

Council Approves New Rules On Aggressive Panhandlers

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The Omaha City Council has approved new rules aimed at aggressive panhandlers and has asked for information that might lead to barring panhandlers from standing in medians.

The council voted 7-0 Tuesday for the changes, the *Omaha World-Herald* reported. They restrict aggressive panhandling, which includes approaching someone several times to ask for money or touching them without consent

during the requests.

The American Civil Liberties Union has raised concerns about the old panhandling ordinance, which said anyone who wanted to solicit money — other than a religious organization or a charity — had to obtain written permission from the police chief. Police Chief Todd Schmaderer sought changes after officers reported that aggressive panhandlers had become a growing problem.

The ACLU of Nebraska said Tuesday that it was pleased the council “amended city ordinances to comport with the First Amendment and to ensure the right of free speech extends to all Nebraskans — including those experiencing homelessness and who have been jailed simply for asking for help.”

The council also asked the Public Works Department to gather information about any safety dangers posed

by panhandlers standing in medians and asking motorists for handouts.

“When people are stopped at these intersections, there’s not much they can do,” Deputy Police Chief Dave Baker told the newspaper. “They’re more or less a captive audience.”

Councilwoman Aimee Melton said Tuesday’s changes constituted “Part A, and Part B will be coming later” to address the issue of panhandling from medians.

Deadline Approaching For Historic Preservation Grant

PIERRE (AP) — The South Dakota State Historical Society says the deadline is approaching for applications for historic preservation grant funding.

Applications for proposals are due on Feb. 1.

Jay Vogt is director of the state Historical Society. He says the Deadwood Fund grant program is meant to spur people or organizations to restore and rehabilitate

historic properties.

Grant amounts range from \$1,000 to \$25,000 and require a match. The program is funded through gambling revenue in Deadwood and is put toward projects across the state.

Last year, more than \$120,000 in grant funds went to 11 projects, which totaled nearly \$450,000 of investment after the match.

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25 in favor and 10 against the measure. The commissioners also received written testimony from another two dozen people, with 17 in favor of the measure and seven opposed to it.

The commissioners unanimously approved the first reading that evening. The board approved the second and final reading at its Nov. 3 regular meeting without any amendments.

Article 17 needed to run twice in the weekly newspa-

pers used for the county’s legal publications. The ordinance was then subject to a 20-day period in which the measure could be referred to the ballot, which would temporarily block the law from going into effect.

The 20-day period ended this week, and Article 17 became law, Brunken said.

Bon Homme County didn’t have any wind energy regulations prior to adding Article 17.

The ordinance carries a number of conditions for wind farms. However, a key provision calls for setbacks of 1,000 feet near residences and 550 feet near property lines.

Prior to giving final approval, the commissioners noted a wind farm could be constructed even with passage of the ordinance, but the county would have some controls. They added the Bon Homme ordinance would follow the state’s recommendations and what other counties have used.

Without Article 17, the wind developers would only need a conditional-use permit, the commissioners added.

Opponents argued the ordinance wouldn’t go far enough. They supported a larger setback and even an outright ban on wind farms in Bon Homme County.

The commissioners discussed possibly changing the proposed 1,000 feet setback to 1,500 feet. However, they didn’t make any amendments before the final reading.

The Bon Homme County commissioners could alter the new wind energy ordinance at any time, according to Brian McGinnis with the District III Planning and Development office in Yankton.

When it comes to the two recent wind farms, McGinnis told the *Press & Dakotan* that Bon Homme County is in a different position than its neighbors. Charles Mix County doesn’t have zoning, while Hutchinson County

hasn’t objected to the wind operations, he added.

The Beethoven operation will be grandfathered under the new Bon Homme County ordinance. Prevailing Winds and any other future wind farms will fall under the new law.

The Beethoven wind farm can generate up to 80 megawatts of energy. In contrast, the Prevailing Winds farm could generate 200 megawatts of energy, according to Prevailing Winds president Ronnie Hornstra of Avon.

If its production capacity exceeds 100 megawatts, the Prevailing Winds operation would require a siting permit from the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (PUC),

according to PUC Chairman Chris Nelson. Once the state permit is approved, the operation would go to the Bon Homme County commissioners for their approval.


Prevailing Winds project manager Roland Jurgens has told the Bon Homme County Commission that the wind operation is prepared to apply for state and county approval, according to news reports.

More information on the PUC’s regulation of wind and other forms of energy can be found online at <https://puc.sd.gov/>.

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Celebrating the Reason for the Season

Holiday Worship Schedule



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1701 Broadway, Yankton, SD 57057 (Office)
(605) 660-9702

As our motto implies, we strive to teach people about the Bible while simultaneously reaching out to our community and the world. We are constantly looking for ways to expand on this missions. We welcome you to check out one or all of our current ministries:

December 13	5:30pm	The Gift: Received
December 20	5:30pm	The Gift: Shared
December 24	5:30pm	Special Christmas Eve Service
December 27	5:30pm	The Gift: Restored

Sermon Series: The Gift

Christmas Church Services

We warmly welcome you to join the St. Benedict family for our Christmas services! Come enjoy the excitement, warmth and love of the holiday season with us.

