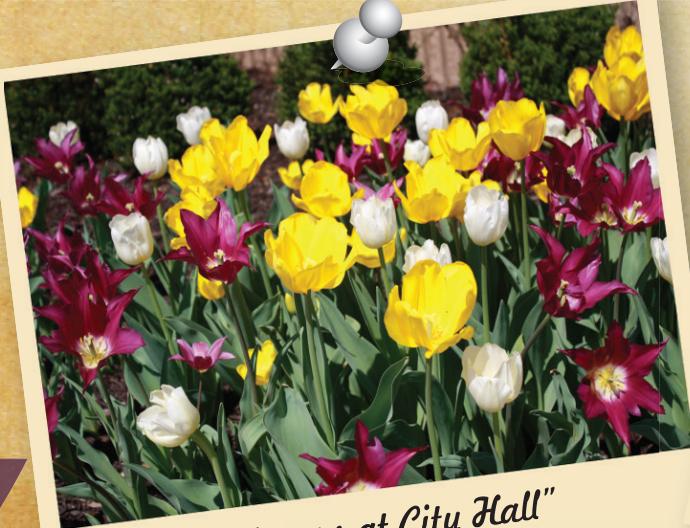


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GRANDVIEW

A Newsletter about the City of Grandview, Missouri

REPORT



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Front Porch Conversations with the Mayor...

"Spring Fever"

The thermostats are starting to move in the upward direction, and the tulips in my flowerbed are beginning to show promising signs of life. I have wiped off the winter grime from my front porch rocking chairs, and I'm ready for some great conversations out there in the upcoming months.

As most of you know, we've just completed another round of choosing our city leaders with our April 2 elections, and, boy are my legs and my vocal chords tired! Another great experience in knocking on doors and making phone calls, getting terrific feedback from all of you on what you think is important (and not), and how you think the direction of the city is moving.

I am so thankful that I have the opportunity to continue in the office of "cheerleader-in-chief" for my hometown. The lively electoral competition brought forth new ideas from different candidates, and when all the votes were counted, we were all still friends, and we all share the common goal of improving the future of our beloved Grandview.

Now our community is gearing up for the outdoor season with plenty to do and see....

I hope everyone in the city is making plans for the second annual "Truman Heritage Festival" coming up in a couple of weeks (Thursday, May 2nd through Saturday, May 4th). We all had such an absolute blast last year,

and things are bigger and better this year. Make sure to come out and enjoy the Carnival, the American Royal-qualifying BBQ cook off, the terrific auto show & competition, the arts & crafts booths, the great food vendors, and the incredible musical talent on stage. And make sure to line up on Grandview Rd. and Main St. that Saturday morning at 10 a.m. for the huge "Truman Heritage Festival Parade".

The end of May will begin the construction of our new Downtown Civic Plaza and Farmers Market complex. Construction should only take a few months, and the regular Farmers Market activity will continue on throughout the construction.

From there on out, we have the Grandview Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament on Friday, June 7th.

Saturday, June 22nd brings us to our Second Annual "Grandview Day at The K" as hundreds of Grandview citizens and their friends have a big party at the stadium watching the Royals do battle on the field.

All summer long we should be entertained with Concerts or Movies In the Park.

And you've probably seen the big billboards going up around the old "Truman Corners" announcing the impending construction of the new "Truman's Marketplace Shopping & Dining District", and I can't wait

to see the first old building being knocked down to start the redevelopment...and, from what I've been told, we're within a couple of months of that happening!

On our nation's day of Independence in July, make sure and come out to watch the incredible Fireworks Display at Longview Lake with our friends from Jackson County.

Saturday, September 7th marks our 9th Annual "Music on Main", and it is shaping up to be the best event ever!

With our new Grandview Arts Council, a push to introduce a real "fitness culture" in our community, and a serious initiative to inspire an "entrepreneurial mindset" in Grandview, I'm anxious to see what those campaigns will bring.

There are a lot of new plans in the works, and the next two or three years should be a real time of exciting progress for our city. These are exhilarating times, and I am so honored to be your Mayor. So please come and dream with me about what this city can, and will, look like in the near future. The view is going to be awesome!

