

The Beloit Report

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CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

CITY MANAGER'S ACTIVITIES

- Met with several local business people on a variety of topics
- Met with various direct reports for departmental updates
- Participated in the Economic Development Rapid Response Team meeting

SURVEY TO ADDRESS BARRIERS TO FAIR HOUSING

The Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council (MMFHC), in cooperation with the City of Beloit, the City of Janesville, and Rock County, is engaged in development of housing recommendations that address barriers to fair housing. Fair housing is the right to choose housing free from unlawful discrimination. Federal, state and local fair housing laws protect people from discrimination in housing transactions such as rentals, sales, lending, and insurance.

Your participation will help us better understand barriers and provide subsequent recommendations to dismantle them.

Take the survey online in English or Spanish here: https://sites.google.com/view/rockcountyhousingsurveys/home

REGISTER OR REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR THE SPRING ELECTION

Registered Wisconsin voters may register or request an absentee ballot on myvote.wi.gov until March 13, 2019. After that date, voters will be required to register in the office of the City Clerk.

NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY AREA MEETINGS

Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA) neighborhood meetings have been scheduled for the following dates:

Merrill Neighborhood

March 13, 2019 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Merrill Community Center, 1428 Wisconsin Avenue

Hackett Neighborhood

March 27, 2019 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Lincoln Center (Beloit Historical Society), 845 Hackett Street

The purpose of the neighborhood meetings is to solicit public input on the needs of the two neighborhoods; from which, goals and strategies will be developed and incorporated in the City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and Neighborhood Revitalization Area (NRSA) Plan for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding. We encourage all community members to attend the meeting in your area. A quorum of City Councilors or other City Committees, Boards, and Commissions may be present. No official business will take place. See attached Public Notice.

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SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES FORUM

There are four open seats on the Beloit School Board and seven candidates are running. The League of Women Voters - Beloit, is hosting a School Board Candidate Forum on **Wednesday**, **March 13**, **2019**, **6:30** p.m. in the City Hall Forum. The forum is open to the public.

DISCUSSION WITH CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES

There are three open seats on the Beloit City Council and the three incumbents are the only candidates running. A "Discussion with City Council Candidates," sponsored by the NAACP and Justice Overcoming Borders (JOB) will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Beloit Public Library. The discussion is open to the public.

I-39/90 EXPANSION PROJECT

Nighttime work to resume for I-39/90 and I-43 reconstruction near Beloit

WisDOT and the I-39/90 Project Team sent the following information on upcoming construction: Nighttime work will resume on I-39/90 and I-43 near Beloit as crews continue the first of two phases related to reconstruction and expansion of these two Interstates in Rock County.

What you need to know:

- Phase 1 work resumes next week and includes:
 - Reconstruction of I-43 with traffic being reduced to one lane in each direction and shifted onto the southbound side of I-43. Crews will reconstruct the lanes on the opposite side, update the interchange ramps at County X/ Hart Road and modify the roundabouts' truck aprons at this interchange.
 - In mid-March, all I-39/90 traffic will shift to the southbound side between Cranston Road and the Illinois state line so crews can reconstruct and expand the northbound lanes of the Interstate.
- Electronic weekly construction updates for this project will begin on Friday, March 15, and continue through the 2019 construction season.
- I-39/90 remains open to two lanes in each direction during daytime hours and weekends.
- One lane will be maintained in each direction on I-43, east of Beloit.
- Nightly single lane closures will occur on I-39/90 northbound and southbound and I-43 northbound and southbound near Beloit.
 - 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday through Friday
 - Plan ahead and anticipate slowdowns in this area.
- Periodic overnight ramp closures may occur at the I-39/90 and I-43/WIS 81 interchange.
 - Notice of ramp closures will be provided via area media, the <u>I-39/90 project website</u>, email updates, and the project Facebook page.
- All lane restrictions, ramp closures and work operations are weather dependent and subject to change.
- Please continue to be alert, eliminate distractions when driving and don't tailgate in work zones.

Phase 1 is scheduled to be completed in November 2019. The second phase of the project is anticipated to begin in spring 2020 and scheduled to be completed in late fall 2021. Phase 2 work will focus on reconstructing the I-39/90 and I-43/WIS 81 interchange.

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CITY MEETING CALENDAR – MARCH 4 - 8, 2019

Monday, March 11	Cancelled	Appointment Review Committee (K. Leavy and R. Dunkin)
Tuesday, March 12	4:00 p.m.	Alcohol Beverage License Control Committee, Forum (C. Anderson)
Tuesday, March 12	Cancelled	Board of Appeals
Wednesday, March 13	6:00 p.m.	NRSA Neighborhood Meeting, Merrill Community Center (All Councilors and all City Committee, Board & Commission members invited). Open to the public.
Wednesday, March 13	Cancelled	Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Committee (B. Jacobsen)
Thursday, March 14	5:00 p.m.	Joint City Council/School Board Workshop, Beloit Public Library Riverside Room (All City Councilors)

