

Office of the City Manager Activities, Projects & Interactions

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Letter from the City Manager

Leaves are falling, winds are turning colder, and we find ourselves with two months left in 2023! October was a busy month, and I want to take a moment to highlight some of the significant accomplishments and initiatives that our city has undertaken.

We are pleased to announce the successful launch of Slow Down Dublin, a community partnership aimed at fostering safe and comfortable streets for everyone in our city. This initiative takes a data-driven approach to speed management, prioritizing the safety and well-being of our residents and road users, including pedestrians and cyclists. I would like to express my appreciation to our team for their dedication and to our community for its enthusiastic participation in this safety campaign.

Our commitment to sustainability continues to grow stronger in support of Dublin City Council's vision. We hosted Sustainable Saturday, an expansion of our traditional Document Destruction Day. We not only provided paper shredding services but also collected Styrofoam to be recycled, and linens, towels and clothing for local non-profits. It is always rewarding to see our community come together to support these efforts. Plans are in the works to expand this event even more next year as we continue our charge to be the most sustainable global city of choice.

I would like to thank our employees and volunteers who made the two-day Halloween Spooktacular a success. Despite the damp, cool weather, guests of all ages enjoyed the activities, including Trunk-or-Treat, crafts, hay maze, games and live performances. Spooktacular has become a Halloween tradition and keeps growing in popularity, drawing more than 7,200 residents and 50 community organizations this year.

We had the privilege of connecting with our neighborhood leaders, a group of engaged residents who play a pivotal role in shaping our community. Their input and insights provide valuable perspectives and serve as a sounding board for our city staff. Council's involvement in the biannual meetings is always appreciated.



On Oct. 9, Council adopted an update to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, capping a 16-month process and establishing a framework for planning, developing, rehabilitating and maintaining Dublin's parks, open spaces, recreation facilities and programming. On Oct. 23, we presented our Economic Development Strategic Plan Update, including the new Intel strategy, to Council, and I am grateful for their support of this important blueprint.

Our collective efforts will pave the way for a prosperous and vibrant future for Dublin.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Finance and the entire Dublin team for earning the prestigious Ohio Auditor of State Award with Distinction. This recognition is a testament to our commitment to financial excellence, accountability and transparency. We will continue to uphold these values as we work toward an even brighter future for our city. We eagerly look forward to our upcoming discussions with City Council regarding the 2024 operating budget, which is essential in setting the stage for our city's ongoing success.

Thank you for your continued support, dedication and engagement. Together, we will continue to build a sustainable, connected, resilient global city of choice.

Megan O'Callaghan

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City Manager

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2023/2024 City Council Goals

1

Become the Most Connected Community in the U.S.

Phase III: Broadband to the Home Project

Status: Field data for phase 1 right-of-way permits is being gathered, and fiber distribution hubs are being reviewed by Staff and altafiber. Field construction is set to begin Q2 of 2024. To date, nearly 1,900 residents have signed up for project notifications – the highest engagement altafiber has seen in this stage of a project.

2

Realize the Metro Center Revitalization Vision

Reposition the Metro Center legacy office park by implementing the vision and goals of the Dublin Corporate Area Plan. Develop a design and implementation framework that creates a distinctive identity, encourages dynamic reinvestment, provides a vibrant mix of uses in a walkable environment, and promotes sustainable design principles. Identify opportunities for public and private partnerships for catalytic projects that transform the Metro Center area consistent with the framework.

Status: A project team led by Sasaki with EMH&T and SB Friedman was selected following a request for proposals to design and implement a framework for the Metro Center/Dublin Corporate Area Plan. The project will be tied to the Envision Dublin community plan and the rollout of the updated Economic Development Strategy. Staff continues to work with Frantz Road property owners to develop a concept plan to present to the Planning and Zoning Commission for informal review. A demolition permit was issued for the Max and Erma's site on Oct. 23, demolition commenced on Oct. 24.

3

Strengthen the Stewardship and Vitality of our Historic District Core

Explore dedicated day-to-day management and establish definitive goals on what the Dublin community aims to preserve – environment, structures, era and architecture. Explore dedicated management and support options and structure that would allow “someone” to wake up every day with the focused mission and tools of delivering on the goals of the district.

Status: Staff held a second informational meeting Oct. 11 on the Historic District Code and Guidelines and overall review process to gain a clearer understanding of the topics raised by residents. Staff [developed a web page](#) to provide detailed resources and information for residents and business owners.

In September, Staff presented initial draft modifications for demolition language to the Architectural Review Board, which was recommended to P&Z and scheduled for the Nov. 9 meeting. City divisions are working with the Dublin Community Improvement Corporation to reinstate the [Commercial Façade Improvement Program](#). The City, Dublin Chamber and the Historic Dublin Business Association are actively promoting the program. One of the City's Economic Development administrators will focus efforts on downtown and serve as a liaison to the Historic District.

4

Develop Dublin's “Destination of Choice” Next-Generation Community Events Vision.

Develop a local and regional community events program and management roadmap. Leverage Dublin parks and facilities to create a connected, comprehensive, and fiscally sustainable vision that drives vitality, engagement, and entertainment.

Status: Staff has evaluated the City's current event tempo, operating and funding model; researched, visited and analyzed event operating, funding and management models in other cities; and brought forward new events and policies regarding next-generation community events for Council's consideration.

To further advance this goal, staff members issued a Request for Proposals for Event Consultation Services on Sept. 29th and received two proposals prior to the Oct. 19th submission deadline.

Key Project Updates

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
COhatch Headquarters and Riverview Village Development	At the Sept. 11, 2023, City Council meeting, Council approved a real estate transfer and development agreement for the development of Riverview Village. Riverview Village will be home to COhatch's national headquarters, as well as a first-of-its-kind coworking and entrepreneurship village in Historic Dublin.	Staff members from COhatch and Dublin hold a weekly coordination call and held an on-site meeting Oct. 26. Dublin is working to record a temporary easement against the west parcels in advance of the requirements of the development agreement. The City will be holding regular internal meetings to ensure coordination on this project with Staff from Planning, Transportation & Mobility, Utilities, and Parks & Recreation.
Community Gateway Signs	City Council approved an initial design concept in March 2022 for new community gateway signs at key entrances to the city following a recommendation from the Community Development Committee. To properly recognize the many accolades and achievements the City of Dublin has earned, City Council requested these be incorporated as an additional sign or modified original design. Staff has been working on creating a revised community gateway sign design to accommodate the various site conditions and incorporate such accolades.	Staff members have met with the consultant team to review updated conceptual designs and plan to request City Council refer this topic to the Community Development Committee at their February meeting.
Community Health Needs Assessment	The Community Health Needs Assessment is a systematic process involving the community to identify, analyze and prioritize community health needs as well as plan to act upon unmet community health needs. Guiding this effort is the Advisory Committee, which includes the City, Washington Township, each of the four major health systems, mental health care providers, Dublin City Schools and a variety of social service organizations that serve Dublin residents.	512 responses to the statistically valid survey were received, which was well over the goal of 400. The open community survey received 334 responses, which exceeded expectations. The first draft of Illuminology's report was received by Dublin staff members this month. The City's feedback will be incorporated into the report that is presented to the Advisory Committee. This project will be completed by the end of 2023.

