

**CITY OF LOVELAND
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: David Kennedy, City Manager
RE: Weekly Update
DATE: March 5, 2021

Administration

Tuesday, I was the guest speaker at a virtual meeting of the Ohio Valley Development Council (OVDC). OVDC is the advocacy arm of Home Builders Association of Greater Cincinnati. My presentation focused on completed and upcoming residential and commercial development projects. Within the presentation, I also addressed the city's planning efforts and the recently completed design guidelines.

Also, on Tuesday, I traveled with Mike Meldon and Doug Gilbert from the Tree and Environment Committee, to look at potential sites for a dog park. The tour consisted primarily of open space within Phillips and Kiwanis Parks.

Tuesday, I received a call from Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), regarding progress on our request to complete drainage improvements along the bike trail. Per ODNR's request, a drawing of the proposal was completed by City Engineer, Cindy Klopfenstein, and returned to ODNR by Thursday. The project, which will include drainage improvements, steps, and benches, was shown within the city's Downtown Strategic Development Plan. It should be noted, that much of the work will be completed by our Public Works crews. We are hopeful that legislation approving the agreement with ODNR allowing for the commencement of the project, will be in front of City Council soon.



Downtown Strategic Development Plan

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Clerk of Council, Misty Brents and Assistant City Manager, Tom Smith met with Premier Network Solutions to resolve some of the issues that were taking place with the programming of the wireless mics, audio of the lapel mic, the reconfiguration of the online streaming capabilities to have more streamlined processes.

Finance

This week the Finance Department met with Mr. Ray Kingsbury regarding the 2021 Loveland U program. Loveland U is an interactive adult learning program that helps participants learn more about our organization and community. The Finance Department has been asked to help facilitate one of the sessions that is intended to start later this year. In 2019 (the last year Loveland U was held) this included a mock City Council meeting where participants assumed different roles for the meeting and worked through a simulated agenda.

The Finance Department saw a significant increase in customer calls this week. The entire team did an outstanding job of helping our residents and customers while maintaining a high level of professionalism and customer service. Their efforts are greatly appreciated and did not go unnoticed.

Building and Zoning

The Planning and Zoning Commission met on Tuesday to review a site plan application submitted by KRR Real Estate [Mark Rumpke services] for a 4,000 sq. ft. office/maintenance facility to be used for the company's fleet. The location of the facility is 282 East Kemper Road. Currently the land is an empty lot with no structures or infrastructure improvements on the site. The facility will be constructed of metal, including metal gutters and roofing, with four garage bays. In a vote of 5-0, the Commission approved the site plan application.

Public Works

On Thursday, Public Works Director, Scott Wisby, City Engineer, Cindy Klopfenstein and Choice One Engineering made a site visit to the Main Street, Chestnut Street, South Wall, and Hill Street as surveying for the water main replacement project is scheduled to be performed next week.

Also, on Thursday, proposals were received from DER Development, Graybach, and Shook Construction for the Public Works office/garage building project and are currently being evaluated.

Police

Lieutenant Scott Humphrey and Amy Campbell both graduated from the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police Supervisor Training and Education Program this week. LPD assisted LSFD with structure fires on Shadycrest, Marbea, and Jilbe. Officers responded to an auto accident at West Loveland Avenue and Riverside with several people injured. The driver was arrested for OVI.

Upcoming Events and Meetings

- The Beautification Committee will meet on Monday, March 8, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.
- City Council will meet on Tuesday, March 9, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- The Ad Hoc Committee to Review Council and Committee Rules is scheduled to meet Wednesday, March 10, at 5:30 p.m. by Zoom.
- The Tree and Environment Committee will meet on Thursday, March 11, at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall.