

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- **City Council Meeting**
- **March 21, 2022**



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B. Status/Update Reports

1. Sale of 606 Parkway Boulevard, Former Paragon Property

Sale to Trivers, LLC, an entity controlled by Oshkosh developer Art Dumke, closed on March 17.

Net proceeds to City's Economic Development Fund:
\$1,197,031 (\$1.2 million less the title insurance and closing costs).

New owner plans to rehabilitate the facility for lease as manufacturing and warehouse space.

City has applied for WEDC Idle Sites Grant of \$500,000 to assistance the project. Estimated cost for planned work on the facility is over \$6,000,000.



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2. Sandy Bay Highlands Home Construction

Plans for two new homes at the City-developed conservation subdivision were approved by the Architectural Review Committee on March 14; one basement is poured, the other is getting poured this week.

At least two other homes are in the planning/cost quoting stages for construction this year.



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It has taken a while...but Sandy Bay Highlands is looking more and more like a neighborhood, as construction proceeds into Phase 2.



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2. Pine Tree Lift Station Project

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4. Winter Parking Ban Has Ended

Due to a relatively snow-free Winter, the overnight parking ban was enforced on only 6 of 103 total days, December 1 through March 15.



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5. Personnel Updates



--Heather Ihlenfeldt has accepted the position of Senior Center Supervisor and will begin on Monday, April 25. She currently serves as Marketing and Activity Director at the Manitowoc Health and Rehab Center.

--Certified Water Operator and Water Distribution Foreman/Operator Vacancy– Interviews have been completed and an offer will be made to a candidate in the next few weeks

--Parks & Recreation Director – Initial interviews are being held March 18 and March 21



PARKS AND RECREATION



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6. Central Park West 365 Update

Since the last Council meeting, total donations committed to the project have increased to just over **\$450,000**; that's 56.25% of the goal of \$800,000



Central Park West 365: “Downtown...Year-Round”

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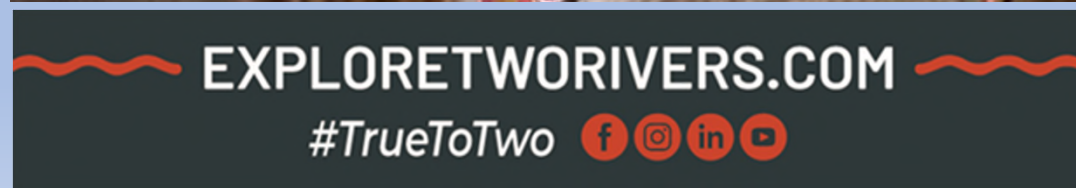
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8. Upcoming Events:

- a. **Two Rivers Rotary 20th Annual Dinner and Auction, April 2, 2022.**

Proceeds from this event will benefit the Skating Loop of the Central Park West 365 Project in downtown Two Rivers. A Silent Auction and social hour with cash bar starts at 5:00 p.m. Dinner is catered by the Courthouse Pub and is served at 6:30 p.m. to be followed by a Live Auction.

For tickets, contact Colleen Inman at 920-323-6139 or cinman61@gmail.com.



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b. **Rockin' for the Park**, an evening of dinner and music to raise funds for the Central Park West 365 project, will be held on Thursday, April 21 at Sepia Chapel. Tickets can be ordered online at www.daddydproductions.com.



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Rockin' for the park
CENTRAL PARK WEST 365




A downtown... year round event
Presents

THE BEST OF ROCK N' ROLL FROM THE 50's TO THE 80's
by **Daddy d productions**
A night of musical comedy dinner theatre
Thursday April 21
Sepia Chapel - 1820 Jefferson St
5 pm Cocktails - Cash Bar and Silent Auction
6 pm Farm-to-Table dinner prepared by Heirloom Kitchen
followed by the show

Tickets \$125.00 + tax per person
(includes dinner and performance)

Tickets can be ordered on line
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Proceeds benefit
Central Park West 365



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- c. 2022 Energy Industry and General Education \$500 Scholarships Applications now Being Accepted by Two Rivers Water & Light

Deadline April 1, 2022

TRW&L High School Scholarship Program

★ \$500 Energy Industry Scholarship

★ \$500 General Education Scholarship

Deadline: April 1, 2022

Visit our website trwaterandlight.com/scholarships for the application and guidelines! *Note: student, parent, or legal guardian must be a customer of Two Rivers Water & Light*



