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CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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CITY MANAGER ACTIVITIES

Meetings:

- Held weekly Department Head meeting and one-on-one sessions with direct reports.
- Met with representatives of Beloit International Film Festival (BIFF) to learn more about new summer events and how the City can support their efforts.
- Met with Terese Craig, Director of Resource Development and Community Relations at Blackhawk Technical College (BTC). Toured BTC and learned about their gourmet culinary program.

Activities:

- Served as a guest presenter for the Beloit Memorial High School public speaking class.
- Attended the Roy Chapman Andrews (RCA) reception with Wade Davis, toured Logan Museum, and will participate in the RCA Distinguished Explorer Award lecture on Friday evening.
- Along with Department and Division Heads, provided a day-long orientation with all three new Councilors.

CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING—NEW COUNCIL OFFICERS

The City Council met this past Tuesday, April 18th for the purpose of concluding business of the prior City Council and reconstituting as the new City Council for 2017.

The meeting of the new Council began with the formal swearing-in ceremony for newly elected Councilors Clinton Anderson, Sherry Blakeley and Nancy V. Forbeck. Again, congratulations to all three and best wishes for your upcoming service to the City. Council selected their presiding officers for the coming year. Kevin D. Leavy was elected Council President and Regina Dunkin was selected as Vice-President. The first business meeting of the new Council will be on Monday, May 1, 2017.

ROY CHAPMAN ANDREWS SOCIETY

The Roy Chapman Andrews Society is a hidden gem in Beloit. The Roy Chapman Andrews Society was formed in 1999 by a group of Beloit, Wisconsin residents intent on building more awareness of one of the 20th Century's most famous explorers. Since Roy Chapman Andrews was born and raised in Beloit, it was only fitting that such a society exist in his hometown. Their mission is to honor the legacy of Roy Chapman Andrews by: educating the public about Andrews' life, work, and adventures; promoting the value of scientific exploration and discovery; emphasizing Andrews' lifetime ties to Beloit, Wisconsin. Andrews is best remembered for the series of dramatic expeditions he led to the Gobi of Mongolia from 1922 to 1930. Andrews took a team of scientists into previously unexplored parts of the desert using some of the region's first automobiles with extra supplies transported by camel caravan. <https://roychapmanandrewssociety.org/>

The Roy Chapman Andrews Society Distinguished Explorer Award is presented to an explorer/scientist in honor of one of the 20th century's most acclaimed explorers, Roy Chapman Andrews (1884-1960). The award recognizes outstanding achievements in scientific discovery through explorations that offer new insights into previously unknown or poorly known subjects or areas. Awards will be based on both the scientific significance of the exploration and the use of innovative approaches during field work in terms of methods, scope, or subjects of study. The award includes a commemorative statue and a cash prize. The award is presented at a public ceremony sponsored by the Society, and hosted by Andrews' alma mater, Beloit College, in his hometown of Beloit, Wisconsin. This year's recipient is Wade Davis.

Wade Davis was named by the National Geographic as one of the Explorers for the Millennium, he has been described as "a rare combination of scientist, scholar, poet and passionate defender of all of life's diversity." In recent years his work has taken him to East Africa, Borneo, Nepal, Peru, Polynesia, Tibet, Mali, Benin, Togo, New Guinea, Australia, Colombia, Vanuatu, Mongolia and the high Arctic of Nunavut and Greenland. He is quoted as saying, "The world in which you were born is just one model of reality. Other cultures are not failed attempts at being you. They are unique manifestations of the human spirit."

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

The City of Beloit Department of Public Works will host the annual Arbor Day Celebration Ceremony on **Friday, April 28, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.** the event will take place at Grinnell Hall Senior Citizens' Center, 631 Bluff Street. If the City experiences inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the Grinnell Hall dining room. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

SPRING TREE PLANTING

The City of Beloit's Department of Public Works is now accepting requests from residents for terrace trees to be planted this spring. The terrace tree species selection will be determined by the City Forestry Supervisor while taking into account the size of the terrace, presence of utilities and exotic invasive insects. Trees will be planted on a first-come, first-served basis, limited supply available. Public Works will accept requests through Tuesday, May 15, 2017. To be placed on the list, please call the Department of Public Works Operations Facility at 608-364-2929.