Steve

2013 STREET AND SIDEWALK REPAIRS

The City is committed to the upkeep and improvement of its transportation system. Grandview citizens have approved a Transportation Sales Tax and a Capital Improvements Sale Tax, from which the City dedicates funds each year to its Asphalt Overlay Program, Slurry Seal Program, Sidewalk Repair Program, Curb Repair Program, New Curb Program and New Sidewalk Program.

Public hearings were conducted in March, to explain to the public why City staff believe the proposed work was appropriate, and provide an opportunity for public input and discussion about the programs. Programs for this summer (below) were approved by the Board of Aldermen on April 9, 2013.



ASPHALT OVERLAY STREET RESURFACING

Weather permitting, the 2013 Asphalt Overlay Program will take place during the month of June. Parking will be prohibited on the days that milling and asphalt overlay are taking place.

STREET	FROM	TO
13th Street	133rd Street	135th Street
133rd Terrace	Byars Road	Crystal Avenue
135th Street	West Frontage Road	400 ft west of 12th St
150th Terrace	Bellaire Avenue	White Avenue
Armitage Drive	North City Limit	120th Terrace
Raytown Rd Southbound	East City Limit	Highgrove Road

NEW SIDEWALKS

These are the proposed new sidewalks and curbs locations. A public hearing to receive comments on these two programs is tentatively scheduled for late May 2013. Construction is not expected to take place until late summer or early fall.

- 6700 127th Street
- 7900 127th Terrace
- 7904 127th Terrace
- 7804 130th Street
- 7808 130th Street
- 7812 130th Street
- 12821 Eighth Street
- 12825 Eighth Street
- 12901 Eighth Street
- 12903 Eighth Street
- 12905 Eighth Street
- 12907 Eighth Street
- 12909 Eighth Street
- @12909 8th Street
- 13303 Manchester Avenue
- 13305 Manchester Avenue
- 12805 Oakland Avenue
- 12809 Oakland Avenue

SLURRY SEAL COATING THAT PRESERVES STREETS

Slurry Seal Program will take place between mid-July and mid-August. On the day slurry is applied to the street, parking will be prohibited and the street will be closed to traffic.

STREET	FROM	TO
12th Street	Duck Road	Jones Avenue
15th Street	Harry Truman Drive	Duck Road
133rd Terrace	Bennington Avenue	DE East
134th Terrace	13th Street	DE West
138th Street	Norby Road	Cul-De-Sac East
150th Terrace	White Avenue	Fuller Avenue
Barat Avenue	150th Street	155th Street
Goode Avenue	13th Street	15th Street
Jones Avenue	8th Street	13th Street
Lena Avenue	7th Street	Grandview Road
Southview Drive	Harry Truman Drive	DE West of Smalley Ave
Winchester Avenue	137th Street	139th Street

To review the Annual Sidewalk and Curb Replacement locations, please visit our website at grandview.org, under the *City Government* tab, in the Public Works Planned Infrastructure Improvements section.

It's Been a Long Swim at Meadowmere Pool

It's been almost 40 years since the City of Grandview opened the gates to Meadowmere Pool. The deck beckoned anxious swimmers to take the summer plunge into its cooling waters. Over the years, amenities such as slides, kiddie pools, lily pads, and a rock wall have been added to provide more interactive entertainment. While most pools constructed during that era have since been demolished or replaced, Meadowmere Pool has stood the test of time and afforded the families of Grandview and day campers longer-than-average, joy-filled summers.

As with all aging structures, Meadowmere Pool faces many issues that are difficult to overcome. A few of these include antiquated piping, filtration and recirculation systems, increasing repair and maintenance costs, inefficient chemical dosing, cumbersome daily maintenance, and non-compliance with new Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations. These issues and others were reported in detail in both the 2006 Park Master Plan and the recently completed 2012 Aquatics Feasibility Study.

Operational and maintenance costs alone have resulted in a net loss to the city of \$97,698 on average each of the past 5 years. At the same time, attendance has dwindled to the point that the recently installed splash pad

at John Anderson Park is drawing twice the attendance! The stark reality of these issues is that Meadowmere Pool is no longer sustainable and has led to the decision by the Board of Aldermen to close the pool.