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d. Two Rivers
Kids' Run, 10-Mile
Run/Walk, March
26 & 27, 2022,
Two Rivers High
School



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e. SENIOR CENTER BREAKFAST FOR DINNER FUND RAISER



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Two Rivers Senior Center Fundraiser

BREAKFAST for Dinner

Wednesday, April 13
4-6pm To-Go

a la carte menu
Breakfast Pizza \$5
 pepperoni, sausage, bacon, eggs, cheese, & hash browns
Pancake \$1
Bacon \$.50
Sausage \$.50
cup of fruit \$.50
apple juice \$.50

Walk-ins only,
no pre-orders

All orders will be entered to win a door prize.

Thank you to our sponsors!



Two Rivers Senior Center
1520 17th Street
920-793-5596

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f. Firefighters Local 423 10th Annual Fish Boil Fundraiser



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City of Two Rivers Fire Department
10th Annual

Fish Boil

Sponsored by:

Two Rivers Firefighters Local 423

April 15th, 2022 • 3:00 - 7:00pm

Two Rivers Fire Station • 2122 Monroe Street

Dine-in and To-Go orders available

Front Lobby, 22nd Street

Tickets

Adults \$13 - Cod, Carrots, Potatoes, Onions, Bread, Butter

Kids Meal \$6 - Smaller portion or Hotdog and Chips

Beverages and Desert's Available

Tickets available at: The Fire Station, The Event, ONLINE!

*All proceeds help
support local charities:*

Youth Sporting Teams
School Organizations
Non-profit Organizations
Food Pantries







Tickets available at:



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Other: City Council Candidate Forums Available for viewing

City Council Candidate Forums

- Two Rivers Business Association Council Candidate Forum, Thursday, March 10, 2022, Recorded on City's Website and Facebook
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4MAJ1IdMgIA&t=8s>
- League of Women Voters Candidate Forum, Thursday, February 24, Recorded on City's Website and Facebook
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=syaW9IQQA8E&t=3595s>



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Other: Two Rivers Swag

Two Rivers Logowear
available at several local
retail locations

Net proceeds benefit City
marketing and promotion



Wear Two Rivers

Shop Local

Schroeder's Department Store
Lighthouse Inn
Fatzo's
Woodland Dunes
Renee's Chocolates

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The graphic features three small images of Two Rivers merchandise: a white t-shirt with a logo, a red hoodie, and a green mug. A circular inset shows a display of various Two Rivers apparel items on a rack. The background is light green with red brushstroke accents.

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Other: Final Room Tax Numbers for 2021

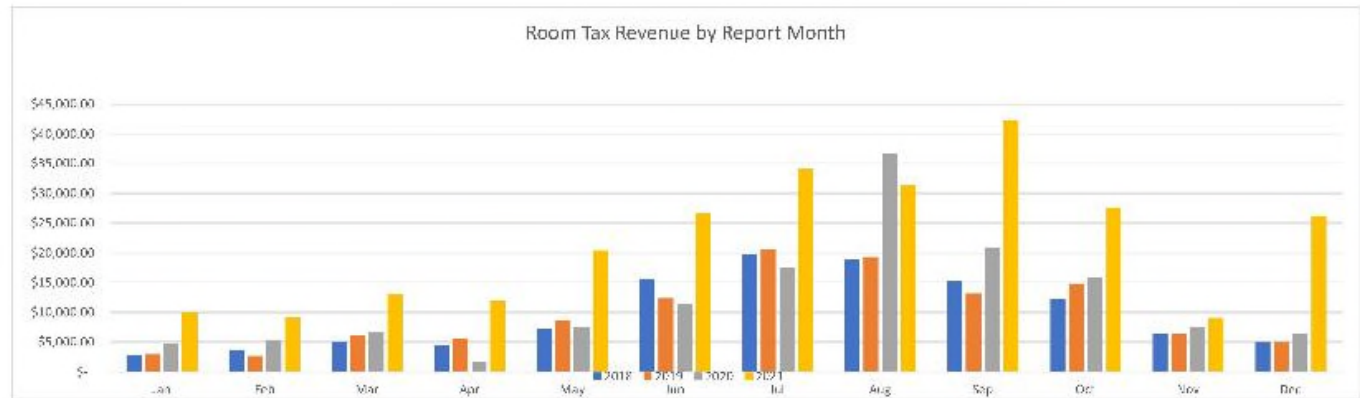
Final numbers for 2021 Room Tax collections:

December was a very good month, bringing total collections for the calendar year to \$261,161.

