



## City of Loveland

### City Manager's Weekly Report

January 3, 2025



Director of Finance, Mark Medlar and Utility Billing Clerk, Mandy Lucas joined City Hall Staff to welcome our new Customer Service Specialist, Miya McNeal

#### Administration

Thanks to the efforts of the Tree and Environment Committee, the city was once again named a Tree City. The committee continues to look for ways to make a difference in how trees play a role in the beauty of the city from helping craft the latest Tree Ordinance to the Tree Give Away, they worked hard in 2024, and have big plans in 2025.



As we wrap up 2024, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the city employees I have the privilege of working alongside every day. From our dedicated Public Works crews and City Hall staff to our exceptional first responders, your commitment to customer service and your dedication to serving this remarkable community are greatly appreciated.

The Sesquicentennial Committee kicked off a public art contest to update the city's flag this week. This is the first of many activities being planned for our 150th Anniversary in 2026.

Planning for the city's 4th Annual Hearts Afire Weekend is in full swing. The event will be held on February 7, 8, and 9 and will feature fire, ice, entertainment, and Love-Land inspired fun.

#### Building and Zoning

- E+O Kitchen, 115 Karl Brown Way, had their hood suppression inspection. Some corrections are needed before the work is approved.
- The inspector met with the contractor working on 807B Loveland Madeira Rd, the location a car drove through the front of the tenant space.
- Fire restoration has been completed at 125 Silver Fox. The final inspection took place and the homeowners are settled back into their home.
- The demolition is complete at 200 Railroad Ave.



Some end of year facts from the Building and Zoning Department as they wrapped up 2024 permits:

- The department issues 369 permits in 2024
- 11 new single family homes were permitted in 2024.
- The average single family home value for 2024 was \$649,545
- The total valuation from all permits issued in 2024 was \$14,995,384, broken down as follows:
  - New Single Family Homes: \$7,145,000
  - Residential Improvements: \$3,869,999
  - Commercial Improvements: \$3,980,385

#### Public Works

Our Public Works team has been hard at work equipping trucks with snowplows and loading salt as they prepare for a potentially significant winter storm expected this weekend.



Construction on the Cherokee Drive Water Main Project will begin next week with a road closure of West Loveland to install the new water main to Cherokee Drive. Cherokee Drive will also be closed from West Loveland to Tuscarora for 2 weeks. Details of the road closure and detour can be found on the city's website or by [clicking here](#).

#### Finance

On Thursday, the Finance Department welcomed Miya McNeal as the new Customer Services Specialist. The Customer Services Specialist is a vital part of our team, as they are often the first person that someone speaks to when they contact the city. First impressions are very important, and we feel very confident that Miya will do an excellent job in this capacity.

Not long after the ball drops on the new year, the Finance Department becomes very busy with year-end transactions closing out one year and opening another. As much prep work as possible was done leading up to the end of 2024, and those efforts are continuing to provide as seamless a transition as possible.

The city received notification that the Metropolitan Sewer District has increased their sewerage rates by 3.75% effective with the upcoming billing. Although the city has no control over MSD rates, and simply provides pass through billing for sewage services, the new rate will be added to the upcoming city utility billing.

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### **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

The Planning and Zoning Commission will meet on Tuesday, January 7, at 6 p.m.

The Tree and Environment Committee is scheduled to meet on Thursday, January 9, at 7:30 p.m.

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