

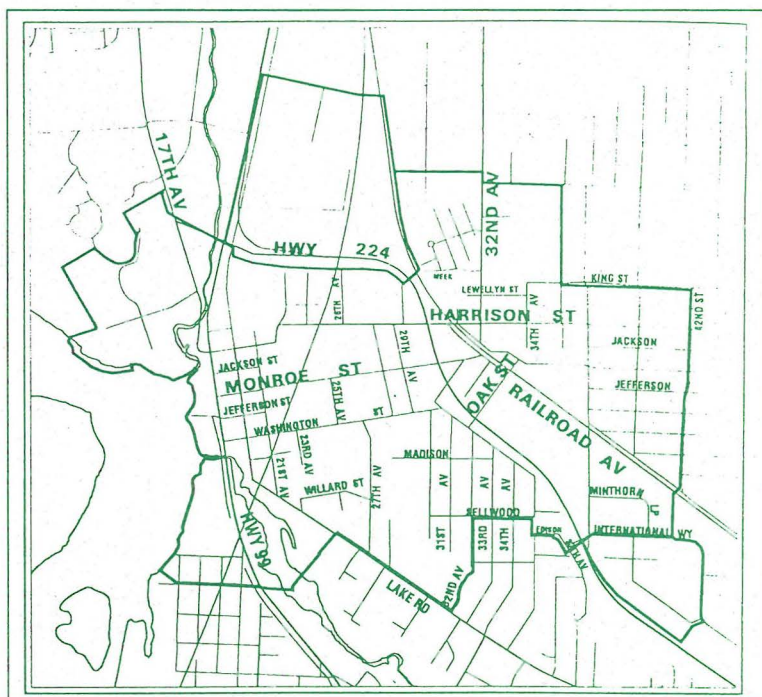


## Milwaukie's Regional Center Planning Underway

Milwaukie is continuing plans to revitalize our downtown and surrounding areas through the "Regional Center Master Planning Process." We have just begun the detailed work to define how our award-winning Community Vision will guide efforts to accommodate growth, enhance economic vitality and neighborhood livability in the regional center. Zoning changes to allow denser residential developments, mixed-use commercial/residential developments, and neighborhood commercial zones are future possibilities.

The Regional Center Master Planning Process involves three citizen working groups (Commercial, Transportation, Housing), technical advisors, and a steering committee. These folks will recommend a plan to the Planning Commission for ultimate adoption by the City Council. Public participation in formulating this plan is more than important — it is fundamental! Please get involved!

The December and January schedules are listed below. The city has also put together tours highlighting new examples of denser, mixed-use developments in the region. The tours give ideas that could be adapted for Milwaukie. If you would like copies of the itineraries or more information, call Jane Leeson at 786-7658.



### City Conservation Project Underway

Milwaukie has a new conservation specialist working on ways to reduce use of water, energy and other resources. Nancy Bond was hired to help the city identify conservation measures to reduce operating costs and enhance our environment. One of her first efforts was to conduct a resource audit of the Ledding Library, which will be undergoing a major renovation in upcoming months. She identified several opportunities to save water and energy, and to incorporate the use of recycled materials into the remodeling project. All of her ideas will be reviewed by a committee overseeing the renovation. They will prioritize the options based on practicality, cost-effectiveness and aesthetics. The best ideas, according to these criteria, will be implemented as the program progresses.

Nancy has begun evaluating the efficiency of other city-owned buildings as well as some local businesses. Her work will identify money-saving energy, water and solid waste conservation opportunities. If your Milwaukie business would like to learn how to save operating cost in an environmentally sound manner, call Nancy Bond at 786-7503.

### REGIONAL CENTER PLANNING WORK GROUP MEETINGS

Commercial Work Group    Housing Work Group    Transportation Work Group

Dec. 12 (City Hall)  
Jan. 9

Dec. 4.  
Jan. 8

Dec. 11  
Jan. 22

All meetings are at 5:30pm at the Public Safety Building.  
Light refreshments will be served.

## Riverfront Plan: *Comment NOW!*

The citizens committee studying the future of Milwaukie's waterfront property has come up with its idea of the best use of this undeveloped gem. In November, you should have received a flier in the mail detailing these ideas. Please review it and send us your thoughts and comments about the future of Milwaukie's river front. There is still opportunity for your input to make a difference, but you must mail in your response before Monday, December 2. For more information, please call 786-7657.

