

**CITY OF LOVELAND  
MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor and Council  
**FROM:** David Kennedy, City Manager  
**RE:** Weekly Update  
**DATE:** January 31, 2020

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**Administration**

Monday, a new Mr. Reds Bench returned to Downtown Loveland.



The City was the beneficiary of the bench from Superior Dental Care. The popular stopping point for visitors to the City has been placed at the same location as last summer along the Bike Trail near Ramsey's Trailside. Special thanks to the Cincinnati Reds and of course Superior Dental Care.

Work on the Demolition of City owned 124 Railroad Avenue began this week. The property, which was purchased by the City, will serve as the main accessway into the new parking facility.



The project, which includes removal of the wall, is anticipated to be completed next week.

This week, the City put out a request for quotes, for the demolition of the two residences, and one storage building located on the parking facility site. This project is partially funded through a Hamilton County CEDAP grant. Quotes are due back to the City on February 12, with demolition anticipated to begin shortly following City Council's February 25 meeting.

Thursday, I had the opportunity to meet with Tom Scovanner who is a newly appointed Civil Service Commission member.

City Engineer, Cindy Klopfenstein, Public Works Director, Scott Wisby, Assistant City Manager, Tom Smith, and I met with KZF Design to discuss future projects for Nisbet Park.

Premier Cabling Solutions installed an 86" TV in the Council Chambers on Friday. The addition of this equipment will make viewing of council meeting materials, presentations, and videos easier and more accommodating for the audience and guest presenters.

Also, on Friday Council Members Kent Blair and Andrew Bateman participated in a newly elected official orientation where they met with the department directors and other members of City staff regarding municipal operations, processes, and procedures.

### **Finance**

The City was notified this week that we received the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ended December 31, 2018. This was the seventh consecutive year that the City has achieved this prestigious award. This Certificate is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

### **Building and Zoning**

The Planning and Zoning Commission held a special meeting on Tuesday to review a site plan application for the location at 507 Loveland-Madeira Road, formerly known as Donisi Mirror Company. The applicant, Premier Studio for Dance and Premier Tumbling, will be converting the property into a commercial school and arts studio for tumbling and dance. Premier Studio for Dance and Premier Tumbling has been in business in the City of Loveland for many years. As a result of their success, they have grown out of their current space in Shoppers Haven and will be moving into their new site on Loveland-Madeira Road. Their next steps will be the permitting and construction process.

The remodel of existing space at the TriHealth building has completed the first phase of framing. The Mile 42 Coffee Shop is ready for their temporary certificate of occupancy (TCO). The additions to the Fischer Building in the Commerce Park are near completion. They are also ready for their TCO. The development at 115 Karl Brown Way has completed the requirements for their permits. As soon as they are picked up, they can begin construction.

Letters informing landlords of the residential occupancy inspection program went out on Monday. City staff has been fielding calls and receiving applications for inspection. For the most part, the program has been received well.

### **Public Works**

Drilling for soil boring sample collection needed for the pier wall portion of the Broadway Stabilization project will take place next week from Tuesday through Thursday. The work will result in the roadway being reduce to one lane of traffic. An alert from the City's website will go out on Monday

Public Works repaired a water main break this week on Loveland Miami Road near the Loveland Early Childhood Center.

In our on-going effort to expand the City's new logo design, this week Public Works replaced the old "heart" style logo with the new design at the entry area along Loveland Madeira Road.



Upcoming projects include new park signs at McCoy Park, Veterans Park and the two tot-lots in the Loveland Heights, each bearing the new logo design.

### **Police**

Deputy Chief Jon Frye of LSF and Systems Manager Tina Kerns coordinated the replacement of the battery backup system for the Loveland Safety Center on Saturday.

Tuesday, a truck hit the trestle on Tuesday during morning rush hour causing traffic delays.

Officer Chad Caudell deployed the LPD pole-mounted radar on State Route 48 north of West Loveland Avenue.

K9 Mack and Officer Bibelhausen assisted Symmes Township Deputies with a search of a vehicle after a traffic pursuit. Mack located drugs in the vehicle.

LPD continues conducted interviews with the candidates and the City manager this week.

LPD plans to hire two officers at the end of February (a replacement officer from 2019 and a new officer in 2020) and another two in June (for the two retirees from 2019.)

LPD continues its partnership with the Ohio Crime Prevention Association. This week, LPD and the OCPA co-hosted a three-day Crime Prevention Specialist Certification training at the Loveland Safety Center.

School Resource Officer's Jesse Moore, Angela Smallwood, and Jacob Steinkoenig attended the House of Worship Safety and Security Training earlier this month and the Crime Prevention Specialist training this week.

### **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

City Council Special Meeting, February 1, 2020, 10:30 AM @ Loveland Safety Center

Planning and Zoning Commission, February 4, 2020, 7:00 PM @ Council Chambers

Tax Incentive Review Council, February 5, 2020, 5:00 PM @ Argo Conference Room - City Hall

Veterans Memorial Committee Meeting, February 6, 2020, 6:30 PM @ City Hall

Public Relations and Communications Committee Meeting, February 6, 2020, 7:30 PM @ City Hall