

# HORIZON

## ZONING AMENDMENTS

Due to the recent annexation of land into the City and the results of a comprehensive plan study of the community, there will be a series of Zoning Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance in Sergeant Bluff. Items to be addressed include new zoning districts for Light Manufacturing Green (MLG), Multi-Family (MF-1), and overlay districts such as Mixed-Use and Airport.

A new Development Review Committee is being proposed to help in the review and approval process for new development. In addition to some minor changes to various ordinance articles there will be zoning map changes considered to accommodate the land use plan. The first Public Hearings to address these issues will be held by the Planning & Zoning Commission on 1/5/16 @ 7:00 PM and the City Council on 1/12/16 @ 5:30 PM, both to be held in the Council Chambers. Please watch the Sergeant Bluff Advocate and our website for additional hearings and meetings.

## SPACE HEATER SAFETY TIPS

As you may know, there was recently a fire in a Northwest Iowa community that resulted in a death due to a space heater. Please consider utilizing these tips to ensure your safety.

- Keep all potential sources of fuel like paper, bedding or rugs at least three feet away.
- Space heaters should never be left unattended. Turn off space heaters before going to bed or leaving home.
- Place space heaters on a level, hard and nonflammable surface (such as a ceramic tile floor), not on rugs or carpets or near bedding or drapes.
- Keep children and pets away from space heaters.
- When buying a space heater, look for models that shut off automatically if the heater falls over as safety measure.

## HOMESERVE

Beginning this month, HomeServe USA, under the sponsorship of the City of Sergeant Bluff will be mailing to residents the opportunity to enroll in an optional insurance program to cover the cost and facilitate the repair or replacement of a leaking water service line or blocked or broken sewer laterals. To learn more go to [www.homeserveusa.com](http://www.homeserveusa.com).



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## WINTER FESTIVAL

The 13<sup>TH</sup> annual Sergeant Bluff Winter Festival was a wonderful success. Thank you to all the businesses, individuals and groups that donated and participated in this years Winter Festival.

**SAVE THE DATE! The fourth semi-annual CommCon will be held on Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Sergeant Bluff Community Center located at 903 Topaz Drive.**

