



Michigan Economic Development Corporation
BI-WEEKLY REPORT
April 19, 2017

Report #12

NEWBERRY

The following have occurred since the last report:

1. Working with Village Manager and DPW Superintendent on water rate schedule and Special Assessment District focused on water bond repayment.
2. Conference calls with Plante & Moran to refine financial review and COA.
3. Discussion on financial software conversion to BS&A.
4. Architectural, mechanical and electrical review completed for the former lumberyard by C2AE. This property is owned by the Village and being considered as a possible site to relocate the DPW and Village offices.
5. CIP draft completed which includes remaining water, sewer and road reconstruction. The next step is incorporation of street resurfacing projects and parks.
6. The Community Assessment has been scheduled for May 16, a Planning Commission training has been scheduled for May 18, and the kick-off master plan meeting with the planning commission will be held on June 1.
7. P&M delivered the final Economic Development Strategy to the local PRT team.

CENTRAL LAKE

The following have occurred since the last report:

1. P&M met with local PRT team on 3/22 and reviewed Economic Development Strategy work plan.
2. P&M delivered the final Economic Development Strategy to the local PRT team.

GRAYLING

The following have occurred since the last report:

1. Internal meetings at B&R on land use program for redevelopment sites selected by the administration.

EVART

The following have occurred since the last report:

1. Beckett & Raeder met with the Evert Planning Commission on April 4th to review the draft Master Plan.
2. CIP is finalized (B&R) and adopted by City.
3. A conference call has been scheduled for May 2nd for the BRI, MiWorks!, MEDC, and Evert to discuss economic development resources.
4. Development of the updated zoning ordinance is underway.



5. P&M continues to try to coordinate with city manager for a joint meeting with the council, LDFA and DDA.

HARRISON

The following have occurred since the last report:

1. The planning commission met on April 4th to review the future land use map and begin working on the zoning plan. The planning commission will be meeting again on May 10 to refine the zoning plan and review the draft master plan.
2. A public open house for the master plan is scheduled for May 10th.
3. P&M is finishing Communications Plan for local review.

SANDUSKY

The following have occurred since the last report:

1. Beckett & Raeder has received the Community Assessment and is making progress incorporating community feedback into the Master Plan.
2. Beckett & Raeder has joined the monthly conference call with Sandusky, MEDC, and MiWorks! Scheduled for May 1st.
3. Beckett and Raeder is awaiting response to set up a time to meet with the Planning Commission to review the draft Master Plan.
4. P&M reviewed Community Assessment and site visit information. Will be scheduling follow up meetings this week.

CHARLOTTE

The following have occurred since the last report:

1. P&M participated in MMS baseline on 3/21-22.
2. P&M met with MMS staff on 4/11 to review division of organizational responsibilities and economic development strategy work plan.
3. P&M met with city on 4/18 to review to review division of organizational responsibilities and economic development strategy work plan.

PAW PAW

The following have occurred since the last report:

1. CIP was finalized and adopted by the Village Council.
2. P&M met with Paw Paw on March 30th to finalize economic development strategy work plan.
3. P&M has provided RRC staff and village with draft Economic Development Strategy for comment.

HILLSDALE

The following have occurred since the last report:



1. P&M drafted press release for Hillsdale for hotel developer RFP.
2. P&M met with city and RRC/CATeam staff to review and finalize Economic Development Strategy work plan.

RIVER ROUGE

The following have occurred since the last report:

1. Beckett & Raeder, P&M, and the DDA are meeting April 18th to discuss economic development data, challenges, and resources.
2. Beckett & Raeder is presenting a draft of the Master Plan to the Planning Commission on April 24th.
3. P&M exchanged emails with City on fire that destroyed local gas station/pharmacy.
4. P&M completed Economic Development Strategy work plan.

INTERNAL TEAM ACTIVITIES

1. Rental inspection program research continues. A survey about such programs, intended for community managers, has been developed and has been distributed through the City Managers listserve; to date we have 23 responses.
2. Research on the mismatch between labor and jobs in Michigan continues and is expected to inform all five master plans with general mismatch trends and some place-specific content.

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