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Dubuque Regional Airport Begins Terminal Complex Project

The Dubuque Regional Airport is in the process of developing a new passenger terminal complex to provide an enhanced gateway to the community and the region. Approximately 80,000 - 100,000 people travel through the airport on an annual basis. The nearly \$40 million project is funded by the Federal Aviation Administration (\$33,740,777), the state of Iowa (\$1,049,298), and the Dubuque Regional Airport (\$5,183,378).

Over the past 10 years, the Airport has completed the required planning, programming, and public coordination to implement this important initiative of replacing the current 65-year-old terminal. This terminal complex is a result of detailed analysis regarding current and future capacity to accommodate projected demand levels, ever-evolving security requirements, and an adequate level of service to the traveling public. Since 2004, a benefit-cost analysis was initiated and approved by the FAA, an environmental study was conducted, the airport master plan was initiated and accepted by the FAA, and land acquisition was completed.

The preliminary design phase was initiated in 2009 to establish design criteria, facility layout, and proposed budget, and was completed in May 2010. The terminal building design is now in its final stages, and site preparation work is currently underway.

The scope of the new terminal complex includes many phases over the next four years:

- New terminal aircraft parking apron and access taxiways
- New parallel taxiway to runway 13-31
- New Airport perimeter road
- New passenger terminal building
- New vehicle parking
- New entrance road and circulation road
- Improved U.S. 61 & Merlin Lane intersection
- Utility improvements

The FAA will provide funding for eligible items through the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) trust fund which is generated through taxes on airline tickets and aviation fuel. The Iowa Department of

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Transportation (IDOT) has allocated funds for the new facility which are generated through a number of resources (aircraft fuel tax, aircraft registration fees, etc.). It is anticipated that the Airport will be responsible approximately \$5.2 million of non-federal resources to match the federal grants and development elements not eligible for federal funding. This local share will come from Passenger Facility Charges (PFC) funds, and Customer Facility Charges (CFC) funds. Both PFC and CFC funds are generated through utilization of the airport by passengers.

A public input session will be scheduled to review the new terminal design phase, and drawings are now available to view in the current terminal building. For more information, visit the Dubuque Regional Airport website at www.flydbq.com or call 563.589.4237. §

Architect's Rendering of Proposed Terminal Design



THE CITY OF
DUBUQUE
Masterpiece on the Mississippi

Free Way to Fun City Program Returns



The Jule, in coordination with the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque, East Central

Intergovernmental Association, Every Child Every Promise, DuPaco Community Credit Union, and OnMedia Advertising, is again offering FREE bus transportation to students K-12 to regular stops on any bus route this summer. Students K-12 are encouraged to use public transit when attending Recreation Division and Carnegie-Stout Public Library activities. By showing their 2011-2012 student ID or "Free Way to Fun City" bracelet to the bus driver, students receive free bus transportation. "Free Way to Fun City" bracelets can be picked up at the Leisure Services office at 2200 Bunker Hill Road or at The Jule Transit office at 2401 Central Avenue. During the school year students with a current school ID can also ride The Jule for free to any destination along the bus routes. The "Free Way to Fun City" program aims to provide opportunities for all youth in Dubuque to participate in out-of-school activities. For additional information, contact Leisure Services at 563.589.4263 or The Jule at 563.589.4196.

Route Change Notice

Several of The Jule's AM/PM commuter routes, which also help students get to and from area schools, will change before the start of the 2012-2013 school year. Please check the routes and schedules online at www.juletransit.org or call 563.589.4196 for updated information after August 1. §

Public Works News

There will be **no refuse collection** on Wednesday, July 4. Collection will instead occur on Saturday, July 7.

Yard waste decals will be half price beginning July 1, for a cost of \$15. Decals are available from the City's Utility Billing Service Center by walk-up, mail-in coupon or by phone at 563.589.4144.

New Rates Take Effect July 1

The City's 2013 fiscal year begins July 1, 2012, and with it, new utility user fees and rates go into effect. Utility bills for water, sanitary sewer, and refuse collection received in August will reflect the new rates approved in March as part of the budget process. In anticipation of receiving some significant federal and state grants, there will be no increase to the FY2013 stormwater fee at this time.

Based on the average Dubuque residential utility customer, the average combined total increase in these monthly utility costs will be under \$7.31 per month.

For detailed account information, visit www.cityofdubuque.org/utilities or contact Utility Billing at 563.589.4144 or utilityb@cityofdubuque.org. §

FY2013 Average Residential Rates

Service	Monthly Rate
Water	\$21.24
Property Tax	\$10.78 per \$1,000
Refuse Collection	\$11.69
Sanitary Sewer	\$27.34
Stormwater	\$5.60

Historic Washington Street Row Houses For Sale

The City of Dubuque Housing and Community Development Department is selling four single-family town homes in the Historic Washington Neighborhood at 1767-1795



Front view of "row house" town homes

Washington Street. These two-bedroom, one-bathroom "row house" town homes are each approximately 1,100 square feet and feature hardwood flooring. They have been completely renovated and historically restored according to high energy-efficiency guidelines and include off-street parking. Two of the six homes have already sold.

