



June 24, 2025 MAYOR'S UPDATE

Coming up in Bexley:

June 23-27:	Fire Hydrant Flushing
June 26, 4:00-7:00 pm:	Bexley Farmers Market (Also every Thursday in July & August)
June 26, 6:00 pm:	Board of Zoning Appeals and Planning
July 1, 8:00 am:	Community Improvement Corporation Meeting
July 2, 4:00 pm:	Tree and Public Gardens Commission Special BRT Presentation Meeting
July 4, 8:00 am:	8 am: John Barr 5K / 9:30 am: Parade / 6 pm Evening Festivities / 10pm Fireworks
July 9, 5:00 pm:	Civil Service Commission
July 10, 6:30 pm:	Commercial Design Guidelines Public Workshop
July 14, 5:30 pm:	Land Use Strategy Commission: Draft Document Review
July 15, 5:30 pm:	Board of Health
July 15, 6:00 pm:	Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee
July 16, 6:00 pm:	Commonwealth Park Unification Workshop
July 17, 6:00 pm:	Architectural Review Board
July 18, 12:00 pm:	Architectural Review Board Workshop
July 24, 6:00 pm:	Board of Zoning and Appeals Planning
July 27, 5:00 pm:	Jazz in the Park
August 2:	Pelotonia
August 5, 5:30 - 7:30 pm:	National Night Out
August 5, 8:00 am:	Community Improvement Corporation
August 6, 5:30 pm:	Recreation Board
August 11:	Bexley Day Observed
August 12, 6:00 pm:	City Council Meeting

Some of What I'm Working On (continues on following page)

- Work on Fourth of July Planning
- Meeting and follow up on Pedestrian Bridge
- Mural Festival Kickoff Meeting
- Commercial Design Guidelines meetings and work
- Review and Refine Land Use Strategy Draft
- Met with multiple applicants for appointments
- Meetings for Sustainability and Habitat Triangle
- One Bexley Meeting
- MORPC Transportation Policy Meeting
- Meeting with Susan Quintenz and follow up
- OEC Board Meeting
- Restaurant Food Waste Discussion

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Some of What I'm Working On (continued)

- Met with Mongolian Cultural Exchange members
- Met with Jewish Columbus
- Volunteered at Pedal for Pancakes Event
- Planning for Main Event and Rain Date
- Tree and Public Gardence Ordinance Meeting
- Calls and emails with residents
- Meeting with La Baker
- Meeting with William Murdock of MORPC
- Juneteenth Celebration
- Coffee with Representative Humphrey
- Main Event Preparation and Staffing
- Jazz in the Park
- Pumphouse Park Meeting
- Library Pocket Park Meeting
- SummerFest planning and communications work
- Slowdown Bexley Followup Meeting
- Bexley Celebrations and Events Meetings
- Walk properties with Matt Klingler
- Preparation for Board of Control
- MORPC Sustainability Advisory Committee
- BCF Bexley Beautification Meeting
- Presentation of Proclamations for Citizen of the Year and Parade Grand Marshal

Upcoming Workshops and Events to Note

With Council heading into recess and a busy summer ahead, I wanted to be sure to note a few important workshops and meetings taking place in the coming weeks:

Commercial Design Guidelines Public Workshop - July 10, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

As we begin the process of revising our Commercial Design Guidelines, we'll be seeking public feedback in a variety of capacities. A public workshop will be held on July 10 to offer residents and business owners an opportunity to share ideas and input.

Land Use Strategy Commission - Draft Document Review - July 14, 5:30 - 7:00 pm

The initial draft of the Land Use Strategy document will be presented to the commission for feedback and input on July 14. After refinements and changes are incorporated and finalized with the Land Use Strategy Commission, the document will be presented to Council for review and final approval. We'll have a clearer idea on timing after this workshop and will keep Council informed.

Commonwealth Park Unification Workshop - July 16, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

As we continue to move forward with the unification of Commonwealth Park, we'll seek public input on landscape and design concepts on July 16 at 6:00 pm.

Architectural Review Board Workshop - July 18, 12:00 - 1:30 pm

Our ARB members will meet on Friday, July 18 in a workshop designed to create time for discussion of processes and to address basic questions. No specific applications or cases will be discussed, but these workshops offer opportunities to assess potential process improvements.

Jazz in the Park - July 27 - 5:30 pm

Join us at Havenwood Park for Andy Woodson and the Paw Paw Orchestra!

Pelotonia (and Bexley ReCycle Bikes) - August 2 - 7:00 am

Pelotonia will ride through Bexley this August and Bexley Recycle bikes will be on hand to support any cyclist repair needs. Be sure to join us at Bexley Circle at Drexel and Broad to cheer riders on!

National Night Out - August 5

Our Police Department will host their third annual National Night Out event at Commonwealth Park. Stay tuned to the Blast for more details on this fun-for-all-ages event.

