



Vandalia
Recreation
Center



Congratulations!

Carol Cross

Wall of Honor

**For climbing the rock
wall at 82!**





RECYCLE your Christmas Tree & Help the Environment

Drop off your real Christmas Tree at the
Vandalia Recreation Center southwest
parking lot.

Please remove all lights, nails, wires,
and decorations prior to drop-off.

Help save space in our landfills while
providing mulch for our City parks!
The drop-off area will be open through
Friday, January 19.

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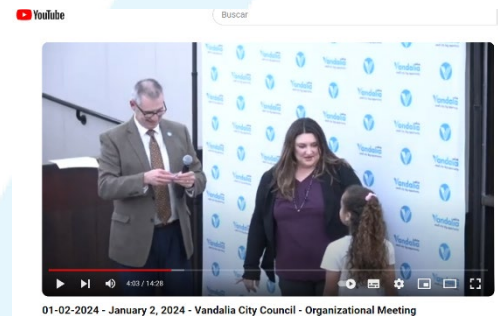
The Blue Letter

January 6, 2024

Honorable Mayor & Esteemed City Councilmembers:

Happy New Year! Congratulations to Vice Mayor Mike Blakesly on his recent appointment. Welcome aboard and congratulations to Councilmembers Cindy Doogan and Amber Aivalotis-Weaver who took their oaths of office this week. Also, congrats to Mayor Richard Herbst and Councilmember Corey Follick on their reelections. The Organizational Meeting and oaths of office can be viewed on the [City's YouTube Channel \(link\)](#).

Thank you to Councilmember Doogan for meeting with me this week to dive deep into the City's budget, capital improvement plan, 2020 Vision Vandalia Comprehensive Plan, 2023 Parks & Recreation Master Plan, and other governing documents. I enjoyed sharing anecdotes, aspirations, and processes over the five-hour meeting – I apologize for only offering one five-minute break – time flies when you are having fun! Part two is going to be awesome.



It has been great working with Councilmembers Aivalotis-Weaver and Doogan through part one of our Councilmember onboarding process. Thank you to our new councilmembers who have volunteered to participate in the Governing Essentials for Local Elected Officials Program. Over the course of several months, our new Councilmembers will receive professional training related to governance, economic development, infrastructure, public works planning and development, public sector budgeting and finance, fund accounting, public safety, and communications. This training is available to any Councilmember who wishes to attend. I have enclosed materials related to the training.

Welcome New Employees! We have had several employees start in the recent weeks and since the new year. Pictured is Officer Malcolm Dennis who took his oath of office in December alongside his mother, Michelle.



Way to go, Tyler Severance! After working as a part-time Parks Maintenance Technician for quite some time, Mr. Severance has joined the full-time ranks. Mr. Severance is a Butler High School graduate. The [2023 Parks & Recreation Master Plan](#) provided specific recommendations for increasing parks maintenance staffing. We are thankful to the Vandalia City Council for adopting and implementing these recommendations so that we can work through long-standing punch lists to keep our parks system vibrant.

Congratulations to our three new full-time Public Works Technicians Tyler Jackson (a Vandalia resident), Mahmat Vollandov, and Daniel Griffieth who started with us on January 3, 2024. We are glad to fill out these roles in time for snow and watermain break season. This will be the fullest staffing that we have had in Public Works for some time.

Also, Firefighter / Paramedic / Inspector Cody Teegarden took his oath as a full-time employee earlier this week.

Welcome to Mr. Daren Davis who joined the Bruce Sucher Vandalia Recreation Center team as our new full-time custodian. Mr. Davis joins us after working at the Troy Christian School. We are proud of the great work and pride that our maintenance and custodial teams put into our recreation center. I know that Mr. Davis will use his experience to help us take care of our residents' investment in this beautiful recreation center.

Finally, congratulations to Public Works Technician Gordan Haas who passed his test for his temporary commercial driver license.

Focus Vandalia: [The Budget Process \(LINK\)](#) – Recently, I was really excited to wear an ugly sweater to work – which coincided with Focus Vandalia filming day. I attempted to cure this by standing by the great planter decorations that Mrs. Becky Wells is maintaining at the Municipal Building. Either way – the budget process is an exciting time and expression of our priorities, strategic risks, values, opportunities, and limits.

Natural Gas Aggregation Program Update: The City of Vandalia has been working with the Miami Valley Communications Council and Palmer Energy to conduct requests for proposals (RFP) for opt-out residential and small business natural gas aggregation contracts. At the end of Q3 To date, our advisors at Palmer Energy have given the recommendation to postpone and issue another RFP at a later date. This is the second time that Palmer Energy has recommended waiting. Earlier this year, Palmer based their recommendation based on the following:

- ✓ Palmer Energy is concerned about the risk in locking in a rate citing current gas storage pricing and availability as factors.
- ✓ Underground gas storage levels are 13% above five-year averages.
- ✓ Total storage heading into winter is expected to be near record levels.
- ✓ Forecasters are predicting an El Nino weather formation for the winter, which generally results in warmer-than-average winter weather – leading to a natural gas pricing downside.

I am thankful that MVCC and Palmer Energy are advising our consortium that we take no action, rather than rush into a contract that could be suboptimal for our residents and businesses. I have enclosed the update that I previously shared.

Electric Aggregation: The City website has information regarding the [City's electric aggregation program \(link\)](#). The price is 6.57 per kWh.

What if I already have an agreement with a supplier when community aggregation goes into effect?

Your energy agreement will remain in effect until it expires – this could mean that a resident's rates will go up above the 6.57 / kWh rate that the City has negotiated. The resident may need to an existing agreement, however that may require a cancellation fee. Whenever the agreement ends, the resident must call Energy Harbor at 1-866-636-3749 in order to participate in the community aggregation program – otherwise they will be left to pay the market rate (which could be above 10 / kWh. This transition will not occur automatically and the process is regulated by the State of Ohio.



Tri-Cities – Wastewater: Recently, ACM Cron and I participated in the first contract negotiations meeting between Tri Cities Wastewater Authority and Veolia for the operations of the wastewater plant. Representatives from Tipp City and Huber Heights were also in attendance along with TCA General Manager Danny Knife.

Downtown Market Study: ACM Cron, City Planner Hammes, and I are working with Mr. Michael Stumpf from Place Dynamics to finalize the Downtown Market Study for consideration by City Council. I look forward to hosting an in-person public meeting and potential virtual public forum to discuss the findings. After deliberating the merits of this analysis, Mr. Stumpf and I believe that there are many actionable items, that it will not be necessary to conduct a subsequent Downtown Master Plan at this time (as is called for in the budget), and that resources could more aptly be directed towards achieving the goals outlined in the market study through the Job Creation and Revitalization Program.

Public Works Facility Development: Director Ben Borton, Superintendent Walter Ritchie, and ACM Cron met with Mr. Chris Widener (WDC Group) and Mr. Michael Seeger (Choice One Engineering) on the site of our proposed new Public Works Facility to help give some direction on facility layout.

Watermain Replacement Planning: Director Ben Borton, GIS / Engineering Tech Chad Baughman, and ACM Cron are working on developing a 10-year watermain replacement strategy to accompany our asphalt overlay and roadway reconstruction plans. As of September 2023, there were 585 water main break repairs across our system's ~86.79 miles of waterlines. 41.1% (35.67 miles) of the City's water mains were installed prior to 1970. While the City may currently run on 15 – 25 water main breaks per year, we must be aggressive in our replacement strategy in order to catch up on deferred maintenance, and to prevent an escalating frequency of service interruptions over the next two decades. Our goal is to have a tentative plan for replacing the aging watermains throughout the city and estimated cost for each year to include in our Capital Budget planning. Please see the enclosed map. There is more information on the [City website \(link\)](#).



Focus Vandalia: Please see the recent video update on our 2023 employees of the year – [Superintendent Rudy Wells and Inspector Chris Mastrino \(LINK\)](#).

W-2 Forms: Please make sure that your current address is reflected on your paystub, as this will be the address that is reflected on your W-2.

Budget Closeout: Thank you to our staff in the Finance Department for working diligently to close out the month of December and wrap up the 2023 year-end financial information. We look forward to opening the 2024 budget this week.

Tax Revenues: YTD December 31, 2023, overall Income tax receipts (\$20,948,066) are up YTD by 9.38% (\$1,795,558) over 2022. Withholding tax is up 9.00% YTD (\$1,325,721); Individual tax is up 11.36% YTD (\$169,642); Business net profit tax is up 10.23% YTD (\$300,194). The amount of income tax revenue budgeted for 2023 was \$18,470,500, and the actual amount collected was \$20,948,066. Therefore, the amount collected is 13.41% higher than the estimated amount based on the budget.

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Christmas Tree Recycling: The Parks and Recreation and Public Works Departments are offering Vandalia residents free recycling of their Christmas trees. Residents can drop off their trees at the Sports Complex until January 31.

Beginning the first week of January, residents can also dispose of Christmas trees by placing them at the curb for pickup by Rumpke on your regular trash day.

Strategic Visioning Retreat: On January 18th, I will be meeting with Mr. Dana McDaniel and Mr. David Collingsworth of the Management Advisory Group to discuss how they may assist the Vandalia City Council with identifying opportunities for determining our strategic visioning by facilitating retreat at the end of the first quarter. The purpose of this retreat would be to identify and build on the strategic initiatives that are tied to our [Citywide Policy Goals](#).

MyVandalia Magazine: The most recent edition of the [MyVandalia Magazine is available online \(link\)](#).

Legislative Summaries: For reference, the legislative summaries are posted on the City [website \(link\)](#).

Notice of Non-Discrimination: The City of Vandalia is firmly committed to equal employment opportunity based on skills, education, work experience, merit, and service to the public. The City does not discriminate based on disability, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, age, sexual orientation, veteran status or gender identity and expression. This includes all City programs, activities, and hiring practices. Vandalia is an Equal Opportunity Employer and ADA Compliant. The City of Vandalia as an organization is firmly committed to empowering women, minorities, and all our teammates. Questions, comments, and complaints related to possible discrimination should be directed to Human Resources Manager Missy Pruszynski.

Fire Training: Training this reporting period for crews have consisted of, but not limited to; HazMat damming and diking, Rescue (stokes) Basket review and crews are starting CPR re-certifications this week.

