

Development to Begin on Veteran's Outpatient Clinic

US Federal Properties Co., a Kansas City based development firm, has been selected to develop and own a new 120,000 square foot outpatient clinic for the Department of Veterans Affairs to be located at 5838 Metro Way Street in Wyoming, Michigan on the campus of Metro Health Village.

"We are extremely pleased to welcome the new outpatient clinic for the VA to the Metro Health Village," said Ellen Bristol, spokesperson for Metro Health. "When we launched the village concept in 2007, we envisioned our campus as a destination for all things health-related. This clinic will provide convenient access to much-needed health care services for the men and women of the military who have so ably served our country. We are very pleased that this long-anticipated project is underway and look forward to the grand

opening of the newest addition to our growing Village in the fall of next year."

"We value our Wyoming veterans," said Wyoming Mayor Jack Poll. "This brings another level of service to these honored members of our community. We'll be pleased to welcome veterans from our surrounding areas as well."

"The Metro Health Village has been a great destination, and we are pleased that the VA has decided to locate its new clinic in our city," said City Manager Curtis Holt. "We continue to work hard to create an environment that's conducive to this kind of development."

Design of the facility will be completed over the next three months, with a ground breaking scheduled for April 2013. The facility is expected to be complete and open in the fall of 2014.

Police Department Announces Nextdoor.com

The Wyoming Police Department has announced a partnership with Nextdoor.com to develop social networking for neighborhoods within Wyoming. Nextdoor.com enables residents to communicate online via a private, secure website designed to build stronger communities.

Residents can use Nextdoor.com to join or create private websites for their neighborhoods where they can get to know their neighbors, ask questions and exchange local advice and information. Topics of discussion on Nextdoor.com websites can include sharing information about local events, school activities, plumber or babysitter recommendations, disaster preparedness, recent crime activity, upcoming garage sales or even lost pets.

Nextdoor.com was specifically designed to make neighbors feel comfortable sharing information with one another to help build stronger communities. All members must verify they live within the neighborhood. Information shared on Nextdoor.com is password protected and cannot be found via an online search or accessed by those outside the neighborhood.

Those interested in joining their neighborhoods' Nextdoor.com website can visit www.nextdoor.com. By entering your address, you can see if Nextdoor.com has been set up for a particular neighborhood. If the website is not yet active, residents can apply to start the website.

For more information, contact Community Services Officer Kelli Duimstra at (616) 257-9710.

MAYOR'S

Message



I am honored to be entering my fourth year as Mayor of the City of Wyoming. I recently gave a "State of the City" address in which I reflected on my tenure with the City, the wonderful community we are building together and the successes we have achieved over the past four years – as well as those we look forward to in 2013.

In my address, I primarily focused on outcomes. Low crime rates, minimal property loss from fires, quick response to medical service calls, well-maintained capital infrastructure, including healthy and up-to date water and sewer systems, safe road surfaces and lighting, sidewalks that are easy to navigate for all our residents, parks that are welcoming to kids and families, and city facilities that are easy to use represent a small sample of the types of outcomes I am interested in as your Mayor. The ability of our city to reach these outcomes is interconnected with the vibrancy of every neighborhood, business, church and school that make up our community. We are in this together and every citizen's engagement in our community is critical to our sustainable future. Although we may not always agree on exactly how to reach a sustainable outcome, the City Council members and I depend on your feedback and suggestions to make the City of Wyoming work better. Be involved and be informed.

Mayor Jack A. Poll

LIBRARY NEWS PROGRAMS FOR TODDLERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN include a variety of stories, rhymes, music and movement activities are available for children and their caretakers. The programs run through the end of February. **COMPUTER CLASSES** at the library cover subjects including the basics of general computer use, the Internet, emailing, and Microsoft Word. You can pick up a brochure in the library listing the classes offered by all of the KDL branches. Call 784-2007 to register for classes. Our **ADULT BOOK CLUB** features a friendly, informal discussion on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. On February 19, *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand will be the topic of discussion. March's discussion will be Tom Rademacher's *Knocking at Your Door*. **SIT-N-STITCH** with others at the library. Bring your own knitting or crocheting projects and supplies and share ideas and skills while making new friends on Thursdays at 6 p.m. **BRIGHT BEGINNINGS WITH JULIE JAMES** features crafts, rhymes and songs for ages 0 – 5. years. Monday, Feb. 4 at 10:30 a.m. For further details on these and all of our programs, stop in the library to pick up a program guide, check out our web page at www.kdl.org or call us at (616) 784-2007! Plus, KDL is now on Twitter! Follow us at <http://twitter.com/KDLnews> for all the latest updates on programs, events and resources at your library.

