

### Your Chance to Shape Edgerton's Future

A *Comprehensive Plan* is a document used by a community to guide its decisions relating to short-range and long-range growth, development, and preservation. State Statutes require that municipalities update their *Comprehensive Plans* at least once every ten years. The City of Edgerton's current *Comprehensive Plan* was adopted in 2006 and is therefore due for an update.

The plan update process involves many opportunities for public input. On June 9, 2015, the Plan Commission held a "vision session," meant to engage citizens in the formulation of the plan. Citizens in attendance were asked to answer the questions listed below. If you were unable to attend, please take a moment to answer the questions so your voice can be heard. You can return your answers with your utility bill or participate using the City's facebook page or website. ([www.cityofedgerton.com](http://www.cityofedgerton.com))

#### We want your ideas about the future of Edgerton!

- What do you value most about the City of Edgerton?
- What are some of the threats or challenges facing the City of Edgerton both today and in the next 20 years?
- What are potential positive trends, opportunities, or assets for the City of Edgerton both today and in the next 20 years?
- How would you describe the current image of the City of Edgerton?
- What are some of your favorite places in the City of Edgerton to spend your free time and/or to take visitors?
- What places in the City of Edgerton would you avoid taking visitors?
- If you could change one thing about the City, what would it be?
- The Comprehensive Plan is intended to be an action-oriented plan that should help the City leadership make decisions and identify priorities for policies, programs, and activities. With that in mind, what are your top three priorities for the City to address over the next decade?

### Edgerton Businesses are Expanding

So far, 2015 has been a busy year for Edgerton businesses. Edwardson Plumbing and Rinehart Taxidermy have started construction on new buildings, and three other businesses are underway with additions: Southern Wisconsin News is planning to add 7,500 square feet to its building and has added more than 50 new jobs in the past year; Edgerton Gear has broken ground on a 22,000 square foot expansion that will provide more production space and six more staff positions, as well as modern training facilities; and 2 Brothers Bar and Grill is constructing a kitchen addition. These projects represent more than \$3 million dollars worth of private investment in our City. Congratulations to Edgerton businesses!

### Paint Edgerton

The Redevelopment Authority created the *Paint Edgerton* program this spring. The program offered greater financing incentives to downtown property owners to encourage exterior building maintenance. The program was remarkably successful. Twenty-three downtown property owners applied for partial funding to paint, tuck-point, replace windows and doors, and more. In total, more than \$140,000 will be invested in the downtown.

### A Doorway to Art

Air up your bike tires and plan your route: the Doorway to Art doors should be installed by the end of June. Approximately 20 doors, painted by local artists, will be installed throughout the community. You can find a map locating the doors at the Depot Café (or at the Depot Café's facebook page). Go explore and get every minute out of our lovely Wisconsin summer!



DEPARTMENT OF  
PUBLIC WORKS NOTICES

**Large Item Pickup** E-waste and large items can be picked up by calling Advanced Disposal at 800-248-2373. Large items include appliances and furniture. E-waste is any electronics, computers, printers, televisions, etc. There is no charge for any special pickup for the City of Edgerton residents. Just call the number above to schedule a special pick up on Thursdays. Place items at the curb and secure any doors for safety. Please note these items can **NOT** be left at the brush pile in the Fasset Cemetery. Violators will be reported to the Edgerton Police Department.

**Grass and Weeds** Grass must be maintained at six inches or less, weeds at nine inches or less in the City. If grass and weeds are not maintained according to the City Ordinance, the Department of Public Works will mow and there will be a charge to the property owners. All trees, bushes, or vegetation should be trimmed over streets and sidewalks.

**\*\*Please do not blow your grass into the street\*\***

**AQUATIC CENTER HOURS**

The pool hours are as follows:

M-F 12-5 and 6-8

Sat/Sun 12-7

Please call 884-3232 for more information.



**Survey Says...**

The last newsletter contained a survey with the following question: What type of new business would you patronize in Edgerton's downtown? The most common responses to that question were:

- restaurant of any type
- clothing/department store
- fresh meat/deli
- bakery
- brew pub
- grocery store

The strategic planning volunteer group will consider this information as they plan their activities. Thank you for providing your opinions.

**Attention Utility Deferred Payment Plan Customers**

Starting June 1, 2015, the City of Edgerton has adopted a new policy regarding deposits for deferred payment plans. If you enter into a deferred payment plan before any disconnection occurs, you will be required to pay 10% of the entire balance and sign a deferred payment plan for the remaining balance to be paid in full by the next billing cycle. The City will accept weekly, biweekly, or monthly payment schedules. If you are disconnected for nonpayment, you will be required to pay 50% of the entire amount due, plus a reconnection fee to re-establish service. You will also be required to sign a deferred payment plan for the remainder of the balance. Please consider this new policy when setting up your deferred payment plan.

**Election News**

2016 is the Presidential Primary and Presidential Election. Are you registered? To find out please visit <http://myvote.wi.gov>. Please note that voter ID is required. For more info on how to obtain a voter ID please visit [www.gab.wi.gov/voters](http://www.gab.wi.gov/voters).

**PARK SHELTER RESERVATIONS**

Please call 884-3341 for reservations and pricing information for the enclosed shelter at Racetrack Park.

**Hazardous Waste Collection  
Rock County Clean Sweep**

**What:** Bring hazardous waste products that are not collected during weekly collection. (Quantities are limited. Check website for specific items being collected.)

**When/Where:** Friday, August 21, 12:00p-3:00p Evansville DPW Garage, 535 S. Madison St. Saturday, August 22, 8:00a-12:00p, at the Rock Co. Hwy Garage, 3715 Newville Rd., Janesville, WI.

**How:** RSVP REQUIRED!!! Go to [www.co.rock.wi.us](http://www.co.rock.wi.us) or call 754-6617 ext. 3(before 12p) or ext. 118(aft 12p)

**Free Teen Driver Trainer Program**

**What:** Free teen driver skills training course

**When:** Saturday & Sunday, July 18 & 19

Session 1 - 7:30 am to 12:00 pm

Session 2 - 1:00 pm to 5:30 pm

**Where:** Hill Farms Transportation Building  
4802 Sheboygan Avenue  
Madison, Wisconsin

Developed by: Ford Driving Skills for Life,  
Governors Highway Safety Association  
More Info at [www.drivingskillsforlife.com](http://www.drivingskillsforlife.com)

**PAY YOUR UTILITY BILL WITH  
AUTO WITHDRAW**

The City of Edgerton offers an auto withdraw option for payment on your water/sewer bills. The full amount is withdrawn from your checking or savings account on the Friday before the due date. The entire amount due must be withdrawn on that day. No more writing checks or remembering to pay the quarterly bill. If you are interested in this option please stop in at City Hall to complete an authorization form. For questions please call 884-3341.