Obtaining permits online: Last year, our Development and Engineering Services team implemented processes to issue permits electronically. Previously, much of this work had to be done in-person with hard copies. More information is available on the [City website \(link\)](#).

Obtain a Permit

Permits to be submitted electronically to permits@vandaliaohio.org

Documents

- [2024 Fee Schedule \(PDF\)](#)
- [Fire Protection - Tank Application - New Fire 2024 \(DOC\)](#)
- [Residential Building Zoning Permit 2024 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Appeal Housing Code - Application for Appeal \(PDF\)](#)
- [HVAC / Gas - Permit-Application 2024 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Right of Way/ Privilege Permit \(PDF\)](#)
- [Bonds - Concrete \(PDF\)](#)
- [New Electric 2024 \(DOC\)](#)
- [Utility Bond\(PDF\)](#)
- [Bonds - Utility \(PDF\)](#)
- [Planning Commission Application 2024](#)
- [Variance Application 2024 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Building Permit - Commercial Multi Family Building Zoning 2024 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Plat Application 2024\(PDF\)](#)
- [Vendor Solicitor Mobile Food Vending - Vendor License Application 2024 \(PDF\)](#)
- [Easement Encroachment \(PDF\)](#)
- [Public Show Parade Festival Application \(PDF\)](#)
- [Water and Sewer Fees 2024 \(PDF\)](#)

Clyde Place & Cyril Court Reconstruction: Milcon Concrete Inc. has completed the storm water replacement and installed the new watermain on the Clyde Place & Cyril Court Reconstruction project. This week, they installed a line stop on the Vista end of the live watermain and connected the new watermain to the water system.

Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation: Insight Pipe Contracting completed the cured-in-place pipe lining (CIPP) of the contracted sanitary sewers the week between Christmas and New Year's.

ADA Ramp Replacements: Finrock Construction completed the concrete placements and restoration for the several handicap ramps at various intersections throughout the City. These areas were selected as they will be part of this year's concrete repair and street resurfacing project.

Curb and Sidewalk Program: We will start advertising for the 2024 curb/sidewalk program on 1/5 with a public bid opening scheduled for 1/30.

Dog Leg Road Water & Sanitary Extension Phase 2: At the December 18th Council meeting, Council passed the resolution to award the Dog Leg Road Water & Sanitary Extension Phase 2 project to Outdoor Enterprise as the lowest and best at their submitted cost of \$2,243,684.00. Our estimated cost for the project was \$3,010,190.00.

Mangen & Associates: A temporary certificate of occupancy was issued to Mangen & Associates at 370 James E. Bohanan Memorial Dr.

Heraeus Epurio: An application for Heraeus Epurio at 970 Industrial Park Dr is under review for a proposed addition of chemical storage via two (2) accessory structures. This was an anticipated addition from the employer and shows the Vandalia operation is continuing to grow. Heraeus makes ultra-pure chemicals for semiconductors.

Redwood Development: Inspection at the Redwood Vandalia development off Park Center Dr continues; 13 out of the 20 buildings in Phase 1 are completed and occupiable.

Johonson Station Rd. Bridge Replacement: We have received a state municipal bridge grant of \$1,382,327 and a design task order of \$200,000 to replace the Johnson Station Rd bridge. Our local share of the bridge replacement would be approximately \$60,000, which is less than 4% of total cost. Kudos to ACM Cron who applied for this project multiple times. This bridge only supports one business in town, and there was a threat that the City was going to have to fund emergency repairs and replacement for the project out-of-pocket.

Leaf Collection: Public Works has completed two (2) additional rounds of leaf collection throughout the entire City this period, after the scheduled pickup dates. Leaf collection equipment has been put away for the season and dump trucks converted to Snow & Ice operations. If residents still have leaves to dispose of, the remaining leaves can be bagged, put out with their regular trash, and Rumpke will pick the bags up. Rumpke asks that residents limit this to only a few bags per week. For the season, we collected approximately 1,800 tons of leaves from getting into our storm sewer system and causing flooding problems.

Asphalt Repair: Public Works crews placed asphalt point repairs around the City and the new ADA ramps with recycled asphalt product (RAP) using the Asphalt Hot Box and Recycler purchased in 2022 and material that would normally been hauled away. All patches were sealed with asphalt cement (AC). Prior to implementing this equipment, the City would have used cold patch, then torn it out and conducted permanent repairs. We are thankful to Council for helping us achieve efficiencies through investment in modern equipment and practices.

Signage: “No Parking” and “No Outlet” signs were installed on Kenneth Ave, fulfilling a resident’s request to address safety concerns. “No Thru Trucks” signs were installed on Worldwide Pl and Corporate Center Dr.

Water Meter Replacement Project: Public Works continues replacing meters for the citywide water meter changeout program as time and scheduling with homeowners permits. To date, we have installed approximately 1,100 new meters.

Christmas Decorations: Public Works replaced GFI outlets and checked the Christmas lights before the holiday. This week, crews began taking down garland, Christmas lights, and winter banners.

Inmate Trash Pickup: The Montgomery County Sheriff’s Department had inmates out collecting trash along Inverness Ave, National Rd, and Webster St. They leave the filled trash bags along the side of the road for our crews to pick up and dispose of. Thank you to the Sheriff’s Department for helping keep our community clean.

Recruitments: There are several current full-time recruitments underway including Fire Lieutenant, Police Officer, and Construction Inspector. I have enclosed the flyers for reference. I will give due consideration to a combination of internal and external candidates for the competitive Fire Lieutenant promotional process.

Finally, let’s agree that Carol Cross’s wall climb is an inspiration to us all.

Please contact me directly with comments and questions.

Very Respectfully,

Dan Wendt
City Manager

CC: Board and Commission Members
All City Employees

Attachments:

1. Information Update - ACM Cron – January 5, 2024;
2. Information Update - Director Leiter – January 5, 2024;
3. Information Update - Chief Follick – January 5, 2024;
4. Information Update - Director Clark – January 5, 2024;
5. Information Update – Chief Althouse – January 5, 2024;
6. Information Update - Director Borton – January 5, 2024;
7. Governing Essentials for Local Elected Officials Information;
8. Citywide Policy Goals;
9. MyVandalia App Flyer;
10. Vision Insurance Flyers;
11. Recruitment Flyers;
12. Natural Gas Aggregation Memo;
13. Water Meter Door Hanger; and
14. Map – Water Main by Condition.



To: Dan Wendt, City Manager
From: Rob Cron, Assistant City Manager
Date: January 4, 2024
Re: Information Update for December 9, 2023 – January 5, 2024

- You and I participated in the first contract negotiations meeting between Tri Cities Wastewater Authority and Veolia for the operations of the wastewater plant. Representatives from Tipp City and Huber Heights were also in attendance along with TCA General Manager Danny Knife.
- City Planner Mike Hammes, you and I met with Michael Stumpf from Place Dynamics to review the first draft of our Downtown Market Analysis. WE discussed some areas for emphasis and ways to incorporate our city branding into the document. I am looking forward to being able to share the final product soon.
- Ben Borton, Walter Ritchie and I met with Chris Widener (WDC Group) and Michael Seeger (Choice One Engineering) on the site of our proposed new Public Works Facility to help give some direction of what we hope the layout of the facility will be.
- Ben Borton, Chad Baughman and I met begin the development of a 10-year watermain replacement strategy. Our goal is to have a tentative plan for replacing the aging watermain throughout the city and estimated cost for each year to include in our Capital Budget planning.
- Ben Graham, Mike Hammes, you and I met to review an upcoming BZA case regarding a variance for a monument sign at 113 W. National Road.
- Mike Hammes has been working with Law Director McDonald to prepare bid documents for our Right of Way mowing contract that expired this past year. We will begin advertising for bids within the next month.
- Our Annual Report Calendars were delivered to all City Residents on December 20th by the Vandalia Butler High School Honor Students. Great job by Rich Hopkins on producing the calendar.
- Ben Borton and I attended the SW Ohio American Public Works Association holiday luncheon and final board meeting of the year at Centerville's Yankee Trace Golf Club. This was my final meeting as a Board of Director as my term expired at the end of 2023. I served on the board for 4 years.
- Thank you for the opportunity to fill the position of Assistant City Manager. I am looking forward to the new role and can't wait for the great things to come in 2024.

Memo



To: Daniel D. Wendt, City Manager

From: Bridgette Leiter, Director of Finance

Date: January 3, 2024

Re: Information Update - Period Ending January 8, 2024

1. Finance staff would like to wish everyone a safe and prosperous New Year!
2. YTD December 31, 2023, overall Income tax receipts (\$20,948,066) are up YTD by 9.38% (\$1,795,558) over 2022. Withholding tax is up 9.00% YTD (\$1,325,721); Individual tax is up 11.36% YTD (\$169,642); Business net profit tax is up 10.23% YTD (\$300,194). The amount of income tax revenue budgeted for 2023 was \$18,470,500, and the actual amount collected was \$20,948,066. Therefore, the amount collected is 13.41% higher than the estimated amount based on the budget. Refunds issued YTD were \$981,684.67. Overall receipts, net of refunds, were up 6.68% as compared to December 2022, also net of refunds.
3. I attended a Council organizational meeting, study session and regular meeting. Finance staff would like to congratulate and welcome newly elected Councilmembers, Amber Aivalotis-Weaver and Cindy Doogan!
4. Reminder – Full time and Part time employees - Please make sure that your current address is reflected on your paystub, as this will be the address that is reflected on your W2.
5. Please contact Natalie Montgomery, Payroll Specialist, with any payroll withholding tax changes regarding tax year 2024.
6. Finance staff are all working diligently to close out the month of December and wrap up the 2023 year-end financial information.



