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CONTRACTOR OUTREACH EVENT: SUCCESS

THANK YOU!

A "BIG" thank you to the Illinois Procurement Technical Assistance Center, Black Hawk College, MetroLINK, Moline Centre/QC Chamber of Commerce and Rock Island Economic Growth Corporation for assisting and joining the City of Moline in its Contractor Outreach Event on August 27, 2015!



CONTRACTORS LEARN NOW TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE CITY

The City of Moline, together with PTAC, MetroLINK, Moline Centre, and Rock Island Economic Growth Corporation, held a contractor outreach event on August 27, 2015. The purpose of this event was to inform contractors of the contracting opportunities that are available, how to bid on these opportunities, and what the requirements are in order to qualify for an award from the City of Moline and its partners. The hosted event was very well attended and even drew contractors from other states.

Currently, the City of Moline has experienced a decline in bidders which has made it difficult to bid out more projects. The City of Moline's Planning & Development alone has roughly 1 million dollars in funds it spends and pays out annually to contractors for its contracting opportunities through a variety of programs and projects. The City is excited to have more contractors taking advantage of these opportunities, while also supporting more local contractors.



Get involved, join us!

Plan Commission Meetings
September 9, 2015 - Cancelled
September 23, 2015 @ 4:00 pm

Council Meetings
September 1, 2015 @ 6:45 pm
September 15, 2015 @ 6:45 pm
September 22, 2015 @ 6:45 pm

Local Events

Sept. 1-30	Quad City Arts, Art @ The Airport Tues-Fri 10am-5pm; Sat. 11am-5pm	Sept. 20	Fall Flemish Fest @ Stephens Park 1pm-4pm
Sept. 12	QCA Heritage Tractor Parade & Show @ JD Pavilion 10am-4pm	Sept. 1-30	Traveling Exhibit (Varied) @ Moline Public Library (Contact for times)

JIMMY JOHN'S COMING TO DOWNTOWN



JIMMY JOHNS DOWNTOWN LOCATION OPENING SOON

A Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwiches franchise will soon open its doors at 1401-1403 5th Avenue, downtown Moline. Most recently, "The Slice" housed its business at this location. By way of a Development Agreement between the City of Moline and M.J. Storm Investments, LLC, the space is currently being renovated into one commercial space and the rear gravel lot will be paved to accommodate at least twelve parking spaces.

Jimmy John's is known for its "freaky fast" delivery service, and also currently has one other franchise location in Moline at 2340 41st Street, however, this location is not able to deliver to the downtown part of Moline which makes a second location in Moline's downtown ideal for its consumers.

JJs of Macomb, Inc. is expected to open and operate the Jimmy Johns franchise at this location, sometime next year.



32 HOMES WILL BENEFIT FROM "ROCK THE BLOCK" EVENT HELD BY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The kick-off for Habitat for Humanity Quad Cities' new Neighborhood Revitalization program will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2015, in Moline's Floreiciente neighborhood. This special kick-off and work day event will involve 190 John Deere employee volunteers from across the Quad Cities. Volunteers will work with leaders from Habitat Quad Cities and Rebuilding Together Quad Cities to complete minor repairs and yard clean-up work that will impact 32 homes and properties in the neighborhood. Through the new Neighborhood Revitalization program, Habitat Quad Cities will serve more families by responding to community needs with additional resources, services, and partnerships.

Habitat for Humanity, and the new Neighborhood Revitalization program have also partnered with the City of Moline to assist in the implementation of the program over the next five years within the Floreiciente Neighborhood. At its August 25, 2015 Council Meeting, the City approved paying the building permit fees for Habitat for Humanity's "Rock the Block" event, as well as for the construction of a new home at 335 4th Avenue, with \$3,000 in permit fees to be paid by the Planning & Development Department for each program year, not to exceed \$17,000.