These homes are an affordable downtown living opportunity for income-eligible homebuyers. Subsidized financing is available. Call 563.589.4239 for additional information. §

Backyard Swimming Pool Ordinance Reminder

Dubuque's ordinance defines a "swimming pool" as any constructed or prefabricated pool over 18 inches deep. Residents must obtain a pool permit from the City's Building Services Department for all pools except prefabricated pools less than 24 inches deep. All pools over 18 inches deep must meet fencing requirements outlined in the ordinance, even if they are exempt from a permit. The location of swimming pools is governed by the zoning ordinance of the city.



For a complete copy of Dubuque's swimming pool ordinance, or more information, please contact the Building Services Department at 563.589.4150 or e-mail building@cityofdubuque.org. The ordinance is also available at www.cityofdubuque.org/poolordinance. §



A MESSAGE from the CITY MANAGER

Michael C. Van Milligen

Mayor Roy D. Buol and the Dubuque City Council hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Friday, May 18, to celebrate the completion of the "Complete Streets" Project in the Historic Millwork District. The two-year, \$7.7 million project to rebuild the public infrastructure and streetscape in the district was funded in part through a \$5.6 million U.S. Department of Transportation TIGER (Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery) Grant. U.S. Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood returned to Dubuque and spoke at the event, and said, "Transportation is critical to the economic success of any community and the Historic Millwork District is a model for a smart growth projects around the country."

The Complete Streets project involved the reconstruction of the district's streets for use by a broad range of users, including drivers, public transportation vehicles and riders, pedestrians, bicyclists, the elderly, children, and people with disabilities. The project included the reconstruction of Washington Street, Jackson Street, Elm Street, 9th Street, and 10th Street in the district as well

as street connections to the central business district, Port of Dubuque, and the Washington Neighborhood. It also included the reconstruction of underground utilities, and the installation of concrete sidewalks, pervious pavers in some of the parking areas, and re-use of existing brick pavers in streetscape areas. New curbs and bumpouts were added to improve pedestrian crossings, and new energy-efficient historic street lights were installed, along with locally designed and manufactured benches, bike racks, and receptacles.

The project included upgrades to the existing sanitary sewer system, such as the complete reconstruction of nearly 2,000 lineal feet of 12-inch mainline sewer and the reconstruction of 11 deteriorated brick manholes. It also involved the reconstruction of 5,000 lineal feet of water main, mainline valves, 19 fire hydrants, and the replacement of residential water services. Additionally, 3,800 lineal feet of new storm sewer, 16 manholes and 61 catch basins were constructed to improve the area's storm water conveyance.

Thanks to a \$150,000 Iowa Great Places Grant from the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs, the streetscape portion of the complete streets project included artistic streetscape elements, specifically, wayfinding signage, 75 bike racks, 50 sidewalk medallions, 32 benches, 20 waste receptacles, 24 sets of sewer lids, 10 plaza planters and 3 bus shelters. All of those elements, except for the sewer lids, planters and bus shelters, were designed and produced locally.

The Demand Institute, a division of the U.S. Conference Board, recently reported that the U.S. housing market has begun to recover, but importantly, homes with amenities within walking distance will be those most in demand in coming years. The report also predicts that areas with homes within walking distance of amenities and public transportation will recover more quickly and more strongly than those without these features... referring to these communities as "Resilient Walkables." The Complete Streets project has created a "resilient walkable" in Dubuque's Millwork District and represents a major public investment in public infrastructure to support the private investment planned as part of the estimated \$200 million revitalization of the Historic Millwork District.

I encourage you to visit the district often as progress continues on this major initiative which will link our downtown, the Port of Dubuque, and the Washington Neighborhood – connecting people with jobs. §

Summer Leisure Services Activities

Below are just a few of the dozens of activities the Leisure Services Department has planned for the summer. For a complete listing of activities, visit www.cityofdubuque.org/leisureservices or check out the summer brochure:

- July 3 - Independence Day Kids Parade - Comiskey Park - 9:30 a.m.
- July 10 - Movie in Comiskey Park - *Kung Fu Panda 2* - 8:45 p.m. Bring a chair and/or blanket.
- July 11 - Olympics at Allison-Henderson Park, ages 3-8, 6 p.m. registration
- July 18 - Water Carnival at Flora Pool. A variety of races for ages 5-14, 6:30 p.m.
- July 22 - Family Pool Party at Sutton Pool, 7-9 p.m.
- July 25 - City-wide Playground Carnival at Allison-Henderson Park. Fun-filled evening for all ages. A variety of booths, refreshments and drawings for prizes throughout the evening. A minimal fee will be charged, 6-8 p.m.
- August 1 - City-wide Amateur Night at Allison-Henderson Park, upper patio area. Registration at 6:15 p.m., show at 6:30 p.m. Bring your blanket, talent and join the fun!
- August 4 - Iron Kids Triathlon at Sutton Pool. For kids ages 6-15 demonstrating their fitness by swimming, biking and running. Register online at www.ironkids.com. A fee will be charged.
- August 7 - Movie in Comiskey Park - *Rango* - 8:45 p.m. Bring a chair and/or blanket.