DIVISION OF FIRE INFORMATION UPDATE

TO: DANIEL WENDT, CITY MANAGER
FROM: CHAD FOLLICK, FIRE CHIEF
DATE: 1/4/2024
SUBJECT: INFORMATION UPDATE – PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 5, 2024

1. The Division of Fire would like to say thank you to council for the last employee appreciation event of 2023. It has been nice to be recognized throughout the past year. The full-time fire staff greatly appreciates the generosity.
2. The Division of Fire would like to thank the Vandalia American Legion Post 668 for providing holiday dinners to the crews working at both Station One and Station Two. We are grateful for the thoughtfulness and generosity to our crews.
3. The Division of Fire and Lion Apparel have had a long-standing relationship with the use of Station One as a place to hold photo shoots. The Division of Fire was happy to host Lion again mid-December for a two-day session. The crews and photographers always have good time learning from each other and we look forward to hosting again in the future.
4. Training this reporting period for crews have consisted of, but not limited to; HazMat damming and diking, Rescue (stokes) Basket review and crews are starting CPR re-certifications this week.
5. I attended the Sinclair Fire Science Job Fair held at Sinclair Community College Bldg. 20 on December 15th.
6. Part-time interviews for vacant positions continue into the new year. The Division of Fire would like to quickly fill these vacancies with new qualified candidates.
7. Along with moving forward with part time hiring, the Division of Fire has a full-time and Lieutenant position job posting and are currently accepting applicants.



DIVISION OF FIRE INFORMATION UPDATE

Additionally, The Division of Fire has selected an applicant for the vacant Community Risk Reduction Coordinator. This position was left vacant when former CRRC Jacobs became Fire Marshal. Currently the qualified candidate is in the final step of the hiring process and we hope to have him on board very soon.



To: Dan Wendt, City Manager
From: Steve Clark, Director of Parks & Recreation
Date: 1/4/2024
Re: Information Update – Period ending January 4, 2024

FACILITY MAINTENANCE DIVISION

- We will be meeting with Vancon General Contractors on January 11 to kick off the Robinette Park Restroom Building Project. We plan to review the project specifications and drawings and discuss timelines and permits at this time. We are anticipating a late spring completion of the restroom facility.
- I will be meeting with Geograph Industries next week to discuss the Facilities Signage & City Identification Signage project fabrication and install schedule. The project has a May 31, 2024 completion deadline.

RECREATION / ATHLETICS DIVISION / SPECIAL EVENTS

- Recreation Coordinator for Athletics John Myers completed in last day with our department on January 2. We appreciate his contributions to our department and wish him the best in his future endeavors. With Youth Baseball/Softball season right around the corner we hope to advertise for this position in the coming days.
- We have confirmed that we will be hosting the Schellas Hyndman Soccer Camp again in the summer of 2024. Jeff Kreill is working with Schellas to lock down dates for the week long camp. Schellas donates his services for this camp as a way to give back to the community he grew up in. We look forward to another successful camp, with proceeds going to our Youth Recreation Scholarship program through the Dayton Foundation.
- A total of 13 Parks and Recreation employees participated in a CPR/AED training conducted by the Division of Fire on December 9 at the Senior Center. We are very grateful that Fire personnel conducts this training for our department.
- The Parks and Recreation Department would like to thank City Council for honoring Roger Pratt with a proclamation for his 58 years of part time service with our department.
- Youth basketball games are underway at the VRC on Saturday mornings. The program is off to a good start and we look forward to another great season.

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

- A contractor completed an insulation strapping project at the Senior Center on December 11. This project was necessary as insulation in the attic above the dining room ceiling was falling out of place.

- The Senior Center encountered a fire alarm malfunctions on December 6 and 7 in the early morning hours. Dayton Fire Protection investigated the system malfunction as did Centurion, the fire alarm monitoring company. They found a loose wire in the detection box and one smoke detector on the dining room ceiling being loose.
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- Daren Davis is our new fulltime custodian at the VRC, with his first day of employment on January 3. Daren comes to us from Troy Christian School and brings a wealth of experience in the facility maintenance field.
- The fitness area of the VRC has a new Precor shoulder press machine as well as two new Precor treadmills and one new stationary bike. These units were delivered and placed in operation on January 3.
- Ugly Christmas Sweater Goat Yoga was held at the VRC on December 20. This fun holiday event had a total of 30 adult participants.
- Winter Camp Rec took place December 26 through December 29 at the VRC with a total of 26 kids participating each day. Participants were able to swim, climb the rock wall, play gym games and make crafts during this popular school break program.
- With Premier Health's departure as the sponsor of the VRC gymnasium we are working to find a new partner. Alicia, Jeff and I completed and submitted a partnership proposal request to Kettering Health and are awaiting the opportunity to meet with their representatives in the coming weeks.
- Facility Manager Alicia McCracken completed a facility walk through with maintenance staff in December. As a result of this process a list was developed and prioritized to address items on the list. Alicia plans to conduct several walk throughs with staff each year to be able to address issues within the facility.
- Group Fitness Classes at the VRC had a total of 14,993 participants in 2023 which is an increase from 13,570 in 2022. Senior Fitness Classes had 15,845 participants in 2023, which is up from 15,129 in 2024. Recreation Coordinator Fitness Josh Berry is working to improve the participation numbers in 2024 through innovative program ideas and increased marketing.

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Information Update



To: Dan Wendt
City Manager

From: Kurt E. Althouse
Chief of Police

Date: January 4, 2024

Subject: Information Update Ending January 5, 2024

1. During the last four weeks of 2023, VPD officers made 29 traffic stops on commercial motor vehicles for traffic violations. These stops resulted in two traffic citations, 24 written warnings and three verbal warnings while working 32 additional enforcement hours.
2. On December 9, VPD participated in the annual *Shop with a Cop* event at the Walmart store on Miller Lane along with officers from Butler Twp. PD. Lieutenant Walker, Sergeant Doug Nagel, Officer Brittany Blackford, Officer Connor Matlock, Officer Nelson Clymer, and Officer Kristen Thomas participated in this event by teaming up with 20 students from our school district whose families have limited resources for purchasing Christmas gifts. The officers and students enjoyed breakfast and shopping together with funds provided by Walmart and other donations from local businesses. This is always a heart-warming time when the students experience the true joy of the holiday season with a police officer.
3. I attended the Chamber's *Jingle Mingle* event held at the Dayton Raceway Casino on December 12. Melanie and I appreciated the opportunity to enjoy this holiday event and interact with community leaders, business owners, and City officials.
4. On December 13, I attended an Executive Board meeting for the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) in Dublin. These bi-monthly meetings cover business topics, including key legislative issues impacting Ohio policing services, professional development training, and advancing the policing profession.
5. On December 13, Lieutenant Walker, Fire Marshall Scott Jacobs, and Chief Follick met with representatives from Places, Inc. regarding safety and security issues at their two apartment buildings on Imperial Court. They discussed installing key boxes (Knox boxes) on their buildings that would allow quick entry into their buildings, if needed. They also covered topics such as improved lighting and maintaining their smoke alarms. We currently provide Places, Inc. with a list of calls for service at their two buildings each month to help them proactively mitigate problems.
6. VPD held our annual Division meeting on December 14 at the Vandalia Senior Citizen Center with breakfast. This meeting, attended by all VPD personnel, provides us the opportunity to acknowledge our volunteers and review our 2023 and 2024 Division Goals & Objectives. We appreciate you providing an update on the City's accomplishments and how the Citywide Policy Goals are impacting

development and service delivery in our community. Our guest presenter, Lori Horstman from Brightstar Senior Living, gave an enlightening presentation on the importance of brain health and how it impacts overall health and longevity. Lieutenant Walker provided training on Marsy's Law and state requirements for providing crime victims with certain information and resources. During the meeting, VPD employees presented a donation to the Vandalia-Butler Food Pantry of \$1,260.00 which they voluntarily collected in November and December for "No Shave November & December" and wearing blue jeans and wrist bracelets on designated workdays. This donation was matched by Abbey Credit Union who made a \$2,600.00 donation to the Vandalia-Butler Food Pantry. VPD employees also donated numerous canned and non-perishable food items and an additional \$100 cash to the Vandalia-Butler Food Pantry for participating in the wear blue jeans to work during December.

7. Our police employees wish to thank City Council for their generosity and tokens of appreciation that were distributed to our staff by Mayor Herbst on December 18. Whether it was a turkey, ham, or Kroger gift card, these gifts are meaningful and appreciated during the holiday season.
8. On December 20, Lieutenant Sucher, Lieutenant Walker, and I attended the monthly meeting for the Montgomery County Association of Police Chiefs at Sinclair Community College. The meeting was a special time to interact with and enjoy lunch with many retired police administrators from the area. Retired Sergeant Steve Grismer from Dayton PD made a presentation on the historical police display, *Bootleggers, Bandits & Badges*, which was hosted by Carillon Historical Park and on display through December 30.
9. Detectives charged a 33-year-old Eaton man for Grand Theft of a Motor Vehicle and Failure to Comply. The male suspect stole a U-Haul truck and was later apprehended by the Huber Heights Police Department. The suspect was incarcerated at the Montgomery County Jail.
10. Detectives charged a 54-year-old Vandalia man for Theft (credit cards). The male suspect stole a purse containing credit cards and the driver's license belonging to a worker at McDonalds.
11. Detectives charged a 34-year-old Huber Heights man for Theft (credit cards), Theft (by Deception), and Misuse of Credit Cards. The male suspect had his vehicle repaired by Smedley's Chevrolet, and obtained/used credit cards not in his name to pay for the services.
12. Detectives charged a 40-year-old Tipp City man for Burglary (Trespass in Habitation) and Assault. The male suspect entered the victim's residence and assaulted her after which she ran to a neighbor's residence.
13. On January 4, Lieutenant Sucher, Lieutenant Walker, and Support Services Manager Anissa Kanzari attended an Eclipse Preparedness Tabletop Exercise hosted by Dayton MMRS at the Dayton Expo Center to prepare for the Total Solar Eclipse event occurring on April 8, 2024. This exercise is for public safety, public health, hospitals, and others to help prepare for the mass influx of eclipse watchers coming to our region and to review best practices for handling large masses.
14. We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and wish all a very Happy New Year as we kick off 2024.



Public Service Information Update

To: Dan Wendt, City Manager
From: Ben Borton, Director of Public Service
Date: January 3, 2024
Subject: **Information Update for December 9, 2023 – January 5, 2024**

Development & Engineering Services

Milcon Concrete Inc. has completed the storm water replacement and installed the new watermain on the Clyde Place & Cyril Court Reconstruction project. This week, they installed a line stop on the Vista end of the live watermain and connected the new watermain to the water system.

Insight Pipe Contracting completed the cured-in-place pipe lining (CIPP) of the contracted sanitary sewers the week between Christmas and New Year's.

The settlement with CSX for the last piece of right-of-way we need for the Bikeway Connector project is in CSX's hands for signatures. This is on track to meet ODOT's Right of Way Certification Date in January.

