

**CITY OF LOVELAND
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: David Kennedy, City Manager
RE: Weekly Update
DATE: May 21, 2021

Administration

Although progress on commencing projects is slow, the interest in the Loveland Heights Housing Rehabilitation Grant program remains strong. This week, preliminary approval was issued for new gutters at a residence on Seminole Drive and final approval for a new roof on Durango Drive. To date, the city has received 17 applications which are still in process. Delays in the program mostly center around securing quotes for the work. Project applications include gutters, roofing, exterior doors, repairs to concrete driveways and walks.

Thursday, the IT Board met to discuss upcoming IT Capital Improvement Projects for the 2022 budget. Among the projects are CCTV camera/Genetec integration for City Hall and Public Works, IT service contracts, and traffic lights.

Thursday evening, the Fire Station 63 Relocation Focus Group held their final meeting. At this meeting, the group reviewed two potential sites for the relocation of Fire Station 63, 220 East Loveland and 227 East Loveland. Reviewing comments and information presented by staff and a representative from MSA Design, along with weighing each site's advantages and disadvantages, the group ultimately voted unanimously to recommend to City Council, that 220 East Loveland, the former site of Masonic Lodge #258, be the preferred site. Special thanks to the focus group members, Ted Phelps, Andy Bateman, Kathy Eldredge, Allison Ellis, Larry Flynn and Captain, Bruce Hawk. A detailed presentation will be made to City Council at an upcoming meeting.



Finance

Monday May 17th was the extended deadline to file 2020 state and local income taxes. As a result, the Finance Department had a large number of customers coming into City Hall and calling seeking assistance. Finance Clerk, Dawn Everett and Ann Gott did an outstanding job of handling the increased workload while continuing to provide excellent customer service.

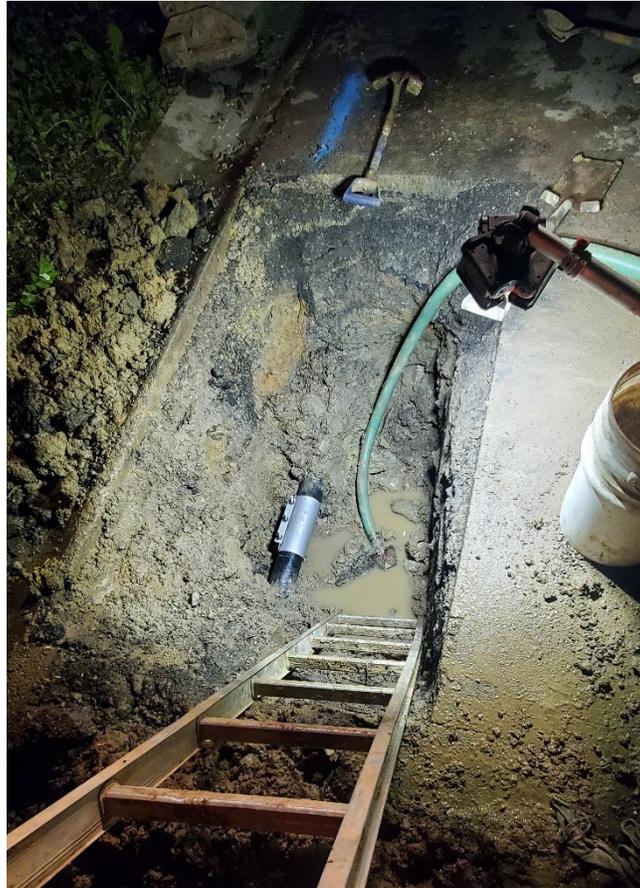
Building and Zoning

The Building and Zoning Division has received an application for a conditional use permit for a tap room/restaurant to fill the space at 118 Karl Brown Way. This will be a great addition to the Downtown District attracting patrons to the south side of the district. The Blossom Hill subdivision submitted their Site Plan Review application. Blossom Hill is a twenty-five-unit single-family attached townhome development located at 418 Second Street (State Route 48). The division also received an application for the initiation of a Special Planning District (SPD) at 102 Oak Street for nine single family detached homes. All three of these applications will be presented to the Planning and Zoning Commission for consideration on June 1, 2021 with both the conditional use permit and the SPD holding public hearings to review the conceptual plans and garner public input.

The staff review of the site plan for 179 Commerce Boulevard (McCluskey Chevrolet) has been completed and ready for their permit to be issued. The project consists of an expansion to the south of the existing building adding a significant amount of parking space for incoming inventory.

Public Works

Thursday evening, Public Works repaired the 4" water main located along South Second Street. From the time the city was notified of the main break, until the time crews were on the scene was a short period of time, resulting in very little interruption to the area residents.



Police

This week, LPD was recognized by the Clermont County Mental Health and Recovery Board for our 10-year relationship. LPD sent members to the very first crisis intervention training class at the CCMHRB.

Also, this week, Chief Rahe and Marketing and Communications Coordinator Krista Rose recorded a video about the parking pilot program, which started on Wednesday.

Upcoming Events and Meetings

The City's summer concert series kicks off this Sunday in Nisbet Park. Loveland Show Choir will be performing from 6-8 p.m.

City Council is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, May 25, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

The Historic Preservation and Planning Commission will meet on Wednesday, May 26, at 7:00 p.m.

City offices will be closed Monday, May 31, in observation of Memorial Day. The Veterans Memorial Committee has planned a Memorial Day parade and ceremony on May 31. The parade begins at 9 a.m. at the Loveland Elementary School and will disband at the Veterans Memorial. The ceremony will immediately follow. [Click here](#) to register to be in the parade. Candy may not be thrown, and campaign signs are prohibited. You may display a sign that includes your name and title.