

Department of Community and Economic Development

Monthly Report

APRIL 2026

- Meet with a representative from Lennar Builders to discuss various development topics
- Continued online permitting development. Fence, sign, driveway permits have been soft launched and we've received the first online applications. Permit routing (workflow) process in development. Formalizing permit upload process to city GIS and Parcel folders.
<https://www.cityofcolumbuswi.com/2357/Licenses-Permits>
- Permits issued year to date:
 - Zoning/misc. permits: 29
 - Building permits: 57
- Participated in a zoning rewrite coordination meeting, and further reviewed draft language
- Coordinated two development review team meetings
- The City's website had 26,000 views, 3,600 new users, and an engagement rate of 51.9%.
- The City's YouTube channel had 113 views in April for an average duration of 60.75 hours. There were 4 City meetings recorded. Council / COW meetings made up 109 of the views while the Utility Commission had 4.
- City's Facebook page had 16 posts generating 219 shares and 123,258 impressions in April including 17,783 clicks and 469 link clicks. The page also gained 112 new followers for a total of 3,834.
- The City's Tourism Facebook page gained 14 new followers for a total of 1,043 in April. The page had 830 views.
- Existing land use layer updates for use in ongoing land use planning activities
- Tower Drive property closing is coming up on May 14th. Coordination of closing materials
- Wetland delineations are in progress for the gateway business park are north of Park Avenue and for the Tower Drive property
- Held stakeholder input meeting for the Zoning Rewrite Project
- Issued zoning permit (new dwelling) and building permit for 390 Meadow Lane
- Coordinated site plan review for Lot 5 Commerce Drive for a contractor condo project – Valido
- Created a state of the comprehensive plan status document
- Responded to U.S. Census survey
- Coordinated GIS training for all city staff focusing on future upgrades coming this fall
- Participated in our supervisor round table
- Met with developer about a potential lot split to add two duplex buildings. They will wait for the zoning rewrite to be adopted.
- Updated web site with development related fees
- Further revised our marketing materials for attracting new businesses
- Countryside feasibility study
- Municipal building related planning
- Staff meeting with Public Works/Administration regarding Resthaven alteration