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Preserving Quality Of Life

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Economic Development Board: November 28 – 8:00 A.M. (**Agenda**)

Park & Open Space Board: November 29 – 6:30 P.M. (**Agenda**)

Planning Commission: December 4 – 6:00 P.M.

Board of Appeals: December 7 – 6:00 P.M.

Town Center Neighborhood Streetscape Project Update



The Town Center Neighborhood Streetscape Improvement Project initiated in April of 2023 is on schedule and on budget. The project is funded through the Tax Increment Finance District (TID) designated for the neighborhood. Property values within the TID reached a total increase in value of \$186M as of January 1, 2023, which is an increase in value of 286% since the District's inception. Additionally, the TID will close on time (in either 2027 or 2028) and with a positive cash balance. Many of the features included in this year's work have also been installed when various private redevelopment projects were constructed in the neighborhood, dating back to 2016. Overall, the project is an excellent example of a public-private partnership driving results in a thoughtful and systematic manner. The Streetscape Project initiated this year accomplishes the following in areas of the neighborhood that are publicly owned:

- Enhanced traffic signals, crosswalks and queuing for pedestrians at Mequon Road's intersection with Buntrock Avenue, Weston Drive and Cedarburg Road
- Narrowing of travel lanes to add bike lanes, sidewalk and landscape terrace areas
- Removal of overhead utilities and associated poles
- Installation of new pedestrian and median lighting to enhance visibility
- A revised approach at the Ozaukee Interurban Trail crossing for the safety of bicyclists and pedestrians
- New street trees, landscaping and signage in the median and terrace areas
- A new sidewalk from Mequon Road to Wilson and Steffen schools along Buntrock Avenue, to increase safe accessibility for school children
- Replacement of the former fencing at Opitz Cemetery
- Introduction of decorative brick pavers
- Addition of street furniture and trash receptacles
- Inclusion of new gateway signage, resembling that at Mequon and Cedarburg Roads throughout the neighborhood

Though most work has been wrapped up for the remainder of 2023, utility pole removal and remaining landscaping, signage and lighting will be completed in Spring of 2024.

City Offices Close in Observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday

All non-emergency City offices will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24. All offices will resume normal business hours on Monday, November 27.

Optimist Club Selling Christmas Trees at Public Market



The Mequon-Thiensville Optimist Club will be selling Christmas trees again this year starting Friday, November 24. Please note that their location has changed from the Chase Bank parking lot to outside the Mequon Public Market. The proceeds from this annual fundraiser are used to honor outstanding achievements of Mequon-Thiensville youth in scholarship, athletics, and community service.

Small Business Saturday is November 25



Small Business Saturday is the “Shopping Holiday” between Black Friday and Cyber Monday where consumers are encouraged to #ShopSmall. This year, Small Business Saturday will be observed on Saturday, November 25. The holidays are all about giving – and the best gift you can give local businesses is your support. Get out there and kick off the season in a meaningful way this Saturday!

Thiensville to Host Breakfast with Santa on December 3

Breakfast With Santa returns to Thiensville this year on Sunday, Dec. 3, from 8:00 A.M. to Noon at the Thiensville Fire Station, 250 Elm Street. The event is sponsored by the Thiensville Volunteer Fire Department Corporation. The cost is \$8 for adults and \$6 for children ages 6 to 10. Santa will be available for pictures.

happy
Thanksgiving

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