Key Project Updates (Continued)

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
<p>Envision Dublin Community Plan Update</p> <p>The Envision Dublin Community Plan will be a roadmap for the City to direct future growth and development over the next 20 years. Recent activities include:</p>	<p>Public Engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Survey: More than 570 responses were received. The survey was accessible through July 31, 2023. A summary of the survey results is underway and will be posted to the Envision Dublin website upon completion and used to guide the Community Plan Update. Engagement and promotions: Efforts to boost participation have included Planning Staff attending key community events, social media engagement, sandwich boards with a QR code leading to the plan's website placed in various City locations, flyer distribution at key locations, Staff stations at the Dublin Market and with the Mobility Concierge throughout the summer and an Envision Dublin presence in the Independence Day Parade. 	<p>Public Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More than 40 residents and business owners attended a Special Area Plans Open House held Aug. 29 to provide input and feedback on the six Special Area Plans within the Community Plan. A Joint Work Session for City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission, Architectural Review Board and Board of Zoning Appeals was held Aug. 30 to provide an update on the Envision Dublin process and gain initial feedback on the Special Area Plans findings. Feedback from the Sept. 28 Dublin Sustainability Plan public input session also was gathered, including a mapping exercise for connectivity. An update to City Council regarding Envision Dublin is scheduled for Nov. 13, followed by a Steering Committee meeting on Nov. 14 with the focus of these meetings on the land use scenario modeling. <p>Steering Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee includes community leaders and business partners who provide key input for the Envision Dublin process and help guide the Community Plan's updates. The Committee has held three meetings to review and provide feedback on initial deliverables with the most recent meeting held Aug. 30 regarding visioning and key recommendations. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 13.
<p>EV Infrastructure Comprehensive Plan</p>	<p>Develop a comprehensive plan researching and recommending the types and appropriate placement of electric vehicle charging infrastructure for both electric vehicles (EV) and e-bikes.</p>	<p>The project team developed low, medium and high future projection scenarios of EV parking infrastructure, including Level 1, Level 2 and DC fast charging. The anticipated completion date is Q1 2024.</p>
<p>Dublin Community Recreation Center Refresh</p>	<p>In 2022, Council directed \$3.1 million of American Rescue Act Plan funds for improvements to the Dublin Community Recreation Center (DCRC). Subsequently, staff members began working to identify an architect to update the improvement scenarios identified pre-pandemic, a task which was complicated by the high growth of inflation, especially in the construction industry. In July 2022, the City contracted with MSA Design to update the necessary improvements and associated costs for the DCRC.</p>	<p>The first community engagement meeting for the DCRC Refresh Master Plan took place Oct. 24 at 6 p.m. in the Development Building. City staff members and MSA Design representatives presented information to outline current conditions of the building and related programming, as well as some benchmarking data for the public to respond to with their feedback. This was the first of three community engagement meetings that will take place throughout the project. The three-phase project should be completed by the end of February 2024.</p>

Key Project Updates (Continued)

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
Holiday Market Feasibility Study	At their February 2023 meeting, Public Services Committee (PSC) members directed Staff to consult with potential community partners, including Visit Dublin Ohio, the Downtown Dublin Strategic Alliance and the Crawford Hoying Foundation to help determine if Phase II of a feasibility study for a holiday market is necessary.	At the Feb. 8 PSC meeting, the Committee instructed staff to consult with community partners about a potential holiday market in Dublin. Staff members also met with the market managers of markets in Carmel, Indiana; Philadelphia; and Baltimore. These conversations helped staff members better understand the necessary scope for Phase II of the feasibility study. At the Sept. 19 PSC meeting, the Committee voted to recommend a Phase II feasibility study to City Council. At the Oct. 9 City Council meeting, Council unanimously voted to direct staff to move forward with the second phase of the feasibility study. Staff members plan to issue the RFP in early Q1 2024 to align with the availability of the potential respondents.
Mobility Hubs	The design of the Dublin Community Recreation Center Mobility Hub includes site improvements, such as solar power, wayfinding signs, canopies, bike racks and a CoGo Bike Share station.	Staff re-bid the project for a third time using an architectural format rather than a transportation format. The bid was advertised Aug. 24 and opened Sept. 21. One bid was received but was significantly over budget. Staff members are performing a detailed bid analysis to inform next steps.
Performing Arts Center Feasibility Study	The City engaged Webb Mgmt to conduct a feasibility study to complete a proposed business plan, potential site locations and pro forma for a potential performing arts center.	Webb Mgmt conducted Phase I and II of the Performing Arts Center Feasibility Study and presented their report to Dublin City Council Aug. 28. City Council provided feedback and direction regarding revisions and additional information requested for the report. The initiative remains with the Community Development Committee (CDC) for further consideration. Staff members returned to the CDC on Oct. 17 for additional feedback. The report will return to Council Nov. 13.
Post Road Interchange	This project provides for U.S. 33/S.R. 161/Post Road interchange ramps and terminal intersections previously approved by the Federal Highway Administration and Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT). The project will provide the needed interchange capacity improvements.	Construction is underway and managed by ODOT. Reconstruction of both U.S. 33 bridges over Post Road/S.R. 161 and reconstruction/widening of Post Road/S.R. 161 are scheduled to be completed in June 2025. The Post Road/S.R. 161 westbound ramp to U.S. 33 eastbound is closed through fall 2023. The U.S. 33 traffic shift is tentatively scheduled for early November.

Key Project Updates (Continued)

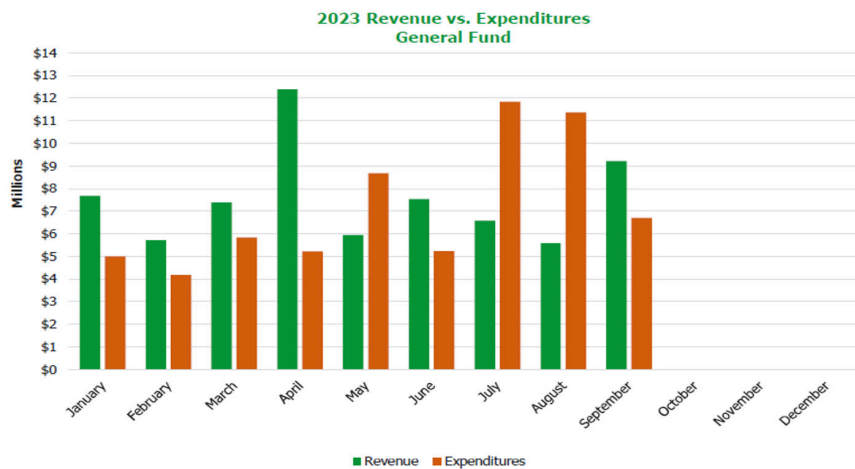
PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
Riverside Crossing Park Master Plan	Master planning of Riverside Crossing Park is set to include consideration of many elements, including river access; kayak launch site; connectivity to Dublin Springs Park and Indian Run Falls Park; adventure elements; walking trails; Japanese-style garden; updates to the great lawn for festivals; revisiting the promenade in conjunction with festivals being held on the great lawn; and other supporting elements.	The scope of the contract was expanded to include elements on the east side of the river, based on feedback from the City Council as part of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan process. The master planning process will begin in late fall of 2023 with a target completion of Q4 2024. The contract is being finalized and will include public engagement.
Dublin Sustainability Plan	In connection with the Envision Dublin community plan, the Dublin Sustainability Plan will be a guiding document to advance the City's sustainability efforts. Asakura Robinson, an award-winning planning and urban design firm, is providing consultant services for this project. EcoDublin, the City's internal Sustainability Committee, meets biweekly with the consultant.	Feedback from the community was gathered and discussed by the consultant and EcoDublin teams. Asakura Robinson and Houseal Lavigne met Oct. 17 to ensure the planning efforts are aligned and informed by each other. These discussions will continue through the remainder of both planning processes. The anticipated completion of this project is Q1 2024.
Speed Management	A new Speed Management Program was approved by City Council July 31. The updated Speed Management Program better addresses safety concerns and provides more tools that can be used throughout the city. The Speed Management Program provides a framework for a data-driven approach to speed management and context-sensitive solutions to address speeding based on national best practices. The program's goals and strategies strive to create safe and comfortable streets for all road users across Dublin, including people walking and rolling.	<p>The promotional efforts began in October with the launch of the Slow Down Dublin campaign. Staff members are working to develop three tactical urbanism projects. An updated Speed Management and Enforcement dashboard has been posted on the City's website. The first set of speed safety cameras has been ordered.</p> <p>Staff members began engaging residents on Cacchio Lane the week of Sept. 18 to gather feedback about area speed concerns and thoughts on speed cushions. The target resident areas include Belvedere and Riviera neighborhoods. Communication tactics include postcard mailers, an online survey, social media, HOA communications, Jerome High School parents' newsletter and yard signs where speed cushions might be placed. The signs have a QR code to scan for the survey. The survey remained open through early October and received approximately 120 responses. Input is being evaluated to determine the next steps.</p> <p>City Council approved legislation establishing a business district for the purpose of generating local control for speed limits and enforcement of u-turning vehicles Sept. 11. New signs were posted Oct. 12. Educational enforcement began Oct. 12. Full enforcement began Oct. 30.</p> <p>View a complete list of projects</p>

