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# City of Eaton Rapids Newsletter

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## **New Parking Lot Ribbon Cutting**

The City will host a ribbon cutting ceremony to officially open its new parking lot on October 30th at 5:30pm. The parking lot is located behind the National City Bank. Joining the City will be a representative from the Governor's office, a representative from Representative Mike Simpson's office, and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

The parking lot is using new technology to reduce stormwater runoff. The porous pavement allows water to pass through the concrete and move through two layers of filters. Rain gardens have also been planted to help filter water and pull out sediments. These eco-friendly features will greatly reduce polluted runoff into the Grand River. A Non Point Source 319 grant from the State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality has made this project possible. In addition to the expansion of parking lot #6, informational banners, a rain garden and educational signage will be added to the area.

Visit the City Website for more information: <http://www.ci.eaton-rapids.mi.us>