



Sustainability Commission

Regular Meeting

335 South Broadway
De Pere, WI 54115
<https://www.deperewi.gov/>

Agenda

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

5:30 PM

Council Chambers and Virtual

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.84, Notice is hereby given to the public that a meeting of the **Sustainability Commission** of the City of De Pere will be held on **September 12, 2023 at 5:30 PM** in the **COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR CITY HALL, 335 S. BROADWAY STREET. DE PERE.**

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- I. Call to Order
 - 1. Roll Call
- II. Public comment upon matters not on the agenda. Comments made during the public comment period shall pertain only to matters under the jurisdiction of the Sustainability Commission. Section 6-3(f) DPMC
- III. Items
 - 1. Green Roof Tour for Sustainability Commission Members
 - 2. Approval of the August 8, 2023 Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes
 - 3. Consider and Possible Action on Sustainability Commission Ordinance Revisions*
 - 4. Consideration and possible action on Stormwater Art Project*
 - 5. Request for Volunteers to Write Social Media Posts for September and October
 - 6. Discuss 2024 Sustainability Project Funding
 - 7. Discuss Clean Air Initiative
- IV. Future Agenda Items
- V. Adjournment

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***Items with an asterisk require City Council approval.**

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City of De Pere, Wisconsin

Request For Sustainability Commission Action

MEETING DATE: September 12, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Sustainability Commission

FROM: Scott Thoresen

SUBJECT: Green Roof Tour for Sustainability Commission Members



City of De Pere, Wisconsin

Request For Sustainability Commission Action

MEETING DATE: September 12, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Sustainability Commission

FROM: Betty Sellenheim

SUBJECT: Approval of the August 8, 2023 Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2023 0808 Sustainability Commission_Draft Minutes (PDF)



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Draft Minutes

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5:30 PM

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I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Alderperson John Quigley

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jayne Black	Commissioner	Present	
Cindy Champeau	Commissioner	Present	
Emily Henrigillis	Commissioner	Present	
Randall Lawton	Commissioner	Late	5:33 PM
Eric Rakers	City Engineer	Excused	
Nicole Slavin	Commissioner	Present	
John Quigley	Alderperson	Remote	

Scott Thoresen, Public Works Director

Betty Sellenheim, Recording Secretary

II. Public comment upon matters not on the agenda. Comments made during the public comment period shall pertain only to matters under the jurisdiction of the Sustainability Commission. Section 6-3(f) DPMC

None

III. Items

1. Election of the Sustainability Commission Chairperson

Commissioner Henrigillis nominated Alderperson Quigley, seconded by Commissioner Slavin.

Alderperson Quigley accepted the nomination.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Emily Henrigillis, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Nicole Slavin, Commissioner
AYES:	Black, Champeau, Henrigillis, Slavin, Quigley
ABSENT:	Randall Lawton
EXCUSED:	Eric Rakers

2. Election of the Sustainability Commission Vice-Chairperson

Commissioner Black nominated herself for vice-chairperson, seconded by Commissioner Henrigillis. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jayne Black, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Emily Henrigillis, Commissioner
AYES:	Black, Champeau, Henrigillis, Slavin, Quigley
ABSENT:	Randall Lawton
EXCUSED:	Eric Rakers

3. Approval of the May 9, 2023 Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Henrigillis moved to approve the May 9, 2023 Sustainability Commission Meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Slavin. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Emily Henrigillis, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Nicole Slavin, Commissioner
AYES:	Black, Champeau, Henrigillis, Lawton, Slavin, Quigley
EXCUSED:	Eric Rakers

4. Approval of the July 11, 2023 Sustainability Commission Meeting Minutes

Alderperson Quigley moved to approve the July 11, 2023 Sustainability Commission Meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Henrigillis. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John Quigley, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Emily Henrigillis, Commissioner
AYES:	Black, Champeau, Henrigillis, Lawton, Slavin, Quigley
EXCUSED:	Eric Rakers

5. Consideration and possible action on 2024 Sustainability Project Funding

Scott Thoresen, Public Works Director, outlined the funding staff has proposed for the 2024 budget. These funds include monies for printing and mailing, rain barrels, native plants/seeds for farmers market, conference and seminar attendance, and Greener Bay Compost subsidy. Mr. Thoresen explained the budget approval process.

Commissioner Black requested staff add \$1500 for indoor/outdoor air quality sensors to be installed in a few schools. Commissioner Black explained the importance of her request and how it would tie in with the Clean Air Initiative. Betty Sellenheim, Recording Secretary, asked if the sensors were self-monitored or if they required a subscription service. Commissioner Black stated they are self-monitored with the options to download the data collected. Commissioner Black further explained some of the options and features of different sensors. Mr. Thoresen stated that the Council may be reluctant to approve since the schools could fund this purchase, but agreed to add this item to the proposed budget. Commissioner Black stated that she viewed the initial purchase as a pilot program and if it worked well and the schools saw it was beneficial, then the schools could invest in additional monitors in the future. Commissioner Lawton expressed concerns over the knowledge/education gap between purchasing the equipment and utilizing it to analyze the data and make change. Commissioner Black added that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) offers a toolkit for teachers for air quality in classrooms that can be used in conjunction with the sensors to experiment with different

habits to improve the air quality including opening windows, changing cleaning chemicals, etc. Mr. Thoresen stated if the funding is approved in the 2024 budget for the purchase of air quality sensors, that the pilot program will need to be further researched and finalized to possibly move forward to having air quality sensors in more schools. Commissioner Lawton asked what materials or pollutants would be measured by the sensors. Commissioner Black stated that would depend on the device selected and each one measures multiple conditions including humidity, smoke particles, allergens, and chemicals. Commissioner Black added that an air purifier is suggested by the EPA to be added to classrooms that experience issues with air quality. Commissioner Slavin stated that connecting with the schools and creating a network with the teachers who have the sensors will be a huge part of the pilot program for proper monitoring of the data and moving the program forward into the future along with the partnership it can form with the clean air initiative.

All commission members were in favor of the proposed budget with the additional request from Commissioner Black for air quality sensors.

RESULT:	NO ACTION
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6. Discuss Clean Air Initiative Work Plan

Scott Thoresen, Public Works Director, referred to the subcommittee working group to further explain the work they have been doing on the Clean Air Initiative. Commissioner Black outlined the work the subcommittee had concentrated on and asked staff to read through the updated email of bullet points for staff and commission members to work on. The bullet points discussed were as follows:

1. Use the hashtags and names that were submitted by the group and choose one so that the social media/website person can get to work on it. Staff asked for exact verbiage from Commission members for social media and website posts. Commissioner Slavin offered to email the original mission statement to use for an initial post and webpage message.
2. Webpage/website for the no idling campaign with the links provided re: EPA's no idling campaign. Commissioner Black stated that the subcommittee would like to see EPA information rebranded for City of De Pere and added to the webpage for the Clean Air Initiative.
3. Press release on Awareness campaign. Mr. Thoresen asked for a press release to be written by the subgroup and review by the entire commission and offered to make contact with news outlets for interviews. Commissioner Henrigillis offered to draft the press release; Commissioner Black agreed to do interviews.
4. 1 or 2 signs made up branded with the City of De Pere logo and campaign name. Mr. Thoresen asked the commission members to design a sign and staff would work internally to get it printed. Commissioner Champeau recalled a logo that had been previously discussed for the Commission. Mr. Thoresen stated as a representative body of the City, the City logo would be used. Betty Sellenheim, Recording Secretary, stated there had been a few design ideas discussed during early stages for key chains or bumper stickers and asked if that was the logo Commissioner Champeau was referring to. Commissioner Champeau stated that was the one she was remembering. Commissioner Henrigillis outlined the design idea for the sign and offered to draft design options for the Commission to review. Mr. Thoresen asked for clarification about the type of sign requested. Commissioner Black explained the current intent of a temporary sign to have out during outreach events. Ms. Sellenheim offered to check with staff to see if sign laminate could be made internally and stuck onto old No Mow May signs not in use.