The Parks and Recreation Department does not expect the closure to impact the Grandview Sharks swim team or learn to swim programs, as those activities will be moved to the indoor pool at The View. This decision is also not expected to impact current indoor activities or programs. Furthermore, the department will be offering discounted community center memberships for those who wish to swim indoors during the summer months.

The Board of Aldermen decided the pool closure is a necessary decision that is in the best interest of the community. Meanwhile, the planning process has begun for a new aquatics feature for Meadowmere Park.

To those who have been around for a while, the closing of the long standing pool will close out a lot of memories. But it also brings about exciting thoughts of what the future may hold for future outdoor aquatics!



Meet the New Alderman: Brian Hochstein

Brian Hochstein was appointed to the Board of Alderman in January 2013 (after Alderman Joe Runions became State Representative for District 37), and was elected on April 2, 2013. He has been a resident of Grandview for a little over 7 years. Prior to running for Alderman, he was a member of the Grandview Planning Commission from 2009 to early 2013. Learn more about him below from a recent Q&A session:



We thank Mr. Runions for his seven years of service



Alderman Hochstein

- How long have you lived in Grandview?

We moved to Grandview at the end of 2005.

- Can you tell us a little bit about your family and jobs you've had?

My wife Anne and I have two boys, Landon (5), and Cohen (3). A daughter will be joining us at the end of May. I am a Landscape Architect by trade and am licensed to practice in Missouri and Kansas.

- What's your favorite place in Grandview (your home doesn't count)?

That is tough, there are lots of great places in our community. It probably has to be one of the parks. Our family rotates between John Anderson Park and Meadowmere Park. I will have to give the nod to John Anderson Park. But I also look forward to the reconstruction of Valley Park. It is right down the street from my home and will probably become my new favorite place.

Read about the other five Aldermen at grandview.org under the *City Government Tab*

- Can you describe your primary goals in serving as an Alderman?

I can probably sum it up with one word. Connectivity! I want to help Grandview in anyway I can to be a more connected city. I would like to see an expansion of our trails and sidewalk network to give people a pedestrian option to safely travel throughout the City.

Development of a pedestrian network will give access to a wide range of users and create a framework for potential future mass transit, including rail. I also want Grandview to be connected to the best possible infrastructure, including high speed internet services to attract businesses and entrepreneurs.

I want our businesses to connect with our citizens and create a City where businesses want to locate here, and where the owners and employees want to live. Finally, I would like our citizens to be well connected to each other and our government. Grandview has made great strides to find quality people to help us grow. I am looking forward to helping in any way possible to keep up that momentum.

- Can you list three of your best personality traits?

1. I believe that I am a good listener. I respect everyone's opinion and try to understand where they are coming from. 2. I am a problem solver. I love research and digging to find answers. 3. I can take criticism. The architecture profession forces you to have a thick skin. I prefer straightforward and open dialogue.

You can contact Alderman Hochstein via email at bhochstein@ci.grandview.mo.us or (816) 590-7394.

REGISTER WITH THE GRANDVIEW PARKS & RECREATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE



As spring gets into full swing, it may seem early to be talking about football — but it's time for parents to take advantage of

- Divisions 7-10 and 11-13
- Tackle football league
- Brand new football equipment
- 2 games per week
- 3-5 practices per week
- No travel required

