

# **Planning + Economic Development** = Vibrant Public Spaces

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**Community Outreach & Services Assistant** 



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forum planned for Oct. 30 "If we can excite this community, that's 70 percent of the job."

#### **Bob Duffy**

City of Oconomowoc Bureau of Economic **Development Director** 

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Third downtown vision

City of Oconomowoc - Everyone

interested in downtown Oconomowoc

is encouraged to participate in a

downtown vision forum at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 30, at the Oconomowoe

Community Center, 324 W. Wisconsin

The city is working with Schreiber/

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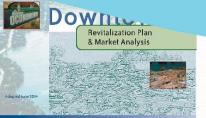


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### Created a Downtown Vision

#### Branding the Downtown

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Downtown Oconomowoc is the historic center and heart of the community where all facets of community life come together: retail, services, government, neighborhoods, employment, transportation and recreation.

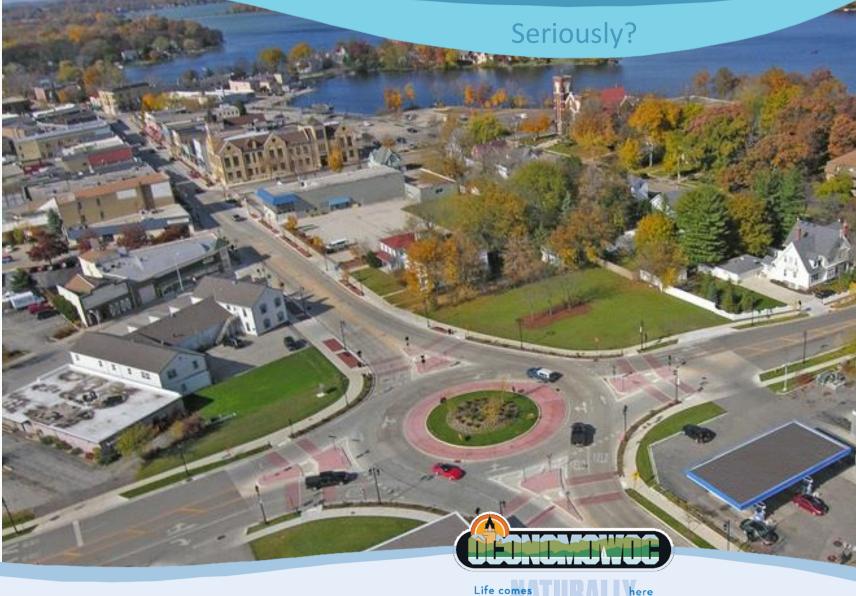
More than any other part of the city, the downtown defines Oconomowoc as a community.





## A Roundabout in Downtown





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#### **Downtown Reconstruction**



#### **Downtown Reconstruction**

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### **Downtown Reconstruction**



## **The Finished Product**



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## Public Investment



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## Gateways [east side]