5. City of De Pere branded flyer for campaign. Mr. Thoresen explained that staff can print flyers, but the Commission should design it. Commissioner Black stated the flyer should be simple, likely replicate the sign and have the QR code available to scan, which directs the user to the Clean Air Initiative on the City webpage. Commissioner Black stated the flyers would be reused, rather than handed out to drivers. Ms. Sellenheim suggested printing half sheet sized versions of the sign and laminating for longevity.
6. Letter for superintendents/principals at each school and to be included in the first newsletter to parents. Commissioner Black offered to write the letter for the schools, utilizing the original mission statement from Commissioner Slavin. Mr. Thoresen asked when the first newsletter would be issued from the school. Commissioner Henrigillis stated it would be in September. Commissioner Black asked the process of getting the letter approved. Mr. Thoresen explained that Commissioner Black should send it to staff and staff would distribute to the Commission to provide comments. Once the comments were reviewed, the letter would be approved for use. Mr. Thoresen asked if the Commission planned to meet with or reach out to each principal to discuss the Clean Air Initiative and highly suggested it if it was not part of the plan. Commissioner Slavin agreed with setting up a meeting to discuss with each principal to act on the Clean Air Initiative at each school. Commissioner Black offered to create a contact list of principals for each school and reach out to schedule meetings.
7. Create an awareness video. Mr. Thoresen offered to have staff reach out to the internal video production specialist to schedule a time to record this awareness video. Mr. Thoresen challenged Alderperson Quigley to have the Commission work as a segment on Mayor's Corner. Alderperson Quigley accepted and stated he would work with the Mayor on it.
8. Schedule the first awareness day after school during pickups at East De Pere High School with the Clean and Green Club. Commissioner Black offered to work with other schools for awareness days. Mr. Thoresen stated it would be a good idea to include other schools to cover all the districts. Alderperson Quigley stated he would like to see the campaign spread more into the lower grades. Many high school aged students have cars and are more interested in driving, than idling; while many parents of younger aged students are waiting at schools 10-15 minutes before school lets out. Commissioner Henrigillis stated her intent to talk with parents waiting for students at pickup time. Commissioner Slavin stated the importance of targeting all ages.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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IV. Future Agenda Items

Commissioner Henrigillis requested discussion on storm drain murals-through schools or business sponsors.

Scott Thoresen, Public Works Director, stated he would be bringing the following items to a future meeting: Commission Ordinance revisions and Budget updates.

Commissioner Slavin requested discussion of what it takes to get a green roof started at schools and other buildings including possible partnerships, cost, benefits, etc.

Mr. Thoresen offered to have a green roof tour to start the September meeting.

Alderperson Quigley suggested shooting a short video of the Commission on the green roof and have interested public members reach out to the Commission members to schedule time with staff for tours.

V. Adjournment

Commissioner Lawton moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 PM, seconded by Commissioner Black. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Sellenheim



City of De Pere, Wisconsin

Request For Sustainability Commission Action

MEETING DATE: September 12, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

FROM: Scott Thoresen

SUBJECT: Consider and Possible Action on Sustainability Commission Ordinance Revisions*

ATTACHMENTS:

- Discuss Sustainability Commission Ordinance Changes 9-7-2023 (DOCX)
- DPMC 10-13 2023 draft revisions 9.7.23 (DOCX)

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To: Members of the Sustainability Commission
From: Scott J. Thoresen, Director of Public Works
Date: September 7, 2023
RE: Consider and Possible Action on Sustainability Commission Ordinance Revisions*

The Sustainability Commission ordinance was created on 7-17-2018 which established the Sustainability Commission. The Sustainability Commission began meeting in 2019. Since the Commission has been meeting on a regular basis since then, it has been determined some revisions to the ordinance are needed. See attached revised ordinance. The following are the major proposed revisions to the ordinance:

- Commission Composition: This section was revised to remove having one City employee on the Commission and replacing with another person from the community. In addition, two student advisory members were added.
- The frequency of the meetings was changed from four (4) times per year to monthly.
- The powers and duties of the Commission were revised where the Commission would make recommendations to the Council instead of advising the Council.

• **Sec. 10-13. - Sustainability ~~e~~Commission.**

(a) *Purpose.* The protection, stewardship, improvement, and promotion of the environment is a public necessity and is required in the interest of health, prosperity, safety, and welfare of the De Pere community for present and future generations. The ~~s~~Sustainability ~~e~~Commission is hereby established to explore sustainability initiatives that can be implemented in De Pere, with the ultimate goal of providing a more sustainable, livable, and healthy community.

(b) *Definitions.*

(1) "Commission" means the ~~sustainability~~ Sustainability commission Commission.

(2) "Sustainability" means the avoidance of the depletion of natural resources, in order to maintain an ecological balance.

(c) *Commission ~~composition~~ Composition.*

(1) The ~~commission~~ Commission is hereby created, consisting of seven members. Of the membership and if available in the community, one shall be an alderperson, ~~one shall be a city employee,~~ and ~~five-six~~ shall be individuals who live in or work in De Pere. All members shall have demonstrated interest in environmental stewardship; sustainable business practices, development or technology; green building and design; renewable energy; energy efficient transportation; and recycling and waste management. To the extent possible, members appointed shall represent a diverse range of interest and expertise in sustainability, economic backgrounds and interests, and ethnic and cultural affiliations, including educators and students in the aforementioned fields.

(2) Advisory Members. Two advisory seats on the Commission are hereby created to which persons of high school age may be appointed by the Mayor. The selection process for such appointment shall be approved by the Commission. The persons appointed to the teen advisory seats shall be non-voting members of the Commission whose seats and presence shall not be counted for purposes of a quorum.

(3) Appointment. The Mayor shall appoint the ~~commissioners~~ Commissioners, subject to confirmation by the ~~common~~ Common council Council. Of the initial members appointed, one shall serve a term of one year, two shall serve a term of two years, and two shall serve a term of three years; the alderperson shall finish his or her term. Thereafter, the term for each member shall be three years, except for the alderperson who shall serve a term of two years. Each member is subject to the Code of Ethics as outlined in De Pere Municipal Code ~~{§ 10-16}~~.

(d) *Officers, ~~m~~Meetings and ~~r~~Rules of ~~p~~Procedure.* The officers of the ~~commission~~ Commission shall be a chair and vice-chair, elected by majority vote of the ~~commission~~ Commission. The chair shall preside at meetings of the commission and shall have the right to vote. The vice-chair shall, in case of absence or disability of the chair, perform the duties of the chair. Officers shall serve for terms of one year or until their successors are regularly elected and take office. The ~~commission~~ Commission shall hold meetings monthly ~~at such times as it deems necessary,~~ and shall also meet upon the call of the chair. ~~The commission shall meet not less than four times each calendar year.~~ Four members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

(e) ~~Powers and dDuties of the sSustainability eCommission. The authority and activities of the commission shall be advisory, and it shall act in a cooperative capacity and rely upon voluntary compliance.~~ The basic function of the eCommission shall be the promotion of sustainable initiatives. ~~The commission may through the following powers and duties:~~

(1) ~~Advise-Make recommendations to~~ the ~~mM~~Mayor and the eCommon eCouncil with regard to ~~federal and state~~ policies, budgets, and regulations related to sustainable policies and practices relative to the environment, including, but not limited to, natural resources, energy, food waste, hazardous materials and pollution;

~~(2) Create and present an annual work plan to the common council.~~

(32) Advise or recommend municipal efforts to engage ~~the community~~citizen participation and in a promote a broad range of sustainable initiatives and events;

(43) Consult with private entities, higher education institutions, and the community with regard to the eCity's sustainable initiatives;

(54) ~~Coordinate and support~~Support efforts to unite and focus City or other municipal programs ~~and services~~ as they relate to sustainable initiatives;

(65) Work on sustainability related projects as directed by any Commissioner after approval by the Commission or the eCommon eCouncil, ~~and eCity a~~Administrator, or City staff;

(76) Provide a forum for addressing public concerns related to sustainable policies and practices.



City of De Pere, Wisconsin

Request For Sustainability Commission Action

MEETING DATE: September 12, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Sustainability Commission

FROM: Scott Thoresen

SUBJECT: Consideration and possible action on Stormwater Art Project*

Commissioner Henrigillis requested at the August 2023 meeting to discuss opportunities for schools and businesses to adopt storm drains and create murals and educate the public that many flow directly to the Fox River. Attached are the December 2019 Sustainability meeting minutes (Discuss Storm Water Education), March 2020 Sustainability meeting minutes (Consideration and possible action on Stormwater Art Project), and March 2020 Common Council meeting packet and minutes (Recommendation from the Sustainability Commission for a Stormwater Art Project) with regards to this topic.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2019 1206 FINAL Minutes (PDF)
- 2020 0310 Final Minutes (PDF)
- 2020 0317 Council Agenda Packet_SW art project section (PDF)
- 3-17-20 Common Council Minutes (PDF)



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Final Minutes

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

5:30 PM

De Pere City Hall Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM by Alderperson Casey Nelson

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Eric Rakers	City Engineer	Present	
Casey Nelson	Alderperson	Present	
Renee Gasch	Commissioner	Present	
Rebecca McKean	Commissioner	Present	
Bill Niedzwiedz	Commissioner	Present	
Larry Garrison	Commissioner	Excused	
Randall Lawton	Commissioner	Present	

Others present:

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works

Betty Sellenheim, Public Works Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary

2. Approval of Sustainability Commission September 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner McKean moved to approve the September 10, 2019 Sustainability Commission meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Gasch.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rebecca McKean, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Renee Gasch, Commissioner
AYES:	Rakers, Nelson, Gasch, McKean, Niedzwiedz, Lawton
EXCUSED:	Larry Garrison

II. Public Portion

None

III. Action Items

1. Discuss Trex Plastic Bag Recycling Challenge

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, explained this item was being brought forward at the request of Commissioner Gasch to present further information about the Trex plastic bag recycling program. Commissioner Gasch recapped some problems plastic bags cause for recycling facilities and pollution potential. Commissioner Gasch explained the positive outcomes of participating in this program, including: bags being properly disposed of and earning a sitting bench. Commissioner Gasch explained the bench is made from recycled milk and the plastic bags are recycled into patio furniture. A six month collection period would be determined for collection and the goal is to collect 500 pounds of bags (approximately 40,000) to receive a bench. Commissioner Gasch offered a few suggestions for locations to place plastic bag recycling containers and signage. Commissioner Gasch explained staff would need to be able to check the containers periodically, weigh the contents (self-reporting), and haul to Festival Food's in De Pere for transport to Trex. Once the goal is met, Trex would ship a bench for free (no shipping

fees). Commissioner Gasch commended staff on the plastic bag recycling video posted online.