Finance

Highlights

General Fund Information

Total GF Revenue: \$68,052,811
Total GF Expenditures: \$63,893,162



Highlights

General Fund Cash Balance: \$68,419,765

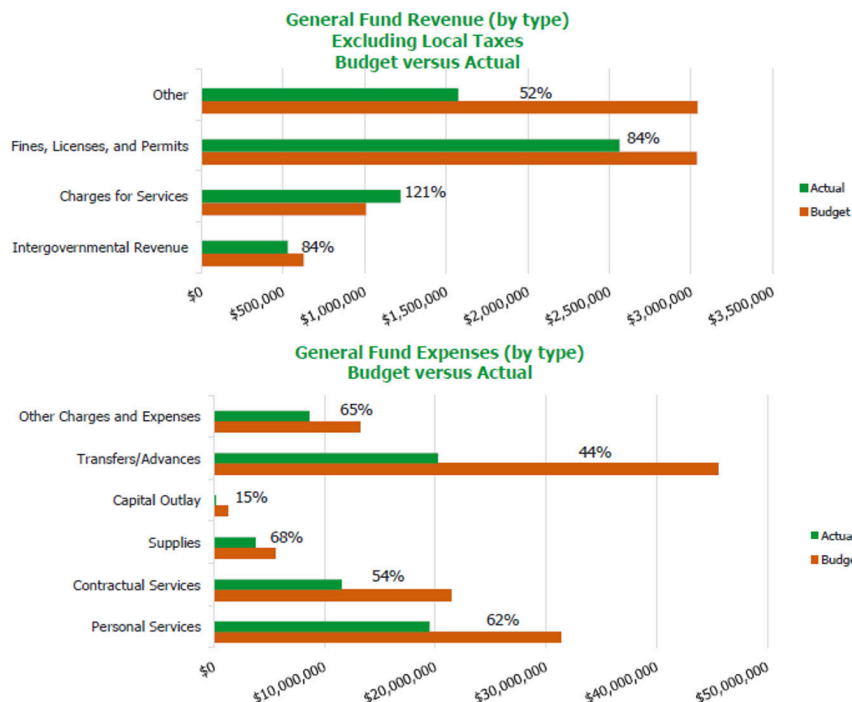
- 62.6% of budgeted expenditures
- \$13,814,310 in excess of 50% reserve level
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Income Tax Revenue:

- Income Tax revenue was 3.2% above 2022 YTD levels, or \$2,547,885
- Receipts are 6.6% or \$5,100,898 ahead of budget

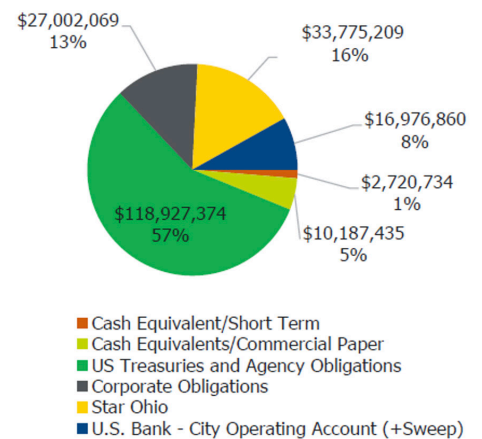
Comparing YTD Sept. 2022 versus Sept. 2023:

- Withholding increased 4.79%
- Net Profit revenue decreased -3.31%
- Individual revenue increased 2.53%



Investment Summary as of September 30, 2023

Total market value: \$209,589,681



Finance Update

Fund Balance as of September 30, 2023

Fund	Month End Cash Balance	Fund	Month End Cash Balance	Fund	Month End Cash Balance
101 - General Fund	\$68,419,765	419 - TIF Thomas/Kohler	\$3,368,115	461 - TIF Tuller	\$3,891,678
201 - Street Maintenance and Repair	\$2,035,371	421 - TIF McKittrick Project	\$1,925,981	462 - TIF Nestle	\$250,054
202 - State Highway	\$657,896	425 - TIF Perimeter Center	\$1,861,980	463 - TIF Bridge Park Blocks B & C	\$1,870,911
225 - Recreation	\$1,709,786	426 - TIF Rings Road	\$852,330	464 - TIF Innovation	\$392,487
226 - Pool	\$181,374	431 - TIF Perimeter West	\$1,955,332	465 - TIF Riviera	\$732,968
231 - Permissive Tax	\$218,815	432 - TIF Upper Metro Place	\$1,418,033	466 - TIF Penzone	\$289,228
232 - Hotel/Motel Tax	\$2,985,182	433 - TIF Rings/Frantz	\$2,228,772	467 - TIF H2 Hotel	\$414,675
241 - Safety	\$1,918,485	436 - TIF Historic Dublin Parking	\$115,750	468 - TIF Bridge Park Block Z	\$233
242 - Law Enforcement	\$101,779	440 - TIF Emerald Parkway Phase 5	\$22,107	469 - TIF Block A	\$598
243 - Mandatory Drug Fine	\$2,901	441 - TIF Emerald Parkway Phase 8	\$5,189	474 - TIF Bridge Park Incentive Dist	\$15,031
244 - Wireless 9-1-1 System	\$728,080	442 - TIF Perimeter Loop	\$92,537	475 - TIF The Corners	\$264,763
251 - Enforcement and Education	\$76,795	443 - TIF Tartan West	\$1,392,758	591 - Cemetery Perpetual Care	\$1,741,033
252 - Mayors Court Computer	\$53,485	444 - TIF Shamrock Blvd.	\$214,350	610 - Water	\$12,779,050
261 - Cemetery	\$102,290	446 - TIF River Ridge	\$878,460	612 - Water Construction	\$1,790,293
262 - Accrued Leave Reserves	\$285,211	447 - TIF Lifetime Fitness	\$900,651	620 - Sewer	\$7,483,507
263 - Rings Unitrust	\$1,000,000	448 - COIC Improvement	\$0	623 - Sewer Construction	\$2,399,688
267 - OPIOID RELIEF FUND	\$42,801	449 - TIF Irelan Place	\$22,454	701 - Self Insurance - Employee Bens	\$5,460,117
299 - Occupancy Deposits	\$318,750	450 - TIF Shier Rings Road	\$54,762	703 - Self Insurance - Workers Comp	\$238,135
310 - General Debt Service	\$2,232,415	451 - TIF Shamrock Crossing	\$505,233	803 - Unclaimed Monies	\$136,934
311 - Econ Development Bond Retirmt	\$1,327,329	452 - TIF Bridge and High Street	\$359,505	804 - Visit Dublin Ohio	\$113,781
320 - S.A. Debt Service	\$17,659	453 - TIF Dublin Methodist Hospital	\$1,241,571	805 - Agency	\$3,908
322 - 2001 S.A. Debt Service	\$134,913	454 - TIF Kroger Centre	\$1,334,671	807 - C.O.I.R.S.	\$437,055
401 - Capital Improvements Tax	\$53,192,331	455 - TIF Frantz/Dublin Road	\$113,166	817 - Property Assessed Clean Energy	\$626

