

PLAN COMMISSION
of the City of Platteville



AGENDA

MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN CITY HALL – 75 N. BONSON STREET, PLATTEVILLE WI

1. ROLL CALL

2. APPROVE MINUTES – March 4, 2024

3. BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN PLAN

Review and provide a recommendation regarding the proposed City of Platteville Bike and Pedestrian Plan.

4. UPDATE: POTENTIAL CODE AMENDMENT – Chapter 5 Health and Property Maintenance

An update will be provided regarding a community survey that is underway to obtain input on options for No-mow May.

5. ADJOURN

If you have concerns or comments related to an item on this agenda, but are unable to attend the meeting, please send the comments to carrollj@platteville.org or call 608-348-9741 x 2235.

PLAN COMMISSION
Monday, March 4, 2024

The regular meeting of the Plan Commission of the City of Platteville was called to order by acting Plan Commission Chair Joie Schoonover at 7:03 PM in the Common Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Kory Wein, Joie Schoonover, Tad Leonard, Ciara Miller and Barbara Stockhausen.
Excused: Barbara Daus, Todd Kasper, Robert Vosberg, and Bill Kloster

APPROVAL MINUTES – January 8, 2024

Motion by Wein, second by Stockhausen to approve the January 8, 2024, minutes as presented. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

MOVE AGENDA ITEM

Motion by Wein, second by Stockhausen to move agenda item Industry Park Land Sale to before the Public Hearing for the Bike and Pedestrian Plan. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

INDUSTRY PARK LAND SALE – 400 Eastside Road and 1440 Vision Drive

Abby Haas, from Platteville Area Industrial Development Corporation (PAIDC) presented the information regarding the Industry Park land sale of 400 Eastside Road and answered questions from the Commission. Motion by Wein, second by Leonard to recommend the sale of the property consisting of the existing Lot 44 of the Platteville Industry Park #7, located at the northwest corner of Eastside Road and Vision Drive. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARING – Bike and Pedestrian Plan –Community Development Director Joe Carroll explained that this Public Hearing would continue at the next Plan Commission meeting due to the amount of information to consider. Assistant Planner Alyssa Shaeffer from Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning gave a presentation on the need for the Bike and Pedestrian Plan and how it will benefit the residents of the city through future planning and development. She answered questions from the Commission. Danica Larson, 1010 7th Avenue spoke in favor. Mike Hahn, 920 Camp Street spoke about concerns he had with misinformation presented in the media and his experience with bike lane planning.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT/SIDEWALK CAFÉ PERMIT – 130 Market Street – Director Carroll presented that the City received an application from Jeff and Lisa Haas for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and a Sidewalk Café Permit for 130 Market Street, Fifty50. The applicant Jeff Haas spoke about how they would like to expand the outdoor eating/drinking area to include the front porch and sidewalk while still allowing room for pedestrians to safely pass by. Cindy Tang, 995 Highbury Circle and owner of Inspiring Community located at 190 Market Street spoke in favor. There was a friendly amendment to separate the CUP from the Sidewalk Café Permit. Motion by Wein, second by Miller to recommend approval of the Conditional Use Permit. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote. Motion by Wein, second by Stockhausen to recommend approval of the Sidewalk Café Permit. Motion carried 4-1 on a roll call vote with Miller voting against.

EASTSIDE TRAIL EXPANSION – Director Carroll introduced Platteville Community Arboretum President Joe Jacquinot who explained that the PCA would like to acquire land to complete the current trail and is required to have the Plan Commission weigh in on the move forward to purchase the land. He said the project would include an application for a DNR land acquisition grant. The City would be the applicant for the grant on behalf of the PCA. All lands acquired with the grant would be turned over to the City.

Motion by Miller, second by Wein to recommend the PCA move forward with the grant and land acquisition process. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote.

CODE AMENDMENT – Chapter 5 Health and Property Maintenance – City Manager Clint Langreck spoke about the challenges enforcing the current Municipal Code Chapter 5 regarding Creeping Charlie and asked for recommendations for enforcement from the Commission. Code Enforcement Inspector Jenny Rodell spoke about current practices. Public Works Director Crofoot also spoke about the request from some residents to have a “No Mow May” to help with pollination. Rodell offered some options to introduce this to the city and gave examples of how surrounding cities have implemented it. The Commission said they were open to amending Chapter 5 but requested more information at the next meeting, specifically, the current cost to owners for Creeping Charlie violations, a redline copy of Chapter 5 with recommendations, and input from surrounding communities that have allowed “No Mow May”.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Wein, second by Miller to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Colette Steffen, City Clerk