Eric Rakers, City Engineer, asked what type of plastic was accepted. Commissioner Gasch explained there were certain types accepted that were pictured in the included handout. Commissioner Gasch explained the bags would need to be clean/rinsed out before placed in the recycling container. Commissioner McKean questioned if Festival Foods was willing to accept these extra items through the City collections. Commissioner Gasch explained they have already okayed the drop off and Trex is on their hauling locations for their own bags. Mr. Thoresen asked if staff would be expected to inspect the bags for cleanliness. Commissioner Gasch stated they would not need to do that. Alderperson Nelson asked if Festival Foods would be willing to assist the City's cause by adding their bags to ours to achieve the 500 pound goal. Commissioner Gasch was unsure but could ask. Mr. Thoresen asked what happens if we do not meet the goal within the selected six month period. Commissioner Gasch stated the bags could still be sent for recycling but the city would not earn the free bench. Commissioner McKean stated she spoke with facilities at St Norbert College and was told they have collection points on campus for plastic bags and send them to Festival Foods for hauling. Commissioner McKean stated she also spoke with Larry's Piggly Wiggly in De Pere and Piggly Wiggly Midwest in Sheboygan. The De Pere location can be listed as a drop off location for residents but per Piggly Wiggly Midwest, they do not accept from other entities because it costs them money to recycle the bags. Alderperson Nelson asked what Trex would provide. Commissioner Gasch stated they provide the containers and posters. Commissioner Lawton restated the purpose of the program to include how to significantly impact the level of recycling in the City of De Pere and questioned if the additional containers will be enough. Commissioner McKean suggested more education around the "use your own bag" option most grocery store offer with a discount. Commissioner Gasch stated this is a big educational effort and explained there are not many options because the state does not allow the ban of plastic bags. Mr. Thoresen outlined a bit of local plastic bag recycling history.

Commissioner Gasch moved to refer back to staff for recommendation at the next meeting of the Sustainability Commission seconded by Eric Rakers.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Renee Gasch, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Eric Rakers, City Engineer
AYES:	Rakers, Nelson, Gasch, McKean, Niedzwiedz, Lawton
EXCUSED:	Larry Garrison

2. Update on Prohibiting Coal Tar-Based Sealants

Eric Rakers, City Engineer, updated the Commission on the current status of the Coal Tar-based sealant restrictions. Upon further review of the draft ordinance presented to the Commission, staff found it also banned all sealants with 0.1% PAH or more. Staff reached out to Asphalt Seal & Repair, a local company that performs work in the City of De Pere, for information on their product and the proposed PAH ban limit. Asphalt Seal & Repair responded that they would be unable to meet the 0.1% but their product would meet 0.2% PAH with a longer life. Staff reached out to Clean Wisconsin and Asphalt Seal & Repair to justify the use of 0.1% over 0.2% PAH. Staff has not received solid

information to justify 0.1% or a longer life at 0.2% PAH, resulting in no action being taken on this ordinance since the initial discussion at the Commission meeting.

Alderson Nelson asked if there was a maximum amount of PAH in any single product.

Mr. Rakers clarified the products in question are asphalt sealants with PAHs in them.

Alderson Nelson asked if a resolution is reached, if the ordinance will go to Council or back to Sustainability Commission. Mr. Rakers stated he would take it directly to Council.

3. Update on Baseline Assessment

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, updated the Commission on the status of the DNR Green Tier Legacy program for sustainability through the baseline assessment process. The baseline assessment will determine where the City currently stands on sustainable practices. Annually the City submits a report of sustainable practices accomplished and sets action goals. Mr. Thoresen stated City of Appleton is a good source for research on sustainability programs, reports, and initiatives in our area. Commissioner Lawton offered to have Lawton Products Green Tier contact reach out to Mr. Thoresen.

4. Discuss City's Compost Facility

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, outlined the compost facility operations, regulations, and changes through the years. Mr. Thoresen explained with the south bridge corridor in the future, the compost site will need to be relocated or regionalized. Mr. Thoresen offered a few options for regionalization (with Allouez) or relocated (by the Dog Park).

Commissioner Gasch commented that she requested further information in regards to having a food waste drop off site for businesses, such as Festival Foods. Eric Rakers, City Engineer, suggested checking with the DNR regarding food waste disposal and storage and rodents/pests. Commissioner Niedzwiedz asked for per capita compost numbers over time. Mr. Thoresen stated he didn't have that exact volume from the compost facility. Commissioner Gasch asked how often residents request curbside compost pick up. Mr. Thoresen stated only two or three times in almost fifteen years.

5. Discuss Storm Water Education

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, outlined the city's storm water education programs and work with NEWSC (North East Wisconsin Stormwater Consortium). Mr. Thoresen shared a few of the resources available to residents and staff through NEWSC. Eric Rakers, City Engineer, outlined programs available through NEWSC for public and schools and additional educational opportunities used by staff.

Alderson Nelson commented that there are dual benefits for actions such as mulching grass clippings and make good tips to pass along to residents. Commissioner Gasch proposed sidewalk murals around stormwater inlets in downtown areas and was supported by Alderson Nelson, Mr. Rakers and Commissioner Niedzwiedz. Mr. Rakers stated it would be something that would need to be approved through the City Attorney's office. Commissioner Gasch mentioned the Public Art Commission has funds to support the murals/supplies.

6. Discuss Educational Workshops

Alderson Nelson asked for support of monthly or bi-monthly educational workshops for residents. Alderson Nelson suggested topics such as heating and cooling efficiency

and rain barrel workshops, along with getting the word out on social media of programs and incentives available to residents through entities like Focus on Energy.

Commissioner McKean asked about support through Green Tier webinars. Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, was unsure but would look into it. Eric Rakers, City Engineer, stated he was not opposed to the idea of educational workshops but suggested having a trial one and determine based on attendance. Mr. Rakers also suggested adding sustainability and money saving tips to the city newsletter and/or social media.

Aldersperson Nelson supported Mr. Rakers suggestions. Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, mentioned receiving content from WPS that may prove useful and having a good connection with the entity for potential assistance with programs regarding energy efficiency in homes. Staff will work with Aldersperson Nelson regarding scheduling a trial program with WPS for energy efficiency.

IV. Future Agenda Items

None

V. Adjournment

Eric Rakers, City Engineer, moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 PM, seconded by Commissioner Lawton.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Any person wishing to attend this meeting who, because of disability, requires special accommodations should contact the Clerk's office at 339-4050 by Noon, the previous day so that arrangements can be made.

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Rebecca McKean	Commissioner	Present	
Bill Niedzwiedz	Commissioner	Present	
Larry Garrison	Commissioner	Absent	
Randall Lawton	Commissioner	Absent	

Others present:

Mayor Walsh

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works

Betty Sellenheim, Recording Secretary

2. Approval of Sustainability Commission December 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner McKean moved to approve the Sustainability Commission December 10, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Niedzwiedz.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Rebecca McKean, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Bill Niedzwiedz, Commissioner
AYES:	Casey Nelson, Renee Gasch, Rebecca McKean, Bill Niedzwiedz
EXCUSED:	Eric Rakers, Larry Garrison, Randall Lawton

II. Public Comment

Alderperson Nelson shared regarding Wisconsin Conservation Northeast Climate Roundtable on March 24 at YWCA-Green Bay.