Finfrock Construction completed the concrete placements and restoration for the several handicap ramps at various intersections throughout the City. These areas were selected as they will be part of this year's concrete repair and street resurfacing project.

At the December 18th Council meeting, Council passed the resolution to award the Dog Leg Road Water & Sanitary Extension Phase 2 project to Outdoor Enterprise as the lowest and best at their submitted cost of \$2,243,684.00. Our estimated cost for the project was \$3,010,190.00.

A temporary certificate of occupancy was issued to Mangan & Associates at 370 James E. Bohanan Memorial Dr.

A temporary certificate of occupancy was issued to Domino's Pizza at 128 N Dixie Dr.

An application for Heraeus Epurio at 970 Industrial Park Dr is under review for a proposed addition of chemical storage via two (2) accessory structures. This was an anticipated addition from the employer and shows the Vandalia operation is continuing to grow.

Inspection at the Redwood Vandalia development off Park Center Dr continues; 13 out of the 20 buildings in Phase 1 are completed and occupiable.

We will start advertising for the 2024 curb/sidewalk program on 1/5 with a public bid opening scheduled for 1/30.

We have received a state municipal bridge grant of \$1,382,327 and a design task order of \$200,000 to replace the Johnson Station Rd bridge. Our local share of the bridge replacement would be approximately \$60,000, which is less than 4% of total cost.

Rob Cron, Wally Richie, and I met with Chris Widener (WDC Group) and Michael Seeger (Choice One) for a site visit of the proposed Public Works facility parcel. We are currently on schedule to flesh out a design in spring/summer of 2024 to bring before Council.

Jake Hayslett and I attended the NAWA Technical Advisor Committee meeting on January 3rd.

Public Works

We have completed two (2) additional rounds of leaf collection throughout the entire City this period, after the scheduled pickup dates. Leaf collection equipment has been put away for the season and dump trucks converted to Snow & Ice operations. If residents still have leaves to dispose of, the remaining leaves can be bagged, put out with their regular trash, and Rumpke will pick the bags up. Rumpke asks that residents limit this to only a few bags per week. For the season, we collected approximately 1,800 tons of leaves from getting into our storm sewer system and causing problems.

Our crews repaired three (3) separate watermain breaks during this period. Repairs were on Cyril Ct, Romanus Dr, and N Brown School Rd.

Several employees, including myself, attended Snow & Ice training for snowplow drivers sponsored by Miami Valley Risk Management Association (MVMRA) and instructed by ODOT's Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP).

Crews placed asphalt point repairs around the City and the new ADA ramps with recycled asphalt product (RAP) using the Asphalt Hot Box and Recycler purchased in 2022 and material that would normally be hauled away. All patches were sealed with asphalt cement (AC).

"No Parking" and "No Outlet" signs were installed on Kenneth Ave, fulfilling a resident's request to address safety concerns.

"No Thru Trucks" signs were installed on Worldwide Pl and Corporate Center Dr.

All Veterans Banners on Dixie Dr within City limits were removed and placed into storage. They will be put back up next spring. This will extend the longevity of these banners residents and local groups personally invested in.

We continued replacing meters for the citywide water meter changeout program as time and scheduling with homeowners permits. To date, we have installed approximately 1100 new meters.

Crews were out a couple times doing some light salting on our main roads, hills, bridges, curves, and school zones as temperatures have dropped multiple times.

We replaced a green traffic light bulb at the Little York Rd/Poe Ave intersection.

Capital Electric began repairing the street light pole base that was damaged by a hit and run driver near 300 W National Rd.

Crews repaired a sewer lateral on N Perry St.

We replaced GFI outlets and checked the Christmas lights before the holiday. This week, crews began taking down garland, Christmas lights, and winter banners.

The Montgomery County Sherriff's Department had inmates out collecting trash along Inverness Ave, National Rd, and Webster St. They leave the filled trash bags along the side of the road for our crews to pick up and dispose of. Thank you to the Sherriff's Department for helping keep our community clean.

Crews responded to VPD requests for accident clean up at Benchwood Rd/Dixie Dr and National Rd/Dixie Dr.

We investigated sewer complaints on Gabreil St and E National Rd.

Crews performed 4 burials at Poplar Hill cemetery during this period.

We performed 130 utility locates this period for Ohio 811, which rounded out the year with a total of 2,756 locates for 2023.

Technician Gordan Haas passes his test for his temporary CDL.

Three (3) new full-time technicians started on 1/3: Tyler Jackson, Mahmat Vollazov, and Daniel Griffith.

Candidates for the 1st round interviews for the open full-time technician were reviewed and scheduled for next week.

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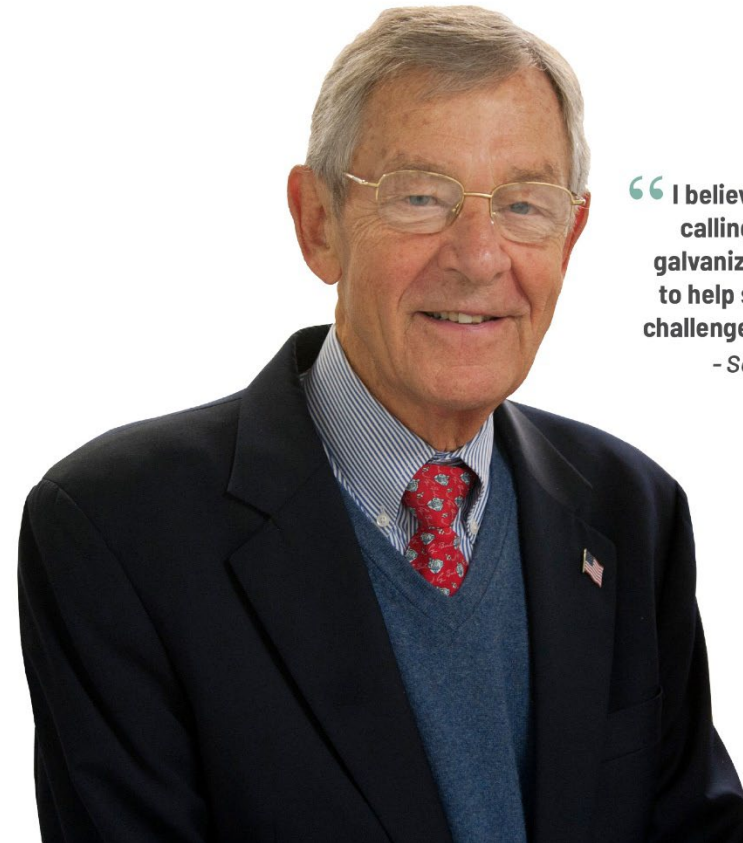
Presenter: Dave Collinsworth

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 - Closing, Friday April 26,
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 - Over six weeks
 - March 6, 20; April 17
- One Economic Development Field Trip – April 3

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Safe and Secure: Ensure that Vandalia remains a safe and secure community by investing in both traditional public safety operations and creative outreach efforts to meet the evolving needs of our residents and visitors.



Enhance Infrastructure: Protect public assets and infrastructure by making calculated and deliberate investments in roadways, utilities, park spaces.

Work



Fiscal Sustainability: Leverage the operating position of the City to seize strategic opportunities for improving quality of life, while maintaining sustainable fiscal practices.



Trust and Confidence: Promote an open approach to government through coordinated, transparent, and evidence-based engagement practices. Empower residents, business owners and community stakeholders to partner in City programs.



Sharpen the Saw: Commit to process improvements by purposefully refining practices and leveraging technology to improve internal and external customer service.

Play



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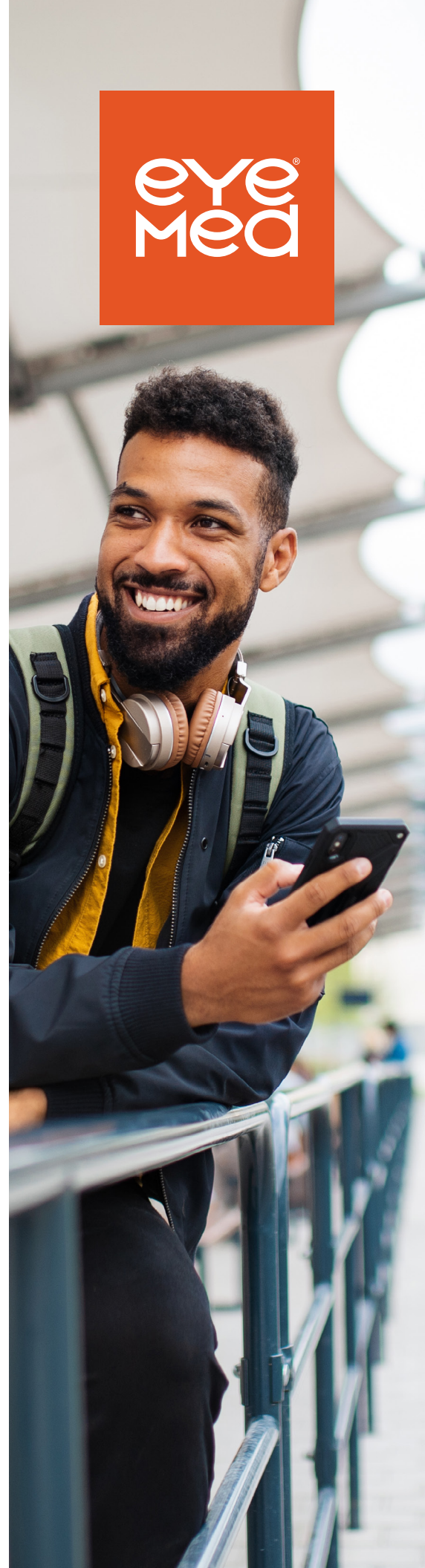
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Ohio Public Works Commission - District 4
FY25 - SCIP Funding Slate

FY25 TOTAL ALLOCATIONS (reflecting <u>minimum</u> loan amount)		\$	6,232,950	\$	692,550	\$	3,000,000
ADMINISTRATIVE COST		\$	(24,500)				
CARRYOVER BALANCE (as of 11/1/2023)		\$	734,079	\$	76,950	\$	1,637,837
TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE	\$	12,349,866	\$	6,942,529	\$	769,500	\$ 4,637,837

