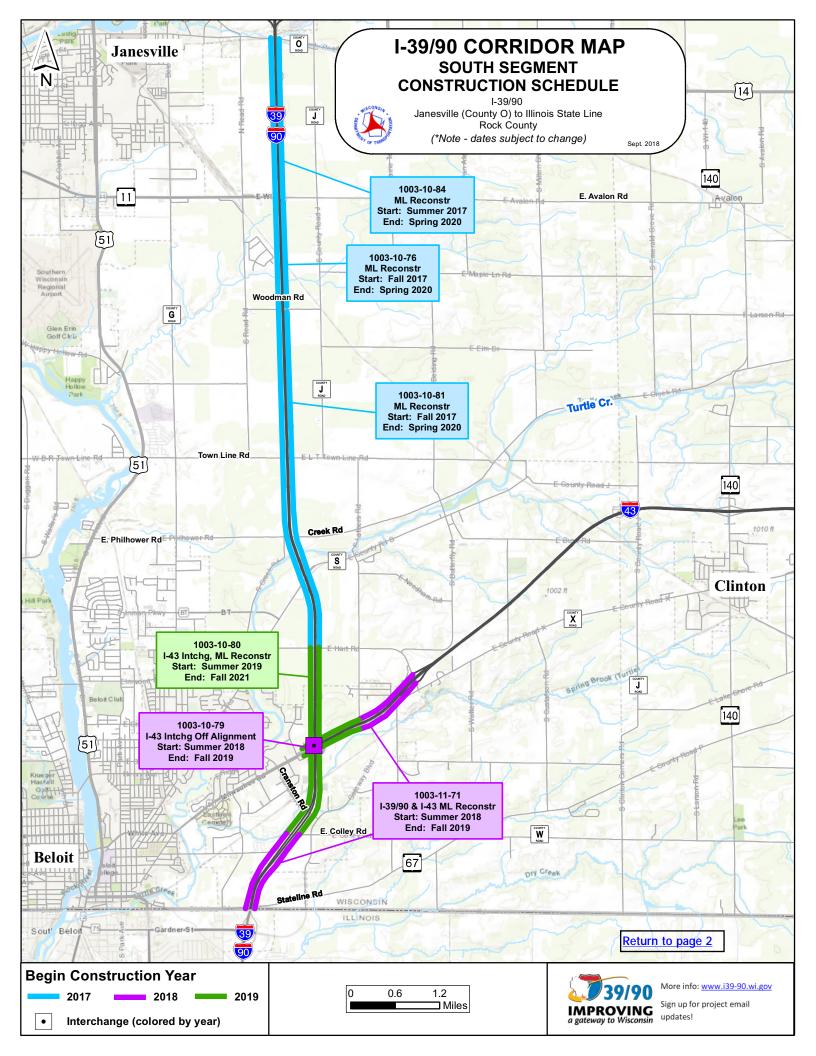
### CITY MEETING CALENDAR - OCTOBER 1 - 5, 2018

Monday, Oct. 1	6:00 p.m.	City Council Workshop, Forum (All City Councilors)
Monday, Oct. 1	6:30 p.m.	Agenda Review (All City Councilors)
Monday, Oct. 1	7:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting, Forum (All City Councilors)
Wednesday, Oct. 3	7:30 a.m.	Rock County Breakfast (K. Leavy and R. Dunkin)
Wednesday, Oct. 3	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission, Forum (M. Preuschl)

### 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: <u>www.visitbeloit.com</u>

Saturdays May - October		<b>Downtown Beloit Farmers' Market, 8:00 - 1:00 p.m.</b> every Saturday from May 5 through October 27, 2018. Rain or shine, more than 100 vendors. Meet us at State and Grand, and in the Mill Street Parking Lot.
September 28	5:00 - 8:00 p.m.	<u>United Way Campaign Fundraiser</u> , Beloit Health System Casino Night, NorthPointe Health & Wellness Center, 5605 E. Rockton Road, Roscoe, IL. Free admission, food and fun for the entire family. Proceeds benefit the Beloit Health System 2018 United Way Campaign.
October 2	6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Hwy 51 Reconstruction Informational Meeting</b> , Rotary River Center, 1160 S. Riverside Drive. Wisconsin State Department of Transportation officials will give a presentation on the project and welcome public feedback.
October 3	1:00-2:30 p.m.	<b>Coffee with a Cop</b> - Join Beloit Police Captain Stigler at Blue Collar Coffee Co., 443 E. Grand Ave. (entrance on Pleasant Street) for informal conversation and coffee.
October 11	4:00 – 8:00 p.m.	<b>Beloit Pizza Hut Fundraiser for Survive Alive House</b> , 2787 Prairie Ave. This event is for the whole family! Firefighters will be waiting tables in the restaurant and all tips and percentage of the evening's profits will go towards maintaining the Survive Alive House and Education Center. Fire trucks and equipment in the parking lot!





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### PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA COUNCIL WORKSHOP AND/OR SPECIAL MEETING 1st Floor City Hall Forum Conference Room 6:00 PM Monday, October 01, 2018

The Beloit City Council will hold a Workshop on Monday, October 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Forum on the 1st Floor, 100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511. The purpose of the workshop is to give an update on the Comprehensive Plan.

Following the Workshop, or at approximately 6:30 p.m., the City Council will hold a Workshop to review the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

Lori S. Curtis Luther, City Manager

Dated: September 26, 2018 Lorena Rae Stottler City Clerk-Treasurer www.beloitwi.gov

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### AGENDA BELOIT CITY COUNCIL City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 7:00 PM Monday, October 01, 2018

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - 3.a. Proclamation declaring October 7-13, 2018 as National Fire Prevention Week (Dunkin) Attachment
  - 3.b. Proclamation declaring September 15, 2018 to October 15, 2018 as Hispanic Heritage Month (Dunkin) Attachment
- 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS
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     Attachment
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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- 6.d. Referral to Plan Commission: Consider application for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a

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  - Attachment
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### 9. APPOINTMENTS

The individuals named below have been nominated for a seat on a city board, committee or commission. Each nomination is subject to confirmation by the City Council, approval of appointment will be accomplished by one motion unless a council member requests to take up a nomination separately, in which event the nomination will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered at this point on the agenda.

### 10. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION
  - 11.a. Presentation of the draft 2018-2020 Strategic Plan (Luther) Attachment
  - 11.b. Presentation of proposed 2019 Operating, Library, and Capital Improvements Budgets (Miller) (Budget available for review at www.beloitwi.gov)

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### PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA PLAN COMMISSION City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 7:00 PM Wednesday, October 03, 2018

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- 2. MINUTES
  - 2.a. Consideration of the Minutes of the September 19, 2018 Plan Commission meeting
- 3. PUBLIC HEARINGS
  - 3.a. Consideration of a Conditional Use Permit to allow a drive-in use in a CBD-2, Central Business District Fringe, for the properties located at 802, 810, and 816 Fourth Street
- 4. STATUS REPORT ON PRIOR PLAN COMMISSION ITEMS
- 5. ADJOURNMENT
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