## Two Milwaukie Festivals Feature Fun and Holiday Spirit

### Ardenwald School Winter Wonderland December 7 & 8, 1996

For more information call 653-3656 or 786-4473



### Share the Lights & Umbrella Festival Parade



in downtown  
Milwaukie  
**December 7, 1996**  
Parade at 3:00pm

Fun Run at 10:00am • Most other activities begin at noon  
For more information, call Milwaukie Downtown Development 653-0378



# At the Ledding Library:

## Children's Activities

Preschool Storytime — ages 3 - 5  
Tuesday, December 3, 10 and 17  
1:00 and 6:30 pm

Christmas Craft Time —  
School-age children  
Saturday, December 7  
2:00 pm

Winter Holiday Stories and Craft —  
School-age children  
Monday, December 9  
4:00 pm

For further information, call the  
Children's Department at 786-7588.

## Computerized Magazine Index Added to Library

A new magazine index has been added to Ledding Library's computer terminals. It is now just as easy to scan the computer to find a magazine or article as it is to search for books, CD's and videos. One advantage is that some magazine articles can be printed right at the computer.

It's quick and easy, so come by the library to learn how to use this great new information source.



## Storm Drain Utility: Where does my \$4 a month go?

The most frequently asked question at the City of Milwaukie has to be "What is this storm utility charge and what is it paying for?" Read on for more information about this city service.

The goal of Milwaukie's storm water utility is to reduce flooding and ensure water quality in the City's creeks, streams, and lakes. Maintaining the existing system and constructing new facilities are the utility's two main functions. Maintenance includes cleaning pipes, storm drains, drywells, ditches and other parts of the system. This decreases pollution and debris which may harm groundwater or waterways. Construction of pipes, catch-basins, drywells and detention ponds improves the quality of surface water runoff.

Utility staff are working with surrounding jurisdictions to develop a Surface Water Master Plan which will result in improved drainage and water quality. Past projects, funded by rate payers, are listed below by neighborhood.

### Ardenwald

detention pond maintenance, catch-basin and pipeline cleaning.

### Hector Campbell

drywell construction, catch-basin installation and maintenance.

### Historic Milwaukie

catch-basin cleaning and stenciling.

### Island Station

construction of a major pipeline and several catch-basins.  
re-landscaped with native plants.

### Lake Road

pipe and catch-basin cleaning.

### Lewelling

catch-basin and major pipeline construction; detention pond maintenance.

### Linwood

catch-basin cleaning, and drywell installation.

McLoughlin Industrial  
mapping, catch-basin  
cleaning and repair.

Milwaukie Business/Industrial  
pipeline, catch-basin cleaning,  
and ditch maintenance.

In addition to ongoing maintenance, the following major improvements have been completed:

- Installed new storm lines on Campbell St., Mason Ln., and 21st & Wren.
- Installed drywells on 48th Ct., Jackson St., Park & Home Ave. and 60th Ave.
- Cleaned ditches on Mallard Way and Oak St.
- Installed new catch-basins and replaced those that were defective.

## Neighborhood Association Meetings

Please note; many groups take time off for the holidays. Please call to make sure your neighborhood is meeting this month.

### ARDENWALD

2nd Tuesday of the month  
7:30 pm, Ardenwald Elementary  
Contact Sharon Van Horn, 659-5651

### HECTOR CAMPBELL

3rd Wednesday of the month  
7 pm, Hector Campbell School  
Contact Kathleen Butler, 652-3973

### ISLAND STATION

Next meeting: January 31st  
6:30 pm, Grange Hall  
Contact Gary Michael, 659-9116

### HISTORIC MILWAUKIE

2nd Thursday of the month  
6:30 pm, Milwaukie Elementary  
Contact George Rodriguez,  
659-2701

### LAKE ROAD

off for the holidays  
resumes 3rd Thursday of January  
7 pm, Milwaukie Lutheran Church  
Contact Linda Mullen, 786-7545

### LEWELLING

1st Thursday of the month  
Lewelling Elementary School  
Contact Todd Cornilsen, 786-4162

### LINWOOD

off for the holidays  
resumes 4th Thursday of January  
7 pm, St. Paul's Methodist Church  
Contact Tracy Cook, 654-2946

- Responded to over 200 citizen requests.

For more information call the  
storm water division at  
786-7615.

## New Light Rail Alignment Recommended for Study

It is being recommended that a new alignment for light rail through downtown be added to the Draft Environmental Impact Study (DEIS) currently underway. A preliminary assessment of the Main Street/SP Branch Line indicates the new alternative could prove promising relative to costs, benefits and environmental impacts. The City and Metro began seeking public input in October. The South/North Steering Committee makes

the decision about whether to include the proposal in the DEIS process.

To see a map of the alignment, or for the most up-to-date and current information, call Marylyn Matteson at Metro, 797-1745, Diana Myrvang at the City, 786-7657, or visit the Light Rail Field Office at 2305 SE Washington St., #110. It is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00am to 6:00pm.

Light Rail Field  
Office Open!

### New Hours!

Effective December 1st:  
10 am - 6 pm Tuesday and Thursday  
2305 SE Washington Street, Suite 110



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