SCIP FUNDED PROJECTS	\$	10,177,260	\$	6,516,245	\$	779,270	\$	2,881,745
FUNDED TOTAL PLUS 1ST CONTINGENCY PROJECT	\$	11,077,260	\$	6,966,245	\$	779,270	\$	3,331,745

SUBDIVISION	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT TYPE	TOTAL PROJECT COST	FUNDING REQUEST	GRANT	SCIP LOAN	RLP LOAN	PROJECT MANAGER	SCIP SCORE
1 Dayton	South Main Street Reconstruction	Road	\$ 3,155,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	\$ -		Joseph Weinel	46
2 Engineer	MOT-Social Row Road	Road	\$ 7,700,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 500,000		Joseph Dura	45
3 Union	Union Industrial Park Ring Road	Road	\$ 14,734,576	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,000,000		\$ 500,000	John Applegate	45
4 New Lebanon	Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Phase 21	Wastewater	\$ 199,770	\$ 199,770	\$ -	\$ 199,770		Michael Seeger	44
5 Trotwood	MacMillan Water Main Replacement - Phase 1	Water	\$ 747,000	\$ 672,000	\$ 336,000		\$ 336,000	Shelby Ingle	44
6 Englewood	Camborne Dr. Water Main Replacement	Water	\$ 299,490	\$ 299,490	\$ 149,745		\$ 149,745	Eric Smith	43
7 Environmental Services	Rio and Karen Water Main Replacement	Water	\$ 604,900	\$ 480,000	\$ 150,000		\$ 330,000	Ed Schlaack	43
8 Environmental Services	Rahn Road Water Main Replacement	Water	\$ 1,187,605	\$ 500,000	\$ 250,000		\$ 250,000	Ed Schlaack	43
9 Environmental Services	Sunray, Frieda, Ives Water Main Replacement	Water	\$ 1,547,166	\$ 985,000	\$ 492,500		\$ 492,500	Ed Schlaack	43
10 Engineer	MOT-Shank Road Bridge Replacement Project	Bridge	\$ 1,613,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000		\$ 100,000	Cedric McGhee	42
11 Environmental Services	Brandt Pike Water Main Replacement	Water	\$ 483,725	\$ 200,000	\$ 120,500	\$ 79,500		Ed Schlaack	42
12 Trotwood	Eppington Water Main Replacement - Phase 1	Water	\$ 666,000	\$ 591,000	\$ 295,500		\$ 295,500	Shelby Ingle	42
13 Environmental Services	Eldorado, Imperial, Dexter Water Main Replacement	Water	\$ 1,294,765	\$ 750,000	\$ 322,000		\$ 428,000	Ed Schlaack	42
14 Vandalia	Tionda, Ranchview & Mossview Drive Watermain Replacement	Water	\$ 1,800,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 450,000		\$ 450,000	Rob Cron	42
15 Environmental Services	Natchez, Annapolis, Nevada Water Main Replacement	Water	\$ 2,904,800	\$ 985,000	\$ 492,500		\$ 492,500	Ed Schlaack	42
16 Dayton	Idylwilde - Siebenthaler to Woodhaven Water Main Improvements	Water	\$ 440,000	\$ 110,000	\$ 110,000	\$ -		Nick Dailey	41
17 Dayton	Gettysburg-Blueberry-Pennway Water Main Improvements	Water	\$ 890,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ -		Nick Dailey	41
18 Engineer	Wilmington Pike Bridge Rehabilitation, KET-85-1.59	Bridge	\$ 1,084,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 375,000		Henry Brierton	41
19 Huber Heights	Powell Road Realignment	Road	\$ 803,555	\$ 500,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000		Russell Bergman	41
20 Dayton	North Main Street Safety Improvement	Road	\$ 6,080,000	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	\$ -		Joseph Weinel	41
21 Brookville	Hay Avenue Roadway Improvements, Phase III	Road	\$ 984,850	\$ 984,850	\$ -	\$ 984,850		Allan Heitbrink	41
22 Dayton	Oxford Avenue Storm Sewer Improvements	Water	\$ 200,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ -		Nick Dailey	40
23 Dayton	Frederick Pike Water Main Improvement	Water	\$ 400,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -		Nick Dailey	40
24 Engineer	Lutheran Church Road, JEF-19-3.83, Bridge Replacement	Bridge	\$ 237,300	\$ 200,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 150,000		David Shields	40
25 Engineer	Dayton Cincinnati Pike Roadway Realignment	Road	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 325,000	\$ 175,000		Rick Splawinski	40
26 Dayton	Vance Road Widening	Road	\$ 1,060,000	\$ 795,000	\$ 530,000	\$ 265,000		Joseph Weinel	39
27 Engineer	Amity Road, PER-56-2.00, Bridge Reconstruction	Bridge	\$ 483,500	\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000		David Shields	38
28 Engineer	Wellbaum Road Bridge Rehabilitation, CLY-233-2.05	Bridge	\$ 430,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000		Henry Brierton	38
29 Dayton	Findlay Street Storm Relief	Stormwater	\$ 2,200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ -		Nick Dailey	38
30 Brookville	Main Street Water Main Replacement, Phase II	Water	\$ 373,195	\$ 373,195	\$ -	\$ 373,195		Allan Heitbrink	38
31 Kettering	Southern Boulevard Improvements, South of Stroop Road	Road	\$ 1,125,000	\$ 500,000	\$ -	\$ 500,000		Michael Zink	37
32 Kettering	Heritage Point Drive Improvements	Road	\$ 583,000	\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ 300,000		Michael Zink	36
33 New Lebanon	Blosser Street Reconstruction Phase 4	Road	\$ 499,920	\$ 499,920	\$ 249,960	\$ 249,960		Michael Seeger	35
34 Centerville	Yankee Street Resurfacing	Road	\$ 516,716	\$ 344,000	\$ 258,000	\$ 86,000		David Swanson	34
35 Jackson Township	Clayton Road Rehabilitation	Road	\$ 552,475	\$ 499,999	\$ 499,999	\$ -		Allan Heitbrink	32
36 Centerville	Sheehan Road Resurfacing	Road	\$ 567,815	\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000		David Swanson	30

Ohio Public Works Commission - District 4
FY25 - LTIP Funding Slate

FY25 LTIP GRANT ALLOCATION	\$ 2,666,000
ADMINISTRATIVE COST	\$ (10,500)
CARRYOVER BALANCE (as of 11/1/2023)	\$ 171,223
TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE	\$ 2,826,723

LTIP Funded Projects Total	\$ 2,100,000
Funded Plus 1st Contingency Total	\$ 2,900,000

	SUBDIVISION	PROJECT NAME	PROJECT TYPE	TOTAL PROJECT		GRANT REQUEST	PROJECT MANAGER	LTIP SCORE
				COST				
1	Riverside	Woodman Drive Reconstruction	Road	\$ 6,385,179	\$	2,100,000	Kathy Bartlett	42
2	Dayton	North Main Street Safety Improvement	Road	\$ 6,080,000	\$	800,000	Joseph Weinel	40
3	Engineer	Dayton Cincinnati Pike Roadway Realignment	Road	\$ 1,300,000	\$	400,000	Rick Splawinski	38
4	Engineer	Wilmington Pike Bridge Rehabilitation, KET-85-1.59	Bridge	\$ 1,084,000	\$	400,000	Henry Brierton	37
5	Huber Heights	Powell Road Realignment	Road	\$ 803,555	\$	500,000	Russell Bergman	37
6	Engineer	Wellbaum Road Bridge Rehabilitation, CLY-233-2.05	Bridge	\$ 430,000	\$	107,000	Henry Brierton	36
7	Engineer	Lutheran Church Road, JEF-19-3.83, Bridge Replacement	Bridge	\$ 237,300	\$	118,650	David Shields	36
8	Engineer	Amity Road, PER-56-2.00, Bridge Reconstruction	Bridge	\$ 483,500	\$	120,875	David Shields	36
9	Dayton	Vance Road Widening	Road	\$ 1,060,000	\$	795,000	Joseph Weinel	36
10	Kettering	Southern Boulevard Improvements, South of Stroop Road	Road	\$ 1,125,000	\$	200,000	Michael Zink	34
11	Centerville	Yankee Street Resurfacing	Road	\$ 516,716	\$	344,000	David Swanson	32
12	Jackson Township	Clayton Road Rehabilitation	Road	\$ 552,475	\$	499,999	Allan Heitbrink	31
13	Kettering	Heritage Point Drive Improvements	Road	\$ 583,000	\$	400,000	Michael Zink	30
14	Brookville	Hay Avenue Roadway Improvements, Phase III	Road	\$ 984,850	\$	984,850	Allan Heitbrink	30
15	New Lebanon	Blosser Street Reconstruction Phase 4	Road	\$ 499,920	\$	499,920	Michael Seeger	28
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FY25 - Small Government Funding Slate