### Gateways [west side]



## City's Home on the Lake



## Vision for Improved City Center



# Existing Village Green



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# Existing Village Green



## Waterfront Concept



#### **Veterans Memorial Park**



#### Dedicated 10.18.15

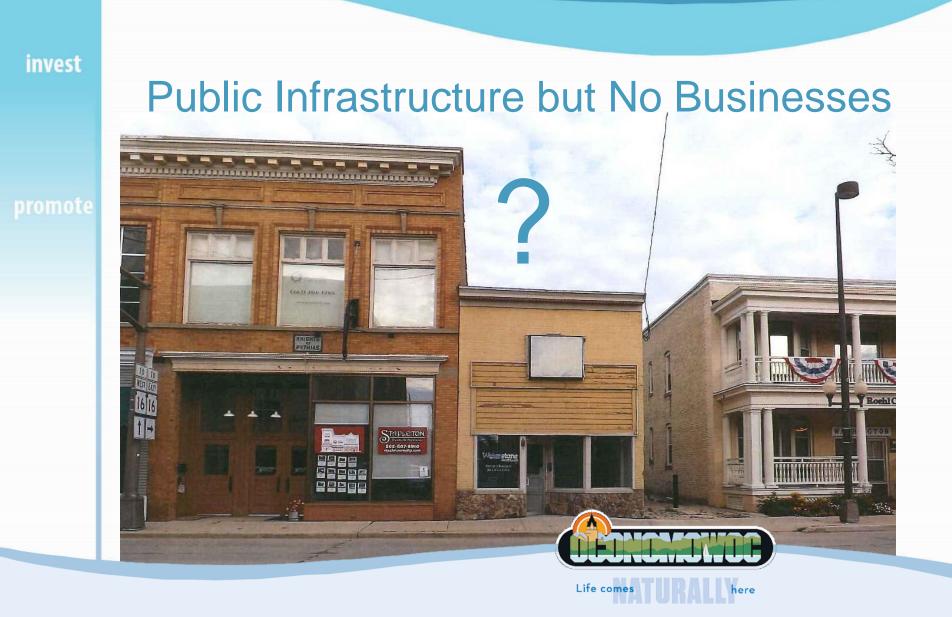
#### \$500,000 project

Work is ongoing to include more local service members names





#### Now what?



### **Downtown Loan Pool**

#### **Public/Private Partnership**

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Resulted in 26 new businesses • downtown since 2010

Downtown Oconomowoc Business Loan Pool Provided By:



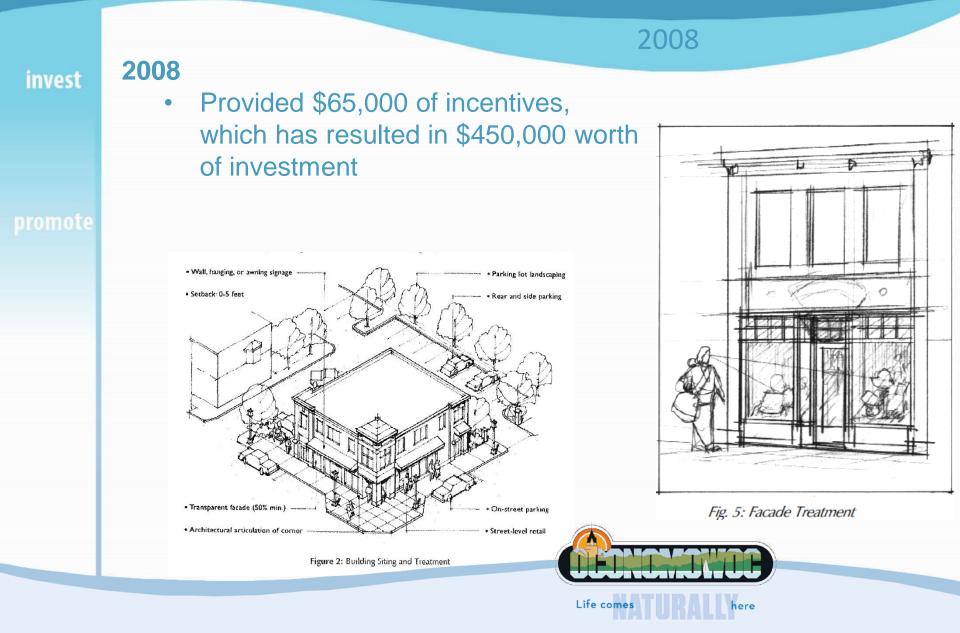
In Conjunction With:



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## Façade Improvement Program



