



# The Beloit Report

*“To Become a Place Anyone Could Proudly Call Home for a Lifetime”*

## CURRENT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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**Special points of interest:**

- City Council Meeting Agenda (page 2)
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**CITY MANAGER ACTIVITIES**

**Meetings:**

- Met with Dorothy Harrell of the NAACP.
- Met with staff from Engineering, Parks and Leisure Services, Transit, DPW Operations, Library, Police, Fire, Water Resources and Information Systems Departments to review Capital Improvement Plan project requests.
- The Leadership Team consisting primarily of Department and Division Heads briefly toured a variety of City facilities as we work on strengthening collaboration across departments and divisions.
- Met with staff to preview the draft City Council agenda in preparation of the July 3rd Council meeting. These are regularly scheduled coordination meetings.
- Met with Beloit 2020 consultants as we continue working on the 4th Street Corridor planning and visioning effort in partnership with the Beloit School District.
- Held Parks, Outdoor Recreation and Open Space (POROS) Plan Public Workshop.

**Activities:**

- Congratulated our local Wal-Mart on a major renovation to their store that celebrated its 20th anniversary as the first Supercenter to be located in the state of Wisconsin!

**CONDOLENCES**

This has been a difficult week as we share in the grief of the passing of Ginger Lutz, employee and friend. Ginger worked in the City’s Water Resources Division and died Tuesday, June 27, 2017 in her home surrounded by her loving family. A complete obituary for Ginger is available on the Daley Murphy Wisch and Associates website.

**FIREWORKS SAFETY**

Please note that due to an abundance of illegal fireworks being used on a citywide basis and the danger that poses to public health, safety and welfare, street closure permits the weekend prior to and up to July 4th have a special condition. That is, the street closure is contingent upon no illegal fireworks possession or usage. If illegal fireworks are used or possessed at the location holding the street closure permit, any future requests for street closures at that location will be denied. We encourage our citizens to “Be a Good Neighbor!” **Attached** is a “Fireworks Safety Message” from Fire Chief Brad Liggett with more safety tips.

**HOLIDAY TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION**

The city of Beloit’s Public Works Department reminds residents that trash and recycling collection will be delayed by one day the week of July 4, 2017 in observance of the Independence Day Holiday. There will be no trash or recycling collection on Independence Day, Tuesday, July 4th. For more information, please contact the Public Works Operations Division at 608-364-2929.

The Public Works Department offers an opportunity for residents to sign up for reminder alerts. Never miss your collection day again! Reminder alerts can be delivered via text, phone or e-mail, it's your choice. For more information, please see their website: <http://www.automatebeloit.com/pick-up-schedule/>

## INDEPENDENCE DAY INFORMATION

City offices and the Beloit Public Library will be closed on July 4th for the Independence Day Holiday.

Pops on the Rock Concert will take place on July 4th at the Harry Moore Pavilion, Riverside Park. The free concert by the Beloit-Janesville Symphony Orchestra will begin at 7:30 p.m. and culminate in the fireworks show beginning at approximately 9:30 p.m. Bring your lawn chair or blanket! The fireworks are underwritten solely by corporate and citizen support.

## FIRE OPS ACADEMY

“Fire Ops” is an opportunity for youth 15-21 to learn about the fire department and what it takes to be part of a fire team. Beloit Health System, Hendricks CareerTek and local fire departments have partnered to sponsor this event on July 20, 2017 from 9:00—4:00 p.m. Sign up at [hendrickscaereertek.org](http://hendrickscaereertek.org) or see the **attached** for more information.

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING—MONDAY, JULY 3, 2017

At 6:30 p.m., the City Council will hold a [workshop](#) in the City Manager's Conference Room, 100 State Street, 4th Floor to review the agenda of the 7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting. The entire City Council Agenda Packet is available on the City's website ([click here](#)).

### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Resolution authorizing a Conditional Use Permit to allow a Multifamily dwelling in a C-1, Office District for the property located at 640 Bluff Street. The applicant has proposed the rehabilitation and reuse of the vacant, blighted, historic apartment building located at 640 Bluff Street. This building is a contributing structure in the bluff Street Historic District, constructed around 1907 and notable for its architecture. It has been vacant since May, 2015 due to major violations. The applicant's architect has submitted plans to reconfigure all of the units and to remedy the outstanding code violations. The Plan Commission voted unanimously (5-0) to recommend approval of the Conditional Use Permit.
- b. Resolution approving 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Local Funding Priorities. A public hearing will be held to allow public input on the housing, homeless, and community development needs in the community. Staff has made recommendations for certain local funding priorities.

