

September 29, 2016

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 September 26, 2016 and as an announcement of activities in the coming weeks:

1. As a reminder, the Law and Safety and Financial Planning Committees will meet on Monday, October 3 at 3:30 and 4:30 p.m., respectively. The Planning, Zoning and Landmarks Committee has cancelled their meeting for the month of October.
2. As a reminder, City Council is scheduled to meet in Business Session on Wednesday, October 5, at 7:00 p.m. Prior to the City Council Business Session at 6:30 p.m., a Public Hearing will be held at City Hall to consider two requests from MB Land Company Communities in relation to the Vintage Club and also an application for a text amendment to Chapter 151 of the Land Usage Code to add regulations regarding Sexually Oriented Businesses.
3. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) met last Thursday, September 22, for training on terrorism and the greatest risk potential for America. Officer James Martin was the guest speaker.
4. The Montgomery Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting for Rapid Fired Pizza, 9889 Montgomery Road, on Monday afternoon. Councilmembers Harbison and Margolis were in attendance as well as Tracy Roblero, Matthew Vanderhorst and Faith Lynch.
5. Planning Commission met on Monday evening to discuss a concept plan for the redevelopment of the southeast corner of Main Street and Remington Road for single family attached dwelling units similar to those at Montgomery Hill. The Commission was supportive of the idea, however, they had concerns over the overall density of the project and asked the developer to look at reducing the number of units from five attached dwelling units to four units.
6. On Tuesday morning, Chief Wright attended the Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Annual Update at the Sharonville Convention Center. The Agency presented their new 5-year strategic plan and reviewed the flooding disaster that hit the St. Bernard and Norwood area.
7. On Tuesday, City Council members Chris Dobrozsi, Lynda Roesch, Gerri Harbison, Craig Margolis and Ken Suer, as well as staff members Tracy Roblero, Brian Riblet, Matthew Vanderhorst, Katie Smiddy, Jon Crowell, and Ben Shapiro attended the Twin Lakes Ground Breaking ceremony. We congratulate Twin Lakes on their success and thank them for the valued service they provide to their residents and our community.
8. On Tuesday afternoon, Terry Donnellon, Tracy Roblero, Brian Riblet, and Katie Smiddy held a conference call with the Vintage Club North developers to discuss a new scenario for the

issuance of bonds for the purchase of land and construction of the improvements at Vintage Club North. The team also discussed narrowing the public improvements in the RFP to accommodate the revised estimates from the developer.

9. The Board of Zoning Appeals met on Tuesday evening to hear an appeal of the Zoning Administrator's decision to allow for a u-shaped driveway to be located less than 50 feet from the intersection of Zig Zag Road and Remington Road. After hearing the evidence and testimony provided at the meeting, the Board of Zoning Appeals tabled the application to give the applicant an opportunity to study other design options.
10. On Wednesday afternoon, Terry Donnellon, Tracy Roblero, Brian Riblet, Katie Smiddy held a conference call with the Vintage Club North developers to discuss the new Tax Increment Financing proposal from the developer and phasing of scheduled improvements at the site. The internal staff team hopes to have some resolution by the end of this week in order to issue the Request for Proposals for the public improvements for the north side of the Vintage Club.
11. Tracy Roblero conducted a Landmarks tour for approximately 35 residents of the Twin Lakes Senior Living Community on Wednesday afternoon. Twin Lakes provided a bus for the residents and Tracy gave them a tour of the majority of the 30 Landmark buildings throughout the City. The tour ended at the Gateway Redevelopment Area and Tracy was able to talk to the residents about the potential interchange modification and the overall vision for the site.
12. On Wednesday evening, Council member Mike Cappel and Katie Smiddy attended the Hamilton County Municipal League Meeting (HCML) program to hear Ohio House Finance Chair Ryan Smith and Ohio Senate Finance Vice-Chair Bill Coley discuss the upcoming Ohio budget process focusing on risk and opportunities.
13. Chief Wright attended a FEMA workshop for the upcoming Assistance to Firefighter Grant that was hosted by the Amberley Village Police and Fire Department. The workshop highlighted how to navigate the grant webpage as well as the rules for submitting projects. The grant opens on October 18 and submissions are accepted for 30 days.
14. The fire department attended a joint training on natural gas emergencies hosted by the Blue Ash Fire Department. Duke Energy provided the training which had very good simulations and examples of how dangerous natural gas can be when not properly handled.
15. Tracy Roblero and Melissa Hays will be attending the Cincinnati Residential Development Forum at the Sharonville Convention Center on Thursday morning. The event is being held by the Home Builders Association and will include discussions on multi-family development, suburban/urban residential outlook, mixed use development outlook and construction and design trends.
16. Chief Simpson, Sergeants Mike Plaatje, Greg Harris and Kevin Gruber as well as Officers Jim LaCalameto, Greg Schill, James Martin and Alexis Guilkey, all attended a *Policing in The 21st Century* training today at the Great Oaks Academy. This training is part of the Ohio Attorney General's mandatory Continuing Professional Training for all police officers within the State.
17. Chief Simpson returned today from his attendance at the FBI National Academy Associates, Fall Retrainer in Huron, Ohio. This training covered such topics as the Oregon Standoff/Domestic Terrorism; Law Enforcement Best Practices for Countering Violent Extremism; Officer Down! Are you and your Department Prepared? and Lessons Learned from San Bernadino, Ca.

18. Officer James Martin has been assuming Officer Paul Payne's School Resource Officer (SRO) duties at Sycamore High School, while Officer Payne is somewhere in Newfoundland, attempting to chase down the elusive northern moose. Great job James and best of luck Paul!

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

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