

NOTICE OF COMMON COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD
5:15 P.M., MONDAY, SEPT 23, 2019
LADYSMITH COUNCIL CHAMBER
107 WEST SECOND STREET SOUTH
LADYSMITH, WISCONSIN



Invitations to: Council members, Mayor, City Atty., Adm., DPW, Asst. DPW, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Georgie Anderson, media.

AGENDA

- 1) Call to order at **5:15 p.m.**
- 2) Roll call and Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) Minutes:
 - a. Approve September 9, 2019, Council minutes. pp.3-6
 - b. Action to approve revision to minutes of July 8, 2019, meeting to reference Ordinance #2019-02, rather than Resolution #2019-13.
- 4) Approval of the evening's agenda.
- 5) Introduction of guests, hearings.
 - a. Sept. 23-Official Public Hearing on Community Center Study.
 - b. Appearance by Westlake Enterprises representative.
- 6) Public comments.
- 7) Action on Resolutions, Ordinances and other selected matters.
 - a. Action on Resolution #2019-15 to close alley.p.7
 - b. Action on Res. #2019-16 approving the Community Center Feas. Study.p.8
- 8) License and Permits
 - a. Action on renewal of all liquor licenses and all operator's licenses and applications, for changes of agent, on application for fermented malt beverage or liquor licenses, including picnic licenses, and including requests for new alcohol beverage licenses.
 - b. Chamber beer, wine and cheese event.
- 9) District One/Finance Comm./Library Board/Plan. Comm.
 - a. Report on Library Board business/meeting.
 - b. Report on Sept. 12 and 19, Finance Comm. business/meetings. p.9
 - c. Report on Cemetery Board meeting/business.
 - d. Approve monthly invoices.
- 10) District Two/Property Committee.
 - a. Report on Sept. 23, Property Committee meetings/business. pp.10-11
 - b. Report on Animal Control meetings/business.
 - c. Action on recommendation to repaint alley bollards for \$300 and Rockwell wall and doors for \$460.
 - d. Action on recommendation to seek \$1,000/mo. rent for ambulance garage.
- 11) District Three/Property/ Emergency Government/Joint Management.
 - a. Report on Community Dev./ Ethics meetings/business.
 - b. Report on Planning Commission meeting/business.
 - c. Report on Park Board meeting/business.
- 12) District Four/Farmer's Mkt./Community Dev./Tourism Commission.
 - a. Note Personnel Committee to meet with P&FC re: LPD contract renewal.

- b. Report on Farmer's Market meeting/business.
 - c. Tourism Comm. meeting/business.
 - d. Action on recommendation to grant Councilman Morgan a leave of absence starting immediately.
- 13) District Five/Legal Affairs/Police and Fire/RLF Board.
- a. Report on Legal Affairs meeting/business.
 - b. Report on Housing Revolving Loan Fund Board meeting/business.
 - c. Report on Police and Fire meeting/business.
 - d. Action on Legal Affairs recommendation to reduce fine/forfeiture for possession of marijuana or smoking materials to \$10 plus costs.
- 14) District Six/Public Works Committee/Cemetery/Ethics/Transit.
- a. Report on Public Works/ Transit meeting/business.
 - b. Report on Sept. All Committees meeting/business. pp.12-15
 - c. Report on Rusk Co. Emergency Govt./Emer. Planning meeting/business.
- 15) District Seven/Youth and Recreation.
- a. Report on Board of Review meeting/business.
 - b. Report on Joint Management meeting/business.
 - c. Report on Youth and Recreation meeting/business.
- 16) Police and Fire Department Reports.
- 17) Public Works and Building Inspection Report.
- a. Updates on current activities.
 - b. Action on Haas Change Orders, if any, for work on the Worden/Fritz rebuild; Summit Ave. rebuild; or, Fritz Ave. repave project.
 - c. Action to reject all bids for Barnett and Gustafson Rd. resurfacing and plan to include all or a portion of it in 2020 street work plan.
 - d. Action to award contract for Welcome sign replacement.
- 18) Administrative Report.
- a. Clarify that, for now, CDBG grant rate has been reduced to \$2 local/\$1 grant.
 - b. Action to budget in 2020 for purchase of 10 City flags.
 - c. Action on recommendation to approve preparation of draft CDBG application seeking assistance to convert a portion of the former LES to community center, as a professional service cost to TIFD #8, whose halo zone school is located in.
 - d. Action to approve expenditure of \$4,300 to draft memorandums of understanding that would become part of application referenced in c., above.
- 19) Attorney's Report.
- 20) Mayor's Comments.
- a. Possible action to allow special assessments to count at required matching funds for façade assistance program.
- 21) a. Action to go into Closed Session under authority granted in S. 19.85 (1) (e), Wis. Stats. to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public property, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a Closed Session; to wit; to consider details of negotiation on potential sale of City property located along E. 2nd St.
- 22) Return to Open Session and action on matter considered in Closed Session
- 24) Adjourn.