### 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. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular and Special Meetings of June 19, 2017.
- b. Application for Acquisition of Land for Right-of-Way and Temporary Limited Easement to Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) for Reconstruction of I-39/90/43 Hwy 81 Interchange. The DOT seeks to acquire 0.531 acres of land from the City of Beloit for right-of-way purposes along with a Temporary Limited Easement over 0.247 acres. This is specifically related to the extension of Milwaukee Road/Hwy. 31 to the east side of I-39/90 and the reconstruction of its intersection with Gateway Blvd. This item will be referred to Plan Commission for review and recommendation.
- c. Application for Exception to Architectural Review and Landscape Code for property located at 1344 E. Grand Avenue to allow metal siding. The proposed steel siding would not be visible from East Grand Avenue and would replace old,

loose siding that has been pieced together over the years. This item will be referred to Plan Commission for review and recommendation.

## 8. ORDINANCES

- a. Proposed Ordinance to create section 18.02 (15)(i) of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit authorizing Outdoor Vending (other than alcohol) for “Peace in the Street” event in Riverside Park planned for August 20, 2017. No alcohol will be allowed at the event and there will be no charge for the public to access music or other entertainment.

## 9. APPOINTMENTS

- a. Appointment of City Councilor to Municipal Library Board.

## 12. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS

- a. Resolution authorizing application and acceptance of a Community Grant from the Wal-Mart Foundation for “Shop with a Hero” Program and amending the 2017 General Fund Operating Budget. The Wal-Mart Foundation announced that it has awarded \$1,000 to the Police Department and \$1,000 to the Fire Department for the “Shop with a Hero” program.
- b. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Rock, City of Beloit, City of Janesville, Town of Beloit, Town of Milton, Town of Turtle and Village of Clinton related to the 2017 Speed Enforcement Task Force Grant.

## 13. ADJOURNMENT

## CITY MEETING CALENDAR—JULY 3–7, 2017

Monday, July 3	6:30 p.m.	<a href="#">City Council Agenda</a> Review, City Manager’s Conf. Room (All City Councilors)
Monday, July 3	7:00 p.m.	<a href="#">City Council meeting</a> , Forum (All City Councilors)
Tuesday, July 4	All Day	City Hall offices and Beloit Public Library Closed.
Wednesday, July 5	7:30 a.m.	Rock County Breakfast, Eagle Inn (K. Leavy and R. Dunkin)
Wednesday, July 5	7:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Plan Commission</a> , Forum (S. De Forest)

## 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](http://www.visitbeloit.com)*

- June 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28 **Music at Harry’s Place**, Riverside Park in Beloit. Food available at 5:30 p.m., free concert from 7:00—9:00 p.m. Bring your lawn chair, meet your friends!
- July 4 7:30 p.m. **Pops on the Rock Concert and Fireworks**, Harry Moore Pavilion, Riverside Park, Beloit. FREE



# FIREWORKS SAFETY MESSAGE

Fire Chief Brad Liggett and the City of Beloit Fire Department personnel want to urge all residents celebrating Independence Day on July 4<sup>th</sup> to remain safe and away from harm – while we love to meet and greet the citizens we serve, we do not want to meet you – *“by accident”!*

Fire Chief Liggett reminds people to keep the 4<sup>th</sup> of July a fun time for sharing with family and friends and taking time to enjoy the beautiful fireworks the City of Beloit provides to the citizens of our community.

Several safety factors to keep in mind are:

- ❖ Never allow children to play with fireworks, they are simply too dangerous. Severe burns and/or loss of limb can occur in the blink of an eye.
- ❖ Always practice good fire safety habits when using fireworks – have an adult present, have a safety zone for the firework to perform it’s “show”, never try to relight a firework “dud” they can quickly reignite on their own.
- ❖ Dispose of spent sparklers in a bucket full of water or sand, the metal in a sparkler will remain very hot for quite a while after their sparkle has completed, which can cause severe burns or injury. Did you know - a burning sparkler can reach 1800 degrees – hot enough to melt gold!
- ❖ Buy only legal fireworks for your area, know your local ordinance in regards to fireworks, this varies from state to state or city to city. In the City of Beloit, if it “goes up” or “blows up” it is illegal.
- ❖ **NEVER** throw fireworks at another human, animal or a pile of dry brush or wood pile.
- ❖ Be a good neighbor, if you know that your neighbor is a war veteran, elderly person, someone disabled lives in the home; practice being neighborly and either do not use fireworks or use them in the back yard away from their home or on the other side of your home to keep the sound down. Or, a polite phone call to give them a heads up.
- ❖ Remember, many, many people and animals are terrified of the “bang” sound made by fireworks – be polite, do not use fireworks after 10:00 at night, do not throw them at animals, people, homes, vehicles or passersby, this could result in an arrest.
- ❖ Fireworks are not a toy – they are an explosive device, you never know exactly what will happen after it is lit, use a safety circle around the person lighting the display if you have one. Keep children and pets away from the immediate area.

Chief Liggett and the City of Beloit Fire Department urge everyone to get out and enjoy a family and neighborhood friendly 4<sup>th</sup> of July in Beloit – be safe – be aware – have fun!

