



AGENDA
CITY OF CHARLEVOIX CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
Wednesday, March 20, 2019- 6:30 PM
Council Chambers, 210 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Introduction, Mayor Luther Kurtz**
- 4. Presentations**
 - A. Bike Trails, Parking, and the Future of Transportation
 - B. Housing: What we've done and what we have yet to accomplish
 - C. Short-term Rentals
- 5. Other Discussion**
- 6. Public Comment**
- 7. Adjourn**

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Presentations

TITLE: Bike Trails, Parking, and the Future of Transportation

DATE: March 20, 2019

PRESENTED BY: Elizabeth Calcutt, Community Planner, Networks Northwest; Mark L. Heydlauff, City Manager

BACKGROUND:

Elizabeth Calcutt of Networks Northwest has been working on plans to connect Charlevoix and the Top of Michigan Trails Council system to the Traverse Area Regional Trails (TART) system. She'll be presenting an update on this work and what the future of non-motorized, multi-use trails in our area may be. As we look toward encouraging trail growth and non-motorized trails, it makes sense for us to look at our parking standards and whether they should be revised considering an effort to increase walking and bicycle use. Do we require too many parking spaces with development? Should we consider parking maximums versus our current parking minimum standard? Should bike parking, scooter parking and related items be included in some developments?

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Presentations

TITLE: Housing: What we've done and what we have yet to accomplish

DATE: March 20, 2019

PRESENTED BY: Kathy Egan, Manager of Community Development, Networks Northwest

BACKGROUND:

The lack of affordable, market-rate, year-round housing seems to be an impediment to growth and even maintaining the business we have in our area. Beyond the service sector, several businesses report labor shortages or the lack of housing as an obstacle to hiring otherwise qualified staff. Solving this issue will take many small policy changes that, when added together, can provide more flexibility in the types of housing offered in our community and the ways we consider housing projects going forward.

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Presentations

TITLE: Short-term Rentals

DATE: March 20, 2019

PRESENTED BY: Kathy Egan, Manager of Community Development, Networks Northwest; Jonathan Scheel, Zoning Admin.

BACKGROUND:

We've had a full summer season of experience with our short-term rental ordinance. One of the goals we all seemed to have when it was approved was to better understand the scope of the use of short-term rentals in our community and also what neighborhood issues arise from them. Beyond this, however, it is an opportunity for us to consider how short-term rentals impact the housing market and related factors in our community. Should the ordinance be tweaked? Are there other factors we should consider in this area? The Planning Commission has reviewed this issue and can discuss further thinking on this led by Kathy Egan and Jonathan Scheel.