

To: City Council  
From: Matt Muckler, City Administrator  
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**2015 Hoover’s Hometown Days Website:** Library/IT Director Nick Shimmin has launched the new website for the 2015 Hoover’s Hometown Days Celebration: <http://www.hooverdays.org/>. You can now find updated news, a gallery of past activities, the tentative schedule of events, contact forms for those wishing to volunteer, and maps of events and locations. The host for the site also allows for easy viewing on mobile devices, so participants can easily view the online schedule from their phone. Also, the planning committee petitioned Facebook to change the page name and it is now listed in Facebook as Hoover's Hometown Days ([facebook.com/hoovershometowndays](https://www.facebook.com/hoovershometowndays)). The City is excited to be planning the 2015 Hoover’s Hometown Days celebration with Main Street West Branch and the National Park Service. This year’s event promises to be our best Hoover’s Hometown Days ever!

**Rescheduled Council Meeting – Wed. January 14th:** The January 5<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting was cancelled due to weather conditions. That meeting will be made up on Wednesday January 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

**MLK Event – January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.:** Community members will join together for a potluck and for public readings of the works of Martin Luther King on Monday evening January 19<sup>th</sup> at Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome.

**2015 Pet Tags Now Available:** All cats and dogs over four months of age residing within the city limits must be registered annually with the City of West Branch. Registrations and tags for 2015 are now available at City Offices located at 110 North Poplar Street. Current rabies vaccination papers are required at the time of registration. The fee for registering pets is \$5.00 per animal. A \$5.00 late penalty fee will be applied if an animal is registered after Jan. 31, 2015.

**Upcoming City Meetings:** Please see the Calendar of Events on the City Website at <http://westbranchiowa.org/home> for a complete list of all upcoming events. There are several Council, Board and Commission Meetings scheduled for the rest of January:

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| ▪ Tuesday January 13 <sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.           | Animal Control Commission Meeting    |
| ▪ Wednesday January 14 <sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.         | Special City Council Meeting         |
| ▪ Wednesday January 14 <sup>th</sup> (after Council Mtg.) | City Council Work Session            |
| ▪ Thursday January 15 <sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.          | Park & Recreation Commission Meeting |
| ▪ Monday January 19 <sup>th</sup> – MLK Day               | Holiday – City Offices Closed        |
| ▪ Monday January 19 <sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m.             | MLK Day Event at Town Hall           |
| ▪ Tuesday January 20 <sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.           | City Council Meeting                 |
| ▪ Tuesday January 20 <sup>th</sup> (after Council Mtg.)   | City Council Work Session            |
| ▪ Tuesday January 27 <sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.           | Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting |
| ▪ Thursday January 29 <sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.          | Preservation Commission Meeting      |

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