Income Tax Collections

As of September 30, 2023, YTD income tax receipts totaled \$82,889,624, an increase of 3.2% over the same time in 2023. The 2023 budgeted income tax revenue is \$94,000,000.



	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Withholding	\$ 56,289,958	\$ 59,708,998	\$ 58,510,925	\$ 61,316,487
Net Profit	\$ 6,583,607	\$ 11,140,661	\$ 13,870,445	\$ 13,411,112
Individual	\$ 7,184,753	\$ 6,737,843	\$ 7,960,370	\$ 8,162,024
Total	\$ 70,058,318	\$ 77,587,502	\$ 80,341,739	\$ 82,889,624

For comprehensive details of revenues and expenditures, see the September [Revenue](#) and [Expense](#) Reports.

Economic Development

Highlights

Business Retention & Expansion

- Business Retention and Expansion visits were strong this month, accruing 169 to date, on track to meet the annual goal of 225.
- Economic Development continues meeting with businesses in the Dublin Entrepreneurial Center (DEC).
- Economic Development has continued conducting field research on office vacancies in the City's business districts.

Attraction & Marketing Projects

As part of the recommendations within the 2023 Economic Development Strategic Plan, Economic Development is working with CPI on its web page redesign to highlight land development opportunities in the City.

In addition, here are a few relevant articles highlighting Dublin-based businesses.

- [Columbus Underground Feature: Nymbi Systems](#)
- [FST Logistics acquires Findlay's Hyway Trucking](#)

JobsOhio/One Columbus Leads (2)

- Economic Development submitted two sites for the SiteOhio program administered by JobsOhio. This program certifies sites in the state of Ohio as shovel-ready for development.
- Ongoing evaluation of project leads continues as they come in from One Columbus and JobsOhio. The Department responds to leads that fit our target industries and/or site requirements.

Local Business Retention and Expansion Leads (2)

Innovation & Entrepreneurship

City of Dublin Economic Development and Rev1 co-hosted a Thrive in Dublin networking event Oct. 18 at COhatch Dublin with more than 30 attendees. The event featured local entrepreneurs speaking about their experiences starting Dublin-based companies.



Workforce Development

The City of Dublin will sponsor a fall Dublin Talent Connect event Oct. 30-Nov. 3. The Economic Development team has received positive feedback and appreciation from the Dublin business community for the City's sponsorship of the free event to help provide workforce recruitment support.

Economic Development

Strategic Initiatives

Economic Development presented strategies, including the Newmark semiconductor supply chain strategy, to City Council for adoption Oct. 23. Economic Development is planning an event Nov. 16, 2023, at The Exchange to roll out the new strategy to community, business, and economic development partners. The event also will incorporate updates and an engagement opportunity for the Envision Dublin Community Plan.



The Dublin Institute for the Study of the Intelligent Community

In collaboration with Hilliard and Westerville, on Sept. 29, the City of Dublin participated in an Intelligent Community Forum (ICF) Workshop hosted by the Dublin Institute for the Study of the Intelligent Community. Intelligent Communities projects were shared by participating municipalities, with each community commenting on broadband expansion relative to economic development. The Economic Development team is working with ICF to schedule a spring 2024 workshop.



The BETA District

The Northwest 33 Council of Governments met Oct. 11 in Marysville. Several updates were shared, including marketing and public relations efforts to promote The BETA District. The digital ad campaign launched in August has generated great traffic and engagement, yielding more than 372,000 total impressions and 7,500+ clicks. The display ads have shown strong results with a high conversion rate of 7.81 percent (higher than the industry average of 3.71 percent). Media pitches gained coverage in local newspapers:

- Columbus Business First mentions: [EASE Logistics to build new facility at 33 Innovation Park in Marysville](#); [CBF Morning Run](#)
- Both stories mention EASE building in The BETA District; following up with reporter to pitch BETA story
- Union County Daily Digital: [The BETA District Continues to Burgeon](#)
- Union County Daily Digital: [City of Marysville and Union County Delegation travel to Japan](#)

Takeaway from the metrics found in the Economic Development Performance Measures: Business Retention and Expansion visits have remained in line with monthly goals. Office vacancy rates are still high when compared with other markets in the Columbus Region but are only slightly higher than the Central Ohio region's average. Class A office asking rates are very competitive when compared with other markets in the Columbus Region.

[View Economic Development Performance Measures](#)

Community Development

Boards & Commission Activity

Update Renewable Energy Equipment - Solar

On June 6, 2022, City Council adopted regulations regarding renewable energy equipment for solar (Ordinance 70-22) that addressed installation of solar equipment on both residential and commercial properties. Planning and Building Standards are working collaboratively to ensure consistent implementation of regulations. The adopted amendments require solar equipment to be installed in a rectangular shape to avoid complex and nonsymmetrical configurations, and the color of the equipment be similar to the roof color. These two Code provisions have been the most challenging for potential applicants to meet and are the subject of the first case for an upcoming Board of Zoning Appeals meeting. To provide clarity around these two points, Staff plans to provide recommended strategies at the Nov. 9, 2023 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

2023 Heritage Ohio Annual Conference

Two Planning Staff and three Architectural Review Board members attended the Heritage Ohio Annual Conference in Dayton, Ohio, Oct. 10-12, 2023. The conference provided an opportunity to hear from local, regional and national experts on the economics of historic preservation, new ideas in creative placemaking and innovations for evolving communities.

2023 Annual AACE Conference

Two Code Enforcement staff members attended the American Association of Code Enforcement Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida, Oct. 4-6, 2023. The conference provided an opportunity to gain key insights on new solutions and information and resources about best management practices in the field of code enforcement.

Regional Planning Commission Meetings

Two Planning staff members serve on the regional planning commissions for Delaware and Logan-Union-Champaign counties. Staff attend monthly meetings, and review and make determinations and recommendations on applications brought forward to the Commissions. Agendas for the Delaware Regional Planning Commission can be [found at the following link](#).

Minutes for previous Logan-Union-Champaign Regional Planning Commission committee meetings can be found at the following links: [Executive Committee](#). [Zoning and Subdivision Committee](#).