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

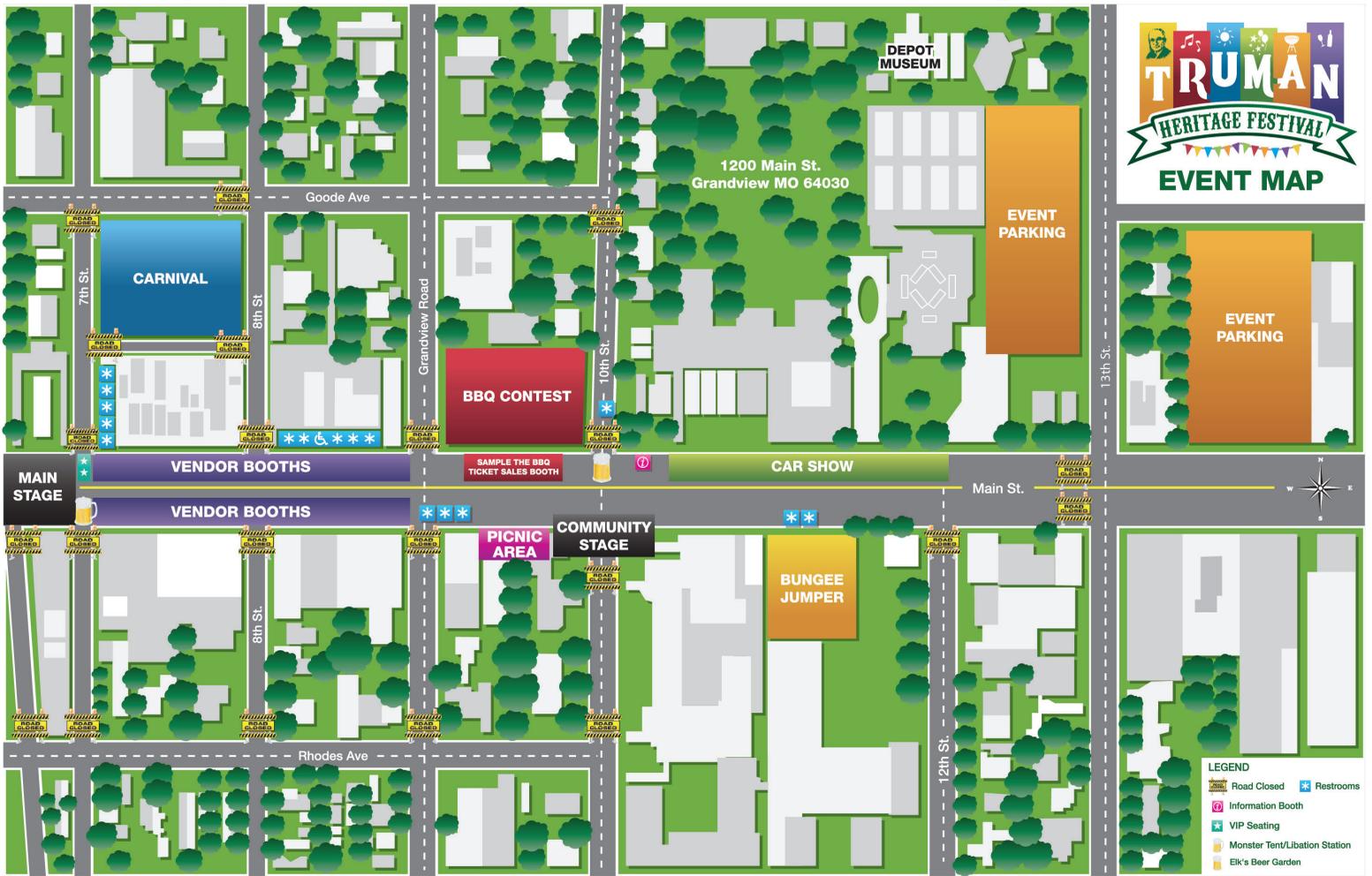
\$75 per child - month of May only!

Regular registration is \$85



the "early bird" offer and register their children in this new and affordable league!

Happiness is the Truman Heritage Festival



The Truman Heritage Festival is back for its second year and is looking bigger and better than ever. It will take place May 2, 3 & 4 on Main Street downtown, between 15th and 5th Street.

This FREE-admission community festival will have even more attractions than last year's and a diverse lineup of musical performances that will get everyone moving.

