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Comp plan booklets printed, available

The City of Verona comprehensive plan has been printed and is available to the public.

The city has 3,000 copies of the x-page executive summary professionally printed, with each containing the full plan on a CD inserted in the front cover. The summary outlines some of the key points of the plan, organized by chapter, as directed by the state's Smart Growth law.

A nine-person citizen-appointed committee spent much of the past two years creating the plan, with planning director Bruce Sylvester and a hired contractor doing most of the leg work. It ties together city and community plans for development, growth, management of resources, transportation and intergovernmental cooperation, among other things.

It is essentially a handbook for the city for the next 20 years or so, and most planning decisions the city makes should mesh with the concepts presented in the plan. All municipalities in Wisconsin are expected to have a plan on file by Jan. 1.

The Common Council approved the plan Sept. 14 after a formal public hearing that followed months of public forums, direct-mailed questionnaires, citywide surveys and committee meetings. The city received more than 500 comments on various parts of the plan, in addition to oral feedback at its forums. It became official last month.

The plan features several hundred pages' worth of documents and maps, including information on current conditions and issues and all sorts of technical information, as well. Some of it is easy to read, other parts are formal and lengthy.

The summary booklets and CDs are available at Verona City Center or the Verona Public Library, and the information is also viewable on the city's Web site, www.ci.verona.wi.us.

For information, call Sylvester at 848-9941.

Operation Christmas Child dropoff

The Caring Center will be a dropoff location for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes.

Every year, Operation Christmas Child collects shoeboxes put together as care packages and sends them to needy children around the world. This year it has a collection at the Door Creek Church on Madison's east side, and the Caring

Supervisor awarded harassment injunction against ex-girlfriend

By Emma Roller
Verona Press correspondent

A stretch of sleepy country highway in the Town of Verona set the scene for a soap opera last month, as one couple's bitter history was dissected in front of a Dane County Circuit Court judge.

Judge Amy Smith awarded Town of Verona Supervisor Josh Klein a four-year harassment injunction against his former girlfriend Mandy Sahf, while denying Sahf's similar injunction against Klein.

Klein's injunction stipulates that Sahf must avoid Klein's business and cannot contact Klein or his family for the next four years.

According to testimony in the Oct. 7 proceeding, Klein met Sahf in 1999, and they dated on and off until July 2006, when Klein ended the relationship.

Klein claimed that after he broke up with Sahf, she continued to call, e-mail, text message and write notes to him.

Sahf runs Liberty Stables, a small horse-riding business two properties away from Klein's house on White Crossing Road. According to the case file, Klein helped Sahf purchase

her property while they were dating in exchange for an agreement that Klein would receive 20 percent of any profit from its sale.

According to Klein's testimony, Sahf's father told him that Sahf would relinquish a restraining order she had filed against him in July if Klein gave up his interest in Sahf's property.

Sahf's business came under scrutiny with the Verona Town Board earlier this year, when the county's zoning administrator was alerted to her property not being zoned to have farm animals on it. After a *Wisconsin State Journal* story highlighted the issue, she was granted a zoning change. Klein abstained from that vote, citing a conflict of interest.

Just a few months later, Sahf filed for a restraining order against Klein after an incident in front of the stables. Nine days after that, Klein filed for his own restraining order against Sahf.

In that incident, on July 28, Klein was cited by the county sheriff's office when Sahf claimed that Klein harassed her by slowly driving past her house and making excessive noise with his truck. Sahf told deputies and

repeated to the court noise of squealing spooked one of the horses and caused the girl to fall.

But Shannon C. Stables, testified former employee at Stables, testified horses on Sahf's property are used to loud noise and would not be easily spooked by vehicles.

Klein and Sahf both claimed in court that the other had squealed in front of their house several times. Photographs played in the courtroom showed skid marks in front of Klein's house by Sahf's property.

Klein accused Sahf of breaking into his house shortly after the incident and Green corroborated the accusation.

She testified that Sahf had asked her to hand Sahf's things out of the house, telling her that she was aware they were in the house.

But Sahf entered the house by crawling

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