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January 3, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

From: Sarah Dvoracek, Interim City Manager/Treasurer/Assessor

Subject: Ewart listed as Opportunity Zone

Attached is a letter from Dan Massy, Osceola County Community Development Coordinator. Dan is inviting the City of Ewart's council members and staff to the fairgrounds on January 23, 2019 at 11:00 am to learn more. Please let us know if you plan on attending this meeting.



## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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December 27, 2018

Sara Dvoracek  
City Manager  
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In your role as City Manager I'm extending an invitation to attend a meeting on the Ewart Opportunity Zone. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 23, 2019, 11:00 am at the Osceola County Fairgrounds, Main Hall.

Opportunity Zones are a new concept recently enacted in the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. The census tract that includes the City of Ewart was chosen as one of Michigan's Opportunity Zones. The program is designed to incentivize patient capital investments in low-income communities nationwide that have been cut off from capital and have experienced a lack of business growth. Specifically we will discuss how the Ewart census tract was chosen, how Opportunity Zones work, how investments are made into Opportunity Zone communities, and most importantly *what can be done to increase the chance of investments being made into the Ewart community.*

If you plan to attend or have questions please email me at [dmassy@osceolacountymi.com](mailto:dmassy@osceolacountymi.com) or call me at 832-7397.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dan Massy".

Dan Massy  
Community Development Coordinator