

DOWNTOWN BELOIT VEHICLE CHARGING STATION INSTALLED

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Photo provided A new electric car charging port has been installed at the Ironworks parking lot on Fourth Street.

BELOIT - The City of Beloit has installed two new electric vehicle charging stations in the Ironworks campus parking lot on Fourth Street, the second such installation in the city since 2017.

Vehicle charges at the station will be no cost to customers through Dec. 31, according to a city news release.

"The Ironworks parking lot is a prime location for an electric vehicle charging station due to its proximity to the Ironworks campus, our downtown businesses, and the YMCA," said Andrew Janke, Beloit Economic Development Director. "The implementation of these stations benefits the downtown workers and visitors who have made the important commitment to reduce their carbon emissions."

Janke said he wanted to thank the partnership efforts between Visit Beloit, Alliant Energy and Hendricks Commercial Properties, along with support of the Beloit City Council.

The station was funded at no cost to the city and is managed through the Greenlots system. Drivers can connect to the charger and start a session through the Greenlots app, a Greenlots RFID card or by calling 855-900-7584.

"As a city committed to sustainable practices, we are thrilled to offer these charging stations in our downtown area," said Beloit City Manager Lori Curtis Luther. "The Ironworks parking lot is near our hub of business, charitable and recreational activities, which allows these charging stations to bring important environmental and economic benefits to the area."

Beloit currently has one dual-charging station at Beloit Memorial Hospital. The dual-port option at the hospital was unveiled in January 2017, with the hospital being one of the first Rock County businesses to receive an Alliant Energy \$1,500 rebate for installing the port.