

March 9, 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 March 6, 2017 and as an announcement of activities in the coming weeks:

1. As a reminder, the Government Affairs and Public Works Committee meetings are scheduled for Monday, March 13 at 4:00 and 5:00 p.m., respectively. The Parks and Recreation Committee has cancelled their meeting for the month of March.
2. Tuesday morning, Cindy Abner and Katie Smiddy attended the Southwestern Ohio Tax Administrators Association (SWOTAA) quarterly meeting in Evendale. The primary focus was on staying compliant with the many changes affecting municipal taxing jurisdictions due to the passage of House Bill 5, taxpayer correspondence and establishing secure email communications. Cindy Vaske of Evendale led a discussion on municipal income tax centralization and urged tax administrators to keep in touch with their State Representatives to voice their opinions; and for area cities to continue to meet in local groups. Cindy will stay involved in upcoming training and meetings with the local SWOTAA group to ensure the City stays abreast of this important issue.
3. Tracy Roblero attended the Greater Ohio Policy Center's 2017 Summit in Columbus, entitled '*Investing in Ohio's Future: Maximizing Growth in our Cities and Regions*' on Tuesday. Themes for the conference included revitalization of Ohio's cities, providing the right mix of housing stock and managing municipal budgets in challenging times. Former Pittsburgh Mayor Tom Murphy was the keynote speaker, and he shared his experiences with revitalization of Pittsburgh and spoke about his experiences in other cities through his work with the Urban Land Institute.
4. On Tuesday, Local 12 meteorologist Scott Dimmich interviewed Gary Heitkamp for an upcoming story on the City's rain harvest system. Gary highlighted the City's plans for the retention pond and answered Mr. Dimmich's questions on the road treatment process for snow and ice conditions. Faith Lynch will work with staff and Scott Dimmich on a couple of other upcoming stories, including a look back at the 1999 tornado, its environmental impact and reclamation efforts in the Johnson Nature Preserve. Mr. Dimmich also expressed interest in covering the APWA award and coming back to cover the snow operations this upcoming winter. Thanks to Gary Heitkamp for representing the City well on this story. Faith Lynch will share the story link when it becomes available.
5. Montgomery was the focus of the Hamilton County Business Retention and Expansion meeting hosted by HCDC this afternoon. This quarterly meeting for economic development professionals features a different jurisdiction and two businesses within the community at each meeting. Tracy Roblero gave a brief presentation on the City's business community and was joined by Jim Mayer, Life Enriching Communities and Larry Schwartz, Workflex Solutions. Mr.

Mayer and Mr. Schwartz gave a presentation about their respective businesses, trends and challenges within their fields, and described how being in the City is beneficial to their businesses.

6. On Wednesday afternoon, Wayne and Katie met with Staci Reiley and the State of Ohio audit team to discuss the upcoming 2016 financial audit. The team reviewed the City's 2015 financial audit and management report, and discussed the scope of services, level of testing and audit plan for the 2016 audit.
7. On Thursday, the fire department will hold a refresher training in first aid for the Montgomery Emergency Response Team (MERT). The MERT team is comprised of teachers in the Sycamore School District that are taught how to handle initial first aid and emergency care until the arrival of our EMS personnel. The MERT program has been in existence for many years and is another example of how well the City and School District work together.
8. Assistant Police Chief John Crowell attended the Miami Valley Risk Management Association conference in sunny Orlando Florida this week.
9. Matthew Vanderhorst attended the Montgomery Ohio Chamber of Commerce Lunch and Learn program held today featuring the Life Enriching Communities Confident Living Program. Confident Living is a Continuing Care at Home program that provides resources for residents of Hamilton County who wish to age at home instead of moving to a long-term care facility.
10. Mayor Dobrozsi and Wayne spent their lunch hour today in a Business Calling Meeting with Katie Brown, Administrator, and Annette Williams, Director of Nursing, at Meadowbrook Care Center. Katie and Annette took Chris and Wayne on a tour of their great facility and were able to provide background on their business and how it continues to successfully operate in Montgomery. The staff and residents were very appreciative of the visit and this outreach effort.
11. Officer Steve Hoy gave a presentation on Heroin for the Rotary Club this week during the organization's monthly meeting. The presentation was a huge success with lots of positive feedback. Great job Steve!
12. Sarah Fink received notification today that the City has been selected as one of the Business Courier's 2017 Healthiest Employers of Greater Cincinnati. All finalists will be honored at an awards breakfast on Tuesday, May 2, at the Cintas Center. The winners of all five categories will be announced at the breakfast. Great job to the Wellness Team for continuing to seek out these award opportunities.
13. This afternoon Wayne met with Hamilton County Commissioner Driehaus, members of her staff and Matt Davis and Megan Hube from DSD Advisors. The purpose of the meeting was to provide a briefing of the Gateway Redevelopment Area (GRA) Project and to offer the City's thanks to Hamilton County for their partnership in making this project happen. The meeting also served as Commissioner Driehaus' first meeting with local jurisdictions on her "49 [jurisdictions] in 49 days" tour.
14. The Montgomery Citizens' Leadership Academy will assemble this Saturday morning, March 11, at 8:00 a.m. at Fellowship Baptist Church for the "History and Development: The Art of Co-existence" session. The walking tour for this session is always well-received and, despite the cold conditions that are being forecasted, the session will still be held and Faith Lynch promises warm cocoa for all those that return from the walking tour. Please let Faith Lynch know if you would also like to go on this walking tour of Montgomery's Heritage District.