Parade Update: Citizen of the Year and Grand Marshal

Fourth of July Parade Planning is almost complete. If any Council Members would like to participate, please let Natalie know by tomorrow end of day so we can be sure to include you in the lineup.

One extra special parade-related honor I enjoyed this week was the presentation of the 2025 Citizen of the Year and Parade Grand Marshal. A small group comprised of members of BC&E and Team Bexley Pelotonia descended upon Rubino's for a surprise visit to announce Jim Marchese as this year's Parade Grand Marshal!

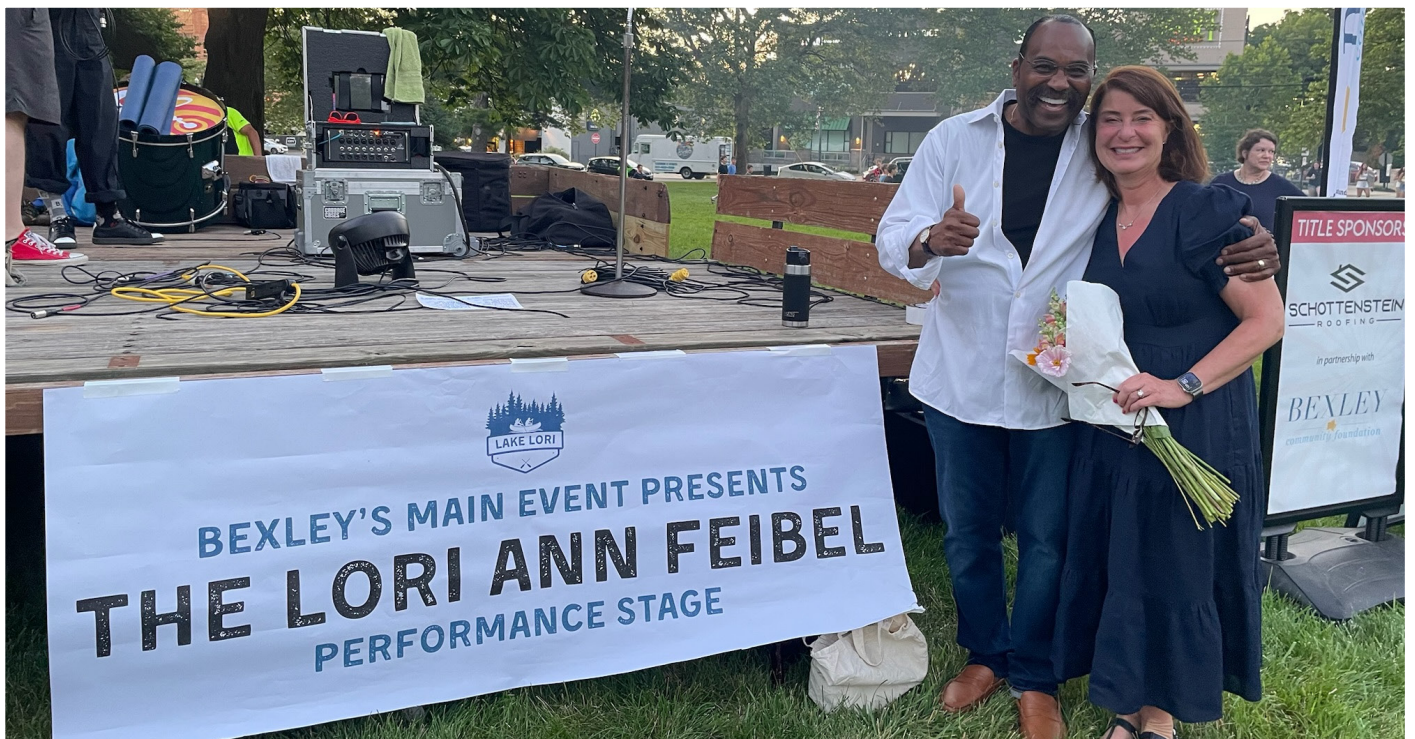
After celebrating with Jim and the Rubino's staff, along with some Team Bexley members in attendance, we let the air of surprise continue outside, where we surprised Tim and Ashley Pitts, who'd arrived to celebrate Jim as the Grand Marshal, with a Citizens of the Year designation. Be sure to congratulate them if you see them around town, and of course, be sure to look for them in the parade!





Juneteenth Celebration of Freedom

Hats off to the Bexley Juneteenth Planning Committee and One Bexley for another unforgettable Juneteenth Celebration of Freedom. This was a wonderful evening of celebration and reflection with an incredible musical performance by *Harmony*.



Main Event: Lori Ann Feibel Performance Stage

After many years of tireless work, weekly meetings, fundraising, and cheerleading for the Bexley Celebrations & Events team, the Bexley Celebrations & Events team honored Lori Ann at the June 20 Main Event. Along with perfect weather and a celebratory cake, we were also fortunate to have Senator Craig join in the fun.

Summer Newsletter!

The Summer Newsletter is available online and will be in mailboxes before the Fourth of July. We've attached a copy here for your convenience.

