

July 27, 2017

TO: City Manager, Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: All Department Heads
Connie Gaylor, Administrative Coordinator

SUBJECT: Thursday Update

The following information is provided to you as a summary of activities for the week of July 24, 2017 and as an announcement of activities in the coming weeks:

1. As a reminder, City Council is scheduled to meet in Business Session on Wednesday, August 2, immediately following a Montgomery Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) meeting scheduled for 6:45 p.m. to consider an application for a Certificate of Approval to allow for a replacement roof for the Crain-Eberhard House at 7737 Remington Road.
2. As a reminder, a farewell reception will be held in honor of Wayne Davis prior to the City Council Business Session beginning at 5:00 p.m. and lasting until 6:45 p.m. This reception is open to the public as City Council wishes Wayne well in his new role at the City of Centerville.
3. On Monday morning, Paul Wright, Ben Shapiro, Katie Smiddy and Wayne Davis met to discuss various fire levy scenarios. The group will be evaluating the comprehensive analysis of the fire department operating performance and modeled future demographic impacts. Various factors including funding, capital needs, personnel and comparative measures will be discussed to ensure the City continues to provide Fire and EMS services to residents with sound financial practices.
4. On Tuesday morning, Wayne Davis, Brian Riblet, Terry Donnellon and Katie Smiddy met internally to discuss the finances for the Gateway Redevelopment Area (GRA). The team discussed several key areas including the interchange modification, project design, and project finances. The team discussed important issues and upcoming deadlines to keep the project moving forward.
5. On Tuesday, Public Works Assistant Director Gary Heitkamp and Jolain Drive property owner Andy Zilch were interviewed by Local 12 Meteorologist Scott Dimmich about the Jolain Drive Stormwater project. Gary detailed for Scott the importance of the public/private partnership and overcoming years of inaction and setbacks to find viable solutions to address the large amount of stormwater flowing rapidly through the backyards during heavy rainfall events, causing safety and flooding concerns. Andy shared his appreciation for the City's perseverance and his neighbor's willingness to address this issue collectively. Once construction starts, Scott will be back to take some more video of the work. This story will post on Local 12's website next month.
6. On Tuesday afternoon, Ryan Holiday the Southwest Regional Liaison presented the City with the Ohio Auditor of State award with Distinction. This award is presented for excellence in financial reporting for the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended 2016. (see attached)

7. On Wednesday afternoon, Wayne Davis, Terry Donnellon, Brian Riblet, Katie Smiddy and representatives from Brandicorp and Traditions met to discuss the Gateway Redevelopment Area. The team discussed the project design, finances, and cost estimates for the public improvements. The team discussed important issues and upcoming deadlines to keep the project moving forward.
8. On Thursday morning, members of the Health Care Benefits Committee (HCBC) met with Julie Tople to review proposals from various insurance carriers for group health and dental insurance coverages for the upcoming policy year. The HCBC plans to have a recommendation to the City Manager by mid-August.
9. Invitations have gone out to 445 volunteers for the 2017 Volunteer Appreciation Days at the Pool, August 1 through Labor Day, September 4, 2017. This event recognizes those individuals who volunteered from August 1, 2016 through August 1, 2017. The City appreciates the various efforts of these fine volunteers throughout the past year.
10. The street resurfacing program is wrapping up. The last steps are applying thermoplastic pavement markings, along with Jesse Bundy performing a final punch-list inspection of the improvements.
11. The public works building addition construction continues. The office building roofing and siding continue to be installed, along with interior walls and fire sprinkler system. The concrete flooring for the garage addition was poured on Wednesday. The temporary trailer was delivered earlier this week and will be used by staff once the electric is up and running. This will allow the contractor to perform interior renovation work to our existing break room.



12. The Montgomery Road Sidewalk project, between Weller Road and Bethesda North main entrance, is to begin any day now, starting with the installation of the new retaining wall on the north end of the project just south of Weller.
13. A luncheon will be held for Wayne Davis on Thursday, August 10 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Please plan to stop by and wish Wayne well on his last day with the City.
14. Please find attached Montgomery-related news articles that appeared in the local media since our last update.

Should you have questions or concerns regarding this information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

C: Wayne Davis, City Manager
Department Heads
Terry Donnellon, Law Director



Dave Yost · Auditor of State

Katie Smiddy, Finance Director
City of Montgomery
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Dear Ms. Smiddy,

Congratulations! Based upon your recently completed financial audit, it gives me great pleasure to inform you that the City of Montgomery has received the *Auditor of State Award with Distinction*. Clean and accurate record-keeping are the foundation for good government, and the taxpayers can take pride in your commitment to accountability.