KCBS BBQ CHAMPIONSHIP

The public will once again have a chance to sample the Championship barbecue through Buck-a-Bone tickets, and here is how it works: contestants can sell food of their choice – samples, full plates of BBQ, side dish, dessert – priced at one or more Buck-a-Bone tickets. One B-a-B ticket

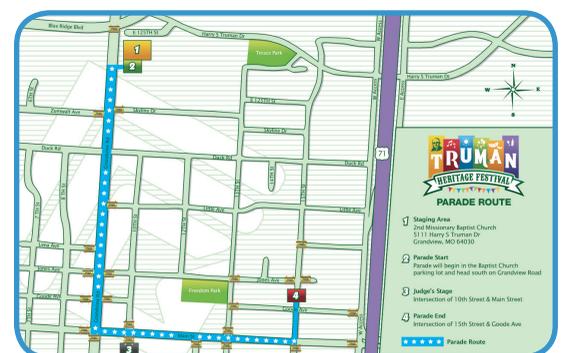
is equivalent to \$1. B-a-B tickets will be sold at the Buck-A-Bone Booth located on site. For each \$1 B-a-B ticket redeemed for food, the Mid-Continent Public Library's Summer Reading Program Fund receives \$0.20. So, you're not only sampling great BBQ, but you will also be supporting a good cause. And this year, we have more competitors selling their food.

COMMUNITY STAGE

There will be a community stage at 10th and Main Street on Saturday, May 4, where groups and individuals will showcase their talent (musical acts, dance, etc). The community stage is also where parade and BBQ champions will be announced. Visit our website to see the full schedule of performances.

PARADE

The Saturday program of entertainment will begin with a grand parade complete with big cash prizes for the best floats and performances. The parade's theme in 2013 is "The Sky's the Limit!" It starts at 10 a.m. and everyone is encouraged to register to participate in the parade, whether featuring a float or not. Go online to **Grandview.org** to register. But hurry, registration closes at the end of April.



STREET CLOSURES

No parking will be allowed on Main St from Grandview Rd to 7th Street, on both sides of the road, starting Friday, at 1 p.m. until Saturday night.

The following streets will also need to be closed for the Truman Heritage Festival Parade route. They will close at 9:30 a.m. and reopen for traffic around noon.

- Grandview Road (from Blue Ridge Blvd to Main Street) intersections:
 - Skyline Dr & Grandview Rd
 - Zumwalt Ave & Grandview Rd
 - Duck Ave & Grandview Rd (east & west)
 - Little Ave & Grandview Rd
 - Lena Ave & Grandview Rd
 - Jones Ave & Grandview Rd (E & W)
 - Goode Ave & Grandview Rd (east & west)
- Main Street (from Grandview Rd to West Frontage Rd)
- Goode Ave (from 13th Street to West Frontage Rd)
- Jones Ave (from 13th St to 15th St)
- 15th Street (from Main St to Thomas Ave)

FRIDAY CONCERTS
6:00p.m. Four Fried Chickens and a Coke (Blues)
8:00p.m. Right On Red (Rock, Today Hits)

SATURDAY CONCERTS
Rattle & Hum (U2 Tribute Band) 4:30p.m.
Revelation (Journey's Tribute Band) 6:30p.m.

JOSH GRACIN Country Music Superstar

Like us Truman Heritage Festival

Date & Time	Attractions
Thu - May 2nd 5 to 10p.m.	Carnival Only
Fri - May 3rd 5 to 10p.m.	Carnival BBQ Contest Concerts Vendors Bungee Jumper Street Performers
Sat. May 4th 10a.m. to 10p.m.	Parade Car Show BBQ Contest Carnival Vendors Community Stage Concerts Living history @ Depot Museum (1205 Jones)

CAR SHOW

South 71 Cruisers Car Club is in charge of the show. It will start at 12p.m. If you want to display your car, you can do so by registering from 9a.m. to 1 p.m. on site. Cars will be directed to the parking lot of Conn-West Elementary until parade is over). There will be no restrictions on model or year. Contact Mike Johnston at (816) 898-3698 with any questions.

MUSIC CONCERTS

All concerts will be held on the Main Stage. *Four Fried Chickens a Coke* will perform on Friday evening at 6 p.m., followed by "Right on Red" at 8 p.m. On Saturday, the music lineup starts with "Rattle & Hum" at 4:30; "Revelation" at 6:30 and country music sensation Josh Gracin at 8:30! See you there!