#### **Proof of Business Investment**



## **Downtown Design Guidelines**



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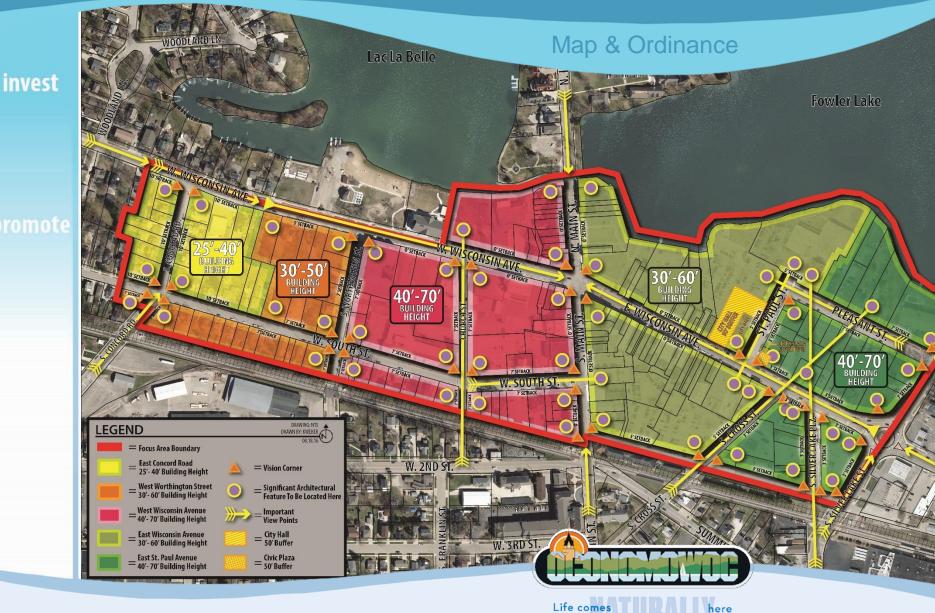
## What's changed in Downtown?



# What's changed in Downtown?



## **Downtown in Progress**



## **Obtain the NEW Skills Needed**



#### 2013: Existing Assistant Planner Position [KRISTI]

- Updated description based on needs
- Planner / Community Development Specialist
  - Assistant / Project Planner
  - Economic Development

#### 2014: NEW Position [PAIGE]

- Created job description based on needs
- Community Outreach & Services Assistant
  - Parks, Recreation and Forestry
  - Tourism

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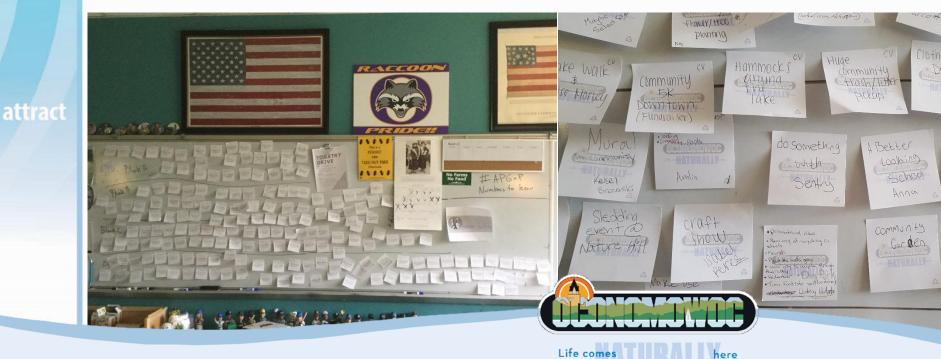
## **Start Simple**



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- Get the information out there
- USE what you got
  - What are residents doing?
  - Where are they?



## Start Simple: Website



### Start Simple: Website

#### Keep it Relevant

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## Start Simple: Website

#### **Analytics**

#### Keep it Relevant

- Progressive Stats
- Goal: To Stay Progressive with the demands of our residents

