



City of Loveland

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: David Kennedy, City Manager
RE: Weekly Update
DATE: April 29, 2022

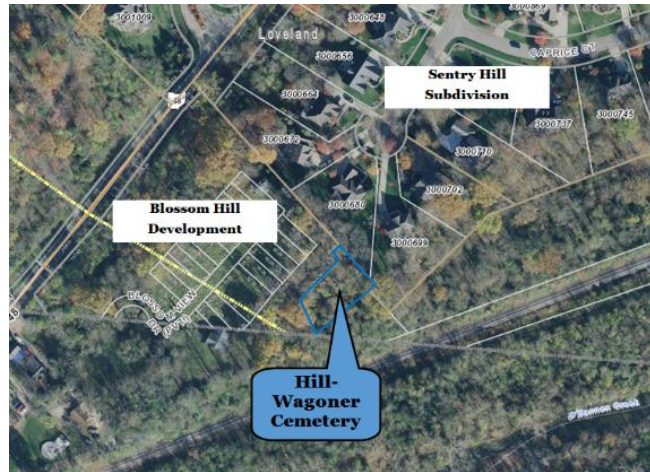
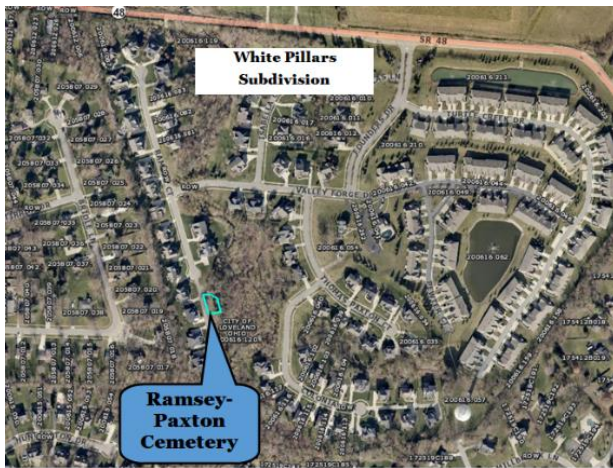
Administration

Tuesday, City Council members and staff joined Mayor Bailey in saluting Peggy Goodwin as this year's recipient of the Clermont County Salute to Leaders award. Listening to Mayor Bailey comments during her presentation, it is hard to imagine a more deserving recipient for this year's award. In addition to the Farmers Market, her volunteer work at the Loveland Police Department, coordination of food drives and holiday giving programs, Peggy is also a Valentine lady. Every town needs a "Peggy", and Loveland is so lucky that they do!!

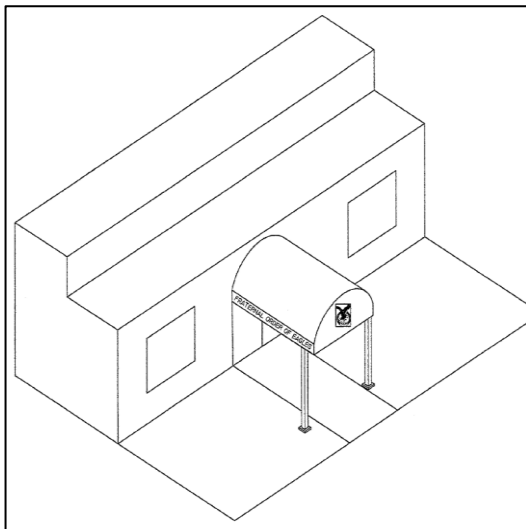


This week, the city was notified that it was awarded \$3,300,000 from the Ohio Brownfield Remediation Program for the cleanup of the city owned Chestnut Street property. A [Press Release](#) was prepared by Marketing and Communications Manager, Krista Rose. This is an exciting project for the city which will ultimately lead to the property being turned into a viable commercial/light industrial property, creating jobs, and benefiting the entire Loveland Madeira Road Business District.

Wednesday evening, the Historic Preservation and Planning Commission (HPPC) held a public hearing to review applications for local historic designations of the Hill-Wagoner and Ramsey-Paxton Cemeteries.



The historical significance of each cemetery was discussed by the commission and the applicants, leading to a recommendation to City Council that each be designated as historic sites. During the meeting, the commission also reviewed and approved a new awning to be installed at the entrance to the Loveland Eagles at 127 North Karl Brown Way.



