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March City Commission Work Sessions

Peter White Public Library Board of Trustees
Joint Meeting

4:30 p.m, Monday, March 13 City Hall, Room 103

Cliffs-Dow Project Update

4:30 p.m., Monday, March 27 City Hall, Room 103

Message from Mike

In each issue, the Marquette City Manager shares his comments in the form of a column. This issue, City Manager Mike Angeli (pictured right) shares comments on the current state of affairs in the City. City Manager Angeli can be reached at 906-228-0435.

Well it's March and we are all enjoying an unusual reprieve Plan already) over any number of from the harsh winter weather. But, if you been around here long enough, you know it's only a reprieve and we'll soon be won't be counted as debt (which is back out with our shovels and snow blowers.

The last time I wrote, I mentioned that everything seems to be moving along smoothly and I'm glad to report it still is. However, much like my last job, as the old stuff goes out, the new stuff comes in. In this instance, it seems like the new is coming in faster than the old is going out. Which is good in our case because it represents the continuing positive trend in growth and progress.

One of the new directions that the City has recently initiated is a full examination of energy efficiency within our own facilities and public utilities. Recent state legislation, enacted in August 2016, now allows municipalities to take advantage of a lease program to finance new infrastructure that will result in energy savings. The legislation is called the Tax Exempt Lease Program or TELP. It's great for us in that it allows us to finance energy saving infrastructure projects (which, by the way, are all almost in our Capital Improvement

years to a maximum of 20 years. It

important to our financial stature) and the best part is that all the improvements will be paid for by the dollars saved in energy costs.

In other words, we are paying for all the improvements with money that we are already spending on energy. The initial study is expected to be completed by July of this year, but all of our preliminary information suggests that it will be successful. This could ultimately be a win-win-win in that we will be more energy efficient, be able to improve infrastructure and more efficiently spend tax dollars, which I'm sure everyone would agree is a good idea.

Hopefully in one of my near future articles I will be able to report a successful effort. See you next time.

-Mike



The Marquette City Clerk's Office is accepting nominations. The deadline for filing nominating petitions is 4 p.m. on and two vacancies on the Marquette Board of Light and least one year and must not be in debt to the City. Power. Packets containing nominating petition forms, the required certificates and information sheets are available in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, 300 West Baraga, Marguette.

for the City elective offices that will be filled this year. There Tuesday, April 25, 2017. To be eligible to run for office in the will be three vacancies on the Marguette City Commission City, candidates must have been residents of the City for at







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City Commission Meetings

The Commission usually meets the second and last Monday of each month at 6 pm in the City Hall Commission Chambers at 300 W. Baraga Avenue, unless otherwise noted. Citizens are invited to attend.

Regular Meetings:

Monday, March 13, 2017, 6 p.m. Monday, March 27, 2017, 6 p.m. Monday, April 10, 2017, 6 p.m. Monday, April 24, 2017, 6 p.m.

Meetings are televised on local (Charter Cable)
Channel 191. Additional meetings may be
called, and changes may be made in
accordance with the City Charter. Notices will be
posted for such changes in compliance with
Public Act 267 of 1976.

Interested in serving your community?

The City of Marquette has several openings for various volunteer advisory boards and committees.

Check out the City's website for an application and the most up-to-date vacancy information: www.mqtcty.org/government.php

Holiday Closures

City offices located at Marquette City Hall, 300 W. Baraga Ave.; the Lakeview Arena, 401 E. Fair Ave.; and the Marquette Arts & Culture Center, 217 N. Front St. (Peter White Public Library) will be closed on April 14 for Good Friday. The Fire, Police and Public Works and Utilities Departments will remain open and staffed during this time.

Manager Open Office Hours

City Manager Mike Angeli holds community office hours on the second Wednesday of each month, from 10 am until noon in the main floor conference room of the Peter White Public Library. The next community office hours sessions are scheduled for March 8 and April 12.

The meetings are intended to provide informal opportunities to discuss issues within the community, and to give citizens a chance for direct dialogue with City staff about interests and concerns.

Live Streaming Available

Live streaming of all regular City Commission meetings is available! Go to mqtcty.org and click on the Live Stream button on the top of the page to watch the meetings on YouTube.

