

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 Council workshop on Transit.
- Attended the United Way Blackhawk Region Board meeting.
- Held Department Head meeting and one-on-one meetings with direct reports.
- Participated in the Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation Executive Committee meeting.
- Provided a welcome to the Turtle Creek Park Stakeholder group working on remembering our history and reimagining what this park might become.
- Presented with Economic Development Director Andrew Janke at Grinnell Hall "What's Happening in Beloit."
- Attended the 2nd Annual Dare to Dream event sponsored by CareerTEK and Hendricks Family Foundation featuring SSG Travis Mills.
- Personal shout-out to the City of Beloit (COB) Kickball Team that was created out of the Corporate Cup and expanded to include significant others through the City of Beloit Recreation Department. We now know why the waiver form is required, but team members have recovered for our final game next week. Incredible fun!

TRICK OR TREAT HOURS SET IN CITY OF BELOIT

The official Halloween trick-or-treating hours in the City of Beloit have been set from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 31, 2018.

Halloween Safety Reminders from the Beloit Police Department are as follows:

- Wear light colored clothing, short enough to prevent tripping, and add reflectors.
- Give children flashlights and glow sticks to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- Make sure costumes are flame retardant.
- Make sure children can see well through face masks or head coverings.
- Accompany your children and go only to homes with outside lights on.
- Stay within the neighborhood and only visit homes where you know the residents.
- Walk on the sidewalk. Children should not take shortcuts through backyards or alleys.
- Only give or accept wrapped or packaged candy and treats. Examine candy before allowing children to eat it.
- Watch for traffic. Cross only at corners and never dart out between parked cars.
- Drive slowly, yield to young pedestrians, and watch out for trick or treaters darting into the street.

IN- PERSON ABSENTEE VOTING RUNS THROUGH FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2

In-person absentee voting for the November election is available in the Beloit City Clerk-Treasurer's office at City Hall, 100 State Street. In-person absentee voting will be available until 5 p.m. Friday, November 2, 2018. The election will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018.

The City of Beloit Clerk-Treasurer's office is also accepting absentee ballot requests in writing to receive ballots via the mail. Your written request must list your voting address within the

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municipality where you wish to vote, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature. You may make application for an absentee ballot by mail or in person. The deadline for requesting to receive an absentee ballot by mail is 5 p.m. Nov. 1, 2018. Note that any ballots received after the polls close on Election Day will not be counted. If you are unsure of your polling place and/or your voter registration status, or if you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the City of Beloit City Clerk-Treasurer's office at (608) 364-6680 or by email at <u>StottlerL@beloitwi.gov</u>.

Finally, the Wisconsin Election Commission has a Voter Information Center webpage that you might find helpful: <u>https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/</u>. This site includes information about voter registration, Voter ID implementation, what's on your ballot, finding your polling place and requesting an absentee ballot. All polling places in the City of Beloit are open on Election Day from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. All polling places are accessible to elderly and disabled voters.

I-39/90 EXPANSION AND I-43 RECONSTRUCTION Illinois state line to Hart Road; County X/Hart Road to Freeman Parkway

We received the following updates from the I-39/90 Project Supervisor:

Multiple I-39/90 at I-43 nighttime ramp closures. Alternate routes required.

- 9 p.m. Tuesday (Oct. 23) to 5 a.m. Wednesday (Oct. 24).
 - * WIS 81 ramp to I-39/90 northbound in Beloit.
 - * I39/90 northbound ramp to I-43 northbound in Beloit.
- 9 p.m. Wednesday (Oct. 24) to 5 a.m. Thursday (Oct. 25)
 - * I-39/90 northbound ramp to WIS 81 west in Beloit.
 - * I-43 southbound ramp to I-39/90 northbound in Beloit.
- 9 p.m. Thursday (Oct. 25) to 5 a.m. Friday (Oct. 26).
 - * I-39/90 southbound ramp to WIS 81 west in Beloit.
 - * I-39/90 southbound ramp to I-43 northbound in Beloit.

Colley Road under I-39/90, near Beloit, is CLOSED until early December 2018.

• Alternate local routes are required.

Temporary closure of Beloit rest area to and from I-39/90 northbound, just north of the Illinois state line.

• Monday, October 15 to Thursday, November 1.

One lane closed on I-43 northbound and southbound (County X/Hart Road to I-39/90) until mid-November.

• Plan ahead and anticipate slowdowns in this area.

5TH ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT EVENT

City of Beloit employees "got in the spirit" and participated in the Beloit Area Community Health Center's Trunk or Treat event this past week. Employees from Transit, Water Resources, Operations, Police and Fire passed out candy and give-away items to area children at the Eclipse Center. Please see the City's Facebook page for photos https://www.facebook.com/CityofBeloit.

BELOIT PUBLIC LIBRARY 15TH ANNUAL WARMING TREE

The Beloit Public Library is collecting new home-made or purchased mittens, scarves, hats, and socks for children ages birth to 18 years. Last year we donated 506 items to local families in need. Let's aim for higher this year! Drop off your donations during regular library hours from now through December 3, 2018 and help keep Beloit children warm this winter!