[View Planning Performance Measures](#)

Planning & Zoning Commission

Oct. 5

- Site Tour, part 2 – Walking Tour of Bridge Street

Oct. 12

- [IGS energy – Pickleball Court - approved](#)
- [Avery Crossing Informal Review - completed](#)
- [Amlin Crossing Rezoning/Preliminary Development Plan - tabled](#)
- [Amlin Crossing Preliminary Plan - tabled](#)

Nov. 9

- [Towns on the Parkway, Section 3 Preliminary Plat and Final Plat](#)
- [Penzone Base One Brick Painting Amended Final Development Plan](#)
- [Historic District Code and Guidelines Update](#)
- Tour Recap Discussion
- Renewable Solar Energy Equipment Discussion

Administrative Review Team

Sept. 14: canceled

Oct. 12:

- [Cramer Creek Corporate Park - approved](#)

Architectural Review Board

Sept. 20

- Site Tour

Sept. 27

- [Coffman House Sidewalk](#)
- [Alternative Materials Discussion](#)
- [Historic Code and Guidelines Updates](#)

Oct. 25

- [Trevor Furbay Sign – Minor Project Review](#)
- South High Utility Project, Phase 2

Board of Zoning Appeals

Sept. 28

- [Trubiano Residence/Solar Panels](#)

Oct. 26: canceled

Takeaway from metrics found in the Planning, Boards & Commissions, and Zoning & Code Compliance Performance Measures: September saw a large uptick in the number of board and commission cases, along with the submittal and review of unprecedentedly complex and large cases preparing for October hearings. Commercial Certificate of Zoning Plan Approvals (CZPAs) remained unusually high for September, while residential CZPAs dropped off as usual for the end of the exterior home improvement season.

Compliance & Enforcement

Zoning & Code Compliance

Zoning Complaints

- Deer Run Tree Preservation Zone Buffer – Zoning Compliance Staff met with homeowners and HOA board members from the Cortona subdivision. The homeowners had concerns that trees were required to be planted within the tree preservation zone to help screen their properties from the new residential development at Deer Run Court. It was found that the buffer installed in this area in 2018 was used to satisfy this expectation.
- An anonymous complaint was received concerning dead trees located at two residential properties on Davington Drive. Each property has a large dead ash tree located in proximity to the right of way. Letters were sent requiring their removal by Nov. 20, 2023.

Routine Landscape Inspections

- No follow-up inspections were scheduled for the month of September.
- Red Roof Inn, 5125 Post Road, completed replacements of deficient landscape items due Dec. 1. Six trees were replaced on site.
- Homewood Suites, 5300 Parkcenter Avenue, completed replacement of deficient landscape items originally due Aug. 17. Twelve trees and 10 shrubs were replaced on the site.



The above descriptions contextualize the data portrayed in the Planning, Boards & Commissions, and Zoning & Code Compliance Performance Measures.

Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement Staff has continued working with planning technicians to get CZPA clearance for sheds, patios, fences and driveways. Often residents are told by contractors that a permit has been secured or that none is needed for the work proposed. Unfortunately, we are not always able to get this information to the resident before the work is completed and many times the item needs to be changed or removed later. Information regarding the administrative permit process and when a permit is needed [can be found here](#).

With elections approaching, there is increased awareness of temporary signs around the city. Candidates, DCS levy information and statewide ballot issues dominate the landscape, and we enforce the following rules through Election Day, when non-compliant signs at polling places are removed. Non-compliant signs in the public right-of-way or improperly displayed will be removed. If possible, we will ask a resident to move a sign to a compliant zone past the sidewalk. All signs should be removed immediately after the election.

Election Sign Regulations

Sign regulations:

- Signs may not be affixed to any public utility, pole, tree, street sign or other object.
- They cannot be located within a public right-of-way, public park or on public property, including tree lawns (the area between the sidewalk and the street).
- No signs are permitted in roundabouts or in the approach to or exits of roundabouts.
- Signs may not create a safety or visibility hazard for motorists and pedestrians.
- On private property, permission must be obtained from the property owners.

Building Standards

Commercial and Residential Plan Review

Total plan review numbers have decreased this month. Numbers have decreased approximately 25 percent compared to the August monthly numbers. Our highest month this year was 134 plan reviews in May. Overall plan review numbers are expected to stay steady as we move into fall. We are averaging 110 plan reviews per month, so far this calendar year.

Demolition Permits

A demolition permit was issued to the Max and Erma's site, and demolition of the vacant building began Oct. 24.



Demolition of Max and Erma's

Certificate of Occupancy

38 certificates of occupancy issued, including Dublin Food Pantry, Fox in the Snow and Higher Ground Montessori.

Plan Review Turnaround Times

We are generally consistent at a Commercial 10 +/- calendar days turnaround. This month is better than that at 8.47 days. Residential reviews are at 3.76 calendar days turnaround this month. We are significantly better than our 14-calendar day target!

New Building Permits Issued (Requiring Plan Review)

Building permit issued numbers that required plan review are steady this month compared to August numbers. Numbers can regularly fluctuate +/- 10 percent each month. May was our highest monthly number of permits issued so far this calendar year at 48. The monthly average, over the last 12-month period, is approximately 38 new building permits issued per month that required plan review.

Total Square Footage of Building Permits

This number can vary considerably when a very large project (like an Amazon or Bridge Park project) is issued. We had very strong months last September and October, and this February, with a total of approximately 795,000 square feet. Square footage this month was average at 62,107 square feet. Our monthly average over the last 12 months is approximately 120,000 square feet per month.

Inspections

The number of inspections for September are the third highest month so far this year at 625. September inspections are 10 percent lower than September 2022.

[View Building Standards Performance Measures](#)

Transportation & Mobility

Highlights

Bird Scooters

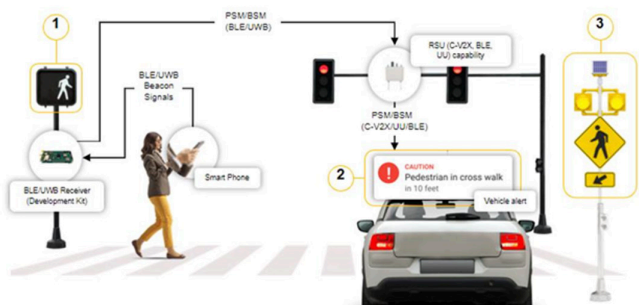
- 3,430 unique riders since January - 17 percent increase in September
- 6,314 rides since January - 16 percent increase in September
- 12,768 miles traveled on scooters since January - 16 percent increase in September
- 1.80 metric tonnes of CO2 saved since January - 16 percent increase in September

Dublin Connector

- 9,183 rides since January
- 177 unique riders since January
- 4,253 kg, or 9,380 pounds, of CO2 emissions saved YTD
- View the [Dublin Connector Dashboard](#) and [Monthly Mobility Report](#).

USDOT SMART Grant

Transportation & Mobility Staff, with partners from The Ohio State University, Michigan State University and Valtech Mobility, a leading developer of connected vehicle technologies, submitted a Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) grant to the U.S. Department of Transportation. This application focuses on passive vulnerable road user detection through Bluetooth low energy and ultra-wide band emissions, sending messages to vehicles and to vulnerable road users alike.



