



DATE: March 4, 2016

TO: Honorable Mayor & Common Council

FROM: Mark Rohloff, City Manager

SUBJECT: **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

1. **IMAGINE OSHKOSH WORKSHOP RESULTS & PROJECT WEBSITE:** As you may know, late last year the City and its planning consultant Houseal and Lavigne kicked off the Central City Investment Strategy branded as "Imagine Oshkosh: A Master Plan for Our Center". A series of workshops and stakeholder interviews were conducted to discuss issues and opportunities within the center city. The workshops focused on these three questions:

- What are five issues or concerns in Oshkosh's Center City?
- What are three specific projects or actions you would like to see undertaken within Oshkosh's Center City?
- What are the primary strengths and assets of Oshkosh's Center City?

The results of those work sessions are posted on the project website that is linked on the City's homepage. The Imagine Oshkosh project website contains a variety of information regarding the project, including surveys for those who could not attend one of the workshops. The website also contains a feature called sMap, which is a public outreach tool that allows feedback and comments to be posted on an interactive map, bringing together ideas in a way never before possible. For more information or to provide feedback, visit the website at <http://www.hlplanning.com/portals/oshkosh/>. Please contact Planning Services Manager Darryn Burich 920-236-5059 for more information.

2. **GO TRANSIT 2015 HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Attached find a 1-page fact sheet that GO Transit put together for the Wisconsin Urban and Rural Transit Association's legislative day. A few interesting facts are: that GO Transit outperforms peer groups on measures required by the Wisconsin DOT, the majority of trips on the bus are taken for employment and that the popularity of combining biking and transit continues to grow. If you have any questions, please contact Transportation Director, Jim Collins.
3. **CITY CENTER RAMP GETS LED UPGRADE:** The City Electric Division recently completed lighting upgrades to the hotel parking ramp structure. The lighting upgrade included replacing sixty-two 250 watt high pressure sodium fixtures originally installed during the ramps construction in the early 80's with a combination of 33 and 65 watt LED fixtures. The new LED fixtures use the latest technology in motion sensing (heat sensing) to further increase the energy saving by reducing the light output after a period of no motion. When the sensor detects motion, it instantly returns the light output to 100 percent. The new fixtures should reduce our electrical usage in the ramp 70% to 75%. This project was part of the 2015 capital improvement plan. If you have any questions about this upgrade, please contact Electric Traffic Division Manager, Dan Kussman or Transportation Director, Jim Collins.