

# City Beat

## News Briefs

**Michigan Nordic Fire Festival.** First readings were approved by City Council of resolutions authorizing activities of the 4th annual Michigan Nordic Fire Festival, Feb 28-Mar 1.

**Department Reviews.** City Council has scheduled a work session for February 17 to review future plans of the DPW, Office of Community Development and the City Clerk's Office.

**Water Testing Available.** Concerned about copper in your drinking water? The Department of Public Works will include additional residences in the next round of water testing to take place in 2020. To participate in this testing, which is available at no cost, contact the Department at 517-543-8854.

## February 2020

**February 4.** Planning Commission meeting, 7:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.

**February 10.** City Council work session 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.

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**February 17.** Presidents Day. City offices are closed.

**February 17.** City Council work session, 6:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.

**February 24.** City Council work session, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers

**February 24.** City Council meeting,, 7:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers.

**March 2.** Monday with the Mayor, Facebook Live! 4:00 p.m., with Mayor Ridge and the CHS Cheer Team.

## Calendar

**City Council Approves Street Plan.** The City Council has completed its review of the proposed street reconstruction and rehabilitation plan covering investments to be made between 2020 and 2025. The first major project authorized will be the rebuilding of Independence Boulevard during May and June 2020. The plan also authorizes \$500,000 in funding for rehabilitation projects on six to eight streets throughout the community to be selected at a later date. These projects will occur in the summer or fall of 2020. Engineering contracts were awarded for design work associated with Independence Boulevard and for E. Harris Street. The Harris Street project is slated for 2021. Reconstruction of Hall Street and W. Harris Street will occur in later years.

**Board and Commission Review.** City Council has begun a review of the work of the various boards and commissions that are a part of Charlotte government. This review is taking place in special work sessions immediately preceding regular Council meetings during January and February. Council has heard from the Planning Commission, Parks Advisory Board, Camp Frances and Charlotte Area Recreation Cooperative. Presentations from the Downtown Development Authority, Local Development Finance Authority, Airport Advisory Board and Charlotte Area Recycling Authority will take place on February 10 and 24. Summaries of the functions of the boards and commissions along with short- and long-term goals will be added to the City's website in the future.