III. Action Items

1. Consideration and possible action on Trex Plastic Film Recycling Challenge*

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, outlined the history of this program's discussion through Sustainability Commission. Mr. Thoresen stated staff further researched the logistics of participating in the Trex Plastic Film Recycling Challenge. Mr. Thoresen outlined the timeline, locations, acceptable items, and City responsibility. Mr. Thoresen stated once the City collects 500 pounds, Trex will send a bench. Staff recommends approving participation in the Trex Plastic Film Recycling Challenge and forwarding to Common Council for approval.

Commissioner McKean questioned dropping City bags off at Festival Foods. Mr. Thoresen stated that would be the intention. Commissioner McKean requested bringing in St. Norbert College and the Environmental Committee to spread the word on campus and participate in collection. Alderperson Nelson agreed with incorporating them in the

challenge. Mr. Thoresen stated staff could work with St Norbert building maintenance to collect to contribute to the challenge. Alderperson Nelson questioned dropping off at Festival and their collections toward City benches. Commissioner Gasch stated they would be a drop off location but the City would self-report the weight collected in City containers. Alderperson Nelson supported the program and requested getting the word out on social media after Council approval. Commissioner Niedzwiedz questioned the timeline for collection. Mr. Thoresen stated it takes a little longer, the City would still earn a bench. Commissioner Niedzwiedz questioned if greenhouse plastic would be an acceptable material. Mr. Thoresen stated he did not think it would be included but offered to follow up with Trex. Commissioner Gasch suggested including the school districts, perhaps a challenge of east versus west or by grade. Alderperson Nelson questioned additional incentives from Trex for collections. Mr. Thoresen stated he did not know of any additional incentives but outlined some additional reasons behind the big box store collection sites.

Alderperson Nelson moved to approve the participation in the Trex Plastic Film Recycling Challenge, seconded by Commissioner Gasch.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Casey Nelson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Renee Gasch, Commissioner
AYES:	Casey Nelson, Renee Gasch, Rebecca McKean, Bill Niedzwiedz
EXCUSED:	Eric Rakers, Larry Garrison, Randall Lawton

2. Consideration and possible action on Farmer's Market Booth Proposal*

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, summarized a request from Commissioner Gasch and asked her to present further details regarding her proposal for a booth at the Farmer's Market. Commissioner Gasch explained further her request and working with Definitely De Pere to reduce waste at the Farmer's Market. Definitely De Pere would provide a tent and table for Sustainability Commission at Farmer's Market and would arrange the donation of canvas bags to distribute. Commissioner Gasch explained the biggest part will be finding volunteers to staff the tent during events and discuss sustainable ideas. Mr. Thoresen agreed that finding volunteers would be the hardest part and stated the commission will need to take full charge and responsibility for that aspect. Mr. Thoresen stated that staff currently assists with the set up for Farmer's Market and can assist with printing flyers, brochures, etc. Commissioner Niedzwiedz expressed his support of the proposal, provided key points learned from previous Farmer's Market experiences, and offered to provide perennial plants for distribution. Commissioner Gasch volunteered to create a schedule for booth shifts. Alderperson Nelson expressed his support for the proposal but was hesitant to commit to all Farmer's Market events. Mr. Thoresen expressed a few discussion points for determining event participation. Commissioner McKean expressed her support of the proposal but suggested having a display board rather than paper handouts. Alderperson Nelson expressed support of the display board idea and Mr. Thoresen recommended NEWSC as a contact. Alderperson Nelson commended St Norbert's food waste program. Alderperson Nelson questioned sending this item and Council and Mr. Thoresen explained the intent and what information would be needed for Council approval. Mayor Walsh explained this item not needing a motion or approval from Council to move forward but a motion could be made and discussed with City Attorney to be sure.

Alderson Nelson approved the proposal to coordinate with Definitely De Pere and staff a sustainability booth at the De Pere Farmer's Market once per month, seconded by Commissioner Gasch.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Casey Nelson, Alderson
SECONDER:	Renee Gasch, Commissioner
AYES:	Casey Nelson, Renee Gasch, Rebecca McKean, Bill Niedzwiedz
EXCUSED:	Eric Rakers, Larry Garrison, Randall Lawton

3. Discussion of Wisconsin Public Service Seminar

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, discussed a previous request for public sustainable practice themed periodic meetings and/or workshops. Mr. Thoresen stated he reached out to Wisconsin Public Service regarding a workshop on Focus on Energy tentatively scheduled for March 25 at the Swan Club. Mr. Thoresen requested notification from Commission members who plan to attend so a notice of quorum can be posted if necessary.

No action necessary.

4. Consideration and possible action on Stormwater Art Project*

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, outlined a request from Commissioner Gasch to implement a stormwater art project to educate the public about stormwater systems. The project would be a collaboration of City of De Pere, Sustainability Commission, and Definitely De Pere creating sidewalk murals by De Pere students. Mr. Thoresen reported his discussions with staff regarding size, location, and materials used. Mr. Thoresen stated he believes the most challenging part will be working with the schools on this project. Commissioner Gasch stated Tina with Definitely De Pere has contacts with the schools. Commissioner Gasch also outlined her ideas regarding this project. Alderson Nelson verified the budget being provided by Definitely De Pere. Commissioner Gasch questioned needing Board of Public Works approval on locations. Mr. Thoresen outlined the direction provided to Definitely De Pere regarding the downtown art projects. Commissioner Gasch requested staff present an educational overview of the stormwater system to the classes and promote the project on social media. Mr. Thoresen also explained the need for staff to assist with traffic safety during the art painting. Commissioner Niedzwiedz added a note about drainage locations of the Fox and East Rivers. Mr. Thoresen explained the stormwater ponds as part of the stormwater system. Alderson Nelson questioned the closest inlet to the Farmer's Market location.

Commissioner Gasch moved to approve the Stormwater Art Project with collaboration from Definitely De Pere, seconded by Alderson Nelson.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Renee Gasch, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Casey Nelson, Alderson
AYES:	Casey Nelson, Renee Gasch, Rebecca McKean, Bill Niedzwiedz
EXCUSED:	Eric Rakers, Larry Garrison, Randall Lawton

5. Consideration and possible action on Baseline Assessment

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, outlined the history of Green Tier Legacy in the Sustainability Commission and outlined next steps for participation. Staff completed the baseline assessment score for current status of De Pere and annually the worksheet will need to be updated and submitted to the Wisconsin DNR. Mr. Thoresen outlined how points are earned on the scoresheet. Mr. Thoresen suggested commission members look at the City of Appleton Sustainability initiatives and other communities for ideas moving forward. Alderperson Nelson questioned how partial scores are received. Mr. Thoresen explained how full points were earned and how staff determined partial scores. Alderperson Nelson suggested an annual presentation to the Common Council. Mr. Thoresen stated the item does not require approval by Council but can be shared with the elected officials. Mr. Thoresen suggested bringing draft annual updates to the Commission and Council for approval prior to submitting to Wisconsin DNR. Mr. Thoresen outlined the goal of increasing the total score annually. Commissioner McKean questioned this scoresheet assisting in obtaining funds for sustainable initiatives and choosing sections of the worksheet to work on and discussions annually. Mr. Thoresen outlined the budget process for requesting funds. Alderperson Nelson suggested requesting a pool of funds to work with and having projects in mind. Mr. Thoresen suggested adding funding and a topic discussion to the future agenda items. Commissioner McKean commented on part of the waste reduction section. Mr. Thoresen suggested researching DNR and other communities for ideas for the future. Commissioner Gasch suggested individuals select sections they are passionate about to research. Alderperson Nelson agreed regarding selecting sections. Mr. Thoresen suggested emailing him top five ideas or sections to work on. Mayor Walsh suggested having a special meeting to discuss future sustainability projects or initiatives the commission wishes to focus on. Mr. Thoresen asked Mayor Walsh if a special meeting could be held outside of the Council Chambers. Mayor Walsh believed the meeting could be held elsewhere.

Alderperson Nelson moved to approve and submit the baseline assessment to DNR, seconded by Commissioner Gasch.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Casey Nelson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Renee Gasch, Commissioner
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IV. Future Agenda Items

Scott Thoresen, Director of Public Works, tentatively scheduled a special meeting for April 29, 2020 at 5:30 PM to discuss as a group the initiatives to tackle. The June meeting will include a discussion of budget needs for the initiatives chosen in the April special meeting.

V. Adjournment

Alderperson Nelson moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 PM, seconded by Commissioner Niedzwiedz.

Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

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***Items with an asterisk require City Council approval.**

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Respectfully submitted,
Betty Sellenheim



Common Council

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Revised Agenda

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

7:30 PM

De Pere City Hall Council Chambers

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.84, Notice is hereby given to the public that a meeting of the **Common Council** of the City of De Pere will be held on **March 17, 2020 at 7:30 PM** in the **De Pere City Hall Council Chambers**, 335 S. Broadway Street, De Pere, WI 54115.

