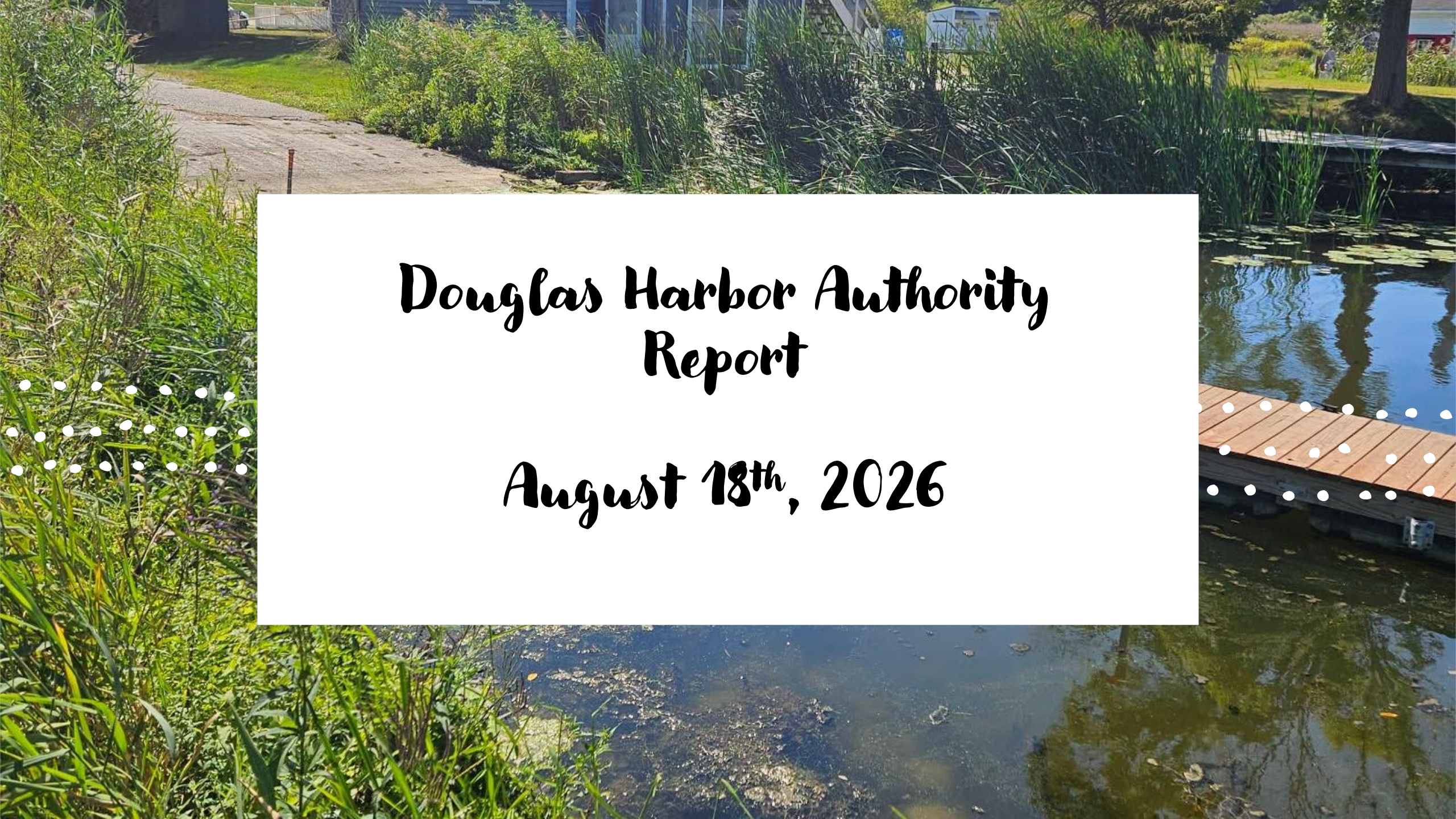


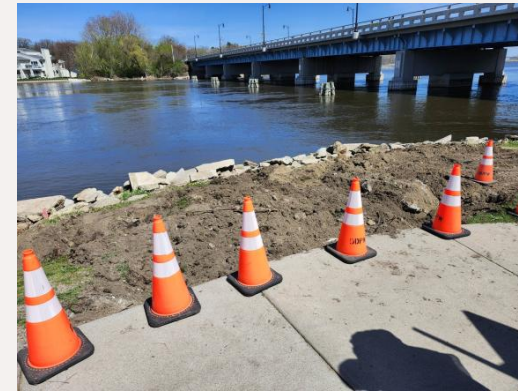


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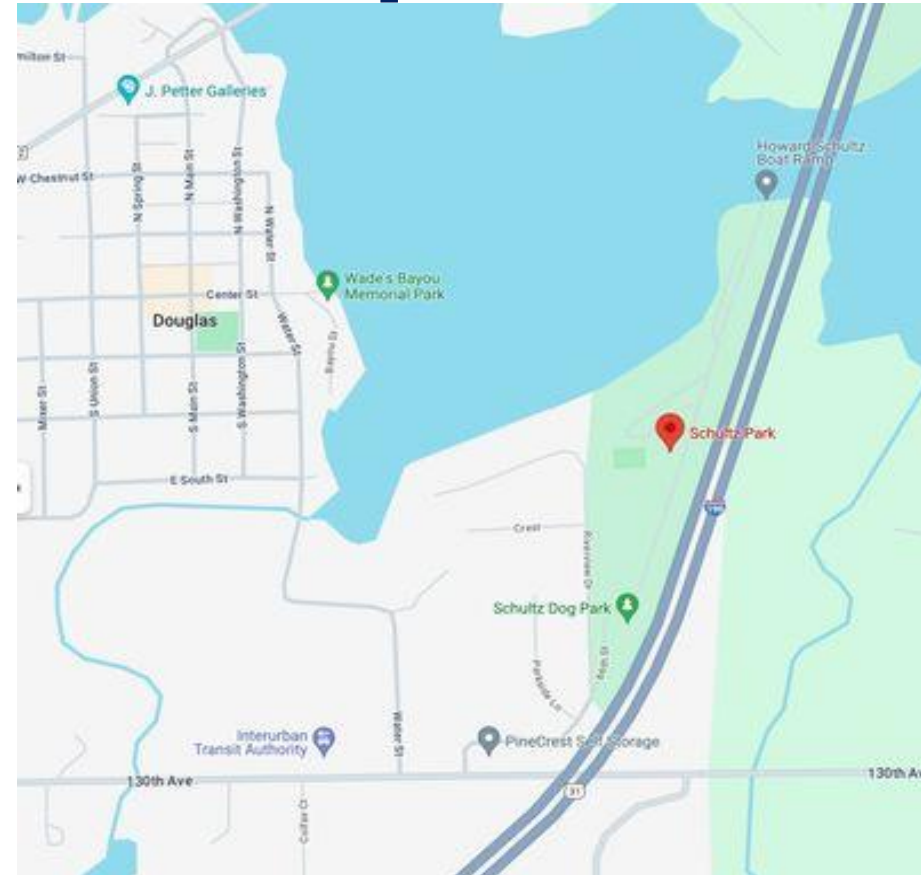
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Schultz Park Boat Launch Update

- Staff continues meeting with EGLE and MDOT to explore long-term options for the City to operate the Schultz Park Boat Launch.
- The property includes 7.15 acres, but approximately 4.5 acres are dedicated mitigation land, creating challenges for a traditional land transfer.
- Because of these environmental restrictions, staff is also exploring a long-term license or operating agreement that would allow the City to maintain and operate the launch while the State retains ownership.
- Discussions remain positive, and staff will continue working toward a solution that preserves public access and protects this important community asset.





Douglas Marina Pavilion Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The Douglas Marina Park Pavilion was officially dedicated during a successful ribbon cutting ceremony attended by community members, project partners, and local leaders.

This exciting addition to the marina was made possible through a generous \$100,000 grant from the Consumers Energy Foundation, matched by an equally generous contribution from Bud Baty and Max Matteson.

The new pavilion provides a beautiful gathering space for residents and visitors while enhancing the City's waterfront. Fundraising efforts continue for the adjacent public restroom project and additional waterfront improvements that will further strengthen Douglas Marina Park.





Douglas Marina Restroom Project- Phase II

Following the successful completion of the Douglas Marina Pavilion (Phase I), Bud Baty and Max Matteson are leading fundraising efforts for Phase II - the Douglas Marina Restroom Project.

