

## ADMINISTRATION & DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S UPDATE | FEBRUARY 2025

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- Sewer Study Engineer Bidding and Selection: Analysis continues as City staff continue to evaluate method and engineering firm options for a comprehensive sewer study which would review and update the City's most recent study, completed in 2014. Thank you to the Service Department and Board of Control for your continued efforts in helping to review options and prepare information for this analysis.
- **2024 City Annual Report Coming Soon!** A newly revamped City-wide Annual Report is at the printer and will be previewed at the State of the Community on March 4. Thank you to all department directors (and your staff) for providing data for the report—but more importantly for all your hard work in 2024! The report will be available to the public at City Hall and online at *bexley.org*.
- **The Community Builders:** The Community Builders (TCB) had a second round of review at Architectural Review Board in February and will continue to refine their plans. Both 420 N. Cassady and 2300 E. Livingston are scheduled for Architectural Review Board (ARB) and Board of Zoning and Planning (BZAP) in March. Questions about the applications can be directed to Building and Zoning Director Matt Klinger or myself. More information on the proposals is available at *bexley.org/TCB*.
- **COhatch Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting:** COhatch's opening was delayed, but they are now on track to soft-open in March. Save the date for their rescheduled Ribbon Cutting at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 2. For more information on Bexley's COhatch visit *cohatch.com/bexley*.
- **ODOD Brownfield Remediation Grant Update:** The Department of Development (ODOD)'s Brownfield Remediation Grant Program officially opened on February 19. As announced by the State, there is \$50 million available for all projects state-wide, with no dedicated county set-aside. The City submitted two grant applications by way of the Franklin County designated county lead (Central Ohio Community Improvement Corporation). The applications are for environmental testing in the Ferndale-Mayfield neighborhood, and second for gas tank remediation at the old Clark Station site. The City is also aware of two applications submitted to the program by TCB relating to environmental remediation at 420 N. Cassady and 2300 E. Livingston. Award information will be shared once available.
- Land Use Strategy Update: Preliminary plan illustrations have been developed for key areas of focus for the updated Land Use Strategy. As those are refined, staff continue to draft the plan document for review by the Land Use Strategy Commission in March. The Commission anticipates bringing a draft strategy to City Council in late spring/early summer: bexley.org/landuse.
- Parking Management System Contracting: ParkMobile has been selected as the City's parking management vendor, specifically for the City's new electric vehicle charger parking locations. Back-end configuration is nearly complete, with training for our police officers coming soon. We anticipate a late-March roll-out and will share fee/end user information with the community as it is finalized.

## • Other Recent/On-Going Projects:

- · Layout and design for 2024 Police Annual Report (also being previewed at State of the Community);
- Planning for the 2025 State of the Community; We hope to see you next Tuesday, March 4 at 6:30 pm at Torat Emet; RSVP at *bexley.org/soc*;
- Vendor evaluation for Mayor's Court software upgrade;
- Assisting volunteers with promotions for 2025 Arbor Month and Love Your Alley activities.