



City Newsletter - January 2023

City of Big Rapids | 226 N Michigan Ave, Big Rapids, MI 49307

Welcome

Welcome to the City Newsletter offered by the City of Big Rapids. To view this newsletter digitally or sign up for the e-newsletter, links can be found online on the City of Big Rapids Facebook page.

Important Updates

Upcoming Meetings

Parks & Recreation - Thursday, January 12 at 6:30 PM in the City Commission Room at City Hall

City Commission - Tuesday, January 17 at 6:30 PM in the City Commission Room at City Hall

Planning Commission - Wednesday, January 18 at 6:30 PM in the City Commission Room at City Hall

Public Hearing Notice

There will be a public hearing at the Planning Commission Meeting on Wednesday, January 18 at 6:30 p.m. The public hearing will relate to the Economic Development Strategy. To learn more about this topic, click the button below! For more information on the meeting, scroll down to our Planning Commission section.

Questions? Contact Emily at (231) 592-4036 or email eszymanski@cityofbr.org.

Find more information on the Economic Development Strategy at www.cityofbr.org/government/community_development

Please Note: City Hall will be CLOSED on Monday, January 16.

Questions? Contact (231)592-4000 or email info@cityofbr.org.

2023 Polar Plunge for Special Olympics Michigan

The 2023 Polar Plunge Big Rapids will be on February 25, 2023. Check-In opens at 10:30 AM, Event starts at 12:30 PM. Register at www.plungemi.org

Questions? Please contact Pat Rosales at (231)527-5238, westmichiganregion@somi.org or Byran Holm at (231)287-4956, area05@somi.org.

Money raised through Polar Plunge goes to support the athletes of Special Olympics Michigan. This event is hosted by Elks Lodge #974 and the City of Big Rapids.

Pine Tree Pick-Up

The Public Works Department will be collecting real pine trees throughout the month of January. Real pine trees left in the space between sidewalks and roads will be collected by Public Works and properly disposed of. **Questions?** Contact Trina at (231)592-4015.

We Are Hiring!

The City of Big Rapids has open part-time and full-time positions. If you are interested in working for the city, please visit our website.

For more information, please contact Melissa at (231)592-4007 or hr@cityofbr.org

The City of Big Rapids is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Provider.

Meetings At A Glance

City Commission

The City Commission met on the evening of Tuesday, January 3. The Commission Packet for January 3 and the approved meeting minutes from December 19 can be found on our website.

Planning Commission

The planning commission agenda for January 18 is as follows.

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, Approval of November 16 Minutes, Public Comment to unrelated items on agenda, Public Hearing on Economic Development Strategy, General Business on manufactured housing in single-family neighborhoods, unscheduled business, and adjournment.



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Open Positions - Boards, Commissions & Committees

Are you interested in serving on a board, commission, or committee? We have multiple openings for people who: have been city residents for at least 1 year and are registered voters.

Here is a list of boards, commissions, and committees with openings:

Assessment Board of Review, Brownfield Development Authority, Compensation Commission, DART (Dial-A-Ride) Local Advisory Council, Income Tax Board of Appeals, Park and Recreation Board, Planning Commission, Property Maintenance Board of Appeals, and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Are you interested?

Contact Tamyra Gillis at (231)592-4020 or tgillis@cityofbr.org.

Applications are available in City Hall or online at cityofbr.org.