This meeting can be viewed LIVE on Spectrum Cable Channel 4; AT&T U-verse Channel 99; www.depere.tv. This meeting is also rebroadcast on TV throughout the week and available on demand at www.depere.tv.

I. Call to Order

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18. Resolution #20-28 Authorizing Development Agreement Among Southbridge Properties, LLC, Innovation Properties Two LLC, and the City of De Pere (Innovation Court).
19. Resolution #20-29 Authorizing Agreement for Noxious Weed/Long Grass Cutting Services Between the City of De Pere and Lizer of Wisconsin, Inc.
20. Resolution #20-30 Approving Annual Report Under Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit and its Submission to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR).
21. Resolution #20-31 Authorizing State/Municipal Finance Agreement with Wisconsin Department of Transportation for Main Avenue & Fourth Street Signal Retrofit Project.
22. Resolution #20-32 Authorizing Submission of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Urban Nonpoint Source and Storm Water Management Grant Application.
23. Operator License Applications.
24. Voucher approval.
25. Future agenda items.
26. Resolution #20-33 Authorizing Personal Property Tax Refund (Aldi, Inc. - 1100 Main Avenue). Note: This Resolution will only be taken up by the Council if the claimed tax refund is acted on and approved by the Council

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, pursuant to Wis. Stats. §19.85(1)(g), the Council may convene in closed session for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. The Council may then reconvene in open session to take action on any matter discussed in closed session or for such other purposes as are allowed by law.

27. Adjournment.

Lawrence M. Delo
City Administrator

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 Paul Fontecchio, Brown County Public Works
 Juan Antonio Solis
 Thomas W Gooding
 US Paper Mills Corp
 DSSB LLC Etal
 Todd & Wendy Jaeger
 Kevin G Rau
 Christopher T Fuss
 Karl D Wachholz
 Marvin J Lueneburg
 Ryan J & Nicole M Ledvina
 Griselda M VanBeckum
 Mark & Andrea Hendricks
 GBTRH Rentals LLC
 David B DeRuyter
 Clayton C Leslie
 Katie R Noskowiak
 William J & Susan J Steffel
 Paul S Sheffer
 Kelsey A Sherman
 Kelly J & Sharon L Wautier
 Drew P & Blair M Basten
 Matthew J & Tammy M Peterson
 Gary A & Teresa L Gereau, Etal
 R&G LLC
 Wisconsin Central Ltd
 Phyllis R Hendricks
 Trevor K & Sarah E Ellington
 Jesse L Chopin
 Dennis J Vondrachek
 Thomas J & Jessie L Hermes
 Westcott Joseph H & Beverly J Irrevocable Trust
 Allan J & Brenda A Reckelberg
 Dennis M & Claudia D Larson, Etal
 David B & Gail A DeRuyter
 Yvonne M Peters
 Michelle R Burns
 Douglas L & Katherine M Elwell
 Mike & Sharon Secora

Vincent M & Emily A Willard

**City of De Pere, Wisconsin****Request For Common Council Action**

MEETING DATE: March 17, 2020

DEPARTMENT: Board of Public Works

FROM: Scott Thoresen

SUBJECT: Recommendation from the Sustainability Commission for a Stormwater Art Project

The Sustainability Commission at the March 10, 2020 meeting approved a stormwater art project in conjunction with Definitely De Pere and moved to send it to Common Council for approval. The motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Commissioner Gasch has requested the commission discuss and evaluate implementing a stormwater art project. (See attached proposal) The project would be collaboration between the De Pere Sustainability Commission and Definitely De Pere Public Arts Committee to coordinate a public art campaign featuring downtown sidewalk murals created by area students for the purpose of educating residents about the importance of clean stormwater. See attached examples that were included of various communities throughout the U.S. that have done similar programs.

The intent of the discussion would be to determine if the commission wants to move forward with this.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Stormwater Art Project Proposal (PDF)
- Stormwater Art Project Proposal Examples (PDF)

STORMWATER ART PROJECT PROPOSAL

Background:

- The Fox River is De Pere's most treasured resource, attracting residents and recreationalists to our community. The beauty and well-being of the river are essential to the long-term sustainability of the community.
- De Pere's stormwater is not treated before it flows into the Fox River. To comply with our Wisconsin DNR license, the city must educate residents about the importance of keeping stormwater clean.
- The US Environmental Protection Agency has identified stormwater as the biggest pollution threat to surface water nationwide. Stormwater picks up pollutants such as litter or fertilizers as it flows over the ground, down storm drains, and directly into the freshwater.

Proposal Summary:

- A collaboration between the De Pere Sustainability Commission and the Definitely De Pere Public Art Committee to coordinate a public art campaign featuring downtown sidewalk murals created by area students for the purpose of educating residents about the importance of clean stormwater.

Project Details:

- Designate approximately 20 locations on downtown sidewalks near stormwater inlets to be painted in the summer of 2020. Locations and timeline would coincide with the De Pere Sculpture Walk.
- Promote call for submissions through East and West De Pere High School and the St. Norbert art department. Selected artists would execute designs under the supervision of Definitely De Pere's public art committee and professional artist mentors from the area.
- Sidewalk murals would be semi-permanent with the expectation that they will fade overtime due to weather.

Collaboration Overview:

- Definitely De Pere Public Art Committee would commit to:
 - Supplying and managing the project budget
 - Co-selecting mural locations with Public Works personnel
 - Creating a project description and call for submissions
 - Coordinating with local schools to generate submissions
 - Overseeing selection of artists and designs
 - Recruiting professional artists to mentor selected student artists
 - Promoting the project to the press and community
- Sustainability Commission would commit to:
 - Co-selecting mural locations with Definitely De Pere Public Art Committee
 - Reviewing project with City Attorney

- Educating student artists about stormwater (likely classroom presentations) to inform their designs
- Promoting the project to the press and community

Possible Extensions:

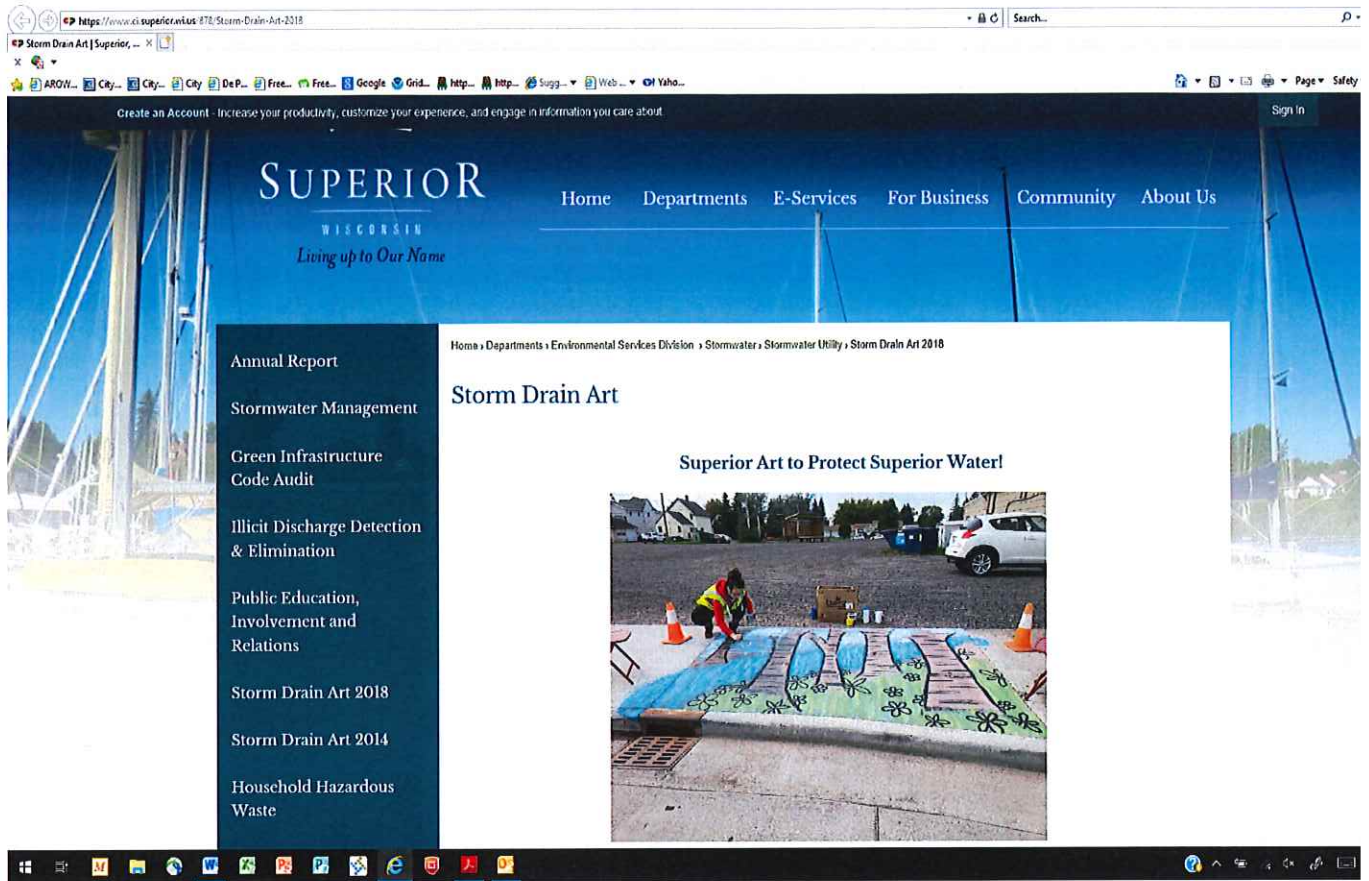
- People's choice or jury awards for student artists.
- Repeat project in 2-3 years with new group of students.