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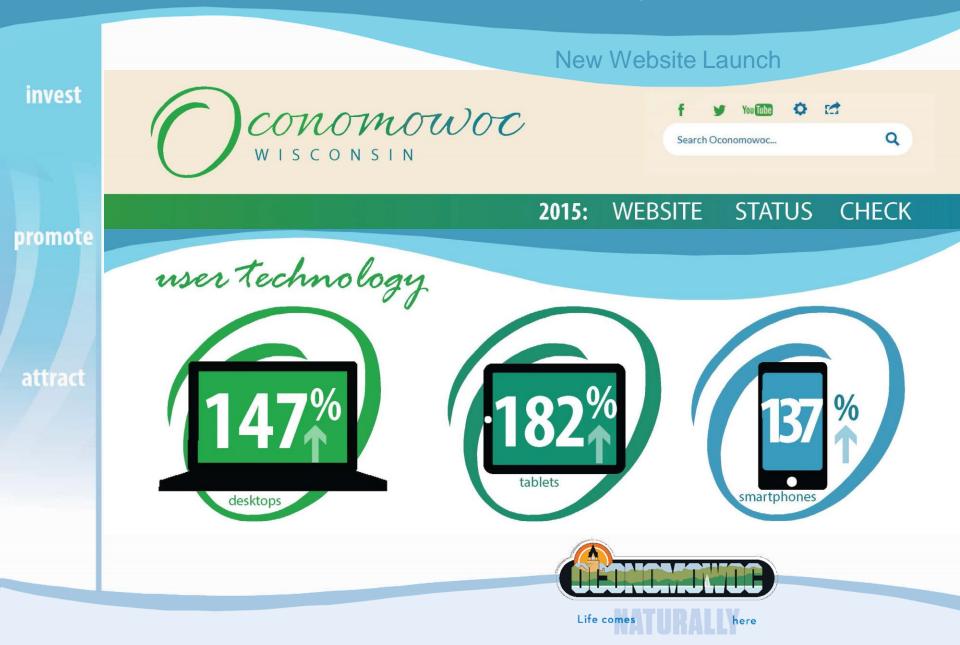
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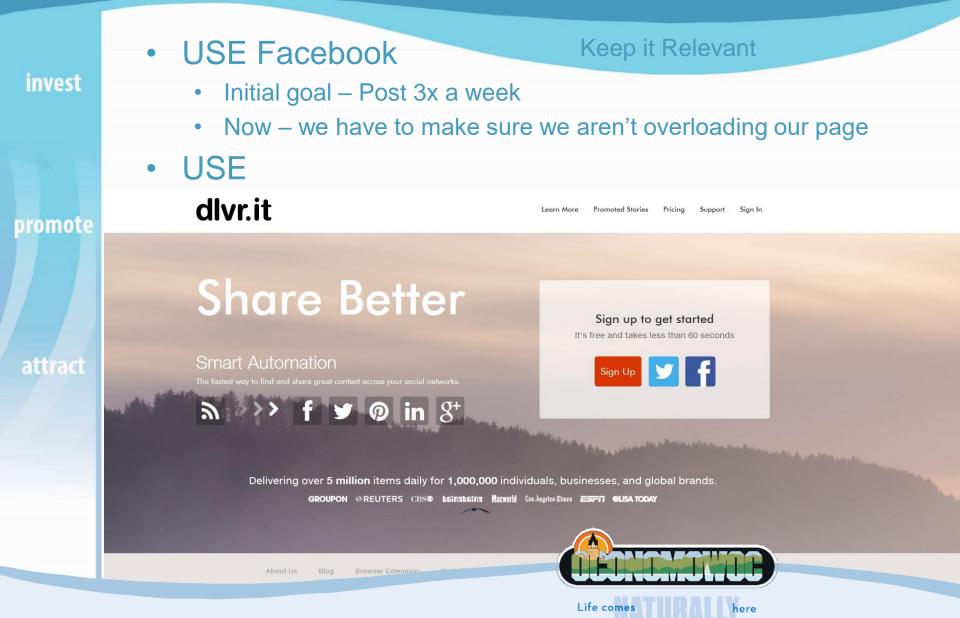
## Redesign: Website



