

Department of Community and Economic Development
Monthly Activity Report
AUGUST 2026

Permits issued year to date:

- Zoning / Misc. permits: 69
- Building permits: 140

Planning/Zoning/Permitting:

- Reviewed zoning rewrite documents. Reviewed draft performance standards and landscaping.
- Continued planning of Hwy 73 corridor
- Comp plan amendment in progress
- Completed housing survey with over 100 respondents
- Continue online permit refinement
- Permit routing (workflow) process in development. Formalizing permit upload process to Parcel folders. <https://www.cityofcolumbuswi.com/2357/Licenses-Permits> .
- Coordinated code enforcement activities

Development and Housing:

- Condo plat review in progress
- Coordinated Development Team meetings
- Met with several citizens regarding permits and zoning guidance
- Coordinated building inspection/enforcement issues with building inspection team
- Met with a national broker with interest in 1149 W. James St.

Media analytics:

- City website: 28,000 visits, 4,100 unique users
- City Facebook: 70,000 views, 35 new follows, 4,015 followers, 6,192 engagements
- City YouTube: 6 meetings filmed, average of 59 views
- Tourism website: 351 visits, 245 unique users
- Tourism Facebook: 614 views, 4 new follows, 1,058 followers, 39 engagements

Training and professional development/Miscellaneous items:

- Created 2027 budgets for the Department of Community and Economic Development
- Signed up for Fall Wisconsin Planning Conference

Misc: Provided documents for open records requests

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