



HISTORIC DOWNTOWN WILLMAR
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June Highlights

Major Events

→ **Becker Market Opens**

→ **Bev Dougherty, project coordinator, addresses city council on WDC accomplishments and future plans.**

→ **Work begins on Downtown Master Plan with a public Open House**

→ **Master Plan tentative schedule:**

- **Becker Market Committee**
 - ✓ Becker Market opened
 - ✓ Increased from 22 vendors at the first market to 33 for the third market
- **Downtown Environment**
 - ✓ 16 Flower baskets hung by the City of Willmar with care, more on the way
 - ✓ Historic Downtown signs posted
- **PR & Marketing Committee**
 - ✓ Mugs arrived
 - ✓ Becker Market bags arrived
 - ✓ Brochures printed
 - ✓ Host booths at WDC and Willmarfest
- **Holidaze Committee**
 - ✓ Received a \$500 grant from the Willmar Convention and Visitors Bureau
- **WDC Board of Directors**
 - ✓ Completed Painting “The Shed,” on 4th Street, made possible by grants from: Valspar/Southwest Initiative Foundation and the United Way’s Youth as Resources.
 - ✓ President Judy Wright noted in WC Tribune Business Highlights
- **Property Development/Historic Buildings**
 - ✓ Awarded \$2,000 grant to Engan and Associates apply for National Historical Register designation on the former West Central Tribune building
- **Bike and Walking Committee**
 - ✓ Work with Tom Ososki, urban planner, on footbridge design, placement, and grant application.
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- **Gateways, Transportation and Parking**
 - ✓ Continue discussion with city personnel on regaining easy access to downtown from the East and West ends