Small Government Totals: \$ 1,052,395 \$ 999,919 \$ 749,959 \$ 249,960

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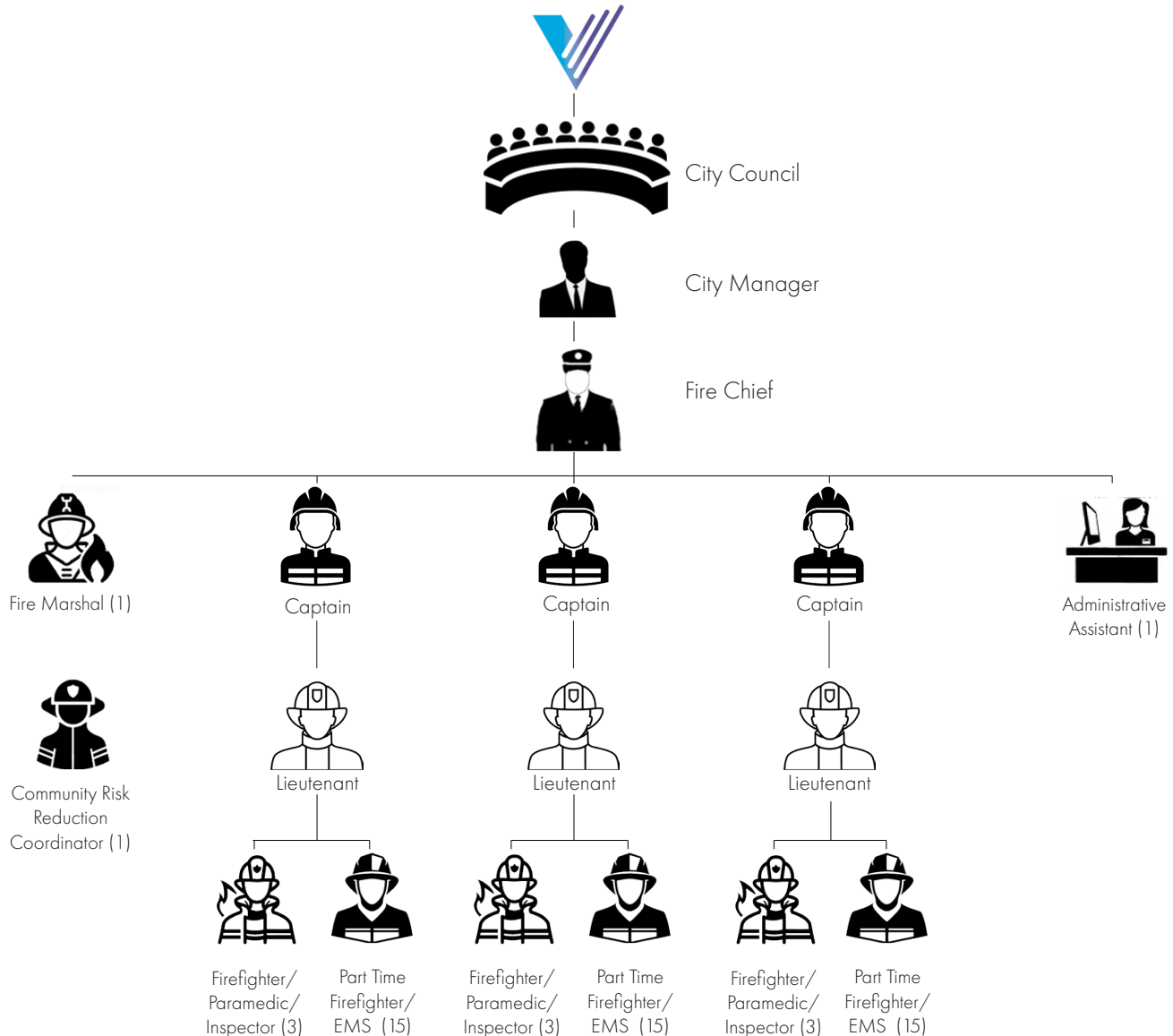
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Delivering “first-tier” service remains the primary mission of the Division of Fire. Chief Follick and the command staff have worked to align the Division of Fire’s 2023 goals with the newly established “Citywide Policy Goals” including:

1. **Safe & Secure**

- a. Recruiting & Retention focus: Building a sustainable staffing model, re-imagine recruiting (creating hometown heroes), and enhance retention.
 - Conduct part-time salary study.
 - Have a part-time compensation plan for consideration in 2023.
 - Develop the Fire Explorers program to create a sustainable source of part-time firefighters (Hometown Hero’s).

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- b. First-Tier Training Focus: Re-imagine fire / EMS training, “first-tier” service is a by-product of “first-tier” training. Establish Vandalia as an organization that is committed to providing “first-tier” training. When you become a destination for “first-tier, first-class” fire, rescue, EMS training, you create a destination for aspiring young fire/EMS professionals.
 - Overhaul the Division of Fire’s “Candidate” training program.
 - Refocus the Division of Fire’s fire / EMS training to address generational learners and create training opportunities that address “tactical priorities”.
 - Complete a master plan for the Public Safety Training Facility.
- c. Creative Outreach focus: Working through the Community Risk Reduction Coordinator, provide schools with more frequent, non-emergency, positive interactions between school children and firefighters.
- d. Analyze our Community Risks focus: Better understanding of the challenges and / or public safety threats that come along with being a “first-tier suburb”.

2. Sharpen the Saw

- a. Leveraging Technology to Improve Internal Processes focus: Transition to a new data management system.
 - Collecting data points that will assist us in developing a Community Risk Assessment. Determine where our outreach (Community Paramedicine) efforts should be focused.
 - Improve the flow of information internally, operational information (logs, street closures, & maintenance issues).
 - Improve tracking of non-emergency activities (outreach, pre-fire planning, & public events).
 - Improve tracking of Fire Safety Inspections & pre-fire planning data.
 - Improve flow of vehicle / facilities maintenance repair requests (scheduling, tracking, cost analysis).

3. Enhance Infrastructure

- a. Protect Public Asset focus: Properly train personnel on the operation (driving) of new 108’ aerial ladder.



FIRE DIVISION BACKGROUND

Formed in 1976, following a split from the Butler Township Fire Department, The City of Vandalia's Division of Fire started out as a volunteer fire department. Since that time the Division of Fire has been progressive in its approach to providing fire, rescue, and emergency medical services, transitioning into a full-service, combination (part-time and full-time) fire department that delivers 24/7 service.

The Division of Fire is a full-service fire department, providing fire suppression, emergency medical service, specialized rescue, hazardous materials response, and inspection services to a community with "planes, trains, and automobiles." The Division of Fire protects two major highways, US 40, a large stretch of railroad, and provides automatic mutual aid to the Dayton International Airport.

The Division of Fire operates from two fire stations, with three advanced life support medic units, two rescue-equipped fire engines (one equipped as a heavy rescue), and a brand new Sutphen 108' aerial ladder. To better serve both communities, Vandalia houses staff and equipment in Butler Township's Little York Road station and Butler Township has staff and equipment in the Vandalia Peter's Pike station. This joint staffing model allows both communities to respond to incidents faster and more efficiently. The "Safe and Stable" income tax helps the Division of Fire ensure that the tools and equipment carried on every fire / EMS unit are the best technology possible.



The Division of Fire considers itself a team, and the key to a successful team is preparation and training. The City is currently conducting a feasibility study to inform the development of a joint public safety training facility for the Division of Fire, Division of Police, and surrounding jurisdictions. The Division of Fire provides on-duty fire, EMS, and specialized rescue training to its personnel while on-duty. Team members should have no problem obtaining enough continuing education to submit for certification renewals.

The Division of Fire aggressively trains on progressive and cutting-edge firefighting tactics, high quality emergency medical care and aggressive, out-of-the-box specialized rescue skills.

Some examples of this training include:

- Routine live fire training sessions, high quality firefighter training using digital fire simulations.
- High Quality CPR, patient assessment and advance patient management using the Division of Fire's computerized patient care mannequin.
- Hazardous materials operations and technician level training.
- Variety of technical rescue training (rope rescue, water/ice rescue, confine space, lost urban search and rescue, machine rescue and auto extrication).

THE POSITION - THE IDEAL CANDIDATE - THE QUALIFICATIONS

Under the general supervision of the Fire Captain, the Fire Lieutenant, is responsible for performing a variety of supervisory, management, administrative, training, and operational tasks related to the day-to-day operations of their assigned shift as well as performing fire, suppression, technical / special rescue, hazardous materials, emergency medical services, and / or response to disasters within the community.

Knowledge of fire suppression and prevention techniques; supervisory principles and practices; personnel administration; employee training and development; fire / emergency, rescue techniques; fire investigation and arson detection techniques; fire prevention, laws, codes, rules, and regulations; City / department goals and objectives; City / department policies and procedures; two-way radio operations; workplace, safety practices and procedures; budgeting; interviewing; office practices and procedures; personnel rules and regulations; computer, software; community resources and services; records management; project management; government structure and process; state, federal and local laws and / or regulations; labor relations; local geographical area; and English grammar and spelling.

Qualifications:

Completion of secondary education or equivalent, (i.e., high school diploma, GED), associate degree preferred; three years of experience as a full-time firefighter and paramedic; current fire fighter and paramedic certification and licensing with authority to work in the State of Ohio; or any equivalent combination of education, experience and training which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities. Must be able to pass a background investigation for employment.

Licensure or Certification Requirements:

Candidate must hold the following certifications: State of Ohio Level II Firefighter, Paramedic, Fire Safety Inspector, National Incident Management System (NIMS) or National Fire Academy (NFA) course meeting NIMS ICS (i.e., 100, 200, 300, 400, and 700); must achieve certification as a Fire Officer Level 1 within one (1) year probationary period as a condition of employment. Must possess a valid State of Ohio driver's license, be authorized to drive, and must remain insurable under the City's vehicle insurance plan as a condition of employment.

Must have ability to:

Carry out instructions in written, oral, or picture form; interpret a variety of instructions in written, oral, picture, or schedule forms; obtain and maintain Fire Instructor and EMS instructor certifications; deal with many variables and determine specific action; effectively relate with people of various socio-economic levels; apply management principles to solve agency problems; define problems, collect data, establish facts, and draw valid conclusions; exercise independent judgment and discretion; be honest and demonstrate integrity; understand, interpret and apply laws, rules or regulations to specific situations; select most qualified applicant according to specifications for referral; add, subtract, multiply, and divide whole numbers; calculate fractions, decimals, and percentages; copy records precisely without error; complete, routine forms; prepare routine correspondence; compile and prepare reports; respond to routine inquiries from public and / or officials; prepare and deliver speeches and presentations; conduct effective interviews; communicate effectively; train or instruct others; understand a variety of written and / or verbal communications; maintain records according to established procedures; handle sensitive inquiries from and contact with officials and general public; develop and maintain effective working relationships; resolve complaints; travel to and gain access to work site; lift, position, and move, disabled or bedridden clients / patients; operate, heavy equipment, rescue tools, ladders, and hand tools; work in adverse weather conditions.



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Vandalia Fire Lieutenants are represented by the International Association of Firefighters and work on one of three platoons on the 24 / 48 schedule.

Fire Lieutenants assigned to a 24 / 48 hour schedule will receive an hourly wage of **\$29.45, which is equivalent to \$82,695** annually.

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Annual Firefighter Physical (provided to every career firefighter, at no cost to the firefighter).



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Questions about the position may be directed to Chad Follick, Fire Chief, at cfollick@vandaliaohio.org or (937) 898-2261.

The process for establishing a provisional eligibility list and appointing a Fire Lieutenant is:

1. Timely submission of application, Resume and Cover Letter, Deadline is 5 p.m. on Friday, January 26, 2024.
2. First Oral Interview
3. Practical Assessment
4. Second Interview

Once a candidate or candidates have been identified, the pre-hiring process will begin. This phase of the process includes the following steps:

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Water slide at the Vandalia Recreation Center.



