

City approves living facility plans

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The Beloit City Council approved a resolution that allowed plans for an assisted living facility on the city's East Side.

The resolution amended the Planned Unit Development (PUD) - Master Land Use Plan for the land at 2250 W. Hart Road to allow the developers to build a multi-phased assisted living facility with up to 100 units.

Julie Christensen, director of community development for the city, said in 2004 the council at the time approved the original PUD that included 14 four-unit condo buildings, but the plans were never carried through.

The plans for the assisted living facility include a residential care apartment complex (RCAC) wing and a community-based residential facility wing along with shared administration, commons and kitchen areas.

"Their first phase includes a 46,500-square-foot, 46-unit RCAC," Christensen said. "The second phase would include the 30-unit CBRF. The third phase includes a possible 14-unit RCAC addition, and the fourth phase is a possible 10-unit CBRF addition for a total of 100 units."

Christensen added the city sent information to residents that are near the proposed development, and one resident replied stating they didn't want any development on the site at all.

The council approved the resolution 5-0 with Council President Mark Spreitzer and councilor Ana Kelly absent from the meeting.

Scott Shadel, managing partner for the Beloit Senior Living, LLC, told the Daily News previously, that he and other developers run assisted living facilities in Milton and Waterford, Wis.

Schadel said he had been looking to expand into the Beloit area, and believed the city was underserved when it came to assisted living facilities.

In other business, the council also approved a resolution that will construct a path connecting Wheeler Bridge in South Beloit to Turtle Creek Path and the Stateline Restoration Park.

Christensen said the proposed path would be on the east side of the Stateline Restoration Prairie Park, and sidewalk would connect an existing path system in the park.

"This project is located on existing park property, and public right of way so no easements are required," she told councilors.