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## Carl M. Kuss Field Renovation Project Groundbreaking

West Bend, WI, (August 3, 2018) – On Tuesday August 7, 2018, the City of West Bend, West Bend School District, and the West Bend Baseball Association will be breaking ground to renovate a multi-use/baseball stadium, the historic Carl M. Kuss Field located inside Regner Park right in the heart of West Bend. The City of West Bend, West Bend School District, and the West Bend Baseball Association have been meeting and discussing plans with the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation, who is providing a \$500,000 matching grant for the project. The project will include an upgraded playing surface, new lighting, modern grandstand, a new restroom facility, dugouts, and a concessions area.

"West Bend is truly one of a kind. The Council and I are proud to represent this community while partnering with the school district, baseball association and the Ripken Foundation to ensure future generations can enjoy high quality athletics in Regner Park just as generations have in the past. Once again West Bend has stepped up and delivered," stated Mayor Sadownikow.

"I am extremely grateful that the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation, the City of West Bend, and West Bend School District are all committed to continue the great legacy of baseball in the City of West Bend. With the construction of a first-class facility we will be able to keep the tradition of baseball strong in West Bend." WBBA project manager Craig Larsen said.

The groundbreaking will highlight an evening full of baseball and the public is encouraged to visit the current Carl M. Kuss Field one last time before construction begins. From 5:00-6:30 p.m., the public will have full access to the facility to take pictures or play a game of catch in the outfield one last time. At 6:45 p.m., the final pregame ceremony will begin and at 7:00 p.m., the first pitch of the final game will take place as West Allis will take on West Bend 7 Up. At roughly 8:00 p.m., there will be a groundbreaking ceremony near the monuments with Mayor Sadownikow, city & school officials and West Bend Baseball Association members, all of which will be available for questions.

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