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City of Valparaiso Launches Website Upgrade at Valpo.us

The City of Valparaiso has upgraded its public website at <u>Valpo.us</u> to make it more user-friendly, putting City information at the community's fingertips. "We looked at user data and worked to make the site easier to navigate – with the most frequently used information right up front," said Mayor Matt Murphy. "It's now easier than ever to learn about city projects, find the date of an event or report an issue to make our city look and function at its best," he said.

The new website includes useful tools right on the homepage, including a "Watch City Meetings" button where the public can view City meetings in real time or view an archived recording after the meeting. A "Voice a Concern" button invites the community to report areas that need attention – from potholes or a blinking streetlamp to a noisy water meter or an appliance pickup. The site also includes transit updates for the ChicaGo Dash, V-Line and South Shore Connect, as well as a directory of all departments, updates on city projects and the ability to download forms.

The new City of Valparaiso website is available at <u>Valpo.us</u> and is also in a mobile-friendly format for use on mobile phones. With the addition of the new "Watch City Meetings" button, City meetings will no longer to streamed live to Facebook. In addition to the option to watch and view meetings on Valpo.us, the county's upgraded COVID alert level means that the public may also attend meetings in person.