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CITY MEETING CALENDAR – OCTOBER 22 - 26, 2018

Monday, Oct. 22	Cancelled	Traffic Review Committee
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Wednesday, Oct. 24	4:30 p.m.	Community Development Authority, Forum (K. Leavy and N. Forbeck)
Thursday, Oct. 25	8:30 a.m.	BID/Downtown Beloit Association Board, 400 E. Grand Ave., Suite 420 (B. Jacobsen)
Thursday, Oct. 25	6:00 p.m.	NAACP Annual Freedom Fund Banquet, Eclipse Center (All Councilors Invited and all Equal Opportunities Committee members invited)

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		Downtown Beloit Farmers' Market, 8:00 - 1:00 p.m. 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.
October 24	4:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Culver's Scoopie Night to fundraise for the Survive Alive House in Beloit. 2676 Cranston Road. This community event will raise money for the Survive Alive House, which is a learning tool for regional fire departments to use to teach school-age children how to safely and effectively escape from smoky or fiery conditions. Local community fire departments, including Town of Beloit, City of Beloit, Clinton, and Turtle, will be participating by giving tours of their respective apparatus and helping serve patrons in the restaurant.
October 27	10:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Halloween Parade and Party . Meet at Horace White Park at 9:45 a.m. Bring the kids in their favorite costume for a parade and trick=or-treating with businesses and Farmers' Market vendors. See <u>attached</u> for more information.
October 27	7:00 - 11:00 p.m.	The Reel Deal 2018 - Beloit International Film Festival and Beloit Public Library fundraiser at Beloit Public Library, 605 Eclipse. Gaming tables, silent auction, cash bar, heavy appetizers and music by Eddie B. Jazz Orchestra. \$40 for singles, \$75 for couples. For ticket information, call 773-818-5010 or e-mail <u>ana@beloitfilmfest.org</u> .
October 31	5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Trick-or-Treat hours in the City of Beloit



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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF MEETING CANCELLATION

- To: All Traffic Review Committee Members and other Interested Parties
- From: Jason Dupuis, Transportation Engineer
- **Date:** October 16, 2018
- **RE:** Meeting Cancellation

The upcoming Traffic Review Committee meeting which was scheduled for Monday, October 22, 2018 has been cancelled. At this time, there are not enough agenda items for a meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled to be held on November 26, 2018.

Please feel free to contact me at 364-6735 if you should have any questions.

Jason Dupuis, P.E. Transportation Engineer City of Beloit

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PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA POLICE & FIRE COMMISSION City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 5:30 PM Monday, October 22, 2018

MEETING CANCELLATION

The regular meeting of the Police and Fire Commission scheduled for October 22, 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, October 24, 2018

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3. MINUTES
 - 3.a. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 26, 2018 Attachment
- 4. BELOIT HOUSING AUTHORITY
 - 4.a. Presentation of the September Activity Report (Cole) Attachment
 - 4.b. Presentation of the August Financial Report (Cole) Attachment
 - 4.c. Consideration of Resolution 2018-17, Approving the 2018 Beloit Housing Authority Third Quarter Write-offs (Cole) Attachment
- 5. ADJOURNMENT
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DOWNTOWN BELOIT ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

AGENDA A meeting of the Downtown Beloit Association's Board of Directors will be held

Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 8:30 am

at DBA Office Conference Room, 400 E. Grand Avenue, 4th Floor, Suite 420 Beloit, WI 53511. **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2018**

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call
- 2. Review and Approval of September 27, 2018 Meeting Minutes
- 3. Review and Approval of September Financials
- 4. Updates
 - a. Promotions
 - i. Farmers' Market
 - ii. Halloween Costume Parade & Party
 - iii. Ornament Contest
 - iv. Fall Wine Walk Recap
 - v. Grand Lighted Holiday Parade
 - vi. Holidazzle
 - b. Economic Vitality
 - i. Business/Property Owner Meeting
 - ii. Business Updates
 - c. Design
 - i. Grants
- 5. Executive Director's Report
- 6. Adjourn

<u>Attachments:</u> Minutes Financials

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PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA PUBLIC NOTICE

6:00 PM Thursday, October 25, 2018

The Beloit Branch #3251 NAACP is hosting an Annual Freedom Fund Banquet on Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., at the Eclipse Center, located at 3 Eclipse Center, Beloit WI 53511. The Beloit City Council has been invited, and a quorum may be present.

Lori S. Curtis Luther, City Manager

Dated: October 19, 2018 Lorena Rae Stottler City Clerk-Treasurer www.beloitwi.gov

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PUBLIC NOTICE BELOIT EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION

Members of the Beloit Equal Opportunities Commission (EOC) were invited to attend the **Freedom Fund Banquet** event, organized by the NAACP Beloit Branch #3251, which will be held:

Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 6:00PM at the Eclipse Center 3 Eclipse Center, Beloit, WI.

A quorum of EOC Members may be present. No official business will take place.

Approved: Teri Downing Director of Community and Housing Services

Dated: October 19, 2018

SATURDAY OCTOBER 27 IOAM-1PM

Meet at Horace White Park (College & Grand) at 9:45 am **Pets not allowed in Farmers' Market Area**

29th Annual

HALLOWEEN

Bring the kids in their favorite costume for a parade and trick-or-treating with businesses and Farmers' Market vendors. Look for the orange flags!

Parade &

AFTER THE PARADE, STAY FOR THE PARTY!

TRICK-OR-TREATING & PARADE BEGINS **AT 10 AM**

free of charge

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Zack Percell of TNZ Magic & Balloon fun at 10:45!

Free pumpkins from Brad & Cindi Paulson! (while supplies last)

Spooky Stories at Turtle Creek Bookstore 11-1 pm!

family-friendly fee

Face painting with Pickles the Clown!

Have pictures taken by Photography by April-\$5!

FUN ZONE with a bounce house, obstacle course, and more at the corner of State & Grand! Starts at 9 am.



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