



City of Loveland

City Manager's Weekly Report

January 19, 2024



City prepares for closing of East Loveland Avenue for Bridge Replacement Project

Administration

It was all hands on deck this week as representatives from all city departments met on site with the contractor for the East Loveland Avenue Bridge Replacement Project which will commence on **Tuesday, January 30**. The project, which will require closure of a portion of East Loveland Avenue for up to six months, is being closely coordinated by city staff, our safety service departments and the Loveland City School District in an effort to reduce the impact of the project to our residents.



Building and Zoning

- St. Columban is working on their mechanical systems for the new community center. Drywall work continues.
- Kroger is nearing completion on their refrigeration work.
- DVD Brew, 1555 Loveland Madeira, passed their final inspection and received their CO.
- Fischer Processing, 155 Commerce, passed their HVAC inspections.
- Work continues on all phases of the last building at Blossom Hill.
- Remodeling work has begun on the new Habitat Re-Store at 10681 Loveland Madeira Rd.
- Sign plans were submitted for a new business, Body Alive Lagree, going in at 10565 Loveland Madeira. The plans are in review.
- Multiple permits were issued and inspections completed on several residential projects throughout the city.

Finance

On Wednesday, the Finance Commission met at City Hall for their normal quarterly meeting. City Council Member John Hart was sworn in by Mayor Bailey to be the Council representative. Mike Veroni was selected by the Commission to serve as the Commission Chair and Rob Weisgerber was selected as Vice Chair. The Commission reviewed and discussed financial reports related to the end of 2023.

On Friday, staff members attended a Reginal Income Tax Agency (RITA) webinar that discussed current income tax issues affecting municipalities in Ohio. These issues included municipal net profit taxes and the impact of Ohio House Bill 33.

Public Works

This week, staff members met with Burgess & Niple Engineers on the progress of their PFAS and water softening study at the Betty Ray Water Treatment Plant. While final decisions from the EPA on the required PFAS removal levels have not yet been received, the city continues to forge ahead with the planning and designs for PFAS removal from our water supply.

Public Safety

LPD is happy to report that they have received a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS). The \$27,000 grant award will be utilized for the purchase of 6 new mobile police radios. With this grant funding, the city's total share of the project is only \$3000.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

I will be out of the office next week on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. In my absence, Police Chief, Mike Gabrielson will serve as Acting City Manager

The Beautification Committee will meet on Monday, January 22, at 6:30 p.m.

City Council will meet on Tuesday, January 23, at 7:00 p.m.

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