15. The final Montgomery Citizens' Leadership Academy session and graduation ceremony will be held on Thursday, March 16, starting at 5:45 p.m. at Three Chimneys Clubhouse. Once again, Cinque Restaurant will be catering the festivities. Our partners have been invited to this graduation ceremony and we expect some familiar faces from Sycamore Community Schools and Twin Lakes Senior Living Community to be in attendance to celebrate our 10<sup>th</sup> class with us.
16. To round out the MCLA experience, our Montgomery Citizens' Leadership Academy Alumni have been invited to attend an upcoming MCLA 2.0 session on Wednesday, March 29. This conversation will center on commercial development along the Montgomery Road Commercial Corridor and will be led by Community Development Director Tracy Roblero, with special guest speaker Terry Donnellon. This session will be held at Montgomery Inn, and the meal will be available at 5:45 p.m. with the session starting at 6:00 p.m. Please let Faith Lynch know if you plan to attend.
17. Please find the fire department report for the month of February.
18. 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: Connie Gaylor, Administrative Coordinator  
Department Heads  
Terry Donnellon, Law Director

**MONTGOMERY FIRE DEPT.  
DIVISION OF FIRE PREVENTION  
MONTHLY INSPECTION REPORT  
February -2017**

<u>OCCUPANCY CLASS</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>		
	Initial	Re-inspection	Total
RESIDENTIAL	0	0	0
PUBLIC BUILDINGS	4	0	4
HEALTH CARE FACILITIES	14	8	22
CHILD CARE FACILITIES	1	0	1
EDUCATIONAL BUILDINGS	1	0	1
CHURCHES	0	0	0
MERCANTILE	39	9	48
Sub Totals	59	17	76

**Other Misc. Inspections:**

- 2 Inspections with NIC
- 3 Inspections with State Fire Marshal's Office
- 2 Foster care Fire Safety Inspections
- 1 Fire Codey Complaint at Sycamore High School

**TOTAL INSPECTIONS → 84**

**RESULTS OF INSPECTIONS**

VIOLATIONS ISSUED _____	70
VIOLATIONS CORRECTED _____	34
TOTAL VIOLATIONS ISSUED IN 2016 _____	533
TOTAL VIOLATIONS CORRECTED IN 2016 _____	480
RECOMMENDATIONS ISSUED _____	05
RECOMMENDATIONS CORRECTED _____	03
COMPLAINTS ANSWERED _____	01
REFERRALS MADE TO OTHERS _____	00
PERMITS ISSUED _____	00
PERMITS WITHHELD _____	00
APPLIANCES RED TAGGED _____	00
CITATIONS ISSUED _____	00
WARNING TAGS ISSUED _____	00
SUPPLY SYSTEMS INSTALLED _____	00
SPRINKLER SYS. TESTS OBSERVED _____	00
ALARM SYS. TESTS OBSERVED _____	00
FIRE DRILLS OBSERVED _____	00
TORNADO DRILLS OBSERVED _____	00
SYSTEMS TEST CERTIFICATES RECEIVED _____	07
PLAN REVIEWS MADE _____	07