GRINNELL HALL ANNUAL PLANT SALE

Grinnell Hall Senior Center, 631 Bluff Street, will hold their annual Plant Sale on May 4 and 5, 2017. They seek donations of 4-inch pots, as well as plants of all types. They may be delivered to Grinnell any time Monday—Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

CITY MEETING CALENDAR—APRIL 24—28, 2017

Monday, April 24	Cancelled	Traffic Review Committee
Monday, April 24	6:30 p.m.	Police and Fire Commission , Forum
Wednesday, April 26	8:30 a.m.	Downtown Beloit Association Board meeting, 500 Public Ave.
Wednesday, April 26	4:30 p.m.	Community Development Authority , Forum
Friday, April 28	10:00 a.m.	Arbor Day Ceremony, Grinnell Hall Senior Citizen's Center, (R. Dunkin)

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

Friday, April 21	4:30 p.m.	Roy Chapman Andrews 2017 Distinguished Explorer Award Event , Eaton Chapel, Beloit College Campus. Public Welcome, FREE event. This year's award recipient will be Wade Davis. A Celebratory Dinner will be held in the Science Center on the Beloit College Campus following the award event. The dinner is a ticketed event, reservations and payments can be made online at https://roychapmanandrewssociety.org
Friday, April 28	Noon—1:00 p.m.	Listening Session with State Rep. Amy Loudenberg at Beloit Public Library-Riverside Room, 605 Eclipse Blvd.
Saturday, April 29	11:00-2:00 p.m.	Día Del Niño Celebration and Cinco de Mayo , St. Jude Catholic Church, 717 Hackett Street. Admission is FREE, \$5 per person for food includes tostadas, beans, rice and drink. Music, games, face



NOTICE OF MEETING CANCELLATION

To: All Traffic Review Committee Members and Other Interested Parties

From: Jason Dupuis, Transportation / Project Engineer

Date: April 17, 2017

RE: Meeting Cancellation

The upcoming Traffic Review Committee meeting which was scheduled for Monday, April 24, 2017 has been cancelled. At this time, there are not enough agenda items for a meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled to be held on **May 22, 2017 at 1:30 p.m.**

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

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

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**Police and Fire Commission
Meeting Notice and Agenda
Monday, April 24, 2017 @ 6:30 PM
City Hall / Public Forum
100 State St, Beloit, Wisconsin**

A meeting of the Police and Fire Commission is scheduled. **If you are unable to attend, please notify Marianne Marshall, HR Director at 364-6612.**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of the January 23, 2017 meeting minutes.
3. Approval of the March 13, 2017 special meeting minutes.
4. Approval of the March 15, 2017 special meeting minutes.
5. Approval of the March 16, 2017 special meeting minutes.
6. Reports
 - A. Police Department
 - B. Fire Department
 - Activity Update
 - Retirement Announcements
7. Citizen Participation
8. Commissioner Comments
9. Consideration of Resolution 2017-02 setting the time of the regular meetings of the Police and Fire Commission
10. The Commission may adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to §19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats. for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation of any public employee over whom the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises Responsibility, more specifically, to discuss the hiring of one (1) Patrol Officer probationary employee, one (1) Lieutenant of Patrol, one (1) promotion from Sergeant to Lieutenant of Patrol and probationary updates for two (2) Firefighters.
11. Reconvene into Open Session for possible action regarding the matter discussed in closed session.

12. Adjourn

Mardell Jacobsen, President
Police and Fire Commission

Dated: April 18, 2017
Marianne Marshall
Human Resources Director
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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, April 27, 2017 at 8:30 am
at Vision Beloit, 500 Public Ave., Beloit, WI 53511.

Large Conference Room
THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2017

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- 2. CDBG Q & A**
- 3. Review and Approval of March 21, 2017 Meeting Minutes**
- 4. Review and Approval of Financials**
- 5. Review Mission & Vision Statements**
- 6. Updates**
 - a. Promotions
 - i. Easter Eggstravaganza Recap
 - ii. Farmers' Market
 - iii. ArtWalk
 - iv. Fridays in the Park
 - b. Economic Restructuring Update
 - i. Business/Property Owner Meeting
 - c. Design Update
 - i. Grants
 - ii. Banner Project Update
- 7. Executive Director's Report**
- 8. Adjourn**

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Attachments:
Minutes
Financials



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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
Community Development Authority
April 26, 2017 at 4:30 pm
The Forum
Beloit City Hall
100 State Street**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Citizen Participation
3. Review and Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 22, 2017
4. Housing Authority
 - a. Presentation of February Activity Reports (Pollard)
 - b. Presentation of February Financial Reports (Pollard)
 - c. Overview of the Beloit Housing Authority Grievance Procedure (Pollard)
 - d. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2017-07, Approval of 2017 First Quarter Write-offs (Cole)
5. Community and Housing Services
 - a. Review and Consideration of Resolution 2017-05, Approving an Offer to Purchase 1126 Forest Avenue (Downing)
 - b. Presentation of the Effects of Substandard Housing on Health (Downing)
 - c. Appointment of CDA Member to the Greater Beloit Economic Development Corporation (Christensen)
6. Adjournment

*If you are unable to attend this meeting, notify Ann Purifoy in the Housing Authority Office at 364-8740 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.***

Notice Mailed: April 20, 2017

Approved: Julie Christensen, Exec. Director

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