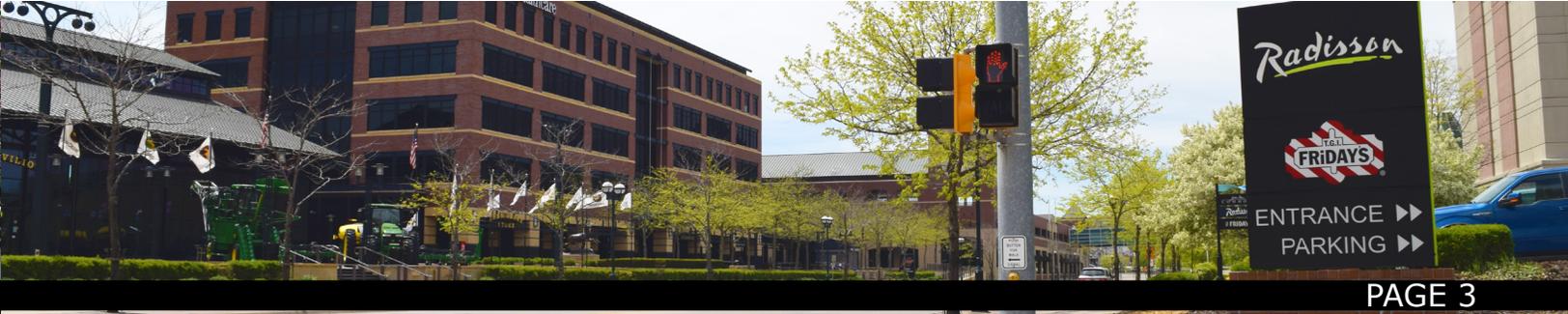
THIRD ANNUAL FALL FLEMISH FEST: SEPTEMBER 20, 2015

On its first year in 2013, the City of Moline sponsored the Fall Flemish Fest. Last year, the Center for Belgian Culture took over the event and they are gearing up for the third annual Fall Flemish Fest at Stephen's Park on Sunday, September 20, 2015 to celebrate Belgian culture in the Quad Cities.

From the mid 1800's to the early 1900's thousands of Belgian's migrated to the Quad Cities area to farm and work in the area. Moline at one time was considered the largest and is still ranked the second in the United States for its Belgian heritage population. As a result, the Center for Belgian Culture was established to preserve and share Belgian heritage.

This month, Moline's Olde Towne will revive the Belgian culture by once again bringing attention to Belgian traditions and history.

This free event will be held from 1pm to 4pm and will host rolle bolle, belgium waffles, lace makers, music, vintage automobiles, children's activities, and much more!



CITY OF MOLINE: FENCE REGULATIONS

FENCE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Fences are traditional enclosures that define the character of our homes and our relationship with our neighbors. Fences provide safety, increase privacy, round up kids and pets, block wind and noise, identify your personal space, and can also increase the curb appeal of your home. There are many styles and varieties of fencing available, but wood remains the favorite residential fencing material in the United States. Wood is inexpensive, durable yet lightweight, and is easily shaped and installed. Rot-resistant and treated wood fences can last 20 years with only occasional maintenance.

Thinking of installing a fence? Like most communities, Moline has standards for fences which must be followed to keep your neighbors and also City officials happy. The following are guidelines to keep in mind for residential fences.

Taller is not necessarily better. Fences are long and expansive, and because these structures are typically placed at the property line there are height limitations in place. Fences placed along any side or rear property line which does not adjoin a street may be 6 feet tall. Fences located in a front yard, or in any side street front yard (on corner lots), may be 3.5 feet (42 inches) tall.

Give it a foot. Fences placed along a front property line or a side street property line should be "set back" from the property line 1 foot or more. All other fences meeting these standards may be placed up to, but not on or over, the property line and a setback is not required.

Do it right. Your fence must be dura-

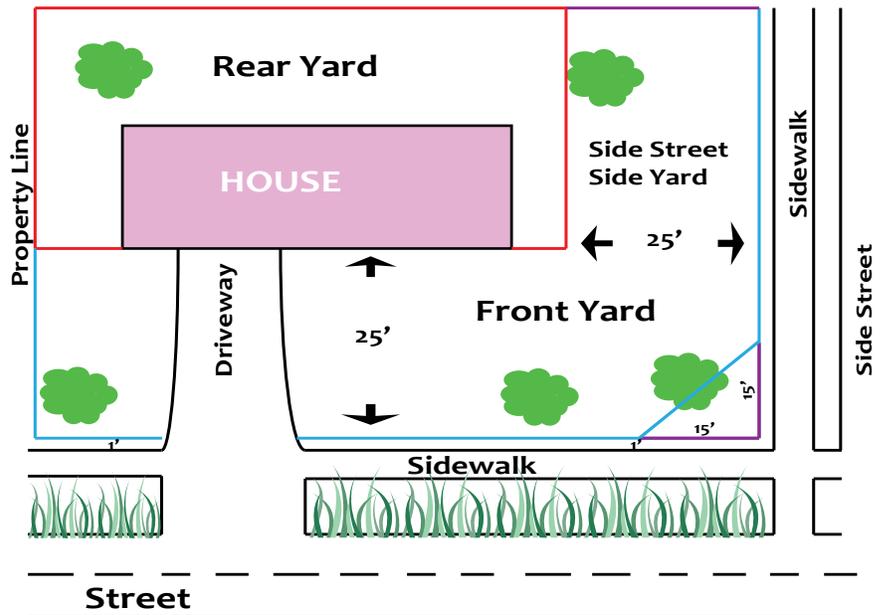


Diagram illustrating corner and regular lot requirements

ble, weather resistant, rust proof and easily maintained. It must also be kept in good condition, plumb, true, and without damage. Wire fences (including chain link) is no longer allowed in front of the home unless completely screened with landscaping.