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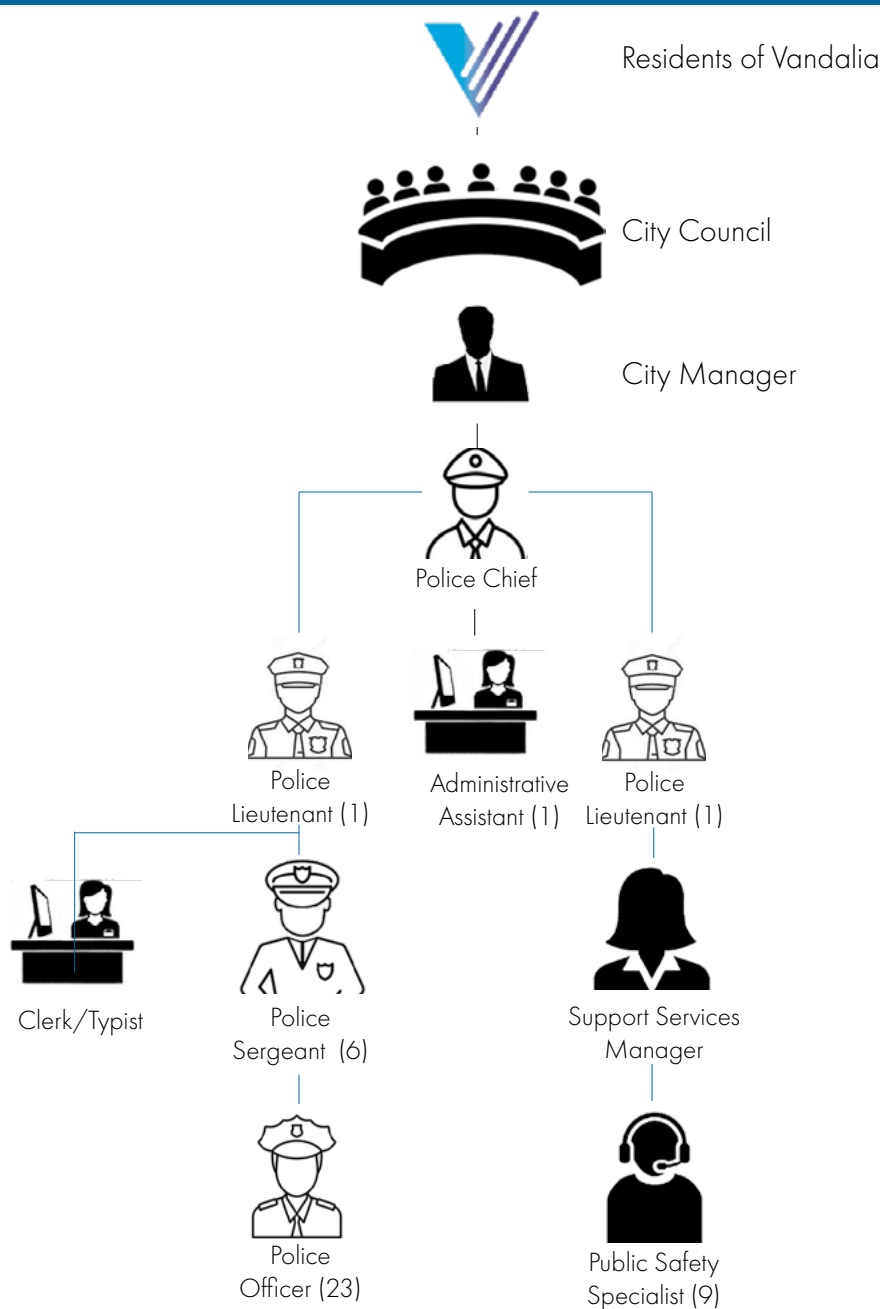
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LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

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- Prepares written reports & field notes of investigations and patrol activities
- Arrests and processes criminals
- Testifies in court
- Emergency duties required during adverse weather conditions
- Ability to exercise judgment in determining when to use force and to what degree
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CITY GOVERNMENT

The primary purpose of any City of Vandalia employee is to improve quality of life for residents. We seek to build a team of servant leaders who love and care about this beautiful community.

The [Charter of the City of Vandalia](#) was adopted by the voters on April 7, 1959. Vandalia is a politically mature municipal organization that is committed to effective public service through professional management. The City prides itself on being a respectful and collaborative employer that demands excellence from its team.

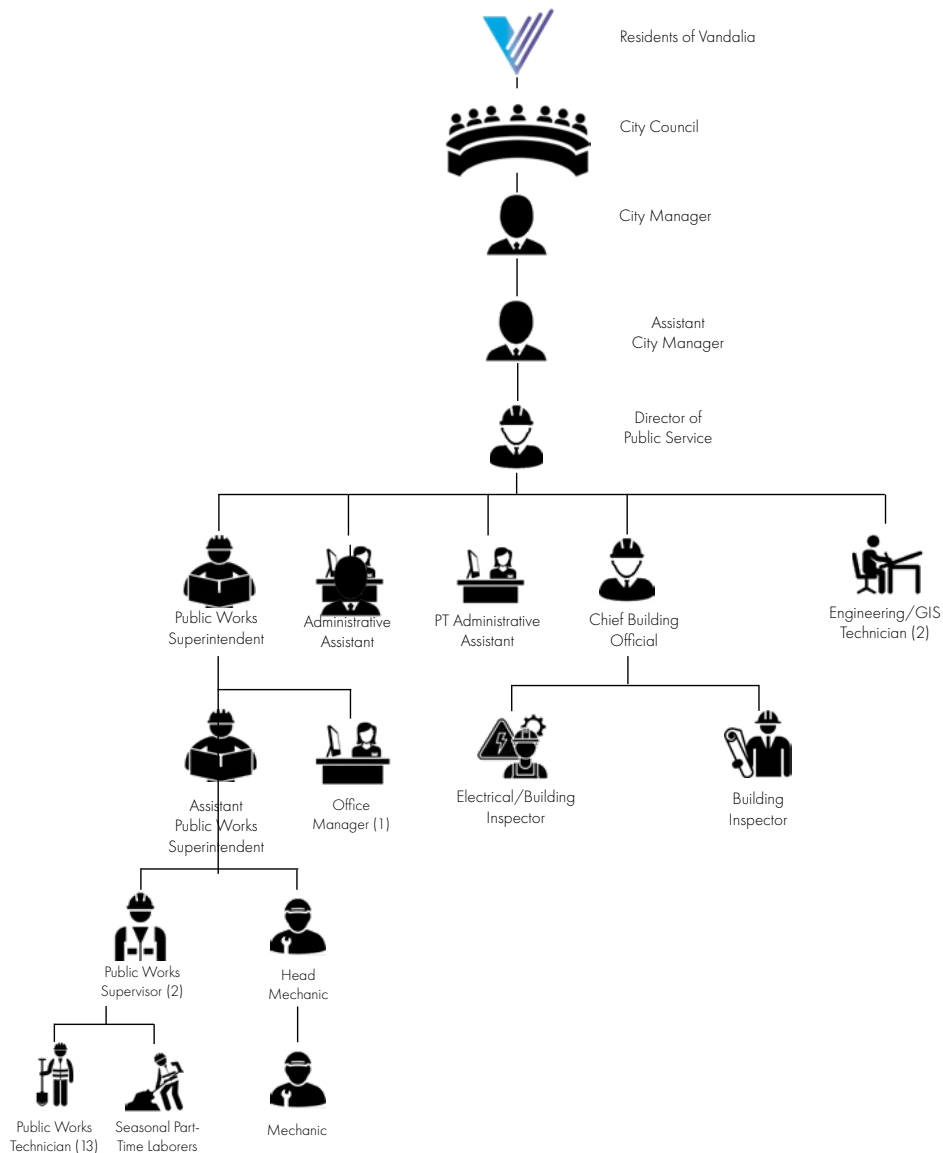
Vandalia is a complex municipal organization. The City organization retains a strong bond rating of Aa2, annual all funds budget of approximately \$57 million, and 234 full-time-equivalent employees. The City prides itself on maintaining a strong operating position and ensures that its team of public servants has the tools that it needs to serve the public. The City Engineer will play a crucial role in protecting the public's investment in infrastructure like treatment plants, roadways, bridges, parks, sewers, and water lines..

Under the direction of the City Manager, the leadership team executes the policy directives of the Vandalia City Council including the day-to-day operations of police, fire, emergency medical services, and dispatch; water distribution, wastewater collection, and storm water utilities; public works and street construction; economic development, building and zoning, planning, and engineering services; and community enrichment through the Vandalia Recreation Center, Senior Center, Cassel Hills Golf Course, and numerous parks.

In 2020, City Council adopted the [Vision Vandalia Comprehensive Plan](#).

Learn more about City of Vandalia initiatives on the City's [YouTube Channel](#) and [Facebook Page](#).

COMMAND STRUCTURE



DEVELOPMENT & ENGINEERING SERVICES

The Development & Engineering Services Division is headquartered at 333 James E. Bohanan Memorial Drive. The division is responsible for project management and overseeing all public works construction projects including plan development, review, bidding, contract management and inspections, plan review of private developments including residential and commercial sites, storm water drainage including plan review and general complaints or concerns from property owners, providing review and analysis of traffic concerns and improvements.

The City of Vandalia is party to two joint venture agreements with neighboring jurisdictions for the purpose of water (i.e., Northern Area Water Authority with Tipp City) and wastewater (i.e., Tri-Cities North Regional Wastewater Authority with Tipp City and Huber Heights) for treatment, distribution, and collection. The City Engineer will routinely work with personnel from each of the partnering organizations to advise on technical matters and to achieve the needs of the respective utilities.

The Development and Engineering team is highly visible to our residents, businesses, and visitors. Image matters and we are looking for someone who will enhance the reputation of the City through incremental improvements of public spaces. The City prides itself on ensuring a high level of customer service at every touch-point with the public.