Approximately \$400,000 is needed to complete the project. Community members who would like to support this effort can donate by scanning the QR code on the fundraising sign at the marina or by stopping by Douglas City Hall. Every contribution brings us one step closer to completing this important community amenity.



Douglas Marina Kayak Launch Improvements

As part of the Douglas Marina Pavilion project, the kayak storage area received a new concrete pad, creating a cleaner, safer, and more accessible space for users. The next phase of the project will include constructing a dedicated pathway from the storage area to the water, making kayak launching easier and enhancing the overall experience for residents and visitors.





Veteran's Park Deck Project Underway

Construction on the new Veteran's Park deck on Washington Street is officially underway, marking another important investment in one of Douglas' most scenic waterfront spaces.

The project is progressing well, and the City's goal is to have the deck completed in time for a dedication ceremony on Veterans Day in November, providing a renewed space to honor the service and sacrifice of our veterans while enhancing the park for the entire community.



Kalamazoo Lake Treatment Update

The July 2026 treatment of Kalamazoo Lake has been completed, and early observations indicate the treatment is continuing to effectively combat invasive aquatic plants.

Conditions have shown noticeable improvement, and the City will continue monitoring the lake to evaluate the treatment's long-term effectiveness.



Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority Study

The Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority (KLHA) study continues to move forward as the Authority evaluates future opportunities and priorities for the harbor. Sue Guevara and Jeff West, Douglas' representatives on the KLHA Board, will be available to provide an update on the study's progress and answer any questions during today's meeting.





Questions?