That's an increase of \$119,261, or 84 percent over 2021

City of Two Rivers
Room Tax Revenues by Report Month

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2018	\$ 2,741.75	\$ 3,560.22	\$ 5,036.50	\$ 4,366.85	\$ 7,245.00	\$ 15,577.92	\$ 19,712.52	\$ 18,853.37	\$ 15,278.77	\$ 12,198.46	\$ 8,371.00	\$ 4,952.07	\$ 115,895.43
2019	\$ 2,947.91	\$ 2,604.63	\$ 6,052.63	\$ 5,568.34	\$ 8,607.82	\$ 12,336.87	\$ 20,505.69	\$ 19,244.25	\$ 13,170.07	\$ 14,719.81	\$ 6,332.72	\$ 4,914.66	\$ 117,005.40
2020	\$ 4,765.02	\$ 5,384.00	\$ 6,590.51	\$ 1,637.77	\$ 7,534.11	\$ 11,333.18	\$ 17,396.97	\$ 36,594.28	\$ 20,866.20	\$ 15,875.59	\$ 7,424.84	\$ 6,397.04	\$ 141,899.61
2021	\$ 9,915.56	\$ 9,132.48	\$ 13,003.38	\$ 11,933.75	\$ 20,379.78	\$ 26,523.38	\$ 34,033.35	\$ 31,281.39	\$ 42,231.85	\$ 27,333.12	\$ 9,007.68	\$ 26,185.34	\$ 261,161.06
2022													\$ -



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C. Legislative Update

1. Law Enforcement Grants to Local Agencies Announced by Governor Evers

Governor on March 15 announced grants totaling \$19 million, to police departments across the state. Distribution was reportedly predicated on population and violent crime statistics.

While more details may be forthcoming, Chief Kohlmeier reports that uses can include training, recruitment bonuses, technology investments and meeting community policing needs.

Funding for Two Rivers: \$31,719.02
Other area agencies: City of Manitowoc \$99,487.80, County of Manitowoc \$76,643.55, City of Kiel \$10,812.94.



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2. Conclusion of Recent Legislative Session in Madison

From the League of Municipalities:

[A. Senate Bill 692](#), now 2021 [Wisconsin Act 175](#):

Makes various changes to the property assessed clean energy (PACE) program, including expanding the types of projects eligible for PACE financing and changes to the requirements for accessing that financing.

Thank you to [Senator Cowles](#) (R–Green Bay) and [Representative Thiesfeldt](#) (R–Fond du Lac) for authoring this legislation expanding economic development opportunities in our local municipalities.

B. The League worked hard to halt the fast-tracking of [AB 608/SB 840](#), imposing one-size fits all zoning for workforce housing, and [AB 610/SB 630](#), related to prohibiting certain property tax assessment practices.

C EV Charging Bill Dead. What once was a good piece of legislation which the League supported, ended up with an amendment that excluded local government from participating in the EV infrastructure build out. It started as a bill that would allow the sale of power from EV charging infrastructure without categorizing the seller as a public utility in the state. Unfortunately the end result had all three local government groups (the League, Counties, and Towns) in opposition.

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3. Funding for Determination of Federal Interest in Two Rivers Harbor Study

Senator Tammy Baldwin's office reports that the Omnibus Appropriations Bill that passed the Congress earlier this month includes \$20,000 in funding for the Army Corps to assess the Federal interest in a Design Deficiency Study of the Two Rivers Harbor.

This activity must precede the Corps seeking funding for the study, estimated to cost \$200,000. Such a study could in turn be the basis for Federal investment in structural modifications to the harbor entrance, to mitigate both storm surge and shoaling issues.



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4. Confirmation of State Safe Drinking Water Funding for 2022 Lead Service "Private Side" Lateral Replacement

WI's Safe Drinking Water Loan Program has confirmed 2022 funding for Two Rivers of \$207,500.

That will cover principal forgiveness grants for 83 private side laterals at \$2,500 each:

- 33 on 17th Street
- 50 at scattered locations



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The WI Department of Natural Resources has issued a permit to allow grooming of the “new beach” area, south of Neshotah Beach to the north pier.

This permit, good for 5 years, allows the City to “dredge” the area below the ordinary high water mark to remove debris.





Schmitt Brothers Stage, Planned for Central Park West

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