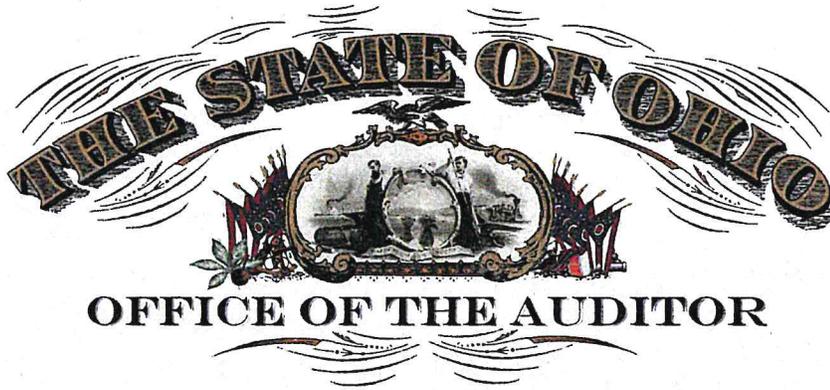
The *Auditor of State Award with Distinction* is given to those entities that file an annual CAFR and timely financial reports in accordance with GAAP, as well as receive a "clean" audit report. The "clean" audit report means that your financial audit did not contain findings for recovery, material citations, material weaknesses, significant deficiencies, Single Audit findings or any questioned costs.

Congratulations again on receiving the *Auditor of State Award with Distinction*. My office looks forward to continuing to work with you to ensure clean, accountable and efficient government for all Ohioans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dave Yost". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "D" and "Y".

Dave Yost
Auditor of State



OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE
AWARD WITH DISTINCTION

Presented to

City of Montgomery
Katie Smiddy, Finance Director

*This award is presented for excellence in financial reporting for your
Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
for the fiscal year ended 2016.*

*Your exemplary reporting serves as the standard for clean, accountable government,
representing the highest level of service to Ohioans.*



A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Dave Yost", is written over a horizontal line.

Dave Yost, Auditor of State

Montgomery city manager to leave Montgomery for new position

Montgomery City Manager Wayne Davis announced his resignation today, July 11, with the City of Montgomery and accepted the city manager position with the City of Centerville, Ohio.



Davis

The Centerville City Council voted unanimously last evening,

July 10, to approve the hiring of Mr. Davis for the position.

- His last day with the City of Montgomery is Aug. 20. Davis is expected to begin his new position with the City of Centerville on August 21. In the meantime, he will work with Montgomery Public Works Director Brian Riblet, who will serve as the interim city manager when Davis leaves.

Montgomery City Council is currently working on plans to conduct a search and selection process to identify candidates interested in becoming the next city manager. A sub-committee of City Council will be formed to lead this process and will provide more details as it begins its work.

"Wayne has left an indelible mark on the Montgomery community and will leave a legacy of the pursuit of value-added services, a strong belief in the council-manager form of government, a love of life, people and a desire to work with others to continuously improve our community and region," noted Mayor Chris Dobrozsi. "Wayne served the City of Montgomery well and we wish him the best as he continues to grow professionally and pursue his career goals."

Prior to being appointed as the city manager on May 7, 2012, Davis was the assistant city manager for seven years and, prior to that, was the finance director for six years. He has been with the City of Montgomery since 2000.

Working closely with City Council, Davis has contributed greatly to the success of the community and led Montgomery through various key projects:

- » Guided the City through the purchase of several key parcels to assemble the Gateway Redevelopment Area project;

- » Established substantial shared-service partnerships with the Ohio Department of Transportation, Sycamore Community Schools, the City of Blue Ash, and Sycamore and Symmes Townships;

- » Executed several succession planning steps including the consolidation of the community engagement and customer service departments as well as the public works department's absorption of the recreation function in the City's organizational structure;

- » Oversaw the execution of the 2011-2016 and 2016-2021 Strategic Plans; and

- » Under his leadership, the Montgomery Fire Department was recognized by the Insurance Services Office with a Class 2 rating. Communities with a Class 1 or Class 2 rating result in lower insurance costs for their businesses and residents.

"After much thought and consideration, and in consultation with my family, I have decided to resign my position as city manager with the City of Montgomery to accept the position of city manager in Centerville, Ohio, which is my home community. The City of Montgomery is an outstanding local government organization with high performing and dynamic em-

ployees and I am honored to have had the opportunity to lead this organization and serve this community for the last 17 years," explained Davis.

Davis began his professional career as a civilian with the United States Air Force, working at the Pentagon. Since moving to Ohio 28 years ago, Davis has worked in local government with the Montgomery County Office of Management and Budget and the Combined Health District of Montgomery County. He is a graduate of the University of Vermont with a bachelor's degree in economics and obtained a masters in urban administration from Wright State University. Mr. Davis is also President of the Ohio City/County Management Association.

Faith Lynch, City of Montgomery