### **NEW** Website Analytics



### Start Simple: Social Media



## **Tourism:** Travel Wisconsin



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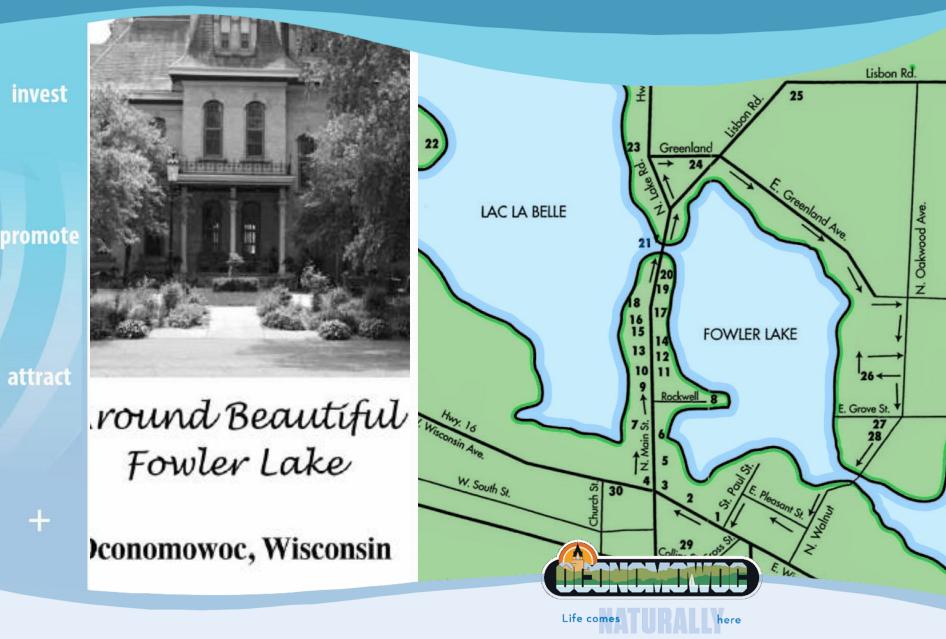
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## **Tourism:** Travel Wisconsin



## Historic Walking Tour



# **Blooming Guides**

#### **PROPOSED LOCATIONS**

City Parks: No permit needed

Waukesha County Trailheads: Parks & Recreation to Verify

#### ESTIMATED COST [per Leaf]

TOTAL:	\$56-62
Paint (quart):	\$18
MDF (one board):	\$6-12
Yard Stake:	\$8
Information Box:	\$24



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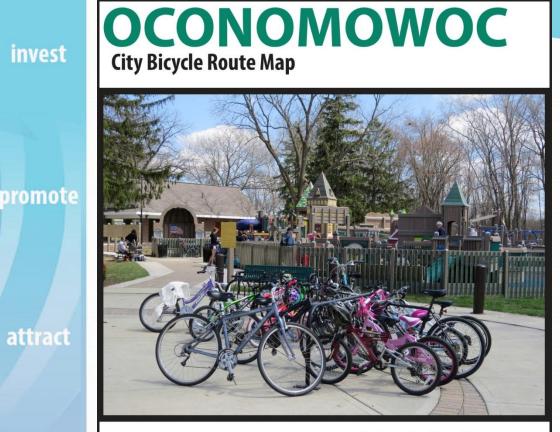


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## New Bike Map



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Explore the City of Oconomowoc All Routes Connect to Downtown Information on connections outside the city

- Ongoing project to enhance bicycling opportunities in the city.
- Funded through tourism to promote biking as a destination activity.
- Teamed with local group, Greener Oconomowoc's Walk and Bike Committee to create routes.

