

**CITY OF LOVELAND  
MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor and Council  
**FROM:** David Kennedy, City Manager  
**RE:** Weekly Update  
**DATE:** June 4, 2021

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**Administration**

Monday, the annual Memorial Day services were held at Veterans Memorial Park. The services, which followed the parade, were extremely well attended on what was simply a picture-perfect day. Highlights included a flyover by two military jets and a heartfelt speech from U.S. Congressman Brad Wenstrup. During the event, Mayor Bailey presented a proclamation. Special thanks to the Veterans Memorial Committee members who organized the event.



Following the Memorial Day services, many attendees took the short walk to the Loveland Museum Center to witness the unveiling of the renovated World War II Honor Roll. I know I share the opinion of those in attendance, that the renovation of the honor roll was very impressive. Special thanks again to all of those who played a part in the incredible transformation of the memorial, and also Congressman Wenstrup for his remarks during the ceremony.



The marker for the city's first locally designated historic building was installed this week at the Homestead in the White Pillars subdivision. The Historic Preservation and Planning Commission are hopeful that other owners of historic structures within the city will seek this designation.



A delivery truck backed into a light pole at City Hall causing significant damage to lighting throughout the entire lot. Repairs are underway to restore public safety. All expenses related to the work are covered by the vehicle owner's insurance. Public Works and local electrician Bob Long, were on the scene quickly to address the debris and live wiring.



Human Resources Manager, Joy Deardorff and Assistant City Manager, Tom Smith have started a comprehensive review of the City's personnel policies in preparation for their digital transition to the online Lexipol program.

Marketing and Communication Coordinator, Krista Rose, Assistant to the City Manager, Misty Brents, and Assistant City Manager, Tom Smith met virtually with Renaissance Covington Executive Director, Nick Wade to discuss their digital marketing (monetization) strategies, customizing the landing page ([lovinlifeloveland.com](http://lovinlifeloveland.com)), segmenting audiences (in-town vs. out-of-town subscribers) that will help the City promote target audiences for more advanced and personalized marketing that will in-turn attract people to the Downtown District businesses. Renaissance Covington is a 501c(3) that promotes and markets events for the City of Covington's Business District through a public Wi-Fi network. Like Loveland, Covington has partnered with Cincinnati Bell for the infrastructure.

## **Building and Zoning**

The Planning and Zoning Commission met Tuesday. In their meeting, they reviewed an application for a conditional use permit for an open tap/restaurant located at 118 Karl Brown Way. The open tap/restaurant is a cool new concept where patrons can get their drinks without a bar tender or waiter. The concept is that, upon entry, you are given an FOB that provides access to a variety of different brews, seltzers, and spirits. Consumption is digitally measured in ounces by way of the FOB. The Commission approved the permit in a vote of 5-0. The open tap/restaurant will be called Hopps and Berries.

The Commission also held another public hearing to review an application to initiate a proposed Special Planning District (SPD) located at 102 Oak Street. The proposed SPD consisted of nine single-family detached homes. Due to the proposed side yard setbacks, density, and feedback from the public hearing, the Planning and Zoning Commission, in a vote of 5-0, voted to table the application for further review and consideration.

In addition, the Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed an application for the site plan for the Blossom Hill development located off of State Route 48. The Blossom Hill Subdivision consists of 25 single-family attached homes with pedestrian access to the Downtown District as well as the cemetery that is nestled behind the subdivision. In a vote of 3-1 with one member of the Commission recusing himself, the site plan was approved. Additional information pertaining to the meeting can be found here:

<http://lovelandoh.iqm2.com/Citizens/FileOpen.aspx?Type=1&ID=1453&Inline=True>.

### **Public Works**

The city's 2020 water system Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) has been completed and posted on the city's website. To view the CCR [Click Here](#). The CCR will be sent to all water customers with the July utility billing. The CCR is also posted at the following locations in Loveland:

- Kroger
- Loveland Cleaners & Laundromat
- Public Library
- City Hall
- Water Treatment Plant

This week, work began on the State Route 48/Butterworth Road Sewer Main Extension project. Work was mostly within the ditch line, so there were no impacts on traffic.

### **Police**

Systems Manager Tina Kerns and Operations Assistant Monica Hammer attended the Law Enforcement Administrative Professionals Conference. LPD Officers assisted in the Memorial Day Parade. Officer Jacob Steinkoenig coordinated the Junior Police Academy. A breaking and entering occurred at the BP on Loveland Madeira Road. LPD has a person of interest thanks to video from the store, video from a community camera, and good coordination by NECC dispatchers and LPD Officers.

### **Upcoming Events and Meetings**

Love Our Land is hosting a Nature Walk at Phillips Park at the Old Simpson Forest on Saturday, June 5, from 10:30 a.m. to Noon.

Rails, Trails, and Ales is this Saturday, June 5, at Jackson Street Market from 7-10 p.m. The featured performer is Rooster Ridge.

City Council will meet on Tuesday, June 8, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

The Tree and Environment Committee will meet on Thursday, June 10, at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall.

The Loveland Sustainability Council is hosting a hazardous waste collection day for Loveland and Symmes Township Residents on Saturday, June 12, from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Home of the Brave Park. For a list of acceptable items, [Click Here](#).

For more information about upcoming events, visit [www.lovinlifeloveland.com](http://www.lovinlifeloveland.com).

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