New Election Equipment Scheduled for Use In August Election

Municipalities throughout Marquette County should be using new election equipment by August of this year. The State of Michigan is rolling out new election equipment throughout the state and recently selected three vendors to replace the aging voting machines statewide. County clerks are responsible for deciding which of the three vendors to contract with. On Feb. 16, the Marquette County Clerk signed a contract with Dominion Voting/Governmental Business Systems; this company is the current vendor working with Marquette County. The Marquette City Commission affirmed this choice by resolution during its Feb. 27 meeting.

This means that the City of Marquette, as well as the other local jurisdictions in Marquette County, will be rolling

out new tabulator machines in August, as well as a new, lower-profile voter assistance machine for voters with disabilities. Marquette County was one of the first in the state to sign a contract for new equipment.

A majority of the initial cost will be covered by a combination of State-appropriated funds and dollars from the Federal Help America Vote Act. Under the agreement reached by Marquette County, Dominion has agreed to provide the machines at no additional cost and will provide maintenance free of charge for the first five years (2017-2021) of the agreement. Beginning in 2022, the City will need to budget a standard annual maintenance fee for the equipment.

Downtown Parking Changes Underway



The Marquette Downtown Development Authority continues to update the downtown parking system. New parking meters, which accept credit card and coin transactions, have been installed in the Marquette Commons parking lot and on West Main Street. Favorable weather has

allowed us to make the necessary adjustments to enhance user convenience and accessibility by lowering the meters and turning them to face the sidewalk. The existing blue poles will be painted black once the spring weather arrives and, also in the spring, the remaining old meters on Baraga

Avenue will be replaced with the new smart meter technology.

Users of the Bluff Street Ramp's lower level are required to use the pay station, located in the center of the south wall, to purchase desired parking time at a rate of 50 cents per hour. Please take note of your license plate number, as the pay station will ask for it to be entered. Additional signage has been installed and, for added convenience, two more pay stations will soon be placed near the exits at either end of the structure. Complimentary two-hour parking is available on the upper level, and courtesy handicapped parking will

The Marquette Downtown continue to be offered in the ramp's lower level for those Development Authority with state-issued designation.

Parking is enforced Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Instructional videos for both the smart meters and the pay station can be viewed at https://downtownmarquette.org/parking/.

The DDA is committed to providing clean, safe sidewalks, pedestrian walkways and parking areas throughout Marquette's Downtown District. To this end, the DDA reinvests all revenue received from the pay station, parking meters and rental parking permits to cover parking costs including snow removal, sidewalk clearing, elevator and stair tower maintenance, lighting and security cameras, trash removal, sweeping, repairs, striping and signage.



We would like to thank the City of Marquette Police Department, Treasurer's Office and IT Department as well as the Parking Enforcement/Police Support Officer and the DDA maintenance staff (especially Kevin Frey) for their ongoing cooperation in these efforts. We would like to ask the community for your continued patience, cooperation and understanding as we continue to learn and work through the inevitable kinks of implementing a new parking system for the betterment of downtown.

2017 Farmers Market Season Coming Soon!



The 2017 season of the Downtown Marquette Farmers Market opens May 20 and operates every Saturday through Dec. 16 at the Marquette Commons, 112 South Third St. in Marquette. The markets hours are 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Vendor applications are now available on the market website

mqtfarmersmarket.com. There is room for new vendors so make plans now to expand a hobby into a small business for yourself and be a part of the Saturday morning excitement of the Downtown Marquette Farmers Market! Vendors attendance at the market can be as few as a couple of weeks per season all the way up to every week, depending on your schedule.

In addition to the variety of farmer and artisan vendors, there are demonstrations throughout the season and live music weekly through mid-October. SNAP benefits and Double Up Food Bucks are distributed all season. WIC

Project FRESH and Senior Market FRESH are accepted June through end of October. Hoophouses for Health vouchers are distributed at the market and participating farmers accept them throughout the season.

Call 906-362-3276 for additional information or to talk through an idea. See you at the market!



Pigs-n-Heat Hockey Event

If you haven't been to this event before, it is a must see! Join us at Lakeview Arena Wednesday, March 15, at 6:45 p.m. for the best fundraising event of the season: The Pigs-N-Heat hockey game. Tickets are \$1 and available at Fire Station #1, 418 S. Third Street, and at the Police Department in City Hall, 300 W. Barage Avenue..

The City of Marquette Fire Department has competed in this annual hockey game for over 30 years. The goal is to raise money for the Fire Relief Fund, which helps Marquette County residents who have experienced devastating loss due to fire. Since its inception in 1984, over \$380,000 has been dispersed!

