**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 UNDERWAY  1.3 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR  1.5 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 lighting  4.4 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS  4.5 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS  4.6 COMPLETE @ 1 STAR  4.8 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 STAR  6.2 COMPLETE @ 2 STARS  6.4 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 STAR  9.2 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 customers  12.2 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-needed  24.4 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 |