Examples:

- <https://www.ci.superior.wi.us/878/Storm-Drain-Art-2018>
- <https://www.siouxfalls.org/public-works/environmental-recycling-hazardous/inlet-painting>
- <https://www.roanokeva.gov/2290/Stormdrain-Inlet-Art>
- <https://coloradosprings.gov/stormdrainart>
- <https://bluewaterbaltimore.org/learn/programs-and-projects/storm-drain-art/>

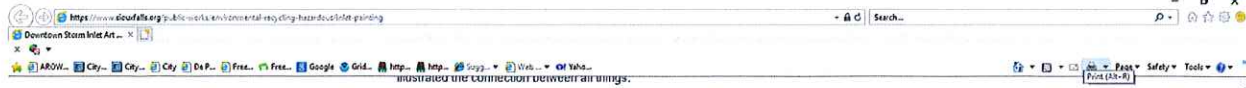
Superior, WI

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Attachment: Stormwater Art Project Proposal Examples (9394 : Recommendation from SC regarding Stormwater Art Project)

Sioux, SD



Len Yan

Water is a big part of our lives, be it from daily consumption or the weather. In this design, at first glance, viewers see rain boots reflected by the shallow puddles of rain. But as we look closer, these pools of water actually house fish, who depend on the same water we come in contact with. This acts as a reminder to pause and reflect on the fact that we share this resource with nature.



I combined geometric shapes with a minimal, bright color palette to create a sense of unity in my design. Some elements are more easily identified, while others are more ambiguous as to whether they are part of nature, or human waste. Some pollution is easy to see, but much of it is invisible to the naked eye.

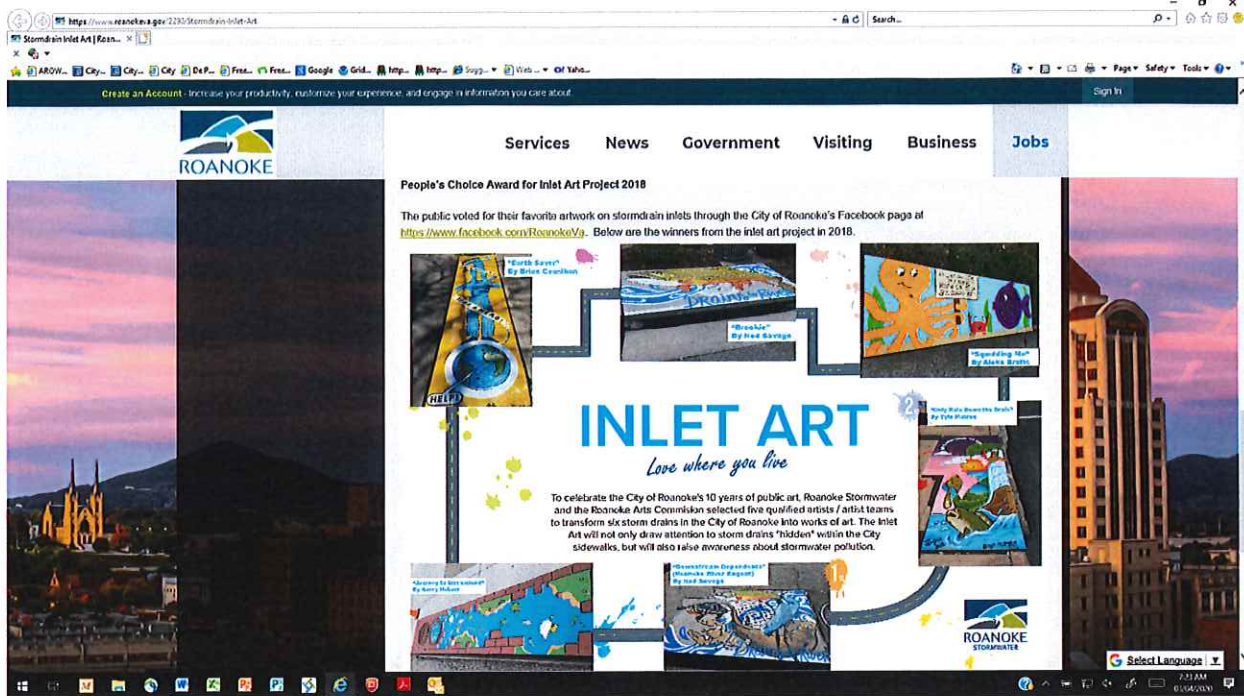


Artist: Carly Ribstein

My proposed design shows a loop between the road and the river, both populated with life. This design reminds viewers where our streets' water leads to, and shows both communities thriving in coexistence.