Thursday, Dec. 24th
Mass 4:00, 6:30 & 10:00pm

Friday, Dec. 25th
Mass 8:30am

St. Benedict Catholic Church
1500 St. Benedict Dr., Yankton, 664-6214

Trinity Lutheran Church

403 Broadway, Yankton, SD • 665-7415

We wish to invite you to attend one of our Christmas Eve Candlelight Services December 24th

Times are 4:00, 6:30 & 10:00pm

Sunday School Christmas Programs December 20th

3 yr. olds - Kindergarten students, 10:45am
1st - 3rd grades, 2pm

Communion will be served at all services

Calvary Baptist

2407 Broadway Yankton, SD 665-5594

Building Up to Reach Out

Sun, Dec. 13	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages Worship Service
Thurs, Dec. 17	7:00 p.m.	Calvary Kids Preschool Christmas Program
Sun, Dec. 20	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages Worship Service
Thurs, Dec. 24	6:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Children’s Christmas Program Family Christmas Eve Service

United Church Of Christ

Peace on Earth

5th & Walnut
Yankton, SD
665-7320

Dec. 13	10:00 a.m.	Christmas Cantata
Dec. 20	10:00 a.m.	Children’s Christmas Program During Worship
Dec. 21	6:30 p.m.	Blue Christmas Worship
Dec. 24	3:30 p.m.	Christmas Eve with the Family
	7:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

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Schedule of Holiday Services

St. John’s Lutheran Church

Dec. 20	6 p.m.	Children’s Christmas Program
Dec. 24	5 & 7 p.m.	Christmas Eve Candlelight Services with Communion
Dec 25	9 a.m.	Christmas Day Service with Communion and the Celebration of Jesus’ Birthday Cake

1009 Jackson • Yankton, SD 665-7337

Sacred Heart Monastery

Bishop Marty Memorial Chapel



The Yankton Benedictines invite you to pray with them

Christmas Day, December 25, 10:00 a.m. - Mass
New Year’s Day, January 1, 10:00 a.m. - Mass
1005 W. 8th St. | Yankton, SD 57078 | (605) 668-6000

Have a Blessed Christmas!

Sacred Heart Parish

509 Capital St., Yankton • 665-3655

Celebrate the Nativity of Our Lord!

All are welcome!

Dec. 24	4:00 p.m.	Mass (Sacred Heart Children’s Choir - Music begins at 3:30 p.m.)
	6:00 p.m.	Mass (Sacred Heart Choir - Music begins at 5:30 p.m.)
	10:00 p.m.	Mass
Dec. 25	8:00 & 9:30	Mass
	2:00 p.m.	Spanish Mass, Confessions 1:15 p.m.

All masses at Sacred Heart Church

First United Methodist Church

207 West 11th St, Yankton • 665-2991

Our Mission: To grow disciples of Jesus Christ and equip them for ministry in the world.

Rev. Ron Johnson, Senior Pastor Corey Enfield, Youth Pastor

Sunday, December 13th
6:30PM, Sunday School Christmas Program

Saturday, December 19th
5:30 & 6:30PM, Live Nativity (across street west of church)

Sunday, December 13th and 20th
8:30AM United Methodist Hour on KYNT, 1450 AM
8:30AM Worship Service, Contemporary; childcare provided
9:45AM Sunday School for all ages; childcare provided
11:00AM Worship Service, Traditionalist; childcare provided

Christmas Eve, December 24th
4:30PM Worship Service, Candlelight Service
7:00PM Worship Service, Candlelight Service

Riverview Reformed Church

1700 Burleigh St, Yankton • 665-9204

Sunday, December 13th
Children’s Christmas Program - 9:30AM
Morning Worship - 10:15AM
Potluck Dinner to follow worship

Sunday, December 20th
Fourth Sunday in Advent
Morning Worship - 9:30AM

Thursday, December 24th
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service - 5:30PM

Christmas Services

Everyone Welcome

Sunday, Dec. 13th, 11:00am
St. John’s Bible Presentation by Mount Marty College

Sunday, Dec. 20th, 11:00am
Pastor Jennifer Swier

Christmas Eve Thursday, Dec. 24th - 7pm
Lessons & Carols

Peace Church

206 E. 31st. Street, Yankton, SD 57078 • 665-0448
email ppcoffice@iw.net

Sunday, December 20th, 6pm

Community Christmas Concert & Carol Sing

Open House to follow at the Gathering Grounds
Coffee, Hot Chocolate & Christmas Treats

Thursday, December 24th, 5pm

Christmas Eve Service

Discovery Church

205 W. 3rd St.

www.discoverychurchofyankeon.org

Christ Episcopal Church

517 Douglas, Yankton, SD

Dec. 13	9:00 - 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Serenity (Meditation) The Holy Eucharist & Sunday School
Dec. 20	9:00 - 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Serenity (Meditation) The Holy Eucharist, Sunday School Program & Potluck
Dec. 24	“Christmas Eve” 5:00 p.m. 11:00 p.m.	Candlelight Holy Eucharist Candlelight Holy Eucharist