Citywide Crash Data (vehicles and all vulnerable road users)

	Frequency	High Severity	Bike Ped
YTD	436	6	8
August	59	1	0

There was one serious crash reported in August at the Riverside Drive/S.R. 161 roundabout. A northbound driver struck a curb south of the roundabout before continuing straight, striking a concrete wall inside the roundabout. This was the only unit involved in the crash.



Outreach Efforts

Transportation & Mobility staff member J.M. Rayburn attended the Aging in Place Resource Fair at the Dublin Community Recreation Center to promote mobility services, including the Dublin Connector, bike maps, Speed Management and the West Dublin Passenger Rail Station. Director of Transportation & Mobility Jeannie Willis attended the October Neighborhood Leadership Meeting to engage with the HOA leadership on the Slow Down Dublin campaign and provide an update on Speed Management.

Public Service

Highlights

Forestry

- Street tree orders for fall planting arrived this month.
- Crews have pruned over 1,800 street trees to date this year.
- Annual fall plantings were installed in Dublin Cemetery.

Horticulture

- Fall annual plantings in the Historic District, Riverside Crossing Park and City buildings have been installed.
- Fall trees and plants have arrived and are being planted.
- Crews continue to mulch, prune and water new plantings within the Parks system.

Sustainability

- The City hosted the first Sustainable Saturday Oct. 14 as an expansion of the former Document Destruction Day. The event provided additional recycling services to residents, including e-waste, Styrofoam, composting and textile recycling. A total of 477 cars participated in the event, recycling 48 pounds of Styrofoam, six 65-gallon carts of linens for donation to the Ohio Wildlife Center, two carts of e-waste and nine full carts of clothes for donation to Goodwill. In addition to the two onsite trucks for document destruction, residents filled 26 95-gallon carts.
- Styrofoam Collection Boxes: 2.86 tons of Styrofoam has been recycled so far in 2023.
- GoZero Composting: 38.49 tons of compost to date in 2023
- Across the City's 21 electric vehicle charging stations, 31,699.5 gallons of gas have been saved so far in 2023.
- Members of City Council and Staff attended the annual Summit on Sustainability hosted by Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission. The City of Dublin was a supporting sponsor of the event and hosted a table in the exhibit hall to promote all of the sustainable activities in Dublin.

Parks

- Park inspections occurred this month. Staff members will review the results to inform park maintenance plans.
- Crews began the winterization process for in-ground irrigation systems.
- Fall fertilization and broadleaf control took place this month.
- Crews are mulching playgrounds and performing playground repairs.

Streets

- Fall leaf collection started Oct. 9 and will continue into early December.
- The remaining concrete and asphalt repairs will be completed this month.
- The Street Sweeping Program is performing the final cleaning of the year. Crews will complete one additional sweep at the end of leaf season.

Wildlife Management

In preparation for peak breeding season when deer are actively on the move in Ohio, Nature Education Coordinator Barbara Ray presented helpful resources and proactive strategies at the Fall Neighborhood Leadership meeting. Earlier in the month, a new community-wide video series was launched called "Dublin's Backyard with Barbara." Topics to be covered in this series will include helpful explanations, realistic expectations and tips on living peacefully with wildlife throughout Ohio's seasons.

At the Oct. 23 City Council meeting, Council directed staff members to draft an Outdoor Feed Ordinance to prohibit feeding of any wild animals or animals at large on private property. The first reading of this ordinance will be Nov. 13.

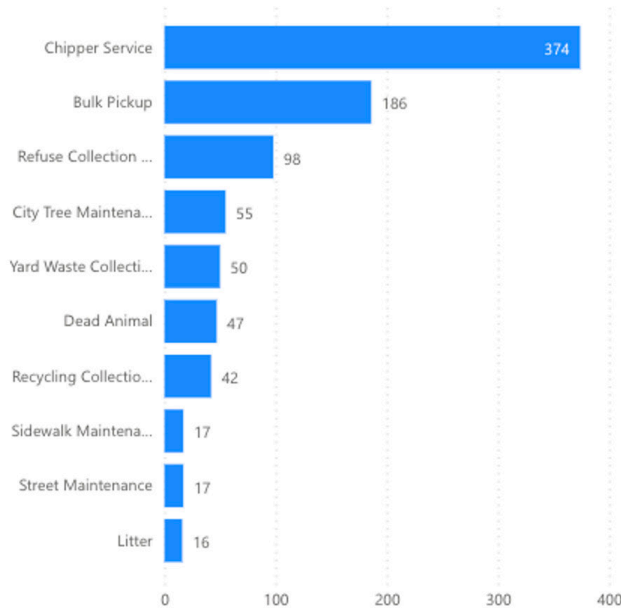
General Updates

- Mosquito spraying has wrapped up for the season. Franklin County Public Health's Interactive Surveillance [Dashboard link can be found here](#).
- Crews are preparing trucks and equipment for the winter season.

Asset Management & Quality Assurance

Top Service Requests by Month City of Dublin, Ohio USA

Top 10 Requests



Select Year

- ☐ 2018
- ☐ 2019
- ☐ 2020
- ☐ 2021
- ☐ 2022
- ☒ 2023

Select Month

- ☐ January
- ☐ February
- ☐ March
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- ☐ May
- ☐ June
- ☐ July
- ☐ August
- ☒ September
- ☐ October
- ☐ November
- ☐ December

Total Requests

1054

Via GoDublin

676

GoDublin

- 1,054 requests were submitted in September, down from 1,424 in August. Of those requests, 676 (64 percent) were initiated through the GoDublin app.
- By comparison, there were 1,282 requests in September 2022.
- Top requests in August:
 - Chipping service
 - Bulk pickup
 - Refuse collection missed
 - City tree maintenance
 - Yard waste missed
- Top 10 requests generally account for 72 percent of all requests per month.

[View the condition assessment for each of the city's assets.](#)

All of Dublin's assets are meeting or exceeding the established goals. The adopted five year Capital Improvement Program provides funding for the continued focus on maintenance of all assets.

Parks & Recreation

Highlights

September Memberships

- DCRC memberships: 7,590
- Fall programs and activities are ongoing and can be found in the latest edition of the [Healthy Guide](#).



Active Aging Week

Active Aging Week ran Oct. 2-7 as an opportunity for anyone in the Dublin community age 40 and up to celebrate aging and learn the benefits of a healthy, active lifestyle. Two hundred participants engaged in the various health, wellness and arts programs. The resource fair was the pinnacle event for the week, featuring 30 community partners. Carol Matune thanked Staff for all the Active Aging activities, saying, “Thank you! This has been great for me since I plan to join the rec center (retired one month ago) and this will help me determine which classes I sign up for. All the instructors have been phenomenal!!!”

DCRC Esports

Changes and new opportunities are coming for esports and the Respawn Lounge. Open hours were expanded to include Friday evenings in an effort to reach a new audience as the high school football season is coming to an end. To continue to promote the new space a buy one, get one free special ran Oct. 6-22 on all esports punch passes. New birthday party package opportunities were developed and launched at the end of the month. Updates on all the new esports initiatives can be [found on the DCRC esports web page](#).

DCRC Fall Fest

The annual DCRC Fall Fest event Oct. 26 brought some autumn fun for kids ages 12 & under and their families. The leisure pool was turned into a pumpkin patch for participants to pick out their own. After swimming, participants gave their gourds a makeover at the self-led pumpkin painting arts & crafts station.

DCRC Fitness Floor Updates

New fitness equipment has been delivered and the new rubber flooring on the fitness floor is in place, further expanding the free weight area. Upgrades have been made to the Pilates studio and Classroom C to improve the aesthetics and functionality of the spaces. Improvements to the stereo system in Studio 1 will be installed in the next few weeks.