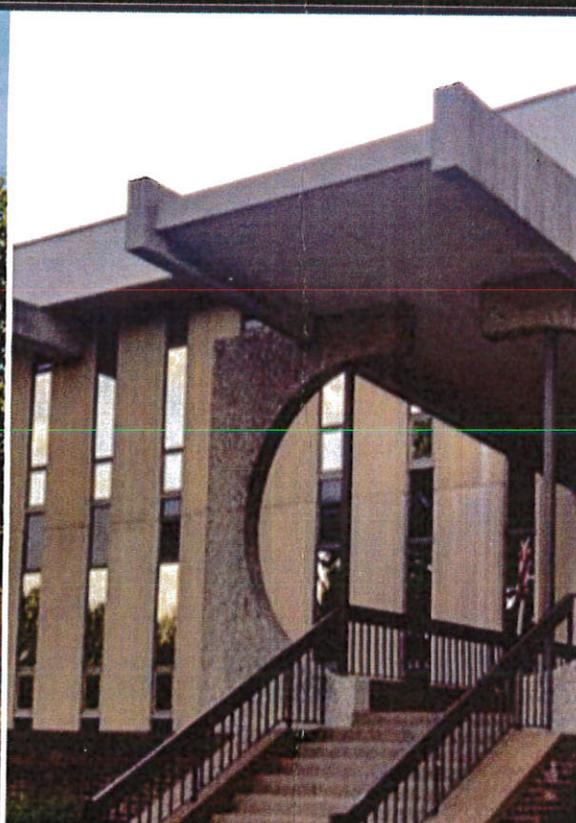
**PROGRAM INVOLVEMENT:**

**Working on Inspector trainings for the Fire Dept.**  
**Attended Fire Code Expo 2 day seminar in Columbus**

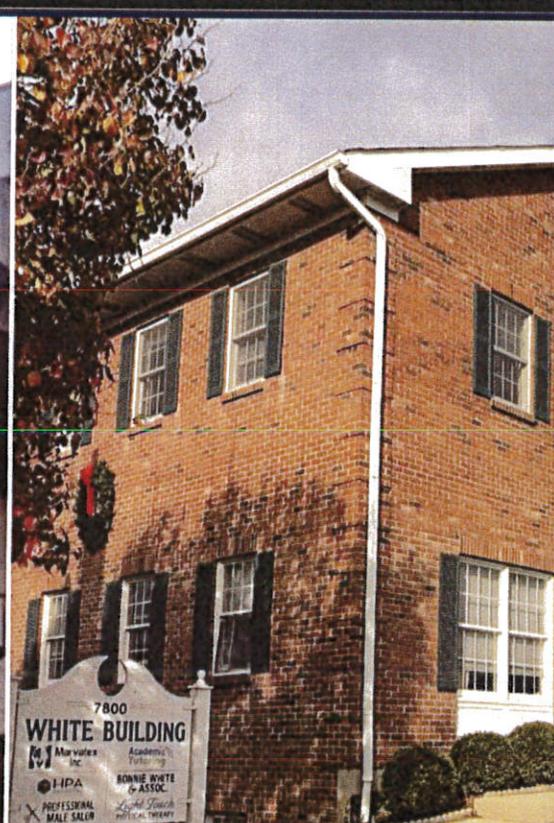
**Lt. Mark S. Stagge  
Fire Safety Inspector**



Village Corner—FOR LEASE  
9393-9407 Montgomery Rd  
2,000-2,400 SF / \$14.50 - 18.50 SF [MG]



Weller Medical Office—FOR LEASE  
10700 Montgomery Rd  
6,553 SF / \$16.95 SF [MG]



White Building—FOR SALE  
7800 Cooper Rd  
6,880 SF / \$949,000

## Great Properties For Lease in the Montgomery Market