THE POSITION - THE IDEAL CANDIDATE - THE QUALIFICATIONS

General Description

The Construction Inspector* position is a vital part of our Development and Engineering Services (D.E.S.) staff. This position requires an individual that is familiar with construction techniques for public improvement projects. The Construction Inspector must also possess excellent communication and organizational skills as they interact with city residents, business owners, contractors and city staff. The ideal candidate will be a problem-solver with a “can-do” attitude to ensure construction projects are completed in a timely manner.

Under direction from the Director of Public Service, the Construction Inspector is responsible for the inspection of public works construction projects, utility work performed in the public right-of-way and permitted inspections for residences or commercial/industrial properties to ensure compliance with plans and specifications. They will provide quality assurance through physical inspection of construction sites while maintaining good communication with contractors performing work and with the public when necessary. These capital improvement projects may involve new public infrastructure or replacement of existing infrastructure. The Construction Inspector inspects a variety of projects involving street resurfacing, curb & sidewalk replacement and city utility (water/sanitary/storm) rehab or replacement. They will ensure that proper safety and traffic control procedures are followed and detects hazardous situations on construction sites.



Participates in project design review, attends pre-construction meetings and coordinates final acceptance of work performed. Reviews project schedules, provides necessary feedback for change order requests, gather quantities, review pay apps and communicates progress to city staff. Reviews as-builts for accuracy and acceptance. Shares detailed results of construction projects with Engineering / GIS Technician so new infrastructure can be added into the city GIS system. Responds to citizen complaints and requests for information regarding construction projects.

Qualifications

Completion of high school/vocational school education or equivalent (high school diploma or GED), Bachelor's degree preferred; four (4) or more years of related experience and/or training; or any equivalent combination of education, experience, and training which provides the required knowledge, skills, and abilities. Must possess a valid State of Ohio driver's license and must remain insurable under the City's vehicle insurance plan.

The Construction Inspector is an unclassified, Fair Labor Standards Act exempt position. The new Construction Inspector will be subject to a one-year probationary period. The successful candidate will be expected to work the hours that are necessary for effective service.

* The working job title is Engineering / GIS Technician and appears in the General Services Pay Plan in Pay Grade 6.



COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

The City of Vandalia offers a generous and competitive compensation package in an effort to attract top-tier talent. The successful candidate can expect the following wage and benefit package:

The Construction Inspector is a highly valued position with a pay range of **\$28.79 to \$34.50 per hour.**

Employer contribution to the Ohio Public Employee Retirement System;

Health, Vision, and Dental Insurance;

Paid Vacation, Sick Leave, Holidays, and Floating Holidays;

The City of Vandalia will accept the transfer in of up to 1,250 hours of unused, uncompensated sick leave from the candidate's qualifying former employer(s);

Funeral Leave, Jury Duty Leave, Military Leave, Maternal and Paternal Leave with Pay, Adoptive Parent Leave;

Life Insurance: employer sponsored benefit of \$60,000;

Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance: \$12,000 benefit;

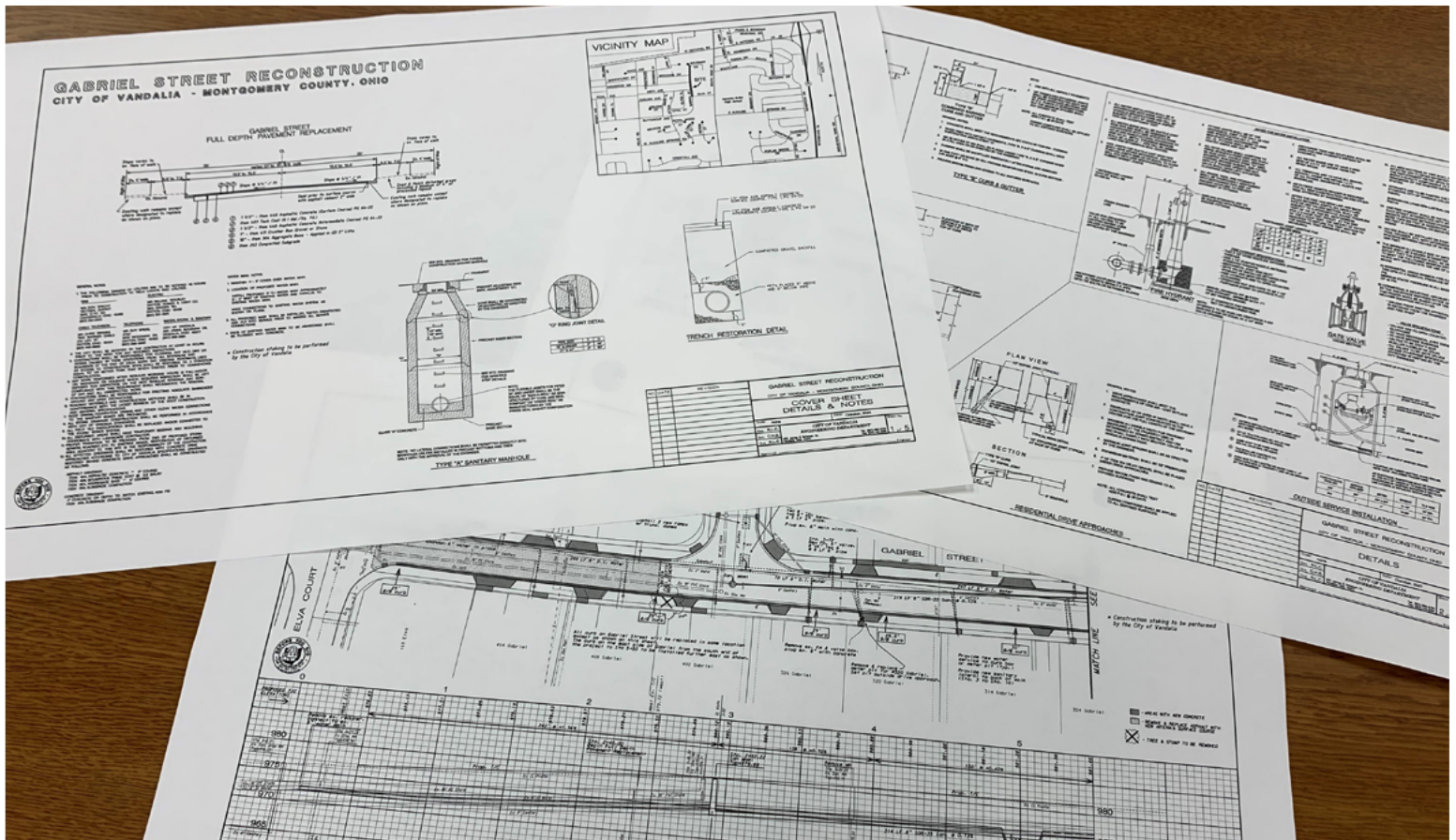
Free Individual Vandalia Recreation Center Membership;

Family Cassel Hills Pool Membership;

Individual Restricted Pass to Cassel Hills Golf Course;

Tuition Reimbursement: \$3,000 per year for up to 80% for accredited degree programs;

Paid training for required licenses and continuing education.



APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will only be accepted through the City's online application system via the website at: VandaliaOhio.org/Jobs. Applications must include copies of any relevant certifications, a résumé and a cover letter.

Application materials may be submitted ONLINE to VandaliaOhio.org/Jobs, beginning Friday, December 22, 2023 with the initial application period ending Wednesday, January 17, 2024.

Questions about the position may be directed to HR Manager Melissa Pruszynski, missy@vandaliaohio.org, (937) 415-2258.

The process for consideration for the position of GIS / Engineering Technician:

1. Initial review of applicants
2. First Oral Interview
3. Second Interview

Once a candidate has been identified, the pre-hiring process will begin. This phase of the process includes the following steps:

1. Thorough Background Investigation
2. Medical Evaluation (Drug Screening)



COMMITMENT TO NON-DISCRIMINATION

The City of Vandalia is firmly committed to equal employment opportunity based on skills, education, work experience, merit, and service to the public. The City does not discriminate based on disability, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, age, sexual orientation, veteran status or gender identity and expression. This includes all City programs, activities, and hiring practices.

Vandalia is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliant. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.



Vandalia Municipal Building



Municipal Building Reception Area



August 2, 2023

To: Jay Weiskircher, MVCC

From: OMLSC & Palmer Energy

Subject: Natural Gas Governmental Aggregation Program Update

As you know, an RFP for a natural gas governmental aggregation program to serve MVCC's prospective eligible gas participants receiving gas distribution services from CenterPoint Energy Ohio (CPE), formerly Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio, was issued a few weeks ago.

The RFP was sent to 13 certified retail natural gas service (CRNGS) providers and requested various term lengths to commence with participants' flow starting with December 2023 billings. The RFP projected an eligible customer pool of roughly 58,000 residential and small commercial customers using about 4.5 billion cubic feet per year (BCF/yr.) of natural gas.

Archer Energy was the sole responding supplier with quoted rates in the low- to mid-\$6 per MCF range depending on the term length. We were concerned about the risk in locking in at that rate for two winters which is one of the factors considered in our recommendation below. Several suppliers cited current gas storage pricing and availability as factors that contributed to their decision not to submit a quote at this time. Other factors also currently impacting the market include:

- Underground gas storage levels are 13% above five-year averages.
- Total storage heading into winter is expected to be near record levels.
- Forecasters are predicting an El Nino weather formation to remain in effect through the coming fall and winter. El Nino generally (not always) is accompanied by warmer-than-average winter weather, which historically leads to natural gas pricing downside.

Given current market conditions we recommend to MVCC that a natural gas RFP be re-issued in late November 2023 in anticipation of a May 2024 contract start date, assuming competitive pricing and approval by the member communities. Moving the start date to May 2024 allows potential suppliers the flexibility to either use existing storage assets or secure new storage capacity that will benefit MVCC participants.

As always, please don't hesitate to let us know if you have any questions.



Vandalia^{ohio}
small city. big opportunity.

Your new water meter is installed!

The City of Vandalia has replaced your water meter! This new meter is programmed to use cellular technology to report your water usage to the City of Vandalia Utility Department.

This new meter also gives you the ability to track your water usage in real time through the free EyeOnWater phone app.

The EyeOnWater app has alerts that can help you identify a costly leak before it runs up your bill.

If you have any questions about your new meter or your water bill, call the number below.



Scan the QR Code for more information!

For more information:

937-415-2231

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Vandalia Water Main Existing Conditions & Planned Replacement

