



May 29, 2015

Mayor Donald D. Lyons
City Council Members

Dear Mayor Lyons and City Council Members:

Upcoming Meetings: Planning Commission, 6/1/15, 7 PM

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

Hydrant flush

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

Sidewalk safety reminder

Every day is a beautiful day in Dowagiac and summer is here!! The Dowagiac Police Department encourages everyone to enjoy the warm sunny weather and most importantly have a safe and happy summer.

Please remember bicycles cannot be ridden on the sidewalks in the downtown business district. Feel free to ride your bikes to the downtown to enjoy the many shops and restaurants, just please walk your bikes while in the downtown area. City ordinance also prohibits the use of skateboards anywhere in the downtown business district. Please refrain from riding your skateboards anywhere in the downtown area. By following these two ordinances it will ensure that everyone has a pleasant and safe experience as they enjoy beautiful downtown Dowagiac.

Skateboards

Sec. 58-158. In business district.
No person shall use, operate or permit the use or operation of any skateboard or like instrument on any sidewalk, street, parking lot, or other Public place in the business district of the city.
(Code 1972, § 10.96) ·

Bicycles

Sec. 78-122. In central business district.
No person shall use, operate or permit the use or operation of any bicycle on any public sidewalk in the central business district of the city. For the

purposes of this article, the central business district of the city shall include, and be limited to, the following boundaries:

- (1) South Front Street from its Division Street intersection to its Park Place intersection.
- (2) Pennsylvania Avenue from its Division Street intersection to its Main Street intersection.
- (3) Commercial Street from its West Division Street intersection to Depot Drive.
- (4) Beeson Street from its South Front Street intersection to its Depot Drive intersection.
- (5) Depot Drive from its intersection at Park Place to its Division Street intersection.

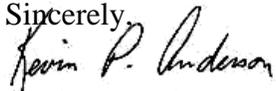
Dowagiac's Farm and Artisan Market returns Saturday 5/30

Buy fresh, buy local – save time, save money. Enjoy all that southwest Michigan has to offer. Fresh fruit, vegetables, flowers, baked goods and unique artisan creations can be found as season's change. The Market can be found on the green of the Dowagiac Area History Museum at the corner of Division and Railroad. Check out the selections each Wednesday and Saturday from 9 am – 2 pm.

Beckwith Park Concert Series

Get out those lawn chairs and blankets. The 2015 season of the Beckwith Park Concert Series opens next week, 6/4. Kick off a summer full of music with the Southwestern Michigan College Brass Band. A different concert every Thursday night at 7:30 pm, all summer long.

Sincerely,



Kevin P. Anderson
City Manager