More Events... (detailed info at grandview.org)

CITY OF GRANDVIEW

2013 SPRING CLEAN-UP

April 27
7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Grandview Ball Park - 13200 Arrington Road

\$12 PER VEHICLE PER LOAD

EXAMPLES OF ITEMS ACCEPTED AT DISPOSAL SITE:
 ■ Appliances ■ Scrap Building Material
 ■ Furniture ■ Porcelain Items
 ■ Carpeting ■ (sinks, toilets, tubs)
 ■ Scrap Metal ■ Small Mechanical Equipment

Waste oil will also be accepted with a maximum of five gallons
NO OTHER HAZARDOUS WASTE WILL BE ACCEPTED DURING THIS PROGRAM, EXCEPT OIL (5 gallon max).

Checks will be accepted

Additional Cost Items:
 Tires (8 max) - \$1.50 each
 Appliances with freon (freezers, refrigerators) \$30.00 each

Goodwill will be there to collect electronics, computers, clothing and reusable household items!!!

Grandview Farmers Market

EVERY SATURDAY 7:30AM TO 12:30PM
(or until produce is sold out)

BEGINS MAY 11
Many special flowers and vegetable plants on that day

Downtown Grandview
at the parking lot at 8th and Goode Street
one block north of Main Street

Interested vendors contact Farmers Market Manager
Larry French at 816-289-6081 or lrfrench@kc.rr.com

Vendor Application is also available on our website
www.grandview.org (under the What's New tab)

GRANDVIEW CITYWIDE GARAGE SALE

MAY 16 • 17 • 18
(THUR • FRI • SAT)

Call **316-4812** to Participate and Register your address. That way, we can include your home in the Garage Sale Map!

We'll post the map on our Facebook page, website, and government channel, so buyers know EXACTLY where to go!

Garage sale signs will be placed around town, but you're welcome to place yours as well (only during the days of the event!)

Upcoming Events

FARMERS MARKET

Opens May 11 - 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
8th and Goode Street (one block north of Main)
Details inside

ADULT COED KICKBALL

Games start Thursday, May 9 @ 6 p.m. (8 games)
at John Anderson Park
Register your team of 8 (max 10) online
at www.grandviewparks.org or contact Sky
Smothers at 816.316.4998
Fee: \$125 per team

GRANDVIEW DAY AT THE K

Saturday, June 22 @ 1:10 p.m.
Royals play the White Sox
Discounted tickets at The View or online at
Grandviewparks.org

MOVIES IN THE PARK

FREE - Starts at dusk
May 31 - Madagascar 3 @ Meadowmere Park -
13610 Byars Rd.
June 28 - The Amazing Spiderman @ John
Anderson Park - 4701 E 135th St
July 12 - Men in Black 3 @ Shalimar Park -
7200 E 155th St
August 28 - The Avengers @ Meadowmere Park

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

FREE - 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.
All concerts will be held at Meadowmere Park
June 15 - Noe Palma
July 27 - Platinum Express
August 10 - Katie Armiger
(more info on Summer edition)

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Steve Dennis, Mayor
Leonard D. Jones, Ward I Alderman
Brent Steeno, Ward I Alderman
Brian Hochstein, Ward II Alderman
Annette Turnbaugh, Ward II Alderman
James N. Crain, Ward III Alderman
John Maloney, Ward III Alderman
Donald Crow, Municipal Judge

CITY STAFF

Cory Smith, City Administrator
Kirk Decker, Assistant City Administrator
Becky Schimmel, City Clerk
Ana Nixon, Public Information Officer
Alan Kenyon, Director of Economic
Development
Deb Angell, Manager of Human Resources
Charles Iseman, Police Chief
Chuck Thacker, Fire Chief
Dennis Randolph, Director of Public Works
Chris Chiodini, Director of Community
Development
Eric Lucas, Director of Parks and
Recreation
Shirley Moses, Director of Finance

SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

All meetings are open to the public and take place at
Grandview City Hall, 1200 Main Street
(except Parks and Recreation Commission
meetings)

Board of Aldermen regular meetings are held the
second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 7 p.m.

Board of Aldermen work sessions are on the first and
third Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Commission meetings are the
first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the
community center.

CITY HALL INFORMATION

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