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## New Bike Map



## Start Simple: Empty Walls?



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#### Hallway Art

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### **Downtown Branding**



## Respond to the 'Common Complaint'



## Start Simple: 'FREE' City App



# Start Simple: 'FREE' City App



# City App



# City App FAIL = Social Media Icon



## Tell YOUR Story

**Our own Photo Shoots** 

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# CONNECTING

#### COMES NATURALLY HERE

Connect with friends and family while enjoying a tasteful mix of restaurants and eateries, offering ethnic and classic American cuisine, not to mention an artful collection of handmade specialty shops and galleries

## Start Simple: Newsletter

#### Keep it Relevant

#### PLANNING DEPARTMENT

#### The City is Abuzz with New Projects

#### **Development Update**

- The Glen of Oconomowoc Condos on Lisbon Road
- Pine Ridge Estates Single-family homes, Lisbon Road
- Prairie Creek Ridge Single-family homes, Lake Drive
- Shorehaven Expansion, W. Wisconsin Avenue
- Retreat at Prairie Creek Apartments on Lisbon Road
- Lexington Square Apartments on Snyder Way
- View at Pine Ridge, Phase II Elderly Care, Lisbon Road





#### Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Bell Tower, Rendering

#### **Recently Approved Businesses**

The City continues to fill vacant buildings with new businesses. Here is a sample of recently approved businesses.

- Paddleboard Specialists 1217 W. Wisconsin Avenue
- Buena Vista Bar & Grill 685 E. Valley Road
- KatDawgs 419 W. Wisconsin Avenue
- Hammer Down 128 Silver Lake Plaza
- Guardian Software 109 S. Concord Road . . .
- Raw Beauty Salon 211 W. Second Street







#### Interested in a Home Based Business?

Referred to as "Home Occupations," the City allows residents to work from their homes, without approvals or permits, as long as they comply with the following:

- Cannot occupy more than 50% of the home floor area. Only one (1) person other than those living in the home
- may be employed in the home occupation. Shall not serve more than one (1) client at a time
- Any traffic generated by the home occupation shall be minimal and normal for a residential neighborhood. No outdoor storage is permitted.
- It may have one (1) non-illuminated sign not exceeding two (2) square feet in area (sign permit required).
- Cannot create a nuisance (noise, odor, vibrations, etc.)

#### **CITY ALDERMEN** May 719-5760 Dav

**First District** 

Derek Zwart Jeff Schmidt

Second District Ken Herro

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**Fourth District** 

#### (262) 719-8430 (262) 567-0238 John Gross

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Fire Department	(262) 569-6428
Human Resources	(262) 569-3225
Library	(262) 569-2193
Parks, Rec. & Forestry	(262) 569-2199
Planning & Zoning	(262) 569-2166
Police Department	(262) 567-4401
Electric & Water Utility	(262) 569-2196
Wastewater	(262) 569-2192
Public Works	(262) 569-2189

#### From Our Staff to Your Home

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What a great city we live in! Our fall-winter newsletter is a great example of the amazing partnerships we have in this community. Check out Parks news to see the work that our community has done in partnership with our Parks Department to improve our green spaces.

We care greatly about our lakes and rivers, too. The Wastewater Department shares more exciting news on our watershed protection program and its continued successes.

Development has not slowed down in the city. Check out the exciting news our Planning Department has shared about new development projects.

#### We're getting even more Social! Connect with Us!

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Twitter: Loads of info, in shorter

format for those of you who like

it that way. @WI Oconomowoc

Snapchat: Our latest social

media venture. WI\_Oconomowoc

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YouTube: Watch and learn. Watch and enjoy. Just watch. You never know what we'll put up there and where we take our city GoPro

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#### **Third District** Michael Miller

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- David Nold, Mayor

Instagram: Who doesn't like beautiful photos? Who doesn't like beautiful photos of

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You next! Oconomowoc WI

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## Partnerships / Sponsorships

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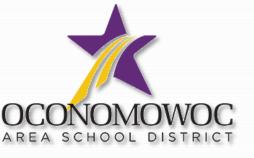
Lots of in-kind donations
and time

Who gets publicized on City's Website Calendar & Social Media?

- Partnerships
- Sponsorships

We aren't alone...









