



## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Carson Park Causeway Ribbon Cutting and Opening Scheduled**

Eau Claire, Wis. - A ribbon cutting for the opening of the Carson Park Causeway will take place on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. The ceremony will take place at the corner of Lake Street and Grand Avenue. The public is invited to attend and help celebrate the opening.

Representatives from the City of Eau Claire, Wisconsin DOT, and Wisconsin DNR will speak. The road will be open to traffic shortly after the ceremony.

The new causeway will include multi-use trails along both sides, ADA accessible fishing piers, decorative lighting, boulevards, bike lanes, and additional recreational enhancements. Construction to replace the existing bridge over Half Moon Lake and the causeway approach to the bridge began in July 2017.

"The City of Eau Claire is incredibly proud of the re-opening of this historic gateway into Carson Park, a jewel of the Eau Claire community," said Dave Solberg, City Engineer for the City of Eau Claire. "We're also extremely appreciative of the partnership with Wisconsin DOT and Wisconsin DNR that made this project such a success."

"On behalf of Downtown Eau Claire Inc., we are pleased to see the City's continued investment in recreational amenities that make us an exciting place to live," said Mike Schatz, Executive Director of Downtown Eau Claire, Inc. "Carson Park is a community gem and the causeway will enhance the park experience with easy access from downtown."

For more on the project, click here: <http://bit.ly/2hpzH95>

#### **About The City of Eau Claire**

Located in west central Wisconsin with a population of over 68,000 residents, the vision of the City of Eau Claire is a vibrant city with exceptional quality of life and services. Our mission to assure the common good through services essential for a safe, sustainable, engaged and healthy community.

#### **About Downtown Eau Claire, Inc.**

Downtown Eau Claire, Inc. (DECI) is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the development of business, housing, cultural resources, and activities within downtown Eau Claire. Our vision is to be the premier civic alliance that creates a vibrant downtown everyone recognizes, appreciates, and enjoys. For more information contact [downtown@eauclairewi.gov](mailto:downtown@eauclairewi.gov).

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