



May 22, 2015

Mayor Donald D. Lyons
City Council Members

Dear Mayor Lyons and City Council Members:

Upcoming Meetings: No City Council meeting on Monday 5/25, Memorial Day.

The following report has been prepared to provide you with an update on current issues or projects in progress:

Memorial Day - Monday 5-25

Honor all who serve. The Memorial Day ceremonies and parade will feature guest speaker Leo Flory of Decatur, MI. Flory, a veteran medic of the Viet Nam War is also the author of "Transition to Duty," a book on his experiences. If weather permits, Dowagiac will also experience a fly-over by the Air National Guard if Toledo Ohio. Members of the Dowagiac Union High School Band and the Kalamazoo Pipe Band will also join the parade.

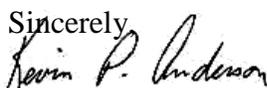
Opening Ceremonies - City Hall	10:30 am
Parade - to Riverside Cemetery	11:00 am

Neighborhood Meetings with Police Department

Steve Grinnwald, Director of Public Services, has organized a number of neighborhood meetings throughout the city with the hope that neighborhoods will share priorities, thoughts, opinions, concerns and questions with regard to the many neighborhoods that form community. Meetings in Wards 1 & 2 took place this week. Steve, Deputy Chief Jarrid Bradford, and Ward 3 City Council members will be available to discuss your neighborhood and community concerns on May 28th @ 7:00 p.m. St. John's Lutheran Church - 603 McCleary St.

Hydrant Flush

Hydrant flushing in the City will continue through the end of June. Flushing of the lines is important so that sediment is removed from the lines, water pressure is verified, and the firefighters are assured that hydrants are working properly and ready should an emergency arise. This flushing may cause some temporary discoloration of water in homes that can be removed by running water for 5-10 minutes.

Sincerely,

Kevin P. Anderson
City Manager