**2017 Category B City: SAUK RAPIDS**

a Step Two GreenStep City as of June 2013

- joined July 2012 -

***Which assessment****? Preliminary: for city review Final: May 1st recommendation to LMC*

***Assessor and date****: Philipp Muessig, 11/10/16*

**NO**

**NO**

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***Total BPs done out of 12: All required\* BPs done? BP distribution requirement\* met?***

***Recommend new recognition at: Step 3***

Recognition at a Step 3 level involves, at a minimum:

* Implementing 12 best practices, including:
	+ 6 specific BPs: #1, #6, #15, #16, #24, #25, #29
	+ 2 Building BPs, 2 Land Use BPs, 1 Transportation BP, 3 Env. Mgt. BPs, 3 Comm./Econ. BPs
* Completing 17 actions, including:
	+ 6 specific actions: #1.1 & #1.2; #6.1 & #6.2; #15.1; #24.1, #29.1

\* requirements for Step 3 recognition

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| Best practices (**required**) BP implemented? Action summary by # and star level achieved Action rules (req. actions in **bold**) Distribution BPs done? |
| **YES** **BUILDINGS: 2 BPs required; are 2 done?** |
| **1. Public** **Actions 1 & 2** | **NO** | 1.1 UNDERWAY1.3 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR1.5 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR  |
| 2. Private any one action | **YES** | 2.5 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR |
| 3. New any one action |  |  |
| 4. Lighting/Signals 2 actions; one from 5-8 | **YES** | 4.1 COMPLETE @ 3 STARS Dark Sky private parking lot lighting4.4 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS4.5 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS4.6 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR4.8 COMPLETE @ 3 STARS |
| 5. Reuse any one action | **YES** | 5.5 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS Infill design standards for residential and downtown**YES** |
|  **LAND USE: 2 BPs required; are 2 done?** |
| **6. Comp Plan** **Actions 1 & 2** | **YES** | 6.1 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR6.2 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS6.4 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR |
| 7. Density any one action |  |  |
| 8. Mixed Uses any one action |  |  |
| 9. Highway Development any one action | **YES** | 9.1 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR9.2 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS |
| 10. Conservation Development any one action |  | **YES** |
|  **TRANSPORTATION: 1 BP required; is 1 done?** |
| 11. Complete Green Streets 1; & one additional action |  |  |
| 12. Mobility Options any one action | **YES** | 12.1 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS -- city has added two bike racks in front of businesses that draw regular customers12.2 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR – 2013 SRTS grant to complete & connect sidewalks in/around elementary school; city contributed $100,000; improved pedestrian safety |
| 13. Fleets any one action |  |  |
| 14. TOD / TDM any two actions |  |  |
| **NO** **ENVIRONMENTAL MGT: 3 BPs required; are 3 done?** |
| **15. Purchasing** **1; and one additional action** | **NO** | 15.7 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- city council now uses iPads for meetings |
| **16. Trees** **any one action** | **YES** | 16.4 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR -- trees planted downtown along street/in medians & on some side streets when new bridge was constructed  |
| 17. Stormwater any one action | **YES** | 17.4 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS – 2006 stormwater utility; credit given to those who employ structural or non-structural BMPs or other stormwater management practices on-site that significantly reduce the quantity or improve the quality of stormwater runoff from their property  |
| 18. Parks & Trails any two actions |  |  |
| 19. Surface Water if state public water: 4; and one additional action others: any one action |  |  |
| 20. Water / Wastewater 1 & 2; and one additional |  |  |
| 21. Septics any one action |  |  |
| 22. Solid Waste one from 1-3; & one from 4-8 |  |  |
| 23. Local Air Quality any one action |  |  |
| **NO** **ECON & COMM DEVELOP: 3 BPs required; are 3 done?** |
| **24. Benchmarks & Involvement** **1; and one additional action** | **YES** | 24.1 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS -- SR Green is an independent advisory committee for the City; usually monthly meetings 2008-2015, now meeting as-needed24.4 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS -- SR Green member served as liaison with schools, supporting the green committees at the high school and middle school; middle school has school garden, which serves the school. |
| **25. Green Businesses** **any two actions** | **NO** |  |
| 26. Renewable Energy any two actions |  |  |
| 27. Local Food any one action | **YES** | 27.3 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR – SR Farmers Market started 2010 by a citizens group |
| 28. Business Synergies 2, 3 or 4 |  |  |
| **29. Climate Adaptation** **action 1** | **NO** | 29.2 While good that all city department heads have received disaster training, this effort falls short of a 1-star rating for this action |