Abbey Theater

Upcoming show schedules can be found on the [Abbey's web page](#).

Parks & Recreation Master Plan

At the Oct. 9 City Council meeting, Council unanimously adopted an update to the Parks & Recreation Master Plan. The 16-month process included significant public input. Staff members are working to incorporate the recommendations and findings into future capital and operating budget processes for consideration and funding.

Police & Safety

Highlights

Critical Incident & Major Crimes

- Community Impact Unit assisted the FBI with surveillance and executing a search warrant on Springview Lane.
- Officers are currently investigating a burglary, which occurred on Reserve Drive.

Police Reports & Crime Trends

- Officers continue to investigate trends in thefts of motor vehicles from neighborhoods, apartment complexes, hotels and car dealerships.
- Officer Steve Borton and Agency Analyst Lydia Madsen identified suspects from Life Time Fitness thefts and connected them to offenses nationwide.
- Officer Steve Borton charged a suspect with stealing a vehicle from the Scioto High School parking lot.
- Detective Sergeant Jake Williams charged suspect with aggravated robbery at Life Time Fitness.
- Suspect indicted for aggravated robbery, robbery and abduction from Sonesta hotel.

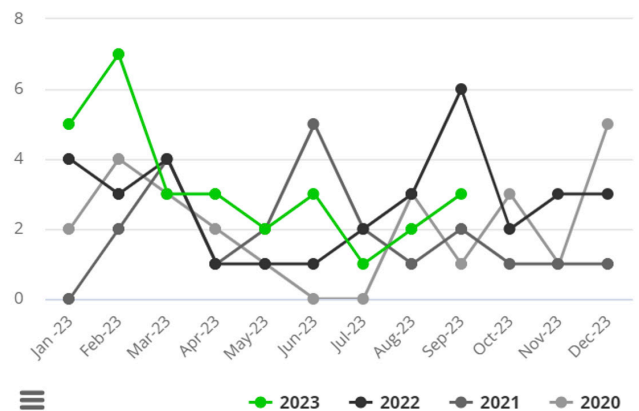
Community Outreach & Engagement

- Officers participated in EASE Logistics' Touch-A-Truck event.
- Officers connected with residents during Halloween Spooktacular and provided security at the event.
- Chief Pérez spoke at the resident-led Military Roundtable safety panel.
- The 2023 class of the Citizens' Police Academy continued to meet.

Police Responses to Issues of Community Concern

- Speed management: held speed enforcement campaign on Riverside Drive Oct. 9.
- Deputy Chief Greg Lattanzi shared information on Slow Down Dublin in an interview with NBC4.
- Department held annual in-service training: traffic stops, active threat, response-to-resistance, diversity of perspective, CPR, legal update.
- Dr. Linda Burrs explained her recent in-service training with officers about diversity of perspective and compassion fatigue with the Chief's Advisory Committee.

Statistics	2021 YTD	2022 YTD	2023 YTD
Part 1 Violent Crimes Reported	19	26	29
Theft Offenses	252	329	388
Thefts from Vehicles	121	174	182
Motor Vehicle Thefts	18	40	72
Burglaries/B&Es	36	30	38
Traffic Crashes	458	455	508
Serious Injury Crashes	8	10	8
OVI Related Crashes	22	11	17
OVI Arrests	76	65	132
Traffic Stops	4,494	3,694	5,519
Speeding Citations	1,223	378	1,021
Total Part 1 Violent Crimes Historically			



Safety Messaging

- Shared Slow Down Dublin speed management campaign information, including speed limit reduction on Riverside Drive, in collaboration with Transportation & Mobility.
- Shared Halloween trick-or-treating safety video.
- Created an Instagram reel to highlight School Resource Officers from the middle schools about an SRO's role in connecting students with mental health resources as part of Ohio Safety Month messaging.
- Promoted Drug Take Back event.
- Shared National Fire Prevention Week information from Washington Township.
- Look-ahead: Fill-A-Cruiser toy drive promotion; theft prevention around the holidays; Nov. 8 self-defense class promotion.

Court Services - Highlights

- Received 272 traffic cases, eight operating a motor vehicle under the influence (OVI) cases and four criminal/code enforcement cases.
- Received three juvenile criminal diversion cases, five juvenile traffic diversion cases and 24 adult traffic diversion cases.
- Collected \$43,636 in fines and court costs.
- Collected \$3,490 in restitution for victims of crime.
- Diversion participants completed 159 hours of community service work.
- One staff member attended the Association of Mayor's Court Clerks of Ohio (AMCCO) fall conference.

Human Resources

Highlights



Culture Playbook Update: The Stakeholders team that includes employees at all levels is reconvening Oct. 30 and Nov. 7 to review and finalize the draft Culture Playbook and experience the “R” Factor training. The “R” Factor is a critical performance resource that equips people with the mindset and skills to be intentional about the way they think, make decisions and “respond” to events. The Citywide rollout will occur at the End of the Year Celebration in early December.



Flu and COVID Vaccines:

The City provided a free vaccine clinic Oct. 24 for full- and part-time employees and their spouses. The vaccines were free to all.

World Mental Health Day:

Oct. 10 was World Mental Health Day with the theme “Mental Health Is a Universal Human Right.” The theme recognizes mental well-being as an essential right for all. The City continues to offer robust mental health resources to employees, including the employee assistance program (EAP), substance abuse hotline, Veterans crisis hotline, Sanvello app for stress, anxiety and depression, and many others.

Recent Hires

Employee Name	Position	Division
Brittany Smith		
	Communications Technician	NRECC
Jessika Harmon		
	Human Resources Business Partner	Human Resources

Recruitment

- Accounting Specialist
- Administrative Support II
- City Forester
- Civil Engineer II
- Civil Engineer I
- Communications Manager - NRECC
- Communications Technician - NRECC
- Corporate Tax Auditor
- Court Clerk
- Maintenance Worker – Engineering/Utilities
- Operations Administrator – Facilities Maintenance
- Police Officer
- Recreation Program Coordinator – Aquatics

Outreach & Engagement

Highlights



Franklin County Office on Aging, AEP and Forever Dublin

Franklin County and AEP identified at-risk senior citizens throughout the county who may need assistance, materials and information to prepare for power outages this coming cold weather season. A total of 120 seniors were identified in the 43017 zip code. Each resident was mailed an invitation to pick up a safety packet. On Wednesday, Oct. 11, Franklin County Office on Aging, AEP and Forever Dublin distributed these packs at the Dublin Community Recreation Center overflow lot. The packets contained useful emergency preparedness information, contact numbers, a hand crank radio, a disposable blanket and information on Forever Dublin navigation resources.

Citizen U Alumni Gathering

Sixty Citizen U and Citizen U Jumpstart Alumni gathered for a fall reunion Wednesday, Oct. 11. The alumni continue to be engaged in the community and keep up with the latest initiatives, news and opportunities in Dublin.

Halloween Spooktacular

Approximately 150 City volunteers supported the two-day Halloween Spooktacular in more than a dozen various assignments. Volunteers served 500 hours in areas, including the Sensory Tent, the Trunk or Treat Trail, children's games, Sustainability, Nature Education, and more.