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#### **Generous Donations**

#### **Downtown Holiday Lights**

 Downtown sparkles thanks to donation from Barb and Bill Mielke



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## **Chili-Fest**



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## **Farmers Markets**

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# Music at City Beach



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#### **Tuesday** August 16<sup>th</sup>

#### Kid's Fest

Roosevelt Park ~ 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free Family Entertainment, Refreshments, Inflatables and Games. www.facebook.com/Oconomowoc-Kids-Fest

#### Kid's Day

City Beach ~ 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. Free Fun Beach Activities Sandcastle Contest at 3 p.m. www.oconomowoc-wi.gov/parks

# August 17<sup>th</sup>

Mid-Week Farmer's Market Village Green ~ 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. Fresh \* Local \* Fun www.oconomowoc.org

> **Yoga on the Green** Village Green ~ 6 p.m. Free, Donations Welcomed

**Legion Band Concert** 

### Create a Brochure

#### hursday August 18<sup>th</sup>

**Badgerland Water Ski Show** Fowler Park ~ 6 p.m. Enjoy the Free Show www.badgerland.org

**Moonlit Movies** Downtown ~ Dusk Free Family Movie on a Giant Screen in the Street www.moonlitmovies.org

#### /\_\_\_\_riday August 19<sup>th</sup>

Free Fridays City Beach ~ 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Free Stand-Up Paddleboarding

Bands at the Beach City Beach ~ 7 p.m. Featuring Highfield Drive www.cconomowoc-wi.gov/parks

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August 20<sup>th</sup>

Farmer's Market Downtown, South Parking Lot ~ 7:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. www.oconomowoc.org

Festival of the Arts Fowler Park ~ 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. www.oconomowocarts.org

#### Fowler Lake Pontoon Boat Shuttle

Downtown, North Parking Lot ~ 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. www.downtownoconomowoc.org

Legion Band Concert City Beach ~ 7:30 p.m.

Lineup at Dusk

Light Up the Lake Boat Parade & Fireworks City Beach ~





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### Festival of the Arts



# **City Beach**

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#### **Beach Season:**

- Memorial Day to Labor Day
- Beach is groomed and staffed daily during the season.
- Amenities: Transient boat piers, • boat mooring, watercraft rentals, Buddy's Beach Bungalow



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### Parades



## Wizard of Oz



### Wizard of Oz



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## **Moonlit Movies**

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#### In Parks & Downtown



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## **Fall Festival**



# Sister City Relationship



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### **VIDEO:** The Making of the German Christmas Market

#### **Thanksgiving Weekend**

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### **Recent Awards**

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#### **GREAT PLACES IN WISCONSIN**

#### DOWNTOWN OCONOMOWOC

Celebrating a place of exemplary character, quality, and planning. A great place to live, work, socialize, and relax.

2012

Wisconsin Chapter of the American Planning Association

**Great Places in Wisconsin Award** – American Planning Association

**Gaining Recognition** 



**Operational Excellence Award** Wisconsin Green Building Alliance

City & Utility both recognized as **Green Professional** by WI Sustainable Business Council for best practices



### Nerdwallet.com

**Consumer Advocacy Website** 

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### **#1 Community in Wisconsin For Job Seekers**

- City Growth
- Reasonable Cost of Living
- Most People Employed

### **#2 Community in Wisconsin for Young Families**

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- Good Schools
- Affordability
- Community Growth & Prosperity



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## So that's great...now what's next?



- Now, the next generation
  - Snap Chat
  - Instagram

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### Snapchat & Instagram



### So that's great...now what's next?



### **Borrow Ideas – Seriously!**

#### Just Do It

#### Recently installed on Lac La Belle In Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

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**Original Idea** seen in Beaufort, South Carolina

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### **Relocate Ideas**



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## What's Next?

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#### In progress...

- Slip 'N Slide
- Sidewalk Gateways
- Never Wet -Sidewalk Art

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## What's Next?



## ~ Thank You ~

#### Any Questions?



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