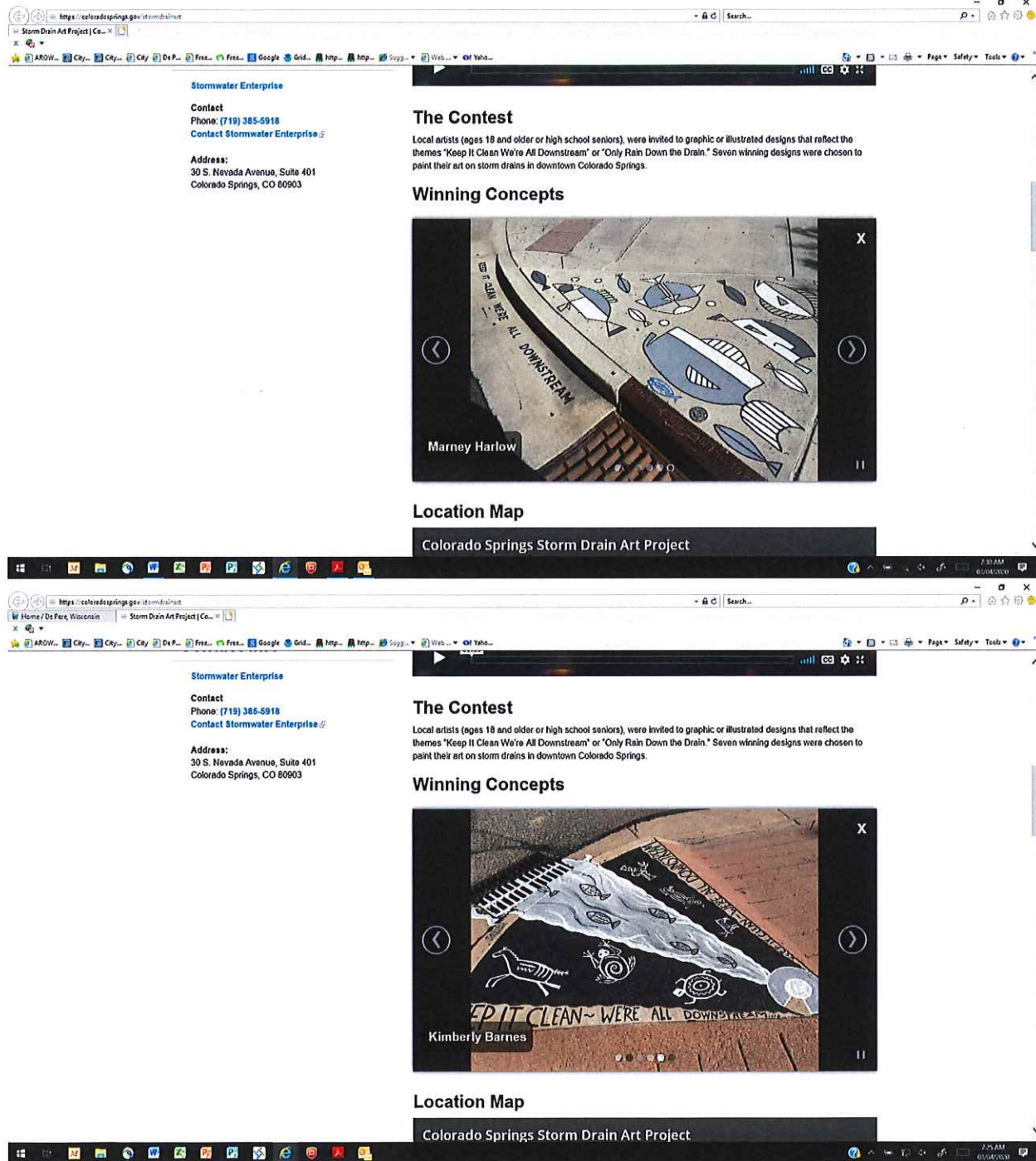


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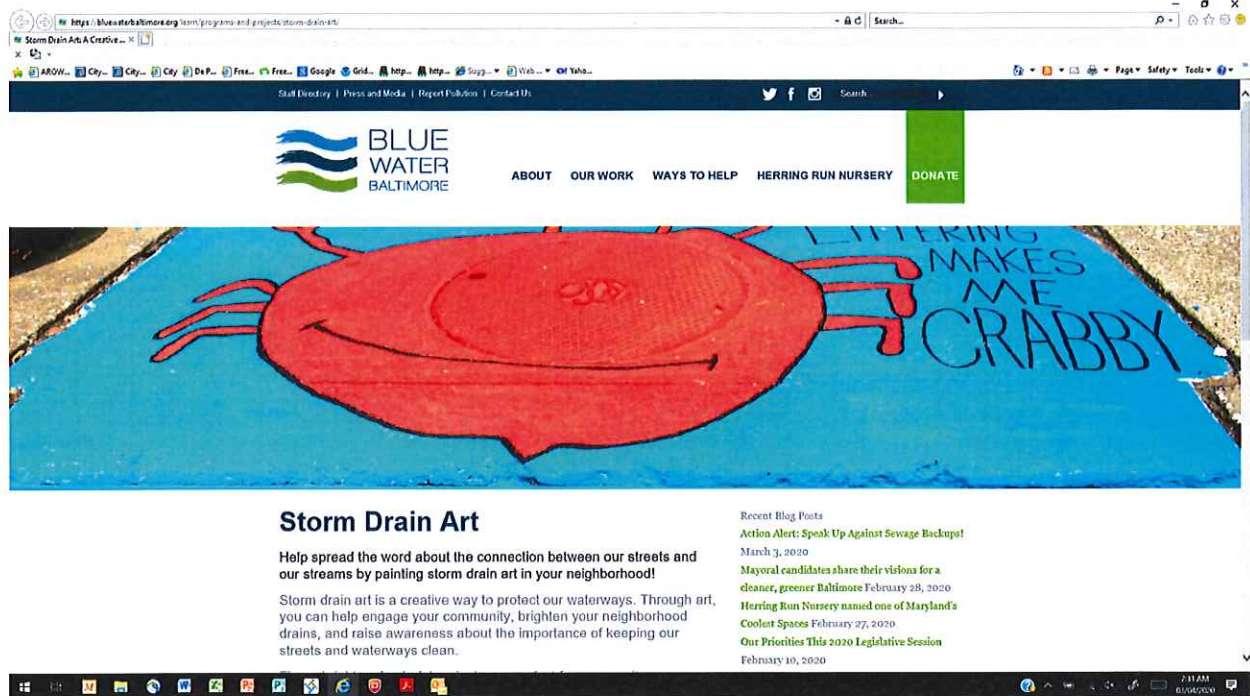


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Minutes

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

7:30 PM

De Pere City Hall Council Chambers

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor Michael J. Walsh.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Michael J. Walsh	Mayor	Present	
James Boyd	Aldersperson	Present	
Dan Carpenter	Aldersperson	Present	
Scott Crevier	Aldersperson	Present	
Jonathon Hansen	Aldersperson	Present	
Ryan Jennings	Aldersperson	Present	
Amy Chandik Kundinger	Aldersperson	Present	
Casey Nelson	Aldersperson	Present	
Dean Raasch	Aldersperson	Present	

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
3. Approval of the minutes of the March 3, 2020 Common Council meeting.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dan Carpenter, Aldersperson
SECONDER:	Casey Nelson, Aldersperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kundinger, Nelson, Raasch

4. Public Hearing on a request for a conditional use permit for Parcels WD-602 and WD-603 at 806 and 808 Ash Street.

A. Notice of Public Hearing.

City Clerk Carey Danen announced that the notice of public hearing was published in the Green Bay Press-Gazette on March 2nd and March 9th, 2020.

B. Recommendation from the Plan Commission.

Development Services Director Dan Lindstrom explained that this request comes from WPS to help expand their capacity for service at this site, which has been vacant for 30 years. Staff spent a significant amount of time with the applicant discussing the impact to the neighborhood, and asked them to revise the plan to reduce noise output. He reported that the Plan Commission will review the site plan at their meeting next Monday.

C. Resolution #20-27 Authorizing and Approving a Conditional Use Permit for a Public Utility and Service Use at 806-808 Ash Street (Parcels WD-602 and WD-603).

Mayor Walsh declared the public hearing open; no one wished to speak so he then declared the public hearing closed. Council members discussed driveway placement and also potential noise levels, especially at night when there is less

traffic noise. Dan explained that the redesign should reduce exterior building noise to less than 60 decibels, and that they expect 49 decibels at the property line.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] WITH CONDITIONS AS OUTLINED BY STAFF
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Scott Crevier, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kundinger, Nelson, Raasch

5. Public comment upon matters not on the agenda and other announcements.

City Clerk Carey Danen provided information on voter registration and absentee voting for the upcoming election.

Mayor Walsh read a statement regarding the proposed state of emergency declaration on tonight's agenda. He explained that the City will continue to provide all essential services, and provide refunds to mitigate program and facility cancellations. Staff anticipates suspending public access to nonessential buildings, and migrating to an internet video-based meeting format. He thanked Health Department Director Deb Armbruster and her staff for the countless hours they have put in so far to keep the City updated on the health crisis. He emphasized that the City is trying to do what is in the best interest of its employees and citizens. He asked citizens to be patient, and urged them to follow health guidelines and do what they can to protect themselves and others.

6. Resolution #20-34 Declaring a State of Emergency in the City of De Pere.

Council members discussed the proposed suspension of video recording of City meetings. City Administrator Larry Delo explained that the intent of this resolution is to give the Mayor and Council President discretion to change things as needed on the fly. If telephonic meetings can be recorded, then the City will provide that. Any proclamations by the mayor would be subject to ratification or modification by Council as soon as they can meet.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Casey Nelson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Amy Chandik Kundinger, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kundinger, Nelson, Raasch

7. Recommendation from the Sustainability Commission to Participate in Trex Plastic Film Recycling Challenge

Public Works Director Scott Thoresen explained that collection bins would be placed in a wind-protected location so that materials are not strewn about, and will be checked by City staff once or twice a week.

He said that deployment of the bins, which was scheduled for May 1st, can be delayed if needed. He will order the bins work with the City's communications specialist to share information with the public.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Casey Nelson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Amy Chandik Kunding, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

8. Recommendation from the Sustainability Commission for a Stormwater Art Project

Alderpersons Carpenter and Raasch questioned the statement in the proposal that the City's stormwater is not treated before flowing into the Fox River, noting that the City's retention ponds meet DNR requirements. Public Works Director Scott Thoresen agreed, explaining that downtown stormwater inlets drain directly to river, so the intent of this proposal is to educate residents about that.

Alderperson Carpenter moved, seconded by Alderperson Raasch to revise the wording of the second bullet point in the Background section of the proposal to clarify that not all of De Pere's stormwater is treated before it flows into the Fox River. Upon vote, the motion to amend was approved unanimously.

Alderperson Hansen asked if Definitely De Pere is going to manage the project budget using funds from the public arts allocation of the excess stadium tax. Scott confirmed this, explaining that invoices will be submitted to his department. Designs will be chosen by the Public Works Director and Definitely De Pere. Scott explained that the project and the potential peoples' choice award component may be delayed due to the current suspension of onsite learning at local schools.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Amy Chandik Kunding, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Jonathon Hansen, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

9. Recommendation from Plan Commission to approve a Proposed Extraterritorial 1 Outlot Certified Survey Map within the 4300 BLK of Monroe Road in the Town of Ledgeview (No Parcel Number, adjacent to D-445).

