



City of Loveland

City Manager's Weekly Report

September 9, 2022



Homearama 2022

Administration

Although we are only at the halfway point, I wanted to thank employees, committee members and our elected officials for staffing the city's booth at the 2022 Homearama. We have received many positive comments about the city from residents and visitors attending the home show.

Loveland U kicked off this week with 18 participants and our new Director Rob Weisgerber. The first session was held at the Loveland Museum Center and included a tour of the museum and ice breakers to help the participants get to know each other. Following dinner, departments boasted that their sessions would best. Next week, Loveland U will visit the Police Department.



The Law and Ordinance committee met to continue its review of regulations pertaining to Low Speed Micromobility Devices (e-scooters) and golf carts. Police Officer, Jacob Salamon attended their most recent meeting to field questions from the committee and provide insight from a police perspective.

Building and Zoning

At Blossom Hill, framing continues on the second building and interior work is continuing on the first building. New sod has been installed and the project is really taking shape! At Shopper's Haven, alterations to accommodate existing and future tenants continue at this prominent retail location along Loveland Madeira Road. Inspections were also conducted for slab work for an outdoor breezeway connection between two adjacent buildings. A permit was also approved for a new HVAC unit at Hops and Berry, located along Karl Brown Way.

The Planning and Zoning Commission met on Tuesday, September 6, 2022 to consider two cases, as follows:

- St. Columban Community Center
- Initiation of a Zoning Text Amendment

The Commission scheduled a public hearing to consider the Zoning Text Amendment for October 4, 2022 at or about 7:00 PM. Additionally, the Commission voted to continue the site plan review process for St. Columban in order to provide the designer of record time to revise plans responsive to issues raised during the site plan review process.

Enforcement efforts continue at Lowell Street, and along East Kemper Road. With regard to Lowell Street, significant progress has been made on addressing both interior and exterior issues noted during joint inspections conducted on the property. The City is very appreciative of the efforts of the partnership between the City, LSFD, and Hamilton County Board of Health to address the issues on Lowell Street. A notice of violation was sent to the property owner along East Kemper, and the Department is coordinating inspections there to occur soon, with the owner of record.

Finance

The city's Paycor Transition Team (PTT), which consists of Mandy Lucas, Mark Medlar, Cory Wright and Joy Deardorff, continues working towards the city's switchover from in-house payroll to Paycor.

Public Works

The city received a note worthy compliment this week via email regarding the summer concert series: *"I just took a call from a resident who said they have been to every concert so far this year & they have loved them! She said they didn't know who a few of the groups were but came anyway. She wanted to compliment whoever booked them because they have all been great. She also mentioned how well maintained the grounds were for each concert. She said it has not gone unnoticed and it is very appreciated."* This highlights the hard work of our Public Works crews in keeping our parks looking nice, and Assistant to the City Manager, Misty Clark (BTW congratulations "Mrs. Clark"), for putting together a great summer concert series. The event just keeps growing in popularity.

Public Works completed a low-budget project which helped spruce up the front of city hall. Three old brick knee walls, which had been decaying, were removed. The area was re-graded and mulched, resulting in a much cleaner appearance.



Public Safety

The Safety Center Parking Expansion project has been completed, with new fencing and the removal of the previous Lebanon Road access point.



The 10 week Citizens Police Academy hosted by Loveland, Miami Township and Milford police departments kicked off at LPD this week. Participants will get a behind the scenes look at police operations and get a glimpse of what it is like to be an officer in today's world.



Upcoming Meetings & Events

Downtown businesses will host a Sip and Shop tonight from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

This Saturday, the Little Miami River Chamber Alliance will host their annual Frogman Race beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Linda J. Cox Trailside Parking area.

Also on Saturday, volunteers will be removing invasive plants at the West Loveland Nature Preserve from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. [Click](#) here for more information.

On Sunday, the 5th Annual Steps 'n Salutes Green Beret 5k returns to Loveland. The race begins at Nisbet Park at 8:00 a.m.

City Council will meet on Tuesday, September 13, at 7:00 p.m.