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS **CAR SEAT INSPECTIONS** will be available Thursday, Feb. 14 and Thursday, March 14 at Wyoming Fire Station #1, 1500 Burton St. SW from 5 - 8 p.m. Pre-register by calling Safe Kids of Greater Grand Rapids at 391-7233 ext. 2.

PARKS AND RECREATION NEWS A **DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE** will be held Friday, Feb. 15 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at La Hacienda Banquet Hall, 1548 28th St. SW. Young ladies in Wyoming are invited to bring their dad, uncle, grandfather or special friend to a very fun evening that will include dancing, refreshments and sweet memories! Tickets are \$13 per couple and \$5 per additional person for residents, and \$19.50 per couple and \$7.50 per additional person for non-residents. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register for the event, contact the Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department at (616) 530-3164. **WYOMING TEEN COUNCIL \$5 Zumba Nite** will be held at the Wyoming Senior Center Monday, Mar. 4 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Last year the event raised \$255.00 for the American Cancer Society. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society on behalf of the Teen Council's Relay For Life team. The cost is \$5 per person. Pre-registration is strongly suggested, but walk-ins are welcome if there is room available. For more information or to register for the event, contact the Wyoming Parks and Recreation Department at (616) 530-3164.

2013 Wyoming City Council Elections

The following City of Wyoming elected offices will be on the November 5, 2013 ballot:

Mayor	1 four-year term
Councilmember-at-Large	2 four-year terms
Councilmember, 1st Ward	1 four-year term

The City Charter requires that candidates be registered electors of the City of Wyoming, and a resident of the City for at least one year prior to the filing deadline.

Candidate packets with required forms and instructions are available in the City Clerk's Office. The filing deadline is May 14 at 4 p.m.

If more than twice the number to be elected file in any office, that office will have a primary election on Aug. 7.

Call the Wyoming City Clerk's Office at 530-7296 for more information.

2012 Popular Annual Financial Report Online

The 2012 Wyoming Popular Annual Financial Report is now available online.

The Report features a brief analysis of where the City gets its revenue and where those same dollars are spent. The information contained in the report is taken from the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012.

In 2011, the report won the Governmental Financial Officer's award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting.

Visit the finance department web site at: <http://www.wyomingmi.gov/Finance/finance.asp> to view the report.



Telephone Numbers

Mayor's Office	530-7227
City Manager.....	530-3173
City Clerk	530-7296
Police Department.....	530-7300
Fire Department	530-7250
Public Works.....	530-7260
Utilities	261-3550
Planning & Community Development.....	530-7258
Parks & Recreation.....	530-3164
Building Inspections.....	530-7285
Assessor	530-7231
District Court.....	257-9814
Treasurer.....	530-7280
Utility Billing.....	530-7389
Wyoming Senior Center.....	530-3190
Wyoming Public Library.....	784-2007

Meetings

City Council Meeting | on the first and third Mondays of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

City Council Work Sessions | on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

Planning Commissions Meetings | on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

Zoning Board Of Appeals | on the first and third Monday afternoons of the month at 1:30 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers.

Parks & Recreation Commission | on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. at City Hall in the West Conference Room

Wyoming City Council

Jack Poll, Mayor

Sam Bolt, Mayor Pro tem,
Council Member-at-Large

Dan Burrill, Council Member-at-Large

Kent Vanderwood, Council Member-at-Large

Bill VerHulst, 1st Ward Council Member

Richard K. Pastoor, 2nd Ward Council Member

Joanne Voorhees, 3rd Ward Council Member

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