Besides the excitement of watching the Firefighters and Police face-off, there are an abundance of prizes to be won. Help support the effort and pack the rink.







2017 Reconstruction Projects

Various street and utility reconstruction projects have been designed by City Engineering staff and are being instituted for this construction season. These projects meet the intent of the City's Master and Capital Improvement Plans to manage the City's infrastructure assets. Contact information for the engineers managing these projects can be found at the end of this article.

The following are the projects planned for reconstruction this year:

Marquette Hospital Transportation Improvements Project:

A reconstruction project that includes the reconstruction of a portion of the US 41 corridor and various local streets to provide access to the new Marquette Hospital complex. Reconstruction will result in a roundabout being constructed at the intersection of Grove Street and US 41, a roundabout at US 41 and the new hospital drive entrance, and a roundabout at the new hospital drive entrance at Baraga Avenue. This project will upgrade and widen Seventh Street, curb and pave Spring Street west of Seventh. In addition the intersections along Seventh Street will be upgraded with turn lanes. Baraga Avenue will be upgraded with curb and gutter, bike lanes, sidewalk and the undersized water main will be replaced and upgraded. The Fisher Street intersection will be upgraded to allow sufficient site distance. Whetstone Brook road crossings and culverts are being upgraded to current standards and to maintain fish/aquatics passage. Funding is being made available through the Brownfield Redevelopment Fund due to the new hospital construction. We are anticipating construction to begin in April. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Mik Kilpela or Keith Whittington.

Wright Street (Sugarloaf Avenue to Industrial Parkway:

A reconstruction project that includes the replacement of the water main/services, sanitary sewer laterals and extension of storm sewer utilities. The street surface, subbase and curbing will be removed and upgraded with curbing and per our current street standards. The intersections of Sugarloaf and Lincoln at Wright Street will be reconstructed with roundabouts. Sidewalk will be placed on the north side of Wright Street for pedestrian access. Funding for the street, storm and sidewalk is being paid with funding provided by Lundin Mining Corporation. We are anticipating construction to begin in April. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Mik Kilpela or Keith Whittington.

Presque Isle Avenue (College Avenue to Fair Avenue):

A reconstruction project that includes the replacement of the storm water utilities, water main/services, and sanitary sewer main/services. The street surface, subbase and curbing will be removed and replaced. The intersection of Presque Isle and Fair Avenue will be reconstructed to include a roundabout. Traffic warrants for the intersection of Kaye Avenue and Presque Isle Avenue have shown that a traffic signal will no longer be required at that intersection. We are anticipating construction to begin in April. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Mik Kilpela or Keith Whittington.

Fair Avenue (McClellan Avenue west to City Limits):

A reconstruction project that includes the extension and partial replacement of the storm water and sanitary sewer utilities. The water main/services will be replaced and upgraded. Sanitary sewer services will be replaced if found in poor condition. The street surface, subbase, and curbing will be removed and replaced. As part of the street section, bike lanes will be placed on the street and sidewalk will be constructed on the north side of the street. We are anticipating construction to begin in June. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Greg Borzick or Keith Whittington.

Wilson Street (Ward Street to McClellan Avenue):

A street upgrade project that includes the extension and partial replacement of the storm water, sanitary sewer and water utilities. Sanitary sewer and water services will be replaced if found in poor condition. The street surface and subbase will be removed and replaced. Curbing that is in poor condition will be removed and replaced. We are anticipating construction to begin in June. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Jim Compton or Keith Whittington.

1100 Blocks of Hancock, Jefferson, and Sherman Streets (Sheridan Avenue to Bike Path):

This is a gravel street replacement and street upgrade project. This project will include the removal of the existing gravel surface and the construction of curbing, aggregate subbase and base, and paving an asphalt surface to current street standards. An undersized and aged water main will be removed and replaced with a larger diameter main under Jefferson Street. These areas have severe erosion issues and will require the placement of the curb and gutter and the extension of storm sewer from Sheridan Avenue to the bike path. We are anticipating construction to begin in July. Any questions regarding this project can be directed towards Jim Compton or Keith Whittington.

Front Street and Spring Street Traffic Signal Upgrade:

This project will be done in conjunction with our street improvement and maintenance projects. This project will

2017 Reconstruction Projects (continued)

remove the existing traffic signal infrastructure and upgrade it with a box style signal system. Pedestrian count down signals, crosswalk/pavement markings upgrades are all part of this project. Any questions regarding this project can be directed towards Greg Borzick or Keith Whittington.