DID YOU KNOW? Online pavilion rental is now available! Visit www.cityofdubuque.org/parks for information on the pavilions available for rent in City parks. You'll also find a map of the parks and pavilions and be able to reserve pavilions online.

Have You Signed Up for the Smarter Water Portal?

The Smarter Water Portal is now open to all Dubuque residents. With the Smarter Water Portal you can:

- Detect leaks, obtain historical usage data, and comparative data
- Make better-informed decisions about water usage



There is no cost or equipment needed, just internet access. If you are interested in accessing detailed information on your water usage via the Internet, visit www.cityofdubuque.org/smarterwater to complete the online enrollment form or call the Smarter Sustainable Dubuque help desk at 563.690.6111.

New Faces

The City of Dubuque welcomes these new employees:

Edward Boettner
Transit

Yahaira Lugo
Airport

Dennis Viertel
Airport

Nicholas Everhart
Airport

Julie McLaughlin
Public Works

Jacqueline Weber
Library

Sara Hefel
Health Services

Wade Phillips
Airport

Austin Weitz
Police

Joshua Lawler
Police

Matthew Tauke
Police

Retirements

Congratulations to the employees who recently retired from the City of Dubuque:

Terry Dolan
Public Works

David Harris
Housing

Patrick Prevenas
Recreation

Steven Kelly
Public Works

Thomas Smith
Housing

Bill Jungk
Water & Resource
Recovery Center

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Correction

The alley between Washington and Elm Streets, from 17th to 18th is **not** being replaced this summer, as stated in the May/June 2012 issue of *City News*. Instead, the alley between Washington and Jackson Streets, from 17th to 18th will be replaced. We apologize for the error.

July

- 2 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, Historic Federal Building
- 4 City Offices closed for Independence Day
- 4 No refuse collection (will collect on 7/7 instead)
- 5 Environmental Stewardship Advisory Commission, 5 p.m., Conf. Room I, City Hall Annex
- 9 Human Rights Commission Meeting, 4:30 p.m., Conf. Room II, City Hall Annex
- 10 Park and Recreation Commission, 4:30 p.m., Bunker Hill Golf Course snack bar
- 11 Community Development Advisory Commission, 5:30 p.m., Suite 312, Historic Federal Building
- 12 Transit Advisory Board, 4:15 p.m., Room 223, Historic Federal Building
- 12 Art on the River Opening, 5-7 p.m., Grand River Center
- 16 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, Historic Federal Building
- 17 Housing Code Appeals Board Meeting, 4:30 p.m., Suite 312, Historic Federal Building
- 23 Airport Commission 4 p.m., Dubuque Jet Center
- 24 Housing Commission, 4 p.m., Suite 312, Historic Federal Building
- 24 Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Commission, 4:30 p.m., Lacy Board Room, C-S Public Library
- 25 Investment Oversight Advisory Commission Meeting, 3 p.m., Conf. Room A, City Hall
- 26 Carnegie-Stout Public Library Board of Trustees, 4 p.m., Library auditorium

August

- 1 Cable TV Commission, 4 p.m., City Hall Annex
- 6 City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., City Council Chambers, Historic Federal Building
- 7 Environmental Stewardship Advisory Commission, 5 p.m., Conf. Room I, City Hall Annex
- 9 Transit Advisory Board, 4:15 p.m., Room 223, Historic Federal Building
- 12 Sutton Pool closes for the season
- 13 Human Rights Commission Meeting, 4:30 p.m., Conf. Room II, City Hall Annex
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- 23 Carnegie-Stout Public Library Board of Trustees, 4 p.m., Lacy Board Room
- 27 Airport Commission, 4 p.m., Dubuque Jet Center
- 28 Housing Commission Meeting, 4 p.m., Suite 312, Historic Federal Building
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City Hall: 50 W. 13th St.

City Hall Annex: 1300 Main St.

Historic Federal Building: 350 W. 6th St.

Carnegie-Stout Public Library: 360 W. 11th St.

Bunker Hill Snack Bar: 2200 Bunker Hill Rd.

Dubuque Jet Center: 11000 Airport Road