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Dan Carpenter, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

10. Recommendation from Finance/Personnel Committee to accept a donation from Home Instead Senior Care to the Fire Department in the amount of \$250.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Casey Nelson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	James Boyd, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

11. Recommendation from Finance/Personnel Committee to Accept Donation in the amount of \$250 from Roberta Longlais Memorial Fund to the Fire Department.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jonathon Hansen, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Casey Nelson, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

12. Recommendation from Finance/Personnel Committee to Accept Proposed Eagle Scout project for Fire Department Station #2.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Scott Crevier, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

13. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works to approve purchasing a Fleet Maintenance Truck

Public Works Director Scott Thoresen answered questions about the bid amount and the trade in value of the current vehicle.

Alderperson Hansen asked if there was any impact on City staff with the proposed delay in purchasing a new welding exhaust fan. Maintenance Supervisor Tom Blohowiak said the existing fan is still in working order and provides safe conditions for City employees. Alderperson Hansen made a motion to amend the original motion in order to purchase both the truck and the exhaust fan, using undesignated reserves to cover the overage. City Attorney Judy Schmidt-Lehman explained that the purchase of the exhaust fan is not on the agenda for this meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Casey Nelson, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Dan Carpenter, Alderperson
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16. Recommendation from the Board of Public Works to Award Contract 20-04 Honeysuckle Acres Fourth Addition Subdivision Construction to Feaker & Sons Co., Inc. in the amount of \$870,664.20.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Scott Crevier, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

17. Ordinance #20-02 Amending Chapter 150 De Pere Municipal Code Regarding Traffic Regulations.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jonathon Hansen, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Casey Nelson, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

18. Resolution #20-28 Authorizing Development Agreement Among Southbridge Properties, LLC, Innovation Properties Two LLC, and the City of De Pere (Innovation Court).

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Dan Carpenter, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

19. Resolution #20-29 Authorizing Agreement for Noxious Weed/Long Grass Cutting Services Between the City of De Pere and Lizer of Wisconsin, Inc.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Dan Carpenter, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

20. Resolution #20-30 Approving Annual Report Under Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit and its Submission to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jonathon Hansen, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Casey Nelson, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

21. Resolution #20-31 Authorizing State/Municipal Finance Agreement with Wisconsin Department of Transportation for Main Avenue & Fourth Street Signal Retrofit Project.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Scott Crevier, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

22. Resolution #20-32 Authorizing Submission of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Urban Nonpoint Source and Storm Water Management Grant Application.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Amy Chandik Kunding, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

23. Operator License Applications.

Alderperson Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Carpenter to table Previously Tabled applications #1, 2, 3, & 5. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Alderperson Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Hansen to approve Previously Tabled application #4. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Alderperson Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Carpenter to approve New Operator applications #1-4, 6, & 7. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Alderperson Boyd moved, seconded by Alderperson Hansen to table New Operator application #5. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

24. Voucher approval.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Dean Raasch, Alderperson
SECONDER:	Scott Crevier, Alderperson
AYES:	Boyd, Carpenter, Crevier, Hansen, Jennings, Kunding, Nelson, Raasch

25. Future agenda items.
None.

26. Resolution #20-33 Authorizing Personal Property Tax Refund (Aldi, Inc. - 1100 Main Avenue). Note: This Resolution will only be taken up by the Council if the claimed tax refund is acted on and approved by the Council

Alderson Raasch moved, seconded by Alderson Crevier to close the meeting at 8:23 PM. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Alderson Raasch moved, seconded by Alderson Carpenter to open the meeting at 8:26 PM. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Walsh asked for a motion and none was made.

27. Adjournment.

Alderson Raasch moved, seconded by Alderson Crevier to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 PM. Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Carey Danen, City Clerk



City of De Pere, Wisconsin

Request For Sustainability Commission Action

MEETING DATE: September 12, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Sustainability Commission

FROM: Betty Sellenheim

SUBJECT: Request for Volunteers to Write Social Media Posts for September and October

Meeting recap: by 9/15
Additional topic: by 9/29 (i.e. Fall leaf collection/clean up)
Meeting recap: by 10/13
Additional topic: by 10/27 (i.e. Halloween themed)



City of De Pere, Wisconsin

Request For Sustainability Commission Action

MEETING DATE: September 12, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

FROM: Scott Thoresen

SUBJECT: Discuss 2024 Sustainability Project Funding

The intent of this memo is to update the Commission regarding potential funding of sustainability project(s) to be included in the City's 2024 budget.



City of De Pere, Wisconsin

Request For Sustainability Commission Action

MEETING DATE: September 12, 2023

DEPARTMENT: Sustainability Commission

FROM: Scott Thoresen

SUBJECT: Discuss Clean Air Initiative

Newsletter with edits approved for use 8/22/23

Sign/flyer printed 8/22/23

Press release sent to media 8/22/23

Filming scheduled for 9/7/23

WBAY News article: <https://www.wbay.com/2023/08/29/de-pere-starts-clean-air-initiative/>

Other updates from working group/subcommittee

ATTACHMENTS:

- Newsletter (PDF)
- Idle Citizen 1 (PDF)
- Press Release- Clean Air Initiative 2023 (PDF)

Welcome to the New School Year!

It is with great excitement that the City of De Pere Sustainability Commission welcomes another school year for all! Our focus on sustainability and healthy learning environments has inspired us to create a “Clean Air Campaign” that focuses on a “No Idling” awareness and education modeled after the Environmental Protection Agency’s recommendation for idling practices in regard to the health of all students and staff.

The goal of the clean air campaign is to reduce pollutants and harmful emissions in the air due to idling vehicles in our city. Idling vehicles release emissions that contain air toxins known to cause cancer and other serious health effects. These emissions also contribute to pollution and climate change. We’re asking the public to turn off engines rather than idling. We’re helping to create awareness at schools as they have a high number of idling vehicles before and after school. This simple change will improve the air our children breathe, as well as the air quality in our schools and city.

We are pleased to have the support of the districts two Superintendents, Dennis Krueger and Chris Thompson whom our commissioners met with.

The Environmental Protection Agency’s “Idle Free Toolkit for Schools” recommendation is as follows:

- When waiting for students to be picked up, all engines should be shut off.
- All drivers should turn off engines when they arrive at school and when they expect to be parked for more than 10 seconds.
- If idling is necessary for temperature control, please restrict it to no more than 5 minutes.

This is an educational campaign for all of us and we very much appreciate your support for our students and environment. Give us a wave if you see us with the schools “Green Teams” creating awareness during pick up times!

We look forward to a safe and healthy school year for all!

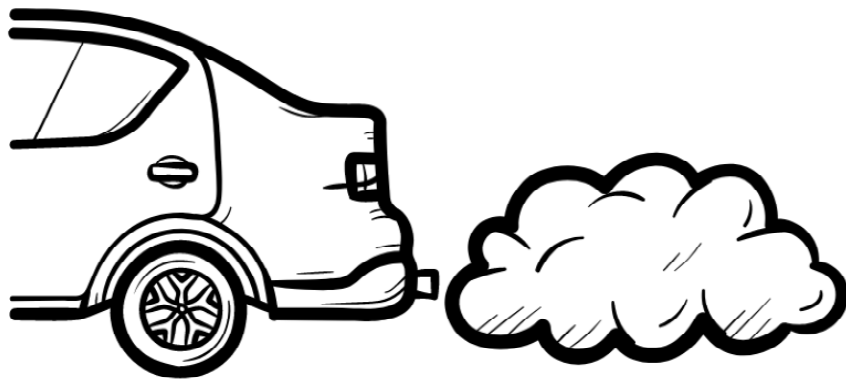
Sincerely,

The City of De Pere’s Sustainability Commission

DON'T SIT IDLE-LY BY

BECOME THE IDLE CITIZEN BY
TURNING YOUR CAR OFF
WHILE YOU WAIT

#cleanaircleanlungs



SCAN ME



De Pere Sustainability
Commission

PRESS RELEASE

For Immediate Release: August 22, 2023

City of De Pere
335 South Broadway
De Pere, WI 54115-1199
www.deperewi.gov



City of De Pere Sustainability Commission Looks to Increase Awareness about Idling

Don't sit IDLE-ly by

DE PERE, WIS. – The Sustainability Commission for the City of De Pere has started a Clean Air Initiative which includes bringing awareness to the importance of reducing how much a car idles. The emissions from our cars contain carcinogenic air toxins that affect everyone but can be especially bad for people with asthma or who are immunocompromised.

The Sustainability Commission is hoping this awareness project will decrease the idling that occurs city wide. The Commission plans to start by focusing on schools. The health of our students is extremely important, and schools are one of the first places we find the most idling occurring.

Commissioner Jayne Black, champion of this initiative states, "Where we learn matters. Air quality is not always on the minds of parents but we're hoping to change that."

You can find the Commission doing outreach and education over this upcoming year as we work to bring more awareness about this important topic. You can find more information on the [Sustainability Commission website](#).

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