2024 Bike & Pedestrian Plan Edits
March Plan Commission (3/4) to April Plan Commission (4/1)

- Moved complete streets recommendation (previously included in C.19) up to a policy recommendation (pg 27).
- Added three additional curb extensions to C.18 (pg 32).
 - Greenwood Avenue near Dobson Hall
 - Greenwood Avenue near Morrow Hall
 - College Drive near Woodland Apartments
- R.2 External Loop (pg 50 & 52)
 - Language changed from “PCA” to “Community Partnerships”.
 - Southern loop shifted north to avoid bridges over Highway 151. New loop crosses Highway 80 at Pleasant Valley Road and includes a connection to Knoll Wood Way.
 - Spur trail to Ioka Ridge included on the map.
- R.13 removed – PCA consider plowing Rountree Branch Trail during the winter (pg 34).
 - PCA wants to encourage skiing and snowshoeing and avoid the use of chemicals near the stream.



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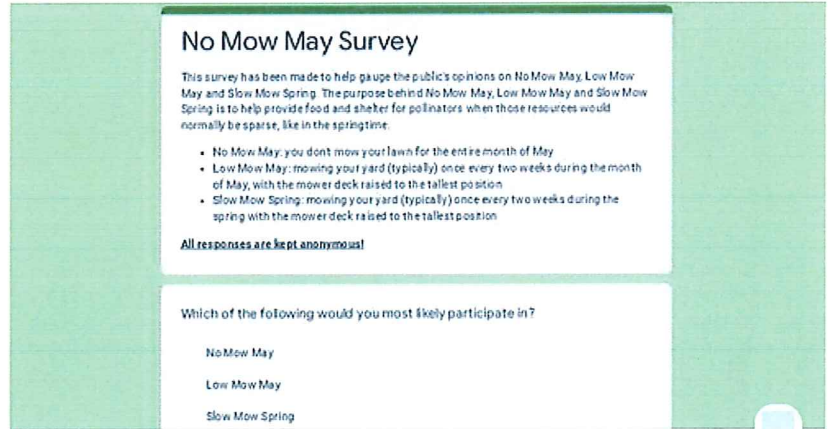
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Please take a moment to share your thoughts on "No Mow May"

This survey has been made to help gauge the public's opinions on No Mow May, Low Mow May and Slow Mow Spring. The purpose behind these initiatives is to help provide food and shelter for pollinators when those resources would normally be sparse, like in the springtime. Results will be reviewed on Monday, April 22, 2024.

All responses are kept anonymous!



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No Mow May Survey

This survey has been made to help gauge the public's opinions on ...

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Intro

Platteville is nestled among the gently rolling hills of Southwestern Wisconsin.

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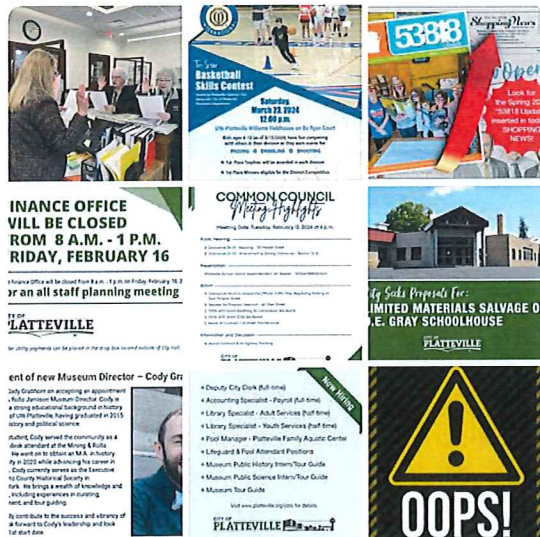
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- No Mow May: you don't mow your lawn for the entire month of May
- Low Mow May: mowing your yard (typically) once every two weeks during the month of May, with the mower deck raised to the tallest position
- Slow Mow Spring: mowing your yard (typically) once every two weeks during the spring with the mower deck raised to the tallest position

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Which of the following would you most likely participate in?

- No Mow May
- Low Mow May
- Slow Mow Spring
- None of the Above

Which of the following would you like to see implemented within the City of Platteville?

- No Mow May
- Low Mow May
- Slow Mow Spring
- None of the Above



On a scale from 1-5, how much would it bother you if your neighbors participated in No Mow May, Low Mow May or Slow Mow Spring?

1 2 3 4 5

It would not bother me at all It would bother me a lot

Do you think a policy like No Mow May, Low Mow May or Slow Mow Spring will cause unwanted tension between you and your neighbors?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Unsure

Are you currently doing anything to support pollinators during the springtime?
Examples of this are: flower gardens, bee houses, butterfly feeders, etc.

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

Do you think adding a policy like No Mow May, Low Mow May or Slow Mow Spring would have a negative or positive affect on the community?

- Positive
- Negative
- Neutral
- Unsure

Please list any questions, comments and/or concerns in the area below.

Your answer