**In an emergency – always remember to contact 9-1-1!**

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## Fire Ops Academy:

Fire Ops is an exciting opportunity in conjunction with the City of Beloit Fire Department, South Beloit Fire Department, Town of Beloit Fire Department and Beloit Health Systems for youth 15-21 to learn their way around a fire station and what it takes to be part of an essential life saving team.

Participants will experience wearing protective fire gear, explore fire truck essentials tool usage (think fire hoses) as well as learning about basic life saving measures provided by responders.

## Hendricks CareerTek, City of Beloit Fire Department, South Beloit Fire Department, Town of Beloit Fire Department & Beloit Health Systems Present: Fire Ops Academy--July 20, 2017

Beloit Health system is happy to partner with Hendricks CareerTek and local fire departments to provide the local youth and young adults of Beloit with education and participation in fire service. Rescue and life-saving activities will be interactive with attendees. Staff from Beloit Emergency Department will be on hand to assist with this exciting community event.



- July 20: 9:00-4:00 Lunch provided
- Free to greater Beloit youth
- Young adults ages 15-21
- Enrollment is limited to 30
- Participate in fire and rescue activities as well as life saving rescue strategies.



## Sign up at:

[HENDRICKSCAREERTEK.ORG](http://HENDRICKSCAREERTEK.ORG)

## Contact Info:

☎ 262-203-3942

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**PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA  
CITY COUNCIL  
4th Floor City Manager's Conference Room  
6:30 PM  
Monday, July 03, 2017**

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The City of Beloit City Council will hold a Workshop on Monday, July 3 at 6:30 p.m., in the 4th floor City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall, 100 State Street, Beloit WI 53511. The purpose of the workshop is to review the agenda of the regular 7:00 p.m. City Council meeting.

Lori S. Curtis Luther, City Manager

Dated: June 28, 2017  
Lorena Rae Stottler  
City Clerk-Treasurer  
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**AGENDA  
BELOIT CITY COUNCIL  
City Hall Forum  
7:00 PM  
Monday, July 03, 2017**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY/ANNOUNCEMENTS
4. PUBLIC HEARINGS
  - 4.a. Resolution authorizing a Conditional Use Permit to allow a Multifamily dwelling in a C-1, Office District for the property located at 640 Bluff Street (Christensen) Plan recommendation for approval 5-0
  - 4.b. Resolution approving 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Local Funding Priorities (Christensen)
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS
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.*

  - 6.a. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular and Special Meetings of June 19, 2017 (Stottler)
  - 6.b. Application for Acquisition of Land for Right-of-Way and Temporary Limited Easement to Wisconsin DOT for Reconstruction of 1-39/90/43/Hwy 81 Interchange (Christensen) Refer to Plan Commission
  - 6.c. Application for Exception to Architectural Review and Landscape Code for property located at 1344 E. Grand Avenue to allow metal siding (Christensen) Refer to Plan Commission
7. LICENSES
8. ORDINANCES
  - 8.a. Proposed Ordinance to create section 18.02 (15)(i) of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit authorizing Outdoor Vending (other than alcohol) for "Peace in the Street" event

in Riverside Park (Luther) First Reading

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.*

9.a. Appointment of City Councilor to Municipal Library Board (Leavy)

10. COUNCILOR ACTIVITIES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

11. CITY MANAGER'S PRESENTATION

12. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND CITY OFFICERS

12.a. Resolution authorizing application and acceptance of a Community Grant from the Walmart Foundation for "Shop with a Hero" Program and amending the 2017 General Fund Operating Budget (Zibolski)

12.b. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Rock, City of Beloit, City of Janesville, Town of Beloit, Town of Milton, Town of Turtle and Village of Clinton related to the 2017 Speed Enforcement Task Force Grant (Risse)

13. ADJOURNMENT

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**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA  
Beloit City Plan Commission  
Wednesday, July 5, 2017 at 7:00 PM  
The Forum  
Beloit City Hall, First Floor  
100 State Street, Beloit**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Approval of the Minutes of the June 21, 2017 Meeting**
3. **Architectural Review Exception – 1344 E Grand Avenue – Turtle Tap**  
Public hearing, review and consideration of an Exception to Section 34.15(1) of the Architectural Review and Landscape Code to allow the use of metal materials on more than 25 percent of an exterior wall on a non-industrial building for the property located at 1344 E Grand Avenue
4. **Sale of Land for Right-of-Way Purposes and a Temporary Limited Easement**  
Review and consideration of the sale of land for right-of-way purposes and the granting of a Temporary Limited Easement over City-owned property located at 2001 Gateway Boulevard
5. **Status Report on Prior Plan Commission Items**
6. **Adjournment**

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please contact Amber in the Community Development Department at 364-6650 **no later than 4:00 PM the day before the meeting.**

Notice Mailed: June 30, 2017

Approved: Julie Christensen, Community  
Development Director

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