

**CITY OF LOVELAND
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: David Kennedy, City Manager
RE: Weekly Update
DATE: February 19, 2021

Administration

Monday morning, I had a conference call with Greg Berling, developer of the Chimney Ridge subdivision on Butterworth Road, and the site of the 2022 Homearama. Although the home show is not until the fall of 2022, the number of patrons which typically attend these shows, provides the need to begin coordination well in advance. Mr. Berling stated that while the Chimney Ridge site will provide for 750 parking spaces, during peak times they often have over 1,800 in attendance. Our discussion, while preliminary, centered around available parking and the potential for a shuttle system. We both agreed to re-convene discussions this spring.

Monday afternoon, City Hall closed early to allow employees an early start home to avoid the incoming inclement weather.

Wednesday, Assistant City Manager, Tom Smith, Lieutenant, Mike Szpak, and I, met with David Brabbs, Production Supervisor for Shawcor Pipe Protection in the Loveland Commerce Park. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss his concerns with excess parking along Commerce Boulevard. Officer Szpak is reviewing the parking restrictions and signage along the roadway.

Wednesday evening, the Historic Preservation and Planning Commission held a public hearing for the review of the proposed design guidelines and the historic district boundaries. The guidelines and boundaries have now been recommended to City Council for approval and will appear on the February 23 agenda. The Historic Preservation and Planning Commission is to be commended for the completion of this very arduous task.

Finance

The Finance Department continues to see an increase in the number of customers signing up for automatic payments of their utility bills. Signing up for this service ensures that payments are processed in a timely manner and avoids potential issues due to delayed mail.

Building and Zoning

KRR Real Estate has submitted an application for a site plan review. The site plan includes the addition of a new building to their already existing operation on Riverside Drive. The new building is proposed to be a fleet maintenance facility and is scheduled for review by the Planning and Zoning Commission on March 2nd. Also, the Chimney Ridge development has begun earth work and clearing of their site located off Butterworth Road.

Public Works

During the week, Public Works continued their high level of snow removal. Streets were kept clear, and safe for our residents and business owners. The city received numerous positive comments via email and social

media. Additionally, local resident, Joe Timmerman, participated in a snowplow ride along with the now famous, Public Works employee, James Sowders, and prepared a story for the Cincinnati Enquirer. To read the story [Click Here](#).

If all the snow removal was not enough, Public Works crews also completed a water main break repair on Osage Drive this week.

Also, this week, a total of 16 design-build teams' qualifications for the Loveland Public Works Office & Garage Building Project were evaluated by Scott Wisby, Sean Rahe, Bill Eubanks, and Cindy Klopfenstein. On Wednesday, notification was sent to the applicants about the three design-build teams that were short-listed for the Request for Proposal stage. The three short-listed teams are led by DER Development, Graybach, and Shook Construction. Cost proposals are due on March 4.

Upcoming Events and Meetings

- Comprehensive Master Development Plan Steering Committee; Monday, February 22, 6:00 PM – Zoom Meeting
- City Council; Tuesday, February 23, 7:00 PM @ City Hall
- Recreation Board; Wednesday, February 24, 6:00 PM @ City Hall