Prepared on 09/18/2019 by A. Christianson 1

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RESOLUTION #2019-15

TO VACATE A PORTION OF PLATTED BUT UNDEVELOPED ALLEY

Whereas, S. 66.1003 Wis. Stats. grants authority to Wisconsin municipalities to discontinue public ways, including alleys, within their jurisdictions.

Whereas, the City of Ladysmith is in receipt of a Request from the owners of the following described portion of alley, wherein they seek closure of this portion, which was platted decades ago, but never developed:

The north 100 feet of the alley in Block 14 of New Flambeau Addition to Ladysmith.

Whereas, the aforementioned owners own 100% of the frontage abutting the above described alley and under these circumstances Wisconsin Statutes allow closure of such alley by Council action without notice to other nearby owners and without a Public Hearing on same.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Ladysmith that it does hereby close the above described alley, and that it does hereby direct City staff to amend the City map and other pertinent records to indicate this closure.

Motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to adopt this resolution. Roll call vote: Platteter-____; Morgan-____; Groothousen-____; Fields-____; Stoneberg-____; Hraban-____; Reynolds-____.

Motion _____.

Signed: _____
Alan Christianson, Mayor

Attest: _____
Al Christianson, Adm.-Dep. Clerk

Drafted on
September 16, 2019 by
Al Christianson
Ladysmith City Adm.

RESOLUTION #2019-16

ADOPTING COMMUNITY CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY

WHEREAS, in the past couple years, two of the most substantial public facilities in the City of Ladysmith ceased to be used for the purposes for which they were originally built and served for decades:

- The former Ladysmith Elementary School at 624 E. 6th St. S., originally built in 1958.
- The former U.S. Army Reserve Center at 819 Summit Ave. W., originally built in 1972.

WHEREAS, the City has an ongoing need for a Community Center, a role which each of these facilities helped fill to some degree in the past.

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program operated by the Wisconsin Dept. of Administration (WDOA) provides assistance to Wisconsin cities for planning projects to address identified community needs.

WHEREAS, the City held a Public Hearing on a proposed application for CDBG assistance on August 13, 2018, also adopted Resolution #2018-19 on August 13, 2018, authorizing application to WDOA for assistance to evaluate the feasibility of converting one of the above facilities into a community center.

WHEREAS, the City's application for assistance was filed and a grant of \$25,000 was awarded on September 14, 2018; the City signed acceptance of the Award on September 26, 2018; and, the City entered into a Planning Grant Agreement with WDOA on November 20, 2018.

WHEREAS, the City used this grant award to contract with Short Elliott Hendrickson to assist it to complete a study of both facilities to determine which, if either, is suitable for conversion to a community center, which study has, over the course of the past several months, now been completed.

WHEREAS, during the course of this effort an initial "kick off" meeting was held January 4, 2019; a presentation meeting was held on August 12, 2019; and, a final public hearing was held September 23, 2019.

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Ladysmith does hereby find that the results of this Community Center Feasibility Study have accomplished what was intended and identified the non-classroom portions of the former Elementary School as well suited to conversion into a community center that can serve the City well for the upcoming planning period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Ladysmith that it does hereby accept the aforesaid Community Center Feasibility Study as its policy position as regards development of a community center going forward.

_____ by _____ vote at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Common Council held the 23rd day of September, 2019.

Signed: _____
Alan Christianson 2
Mayor

Attest: _____
Al Christianson 1
Administrator-Dep. Clerk