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

March 12	5:00 p.m.	Beloit Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner. A quorum of City Council members may be present.
March 13	6:00 p.m.	Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Meeting, Merrill Neighborhood. Merrill Community Center, 1428 Wisconsin Avenue. A quorum of City Councilors or members of other City Committees, Boards and Commissions may be present. No official business will take place.
March 13	6:30 p.m.	School Board Candidates Forum , sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Beloit, City Hall Forum
March 19	6:00 p.m.	Discussion with City Council Candidates , sponsored by Justice Overcoming Borders and NAACP, Beloit Public Library
March 27	6:00 p.m.	Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Meeting, Hackett Neighborhood, Lincoln Center (Beloit Historical Society), 845 Hackett Street. A quorum of City Councilors or members of other City Committees, Boards and Commissions may be present. No official business will take place.
March 30		Mushing for Meals, 10K/5K Run/Walk to benefit Beloit Meals on Wheels. Registration limited to the first 250 participants. For more information: https://mushingformeals.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=6750
April 13	2:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Spring Wine Walk , Downtown Beloit. Sip, walk and shop your way through historic downtown Beloit. Taste a variety of wines at 17 venues! This event has traditionally been a sell-out, so make sure to get your tickets early. See <u>attached</u> for more information.



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PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the City Council and other City Committees, Boards, and Commissions were invited to attend the following neighborhood meetings in Beloit, WI. A quorum of members of City Council, or other City Committees, Boards, and Commissions may be present. No official business will take place.

The purpose of the neighborhood meetings is to solicit public input on the needs of the two neighborhoods; from which, goals and strategies will be developed and incorporated into City's 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and Neighborhood Revitalization Areas (NRSA) Plan for the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding.

Date:	Wednesday, March 13, 2019
Time:	6:00PM – 8:00PM
Location:	Merrill Community Center, 1428 Wisconsin Ave.

Date:	Wednesday, March 27, 2019
Time:	6:00PM - 8:00PM
Location:	Lincoln Center (Beloit Historical Society), 845 Hackett St.

Approved: Teri Downing, Director of Community and Housing Services

Dated: March 7, 2019

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CANCELLED PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA APPOINTMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE City Hall - 4th Floor City Manager's Conference Room 4:30 PM Monday, March 11, 2019

The regularly scheduled Appointment Review Committee meeting to be held Monday, March 11, 2019 in the City Manager's Conference Room, 100 State Street, Beloit, Wisconsin has been cancelled due to a lack of applications to consider for committee vacancies.

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PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 4:00 PM Tuesday, March 12, 2019

- 1. ROLL CALL
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
 - 2.a. Consider approval of the Minutes of the regular meeting February 12, 2019 (Stottler) Attachment
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 4. CHANGE OF AGENT
 - 4.a. Consideration of Change of Agent on the Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor for Professional Baseball Association, Inc., d/b/a Beloit Snappers, located at 2301 Skyline Drive, from Steven Tyler Unser to Jeffrey R. Gray for the Licensing period ending June 30, 2019 (Stottler) Attachment
- 5. LICENSES
 - 5.a. Consideration of an amendment to the Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Intoxicating Liquor License for Beloit Professional Baseball Association, Inc., d/b/a Beloit Snappers, located at 2301 Skyline Drive, for an outdoor premise extension (Stottler) Attachment
- 6. COMMITTEE COMMENTS
- 7. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT/COMMENTS
 - 7.a. Alcohol Compliance Report and Calls for Service for the month of February 2019
- 8. CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS
- 9. ADJOURNMENT

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MEMORANDUM

- **TO:** Board of Appeals Members
- **FROM:** Drew Pennington, AICP, Director of Planning & Building Services
- **DATE:** March 5, 2019
- **SUBJECT:** Cancellation of Board of Appeals Meeting

Since no applications have been submitted, the regularly scheduled <u>March 12, 2019</u> meeting of the Board of Appeals has been cancelled. The next Board of Appeals meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, 2019.

Please contact me at (608) 364-6711 or <u>penningtond@beloitwi.gov</u> if you have any questions or require more information.

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cc: City Clerk's Office City Manager's Office Media



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CANCELLED PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA PARK, RECREATION & CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2351 Springbrook Ct. 6:30 PM Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Due to lack of Agenda items, the regularly scheduled March 13, 2019 meeting of the Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission has been cancelled. The next Park, Recreation & Conservation Advisory Commission is scheduled for April 10, 2019.

Please contact Mark Edwards at 608-364-2919 if you have any questions or require more information.

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PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA PUBLIC NOTICE The Eclipse Center, 3 Eclipse Blvd, Beloit WI 53511 5:00 PM Tuesday, March 12, 2019

The Beloit Chamber of Commerce is hosting their Ninety-Second Annual Dinner on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Eclipse Center, 3 Eclipse Blvd, Beloit WI 53511. A quorum of City Council members may be present.

Lori S. Curtis Luther, City Manager

Dated: March 6, 2019 Lorena Rae Stottler City Clerk www.beloitwi.gov

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SATURDAY APRIL 13 2:00-5:00 PM

Sip, walk, and shop your way through historic downtown Beloit! Taste a variety of wines at 17 venues! Check in at Hendricks Center for the Arts. (409 Pleasant St.)

Map and wine descriptions available at check-in.

Always & Forever Formal Wear Beloit Art Center Chic & Unique Clothing & Furniture Boutique Escape Quest Flying Pig Gallery ABBA Jewelry by Christopher Nine Bells & Cat Tails Northwoods Premium Confections Pizzazz Gift Boutique **Rindfleisch Flowers** Stanton Shoes Stateline Mental Health Services Tin Dog Records Turtle Creek Books, The Beloit College Bookstore The Villager Gallery & Frame Shop Walnut Creek Apparel & Gifts



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