

To: City Council
From: Matt Muckler, City Administrator
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- **Satellite Voting:** Cedar County Auditor Cari Gritton informed Parks & Recreation Director Melissa Russell on Friday that signature petitions were approved for satellite voting in two locations in West Branch in advance of the November 3, 2015 vote. Auditor Gritton will visit West Branch High School and the West Branch Fire Department on Monday October 5th to determine whether the satellite locations have adequate privacy and accessibility. If approved, satellite voting would be available on Sunday October 25th during the West Branch PTO Fall Festival from 1:00-3:00 and during the Halloween Soup Supper and Costume Contest at the West Branch Fire Department on Saturday October 31st from 4:30-8:00 p.m.
- **Park & Rec Commission:** The Park & Rec Commission met on Thursday October 1st and discussed the upcoming Park Vote on November 3rd. The Commission made final edits to the Park Informational Brochure. The Commission recommended distribution of the brochure through the mail, in the Friday Folder and as an insert in the West Branch Times. This brochure, similar to the brochure distributed prior to the November 2014 election, provides information to the voters on the November 3, 2015 ballot measure.

The City Council approved the Resolution 1278 on March 2, 2015 which placed the following public measure on the November 3rd ballot:

Shall the City of West Branch, in Cedar and Johnson Counties, Iowa, enter into a loan agreement and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$4,000,000 for the purpose of paying the cost, to that extent, of undertaking the West Branch Park Improvements Project, including ball diamonds; volleyball courts; lighting improvements; playground equipment; concessions, restroom and shelter facilities; recreation trails; landscaping; parking lots; and the installation of related public infrastructure improvements?

- **Upcoming City Meetings & Events:** Please see the Calendar of Events on the City Website <http://westbranchiowa.org/home> for a complete list of upcoming events. There are several meetings and other community events currently scheduled in the next few weeks:
 - Monday October 5th at 6:30 p.m. City Council Work Session
 - Monday October 5th at 7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting
 - Thursday October 8th at 6:30 p.m. Library Board of Trustees Meeting
 - Tuesday October 13th at 6:30 p.m. Animal Control Commission Meeting
 - Monday October 19th at 7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting
 - Thursday October 22nd at 6:30 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting
 - Saturday October 31st, 5:00-8:00 p.m. Halloween Soup Supper and Costume Contest
 - Saturday October 31st, 5:00-8:00 p.m. Trick or Treat in West Branch

The information provided is one-way communication and should not be discussed among you as this would be a violation of the open meeting law.