

City Administrator's Weekly Update

WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 8, 2017

Upcoming Events:

September 11, 4:30 pm Parks Commission City Hall

September 12, 7:00 pm Planning Commission City Hall

September 19, 5:30 pm Council Work Session City Hall

September 19, 7:00 pm City Council Meeting City Hall

September 20, 6:00 pm CAFD Board District Office



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Administration/Finance

Staff is in the process of seeking quotes for health insurance from other providers. All employees are reminded to return their quote applications to Administration no later than Monday, September 11th to facilitate this process.

Negotiations are underway with the Teamsters General Local Union No. 545. Our next session is set for September 12th.

The Housing and Redevelopment Authority's vacancy remains available. This is a 5-year term that expires June 30, 2022. More information on the HRA and application can be found on the City's website under Boards and Commissions. Encourage your friends to apply!

Public Works/Parks

The City received results of the Pollution Control Agency's (PCA) Audit of our Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Program (MS4 Permit) which took place August 1st. PCA staff were so impressed they have decided to highlight our program in their Fall Storm Water Newsletter. A spreadsheet assembled by our Assistant Engineer as a means to track program goals and requirements was of great interest and will now be included in the Minnesota Storm Water Manual for use as a template by other agencies state wide. Nice job, John!

Engineering staff participated in this week's EDA meeting to discuss how the proposed Cloquet Avenue improvements may play a role in downtown revitalization. Staff also participated in a workshop hosted by Carton County as part of the development of their county wide road safety plan.

Community Development

Economic Development

The Cloquet Economic Development Authority (EDA) met and approved a gap financing loan to Viking Properties at 1103 Avenue B. The EDA provided input into a Request for Proposals for the Avenue E former water tower property which will open next week. The EDA drafted criteria for the LDO Fund 201 a business loan fund, and provided additional input into the Downtown Vision Plan which will be brought to the Council for acceptance in the future and will be an important reference for future funding applications (e.g. Cloquet Avenue reconstruction).

Planning and Zoning

Staff researched the 2020 Census Local Update of Census Addresses Operation (LUCA) and completed forms to register the city to participate in the review process. The address list should be coming out from the Census Bureau between February and April 2018 for our approval or corrections. We also reviewed site plans for new garages, home additions and decks.

Building Inspections Services

Staff received plans for review on a commercial remodel on Cloquet Avenue. There were several mechanical and plumbing inspections this week as well as foundation, roofing, and garage inspections.

Dave Hallback, Mayor

City Council:
Jeff Rock, Ward 1
David Bjerkness, Ward 2
Roger Maki, Ward 3
Kerry Kolodge, Ward 4
Steve Langley, Ward 5
Adam Bailey, At Large

James Barclay, Interim City Administrator 1307 Cloquet Avenue Cloquet, MN 55720 (218)879-3347 jbarclay@ cloquetmn.gov

Library

Fall "Story times" begin on Tuesday, September 12th. There will be preschool story times every Tuesday and Wednesday at 10:15 a.m. There will be a Senor Surf Day on Friday, September 15th at 9:00 a.m.

The Library Board will be interviewing candidates for the Library Director position on Friday, September 15, from noon to 5 p.m.

"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."

- African proverb

Other Information Attached:

* August Building Permits

Monthly report of August 2017

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Туре	Permits		
	Number Issued	Value	Amount
ADMIN COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	4	33 696.00	639.60
ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT	8	21 950.00	644.68
BUILDING NEW RESIDENTIAL	2	37 000.00	633.00
BUILDING PERMIT ADDITION OR REMODEL	1	30 000.00	496.75
BUILDING PERMIT DECK	1	1 296.00	88.55
BUILDING PERMIT NEW GARAGE	2	39 000.00	728.00
MECHANICAL PERMIT	13	0.00	600.00
PLUMBING	6	0.00	320.00
REROOF OR RESIDE	27	0.00	2 727.00
SCANLON FENCE PERMIT (ZONING)	2	0.00	50.00
SCANLON RES ADMIN	1	557.00	26.33
SIGN	2	0.00	32.00
ZONING - Accessory Building Site Location	4	0.00	100.00
ZONING - FENCE PERMIT	5	0.00	125.00
Total	78	163 499.00	7 210.91

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Туре	Permits		
	Number Issued	Value	Amount
ADMIN COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	6	123 434.00	1 745.47
ADMINISTRATIVE PERMIT	16	51 421.00	1 301.42
BUILDING PERMIT NEW COMMERCIAL	1	8 500.00	171.50
BUILDING PERMIT NEW GARAGE	2	80 000.00	1 205.50
MECHANICAL PERMIT	9	0.00	340.00
PLUMBING	4	0.00	115.00
REROOF OR RESIDE	15	0.00	1 615.00
SIGN	2	0.00	57.00
ZONING - FENCE PERMIT	3	0.00	50.00
Total	58	263 355.00	6 600.89