



City of Loveland

City Manager's Weekly Report

July 14, 2023



The City Hosted the TriHealth 3D Mobile Mammography Bus This Week

Administration

This week, the City hosted the TriHealth 3D Mobile Mammography unit outside of City Hall, along Great Millitzer Way. This service provides valuable women's health mobile screening services for our community, and the City is proud to host TriHealth again this year.



This week, work commenced on the new electronic message center signage being installed at the western entrance to the Loveland Commerce Park. To date, electrical work and the foundation work have been completed. On Thursday of this week, crews began installation of the signage pedestal, LED screen, and sign header panel. Upon completion, the new sign will be utilized to showcase the Commerce Park businesses and broadcast important information and public service announcements in similar fashion to the Loveland Madeira Road message center sign.

Work continues on the State Route 48 (Second Street) / West Loveland Avenue turning lane project. This week, contractors poured foundations for the relocated pedestrian poles and the relocated traffic signal mast pole. Work will continue to prepare the project area for roadway excavation work, which will commence upon completion of the overhead utility relocation work by Duke Energy.

Work continues on the Chestnut Street property remediation project. This week, City staff met with representatives from Patriot Engineering and Buckeye Elm to review conditions on the site and to discuss final post-remediation clean-up progress. Monitoring work is on-going, with sampling conducted in June of this year. More samples will be collected, and the remaining root balls and vegetation will be removed from the site in the next couple of weeks, weather permitting.

As part of the city's W. Loveland Avenue Bridge Study, the city is asking residents, local business owners, workers, and frequent area travelers to [take a survey](#) about traffic congestion in Downtown Loveland. More than 1,500 responses to the survey have already been collected, including more than 800 in the first 24 hours the survey went live. Those who live, work, and travel through the area and who have not taken the survey are encouraged to do so, and have until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 17, to submit their responses.

Building and Zoning

This week in the Building and Zoning Department, plans were received to update the ground-mounted cabinet sign at the Goodwill Shopping Center. City Staff is working with the signage contractor to make certain that updates are consistent with the City's recently adopted outdoor lighting ordinance. Improvements continue at 8Ninety, formerly Chapelwood Apartments, located at 890 West Loveland Avenue. The owners continue to work to complete HVAC improvements on Building D of the complex. A final sign inspection occurred this week as well for the new entryway monument sign at this location.

Here is a summary of some additional highlights from the Department's activities throughout the past week:

- St. George Russian Orthodox Church applied and received a permit for a shed, and discussed filing requirements for their annual festival in September.
- Teak has applied for their sign permit for their new location in Loveland Station, 110 S. 2nd Street. Variances and Historic Preservation and Planning Commission review will be required for this proposed installation.
- Plans are under review for another new home in ChimneyRidge. Also in ChimneyRidge, inspections continued this week on 18 Paxton Ct, with framing and insulation inspections occurring this week.

- The footer for the new City sign at Commerce Park passed inspection on Tuesday.
- The framing inspection was completed this week for the new tenant space for Kumon, located in Shopper's Haven. The interior alterations are nearing completion and the owners are scheduling time to meet with staff about updating the exterior colors of the building.
- At St. Columban, footer inspections continued for the new Community Center now under construction.
- Footer inspections were completed for the five-unit building located at 124-132 Blossom View Drive.

The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a scheduled meeting on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 at 7:00 PM. The Commission will be discussing a two separate proposed text amendments to the zoning code, in addition to conducting a site plan review for the new restaurant facility located at 115 Railroad Avenue.

Finance

The Finance Commission will hold a meeting on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 5:00 PM, at City Hall in Council Chambers.

Public Works

The Loveland Miamiville Sidewalk Phase I project began this week. The project will connect three city subdivisions to two schools and the city's downtown business district. This project is one of multiple pedestrian improvement projects in the planning stage. Pedestrian connectivity is both a strategy of the Comprehensive Plan and one of City Council's established goals.

Also this week, the bid opening for the East Loveland Avenue project was held on July 11th. A total of eight (8) bids were received and the apparent low bidder was JTM Smith Construction, Inc. Bids are currently under review by the City Engineer, Clermont County, & MSDGC as this is a multi-agency project.

A pre-bid meeting was held on July 13th for the Harrison Avenue project. An addendum is expected to be issued by early next week for this project, and the bid opening remains on track to occur on July 21st.

Public Safety

The [Loveland Police Department \(LPD\)](#) is accepting applications for the 2023 [Loveland Citizens Police Academy](#). Since 1998, LPD has hosted the academy to increase positive community interaction, facilitate communication, and provide education to residents about law enforcement. The academy is comprised of 10 weekly sessions held in the evenings. The 2023 program will begin Sept. 6. Each session will teach about a police topic such as:

- Use of Force & Media Portrayal
- Investigations & Crime Scenes
- Taser & Handcuffing with Defensive Tactics
- Use of the Scenario "MILO" Training System
- Narcotics Investigations
- Gun Safety

Participants will also take a tour of the jail, interact with the fire department/air care, participate in a K9 officer demo, and more! The program is free and open to Loveland residents at least 18 years old. If your application is selected, a background check and waiver of liability will be required. [Apply online](#) by July 25. Class size is limited!

The City is hiring a School Resource Officer and a Patrol Officer. Both positions are full-time. Applications are being accepted through July 18, 2023. For more information, please [visit the Job page](#).

The Loveland Police Department has announced details for the first National Night Out, which will be held on August 1 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Oeder's Lake, 1369 E. US Highway 22 and 3 in Hamilton Township. LPD has partnered with Hamilton Township Police Department, and Hamilton Township Fire & Rescue for the 40th National Night Out, a nationwide campaign that promotes police-community partnerships. This free event will include police/fire demonstrations, bounce houses, balloon animals, petting zoo, train rides, Kona Ice, fireworks and a DJ.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

On Sunday, The School of Rock, will perform as part of the city's Concert in the Park Series. The concert begins at 6:00 p.m. in Nisbet Park.

The Finance Commission will meet on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

For information about other community events, visit www.LovinLifeLoveland.com.
