

# Community Development Blog

The City of Beatrice uses bi-monthly blogs to engage in transparency and connect with citizens. The heads of our City of Beatrice Departments write blogs in a rotation. Each Department Head writes a blog approximately twice per calendar year. You can find blog posts from across all Departments [here](#).



## [Dempsters: Our Elephant](#)

What is the City going to do about that hulking eyesore on the south side of town? This question brings to mind the adage; how does one eat an elephant, a rotting, decaying elephant? The Answer: hold your nose and take one bite at a time. Beatrice, like many communities across the country, has...

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First of all, I would like to thank Rob Mierau for his twenty years of service to the community as an officer for the Beatrice Police Department and as Community Development Director. Rob has departed civil service and joined the private sector. We wish him well.

As the banner states,...

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## "Yesterday's Home Runs Don't Win Today's Games"

Buckingham Palace, Graceland, the White one, and even the one that Ruth built all have one thing in common. They're all houses. Well, maybe not so much the one that Ruth built, but adding Yankee Stadium, "The house that (Babe) Ruth built", allows me to make my baseball reference in this blog. ...

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"If you build it, they will come"

Even though some people would say I don't know anything about baseball, I would argue that I'm still a baseball guy, and I often find myself relating life situations to baseball. Or, in this case, a baseball movie. "If you build it, he will come", which is often misquoted as "If you build it,...

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## Owner-Occupants - Take Advantage of this Program

In case you haven't heard, The City of Beatrice is applying to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development (NDED) to establish an Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Eligible homeowners may receive assistance to make structural...

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## Commercial Curb Appeal

What a year 2020 has been for all of us! Between the ‘Rona, “Karen”, politics and proceeding elections it’s hard to remember hearing or reading anything positive from the news.

As I was tasked with writing the blog for this month, I found myself thinking about how easy it is to write...

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[Community Development, Community Pride!](#)

By now you may have heard about a few changes we made here in the Building Inspections Department...I mean Community Development Department. Back in April the City of Beatrice renamed our department to be more inclusive of all of the things we do here in this office. With the name change to our...

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