Street Improvement and Maintenance Projects (SIMP):

This is an annual project where streets that warrant heavy maintenance are milled and overlaid. This construction season, as with the past five seasons, we will be going green with the use of recycled asphalt shingles in the paving mixtures. Street sections that are preliminarily planned for treatment are Altamont Street, Baraga Avenue, Fourth Street, Front Street, Genesee Street, Harrison Street, Kimber Avenue, Lincoln Avenue, Longyear Avenue, Pioneer Road and Ridge Street. We are anticipating construction starting in July or August. Any questions regarding these projects and the specific street limits can be directed toward Mik Kilpela or Keith Whittington.

Sanitary Sewer Lateral Replacement Program:

This is an annual project where streets that receive heavy maintenance activities also receive sanitary sewer laterals replacements where necessary. Laterals replaced are those that are found to be in poor condition or consist of Orangeburg material. Any questions regarding this project and the specific locations can be directed toward Mik Kilpela or Keith Whittington.

Pavement Marking Program Project:

This is an annual project where streets that require lane striping and pavement markings are painted to meet the Michigan Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD) standards. Currently the City of Marquette maintains pavement markings for 187 intersections and for approximately 36.5 miles of lane delineation striping. We are anticipating painting to begin in June. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Keith Whittington or Dan Salmon.

Sidewalk Repair and Replacement Project:

This is an annual project where portions of sidewalk which have been determined by the Engineering and Public Works Departments to be hazardous to the public are removed and replaced. Sidewalk lips 1/2 inch or greater are prioritized by lip height and scheduled for replacement. The amount of sidewalk replaced is based on the amount of funds available. We are anticipating construction starting in May or June. Any questions regarding this project and the specific locations can be directed toward Keith Whittington or Greg Borzick.

Altamont Street Sidewalk Extension Project (Blemhuber Avenue to US 41 Overpass):

This project is the final phase of a continuation of the safe routes to school project that was started in 2013. This project will provide safe access for those children walking to school. The project will construct sidewalk on the west side of Altamont Street. Retaining walls will be constructed for areas with steep side slopes next to the sidewalk. Highly visible pavement markings and signage will be placed as part of this project. This project is scheduled to begin in May or June. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Keith Whittington or Greg Borzick.

Sanitary and Storm Sewer Cleaning and Televising Project:

This project is being paid by funds made available from a Storm water, Asset Management, and Wastewater (SAW) program. This project will televise and clean 141,308 feet of sanitary sewer main and 109,940 feet of storm sewer main. All televising video, pictures, and reports will be completed using national standards. Piping will be conditioned assessed and rated for severity. All the information will be integrated into our GIS system for ease of use by City staff. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Keith Whittington.

Sanitary and Storm Sewer Structure Condition Assessment Program:

This project is being paid by funds made available from a Storm water, Asset Management, and Wastewater (SAW) program. This project will allow City Engineering staff to condition assess and obtain hydraulic information for 2000 sanitary sewer manholes and 3820 storm sewer structures. All the information will be completed using national standards. Structures will be conditioned assessed and rated for severity. All the information will be integrated into our GIS system for ease of use by City staff. Any questions regarding this project can be directed toward Keith Whittington.

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The Engineering staff would like to remind the public to be aware of all construction signing, detour routes and the workers while they are traveling near or through any of the construction or work zones. We want to keep everyone safe!

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center (MACC) is located in the lower level of the Peter White Public Library at 217 N. Front St. in Marquette. For more information or questions on any of the articles on

City Marquette announces exhibition

this page or the following, please call 906-228-0472 or email

arts-culture@mqtcty.org.

from sophomore to senior with various concentration backgrounds from furniture design to graphic illustration. "Make Do & Mend" is a studio furniture exhibition that began in the fall semester of 2016 at NMU. This exhibition puts emphasis on how young craftspeople "make do" with issues that correlate to creating objects from the abstract. Makers were inspired by: theories, art periods, pop culture, landscapes and a multitude of professional designers.

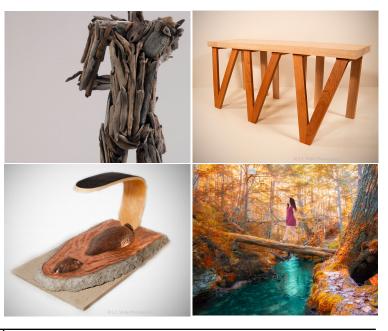
The March SmallWorks Gallery will feature work by Emma Goebel, Zachary Halford, Jeni Ihrke and Truman Jones. All four artists are current NMU students, ranging in interests from art and design to biology. Their show, "Lost and Found", features work in multiple medias such as photography, 3D animation, photomontage and 3D pieces.