With letters going out last week to the property owners within phase 5 of the Loveland Heights Housing Rehabilitation Grant program, applications have started to come in, resulting in 2 site visits to look at potential projects on Sunrise Drive.

Thursday, I had the privilege of participating in “Interview Day 2022” at the Loveland Middle School. The annual program is designed to expose the 8th grade students to a formal conversation with adults about their goals and interests, as they transition to high school. The program was well run, and each of the students were very prepared.

Building and Zoning

At Hops and Berry, interior finish work is continuing with a focus on bringing the project toward completion. A mobile food truck vendor application will be considered at the May 4, 2022, Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting. Staff facilitated a very productive meeting with the applicant, architect, and the engineer of record to wrap up site plan review for the new Rumpke fleet maintenance facility. A partial

permit was issued to allow for site clearing, grading, and foundation work to commence. The project will require approval from the Metropolitan Sewer District, so once that approval is received, the full permit will be released.

Here are some additional highlights from the Building and Zoning Department activities from this past week:

- Work continues to bring 111 N. Third Street into compliance. Revised plans have been submitted and are under review at this time. The applicant remains open for events with a contingency plan established.
- Accela online payment portal testing continues.
- Renovation work at the Wicked Pickle continues. Additional improvements and inspections are anticipated prior to finalization of the project.
- At Blossom Hill, footer work was completed and now foundation work is commencing for the first building.
- At Quilter's Studio, some of the mechanical work within the building can be advanced assuming that supply disruption issues do not delay that portion of the project.
- Plan review comments were distributed for the Mike's Car Wash expansion project. Staff will be facilitating another development review meeting to wrap up the plan review process in the following weeks in furtherance of issuing a permit.

Three cases are scheduled for the upcoming Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, held on May 4, 2022.



The Comprehensive Master Plan Steering Committee met on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 and voted unanimously to approve the final draft version of the 2022 Comprehensive Master Plan, and further recommended that the plan be forwarded to the Planning and Zoning Commission at a future date, yet to be determined.

Public Works

The city's 2022 Annual Road Program is underway with saw cutting and curb removals commencing this week. A [Press Release](#) announcing the program, was prepared by Marketing and Communications Manager, Krista Rose.

This week, Public Works crews prepared the Linda J. Cox Trailside Parking Area for the start of the Farmers Market next Tuesday.



Also this week, a new traffic signal head was installed for the eastbound traffic on Broadway Street within the “5-Points” intersection. The new signal provides a dedicated left-turn arrow to make an otherwise difficult turn onto 2nd Street, easier and safer. This signal was requested by some of the city’s Broadway Street businesses as trucks and trailers had an especially difficult time making the left turn.



Insulation, siding, and roofing installation continued at the Public Works building.



Police

On Saturday, our officers made it to the finish line to encourage the young runners at the "Run Like a Tiger 5k". Kudos to all that came out to support another great Loveland event.



On Thursday, this beautiful bird, a Female Budgie Parakeet was found by one our Loveland residents and we are looking for its owner. After 166 Facebook shares and several comments we are still searching. If you can help call. 513 677-7000.



Public Relations

News was distributed this week on the following topics: [City Awarded Grant to Remediate Chestnut Street Property](#), [Loveland Community Firefighters' Association Donation](#), [LSFD's New Thermal Imaging Cameras](#), and the [Annual Road Program/Paving List](#).

Staff participated in a planning meeting for the city's Independence Day Celebration. The city will hold its annual event on Monday, July 4. Please check the city's social media and LovinLifeLoveland.com in the coming weeks for an event schedule.

Finance

At Monday's City Council meeting, the Finance Department presented the quarterly financial report for the first three months of 2022 which included an income tax update. The city takes financial monitoring very seriously and will continue to do its best to be good stewards of the public's money.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Tree & Environment Committee hosts their Annual Litter Pick Up on Saturday, April 30, from 9 a.m. to Noon, meet at the Little Miami Conservancy
- Civil Service Commission meeting, Monday, May 2, 5:00 p.m., Council Chambers
- Season Opening for the Loveland Farmer's Market, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Linda J. Cox Trailside Parking Area
- National Drug Take Back Day at the Safety Center, 126 S. Lebanon Rd, Tuesday, May 3, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Planning and Zoning Commission; Wednesday, May 4, 2022, 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers