



Mayor's City Council Update

August 9, 2016

Key Updates:

Giant Eagle Market District Express Scheduled to Open August 18

Substance Abuse Town Hall Meeting Set for September 12

The substance abuse town hall will discuss substance abuse in general, and the opiate crisis specifically. Participants in the 60-Minute documentary on Central Ohio's opiate epidemic will serve as panelists, and the Ohio Attorney General will be present for the town hall meeting. The meeting will be held at Capital University, and is being organized cooperatively by the Ohio AG, The City of Bexley, Bexley Schools, the Franklin County Sherriff, and Jewish Family Services.

Southwest Bexley Master Plan Update Committee update

Meeting was June 30th – group had a chance to meet and discuss general objectives. Second meeting has not yet been set. Planning consultant selected is NBBJ, who has been agreed upon by all paying parties.

Dog Park Study Group Update

Summer schedules have not enabled a recent dog park study group. I'll be looking to schedule a follow up meeting soon – after the start of the school year.

Mandatory Commercial Recycling

One of the policy objectives we've been pursuing this summer is looking at some models for mandatory commercial recycling. We've worked with SWACO and researched comparable communities to learn what other communities have done to encourage universal recycling across all users. We hope to work with the service committee to bring some concepts forward for the fall.

Bexley's Breed Restrictions – Time to Revisit the Issue?

This summer, several incidences have been brought to my attention where families have been interested in locating into Bexley but have been prohibited from doing so due to them having a dog prohibited by Bexley's breed restrictions. Likewise, we have had instances of families moving into town where their dog's breed has been ambiguous, or not clear enough to know if the City's ordinance is being properly administered, and where the animal control officer's decision on breed prevalence has become a make-or-break decision about whether a family can live in Bexley.

In response to this, I'd like Council to consider revisiting the issue of breed restrictions. After discussing this issue at greater depth with the Chief of Police, our animal control officer, and dog behaviorists, I recommend removing Bexley's breed restrictions, and replacing them with breed conditions. I propose that Bexley reform its ordinance to allow all breeds, but to require breeds that are currently restricted to:

- Pass a standardized, nationally recognized behavior test
- Be spayed or neutered at an appropriate age
- Not allow invisible fencing as an allowable containment device for currently restricted breeds

Coming Up

- August 10
 - August 11, 7:00 pm
 - August 20
 - August 22, 6:00 pm
 - August 23, 6:00 pm
 - August 26
 - August 28
 - August 28
 - September 4, 4:00 to 8:00 pm
 - September 5
 - September 5, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
 - September 9
 - September 12
 - September 24
- Bexley Day! 108 years of being awesome
BZA Meeting
Splish, Splash, and Dash Youth Triathlon
Planning Commission
City Council Meeting
Main Event Date Night – “Date Night”
National Psoriasis Foundation Run @ Jeffrey
Buckeye Kosher Festival
Labor Day Block Party
Labor Day – City Hall Closed – no trash pickup
Bexley Alumni Tennis Tournament
Main Event – Inside Out
43209/Bexley Substance Abuse Town Hall
Ohio Eggfest @ Jeffrey Park