March Exhibits: Make Do And Mend/Lost and Found/Just Looking

and Culture Center March LSAA Gallery Northern Michigan University's Art and Design students ranging in status

of Students from Lali Khalid's six-week portraiture workshop, "Just Looking", will be displaying work in the MACC and participating in the closing artist reception.

All exhibits will be displayed from March 1-31 with a closing artist reception on Thursday, March 30 from 6-8 p.m. The public is invited to attend and refreshments will be provided.



"Thank God It's Wednesday" Call for Members

The "Thank God It's Wednesday" artists would like to extend an invitation to any and every type of artist to join and share their passion, friendship and learning. This group began meeting in June 2008 as a plein-air group where they would meet weekly at the Ben Franklin parking lot and decided where to go. They have painted at member's homes, camps, public spaces and now meet at the MACC. Originally painters, current members now work in varying mediums during their meetings. They currently meet on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 1-4 p.m. There is no cost to join.

Senior Arts Series

Visual Arts

Classes are offered on the first and third Tuesday of every month from 1-3 p.m. and take place at the City of Marguette Arts and Culture Center. Interested parties must pre-register by contacting the City Senior Center at 228-0456.

Tuesday, March 7 and 21 – Acrylic Painting with Gene Bertram

Tuesday, April 4 and 18 – Alcohol Inks with JoAnn Shelby

April Exhibits: MACC Seeking High School Artists

The City of Marguette Arts and Culture Center will host the fifth annual High School Art Show in April in both galleries. Any high school-age student (this includes homeschooled) living in Marquette County may enter a piece for this nonjuried show. Any medium is welcome, including paint, ceramics, drawing, mixed media and video.

All art must be ready to hang. Please drop off work by Thursday, March 30. The show will be on exhibit from April 6 to 28 with an opening artist reception on Thursday, April 6 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Performing Arts

Classes will take place every Monday in March and April from 2-4 p.m. at the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center.

These classes are open to individuals ages 60+ and cater to a wide variety of skill levels. Participation is FREE to City of Marquette residents, but non-residents are welcome to attend for a small donation of \$5 per class to help cover the cost of instruction. Interested parties must pre-register by contacting the City Senior Center at 228-0456.

The 100DAYPROJECT Check-In

The City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center is pleased to announce that a check-in session for 100DayProject participants will be held at the Art Center on Saturday, March 4, from 1-2:30 p.m. with the project organizers.

At this check-in, 100DayProject participants will be able to share and discuss their experience thus far in the project,

while refocusing to finish out the last half of the project strong. This year's 100DayProject began on January 22 and ends on April 30. During this time, participants are encouraged to explore and experiment with any creative medium of their choice for 100 days straight. More information on the 100DayProject can be found at www.the100dayproject.com.

21st Annual Arts Awards Call for Nominations

The City of Marquette is welcoming citizens to nominate deserving members of the community to be considered for the 2017 Annual Arts Awards. These awards are offered to recognize and thank citizens who have demonstrated artistic excellence and/or have made significant contributions to awareness of arts in our community.

Nominations for the 21st Annual Art Awards are being accepted for the following categories: Arts Volunteer, Arts Activist, Arts Educator, Youth Award, Visual Artist, Performing Artist, Special Recognition, Community Arts Impact, Art Business Honor Roll and Writer.

Nomination forms and criteria may be picked-up at the MACC or online at https://goo.gl/xMzuO5. Nominations will

be accepted until Friday, March 17.

The Award recipients will be honored at a public ceremony in May. Please note that nominations for non-residents are welcome as long as the nominee has made contributions to the City of Marquette. A complete list of past award winners can be found at https://goo.gl/lhk6wU.



Little Art Lab

Thursday, March 2, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Ages 4-8

Cost – Pay what you are able, donations for supplies welcome Pre-registration appreciated. Contact Beth at 906-250-1996 for more information.

Watercolors with Carl Mayer

Tuesday, March 28, 1-4:30 p.m.

\$35 Registration Fee

Tuesday, April 25, 1-4:30 p.m.

\$35 Registration Fee

Students must bring their own supplies and sign up prior to class by calling 906-226-8834.