Neighbors enjoy the nice side. If there is a finished side to the fence, a side of higher quality and/or without posts, it should face outward toward the neighbors.

Where is your property line? If you want your fence to border your property's edge you should know where your property line is located. The City does not locate property lines, but residents may attempt to locate their property corners themselves or hire a land surveyor. Disputes regarding fence placement or property line encroachment are considered civil matters and must be resolved between property

owners without City intervention.

Call JULIE. Residents should locate all utilities on their property prior to commencing work by contacting JULIE. JULIE stands for Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators and has been a one-call messaging service designed to protect underground utilities and the safety of Illinois homeowners and excavators since 1974. To request a utility locate simply dial 8-1-1 or visit <http://www.illinois1call.com>. Locate requests are processed 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

Permits. As a convenience to our residents, the City of Moline does not require a building permit for fences at this time, but does require that all fences meet the requirements of the City.

For more information and a printable handout visit <http://moline.il.us> and search for "fences".





WHY MOLINE?

Once a year, the City Administrator, City Attorney, the Mayor, and City Council Members meet several times over a week to discuss the Goals and Strategies for the City. They look at past success, the current situation, and then look at short, medium, and long term issues that the City is facing. During the week long process the facilitator also meets with the City's Department Heads and talks about the same types of issues from the Administration's point of view. All of this is done so that the City Council can come up with a series of goals and strategies for themselves and City staff to work on to make Moline a better place. Over the last 10 years, many of the Council Goals have been Economic Development Related and have prioritized the SouthPark Mall Redevelopment, the New Menards area which now includes Sam's Club, the old Menards which is now home to Hobby Lobby, PetSmart, and Ross Dress for Less, Passenger Rail, and of course, Western Illinois University Riverfront Campus and neighboring Riverbend Commons Developments. Retail Recruitment and expanded neighborhoods have been Goals and continue to be high priorities for the City.

As a result, the Planning & Development Department has been actively working with its consultant, Retail Strategies, to bring new and exciting opportunities to Moline. Over the last year, Retail Strategies has been selling Moline to national, regional, and local retailers and restaurants with the goal of selling them on a location in Moline. Likewise, this process takes the cooperation of local property owners so that we can find a home for those looking. We are always actively looking for business people who are interested in buying and operating new franchises, as well as landlords and property owners who have strategic holdings that a new business could consider. If you are interested, please contact the Planning & Development Department and we will put you in touch with the right people.

Also, if you have been to a great retail store or restaurant in another City and you think it would be a great choice for Moline, pass the name and any other information you may have on to us and we will put them on our target list. Because of Moline's strategic location in the Quad Cities, it has been successful in drawing retail and restaurant operators throughout the City and we will continue to work on adding new opportunities. We are very happy with the progress of Retail Strategies and look for some successful ventures in the near future. Over the next few months we will be working hard to make Moline a great place to Live, Work, Learn and Play so that we can continue to provide excellent opportunities for our residents and visitors!



UBER QUAD CITIES BECOMING POPULAR AMONG LOCALS

Uber Quad Cities, a ride sharing service, launched in the Quad Cities on July 21, 2015, after work by the Quad Cities Chamber's Young Professionals' Network and gathering some online support. The service, which operates by an app downloadable to any smartphone, has rapidly become popular among locals.

Uber is in its second month of service in the Quad Cities and with the fall semester now in session, the returning college population may find a benefit to the service. The City of Moline alone, is home to roughly 8,000 college students that attend both Black Hawk College and Western Illinois University Quad Cities campuses.

The Uber service can be accessed by downloading its app from <https://www.uber.com/cities/quad-cities>.

Recent Building Permits:

Happy Joes: Interior Remodel, 2900 River Drive

Walgreens: Remodel, 555 19th Avenue

RWE Management Company: New Construction Vet Clinic, 2141 1st Street A

Single Family Home, 3403 74th St. Court

Walgreens: Remodel, 4000 23rd Avenue

Rue 21: Tenant fit out, 4500 16th Street, Suite 425



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