Dublin Irish Festival Best of the Fest! Awards

At the Dublin Irish Festival Fall Hooley, the annual Best of the Fest! volunteers awards were given to the following dedicated volunteers: Leadership Award - Denae Sullivan; Adult Event Volunteer - Uzair Ahmad; Teen Event Volunteer - Akash Ravipati; and Family Volunteer Team - The Raguraman Family. Volunteers are nominated by fellow volunteers and City staff and voted upon by former Best of the Fest! Award recipients.

Cemetery Preservation Team Wrap Up

After spending 10 Saturday mornings in the Dublin Cemetery, the Cemetery Preservation Team wrapped up its 2023 service of cleaning and marking headstones in the historic cemetery. Nearly 250 headstones have been tended to by the team, which spent 350 volunteer hours on the project in 2023. They will reconvene in the winter months to explore researching [The Remembrance Project](#). Kari Parsons, a member of the Team said, "It's an honor to take care of the final resting spots of those Dubliners who came before us."



Communications & Public Information

Highlights

October's Communication Strategy

- The City of Dublin's communication goals include increasing meaningful engagement with all Dublin audiences and supporting the City's Strategic Framework.
- October's strategic topics included the launch of the Slow Down Dublin speed management campaign, Halloween Spooktacular, Sustainable Saturday, leaf collections, DCRC Refresh and Parks & Recreation master plans.
- Review the results from [September's overall communications metrics](#) and [City Council's communications efforts](#). [Review the complete Contact City data here](#).

Sustainable Dublin Communications

- Promoted the updated Sustainable Saturday event to shred sensitive documents, recycle Styrofoam and donate clothing and linens.
- Promoted pumpkin composting as part of the Dublin Compost program.
- Continued the "Dublin's Backyard with Barbara" YouTube series with a video about coyotes.
- Continued fall leaf collection communications.

Connected Dublin Communications

- Announced lowering the speed limit from 40 to 25 mph on Riverside Drive as part of the Bridge Street/Riverside Drive Business District.
- Continued Fiber to Every Home communication; nearly 1,900 residents have signed up for updates on this project so far.
- Celebrated Megan O'Callaghan's one-year anniversary as City Manager.
- Launched Slow Down Dublin speed management campaign to encourage safer driving in Dublin.

Link Ahead Podcast

- 15,543 listens (an increase of 875 listens since the September report)
- A few of the recent topics: Slow Down Dublin, Sustainable Saturday, Engineering and Construction Projects, and the Respawn Lounge at the DCRC

Resilient Dublin Communications

- Promoted the Halloween Spooktacular signature event.
- Promoted the DCRC Refresh and Parks & Recreation master plans that involved the community to gather feedback to best reflect residents' needs.
- Shared diverse community recognitions and events, including Turkey Republic Day and National Coming Out Day.

October Lookahead

- Veterans Day Ceremony
- Fall leaf collection
- Launch "Chat and Texts from Dublin" campaign via GoDublin



Staff members held the Fall Neighborhood Leadership meeting Oct. 18. Approximately 50 neighborhood leaders representing 33 homeowners associations attended and heard presentations from City leaders and Staff.

Community Events

Highlights



Halloween Spooktacular

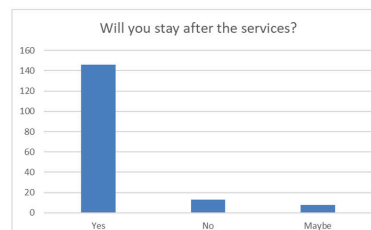
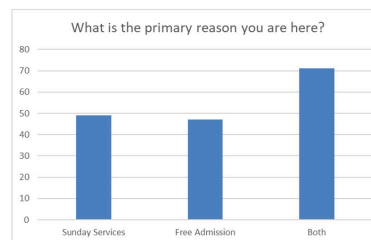
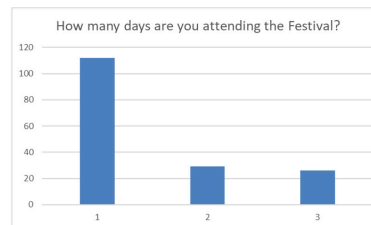
- Despite the damp, cool weather, 7,200 guests attended the two-day Halloween Spooktacular Oct. 19 and 20. Tickets for the Trunk-or-Treat trail were all distributed ahead of the event.
- Spooktacular received a bronze award from the International Festival and Events Association (IFEA) for Best Children's Programming at its annual awards ceremony.

Permitted Events

- The Dublin Arts Council held its final Sundays at Scioto Concert Oct. 8, capping off another successful season.
- Crawford Hoying again held its popular Brew and Boo event Oct. 25.
- There were eight permitted events in October, including three tier-2 events and five tier-1 events.

Dublin Irish Festival

- DIF received nine awards from the IFEA:
 - Gold – Best Mobile Application
 - Silver – Best Video Promotion Budget
 - Silver – Best Single Digital/Social Ad
 - Silver – Best Event Program
 - Silver – Best Printed Materials (Multiple Page)
 - Silver – Best Promotional Photograph
 - Bronze – Best T-Shirt Design
 - Bronze – Best Give-Away Item: Bottle Opener
 - Bronze – Best Event Website dublinirishfestival.org
- A survey was conducted on Sunday of the Festival to gauge the number of people attending Sunday Services when admission is free (prior to 11 a.m.). Staff members are reviewing the results and will provide City Council with a recommendation regarding free admission for Sunday Services in future years.
 - 7,055 people took advantage of the free admission on Sunday which represents 34 percent of total Sunday attendees.
 - Comments on the survey included “Really appreciate that Sunday services are offered. It’s super that donations for the Food Pantry allow free entry”



Legislative

Update

Political & Budget Updates

November Election

Early voting began on Oct. 11

The following issues will appear on the Nov 7 ballot:

- **Issue 1 – Reproductive Rights**
 - Creates a constitutional right for an individual to “make and carry out their own reproductive decisions,” including abortion, contraception, fertility treatment, miscarriage care and pregnancy.
 - Allows the state to restrict abortion after fetal viability except when “necessary to protect the pregnant patient’s life or health.”
- **Issue 2 – Recreational Marijuana**
 - Allows for the possession of up to 2.5 ounces in most forms.
 - Allows for six plants at home, per person with a household maximum of 12 plants.
 - Sales would be taxed at 10 percent with proceeds going toward regulating the program, funding communities who host cannabis facilities, a fund for cannabis social equity and jobs fund, and addiction services.

November Election

Redistricting

- The Ohio Redistricting Commission unanimously passed new state legislative lines for 2024.
- Attorney General David Yost just approved language for a new redistricting commission to be voted on by Ohioans next year.
- The congressional lines will remain until after the 2024 election as a result of a dismissal by the Ohio Supreme Court.

[View Tracked Legislation](#)

Calendar

November 2023

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	31 Trick or Treat	1 Food Truck Wednesdays	2	3	4
5	6 Dublin City Council – Special Meeting Dublin City Council – Work Session	7	8 Food Truck Wednesdays	9 Planning & Zoning Commission	10 Veterans Day Ceremony	11 Dublin Harvest Market at Bridge Park
12	13 Finance Committee Dublin City Council	14 Community Inclusion Advisory Committee Community Services Advisory Commission	15 Food Truck Wednesdays Architectural Review Board	16 Veterans Committee Economic Development Strategy Launch & Envision Dublin Update Chief's Advisory Committee Board of Zoning Appeals	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Flying Feather Four Miler	24 Leftover Run	25
26	27 Dublin City Council	28	29	30 Tree Lighting	1	2
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