All classes take place at the City of Marquette Arts and Culture Center, located in the lower level of the Peter White Public Library.

The Creative Community Series is made possible by grant funding from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs. To learn more about how to host your own workshop or for any questions regarding the series, contact the Art Center at 906-228-0472 or arts-culture@mqtcty.org



Beginners Tai Chi in the Gallery with Marc Weinrick

Fridays, 10-11:30 a.m.

\$50 per month Registration Fee.

To register call 906-228-0472.

Learn traditional Yang style Tai Chi. A slow moving, graceful, meditative, martial art that has been shown to benefit balance, blood pressure, cholesterol, and muscle strength. Great for people of all ages. Come dressed comfortably. No experience required.

Participants should bring a yoga mat, comfortable/ loose fitting clothing and indoor athletic shoes to class.

Intermediate Tai Chi in the Gallery with Marc Weinrick

Mondays, 7-8:30 p.m.

\$50 per month Registration Fee.

To register call 906-228-0472.

Experience Level - Previous, moderate experience in Tai Chi of any style.

US 41 Roundabouts

What is being done?

The City of Marquette is constructing several new roundabouts due to the construction of the hospital. There will be two roundabouts on US 41: one at the intersection of Grove and US 41 and the other at the intersection of the new hospital access drive and US 41. There will also be a roundabout at the intersection of Baraga Avenue and the new hospital access drive.

When will this be done?

The project is scheduled to begin in April and to be completed in October of 2017.

How will traffic be affected?

The project will require lane closures at the intersections and traffic shifts. Access to local businesses will be maintained during construction. The project will require intermittent closures on Seventh, Baraga, Grove and Spring Streets with posted detour routes. Seventh Street will be closed to through traffic to US 41 for the duration of the project. The work zone on the local streets will generally remain open to pedestrian traffic. Slight delays are expected, with longer delays anticipated during peak traffic periods on US 41. Some nighttime paving work can be expected.

Long-term benefits

The project will improve safety at these intersections, reduce motorist delays and improve ride quality.

Current Configuration



Future Configuration



How to Navigate a Single Lane Roundabout*

Motorists

- When approaching a roundabout, slow down. For multi-lane roundabouts, look for roadside signs and pavement markings to guide you into the appropriate lane. It is important to be in the correct lane prior to entering the roundabout.
- Splitter islands (either painted or raised) are used to divide directional traffic on the approach to the roundabout. Always stay to the right of the splitter island.
- Be cautious of pedestrians as you approach the crosswalk.
- Sometimes you will encounter a cyclist traveling within the roundabout. Use caution, be courteous and share the road.
- As you approach the yield line, look to your left before entering the roundabout.
 Vehicles within the roundabout have the right-of-way.
 - Enter the roundabout and merge into the traffic flow once an adequate gap is available.
- All movement within the roundabout is counterclockwise. <u>Never turn left</u> into the roundabout from the yield line when traveling within the roundabout
- When approaching the roundabout, avoid traveling at a speed greater than the posted advisory speed.
- Once inside the roundabout, only stop to avoid a collision. You have the right-of-way over entering traffic.
- As you exit the roundabout, be aware of pedestrians and bicyclists crossing the roadway.

Cyclists

- If a non-motorized pathway is provided around the perimeter of the roundabout cyclists can either enter the roundabout as a vehicle or exit the roadway to use the pathway.
- For those using the non-motorized pathway, dismount at the ramp leading to the pathway and walk your bicycle. Use the sidewalk and crosswalks, following the same rules that apply to pedestrians.
- Experienced riders who enter the roundabout must follow the same rules as vehicles. Follow all signs and pavement markings. Cyclists entering the roundabout must yield to both pedestrians and vehicles already circulating within the roundabout.
- When entering a roundabout, try to travel at or near the same speed as motorists within the roundabout. Ride in the center of your lane, not on the right curb line.
- Use proper hand signals prior to exiting the roundabout.

Pedestrians

- Cross only at marked crosswalks, always stay on the designated walkway, and never cross to the central island.
- Always use caution prior to crossing the roadway. Wait for an appropriate gap in traffic. Remember, your best protection is your own awareness.
- When a safe gap is available, cross the roundabout one approach at a time. Use the splitter island as a refuge area before crossing the remaining lanes.

*Information sourced from the City of Lee's Summit, MO

For More Information, Contact the City of Marquette Engineering Division 906-228-0440

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