

Office of the City Manager Activities, Projects & Interactions

May 2023



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Letter from the City Manager

It is with great enthusiasm that I share my first monthly City Manager's report. It is an honor to serve as the City Manager of Dublin, and I am immensely proud of the progress we have made as a community over the past few months.

Firstly, I would like to extend my gratitude to each member of City Council for your leadership and dedication to our great city. Your insights and guidance have been invaluable in shaping our initiatives and ensuring that we continue to provide exceptional services to our residents.

One of our major achievements has been the launch of Envision Dublin, our effort to update the Community Plan. This process officially kicked off at the State of the Community in March and has advanced with the creation of a steering committee, a public survey and several stakeholder meetings. Public engagement efforts are ongoing, and the steering committee will be meeting bi-monthly to guide the update.

Furthermore, we have made significant strides in our efforts to support Council's vision of being the most sustainable, most connected, most resilient global city of choice. April saw many events in support of our sustainability efforts, including a document destruction day, drug-take back and an Earth Day community planting. We made great progress in our Connected Dublin initiatives, such as launching a new initiative to evaluate curbside parking utilization and negotiating an agreement to provide broadband capability to all residences.

We also continued several efforts to ensure our community's resilience, including finalizing our Dublin Area Housing Study and Parks and Recreation Master Plan, launching a Community



Health Needs Assessment and promoting new safety initiatives such as providing steering wheel locks to reduce vehicle thefts.

Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to the exceptional City staff, whose dedication and commitment to service have brought us to this exciting stage of progress. I am grateful to be surrounded by such a talented, professional and passionate team. Their efforts and accomplishments are highlighted in this update.

Moving forward, I look forward to building upon these accomplishments and advancing many exciting initiatives in the coming months. With the support and collaboration of City Council, our staff and the community, I am confident that we will continue to make Dublin an exemplary city to live, work and thrive.

Thank you for your continued trust and partnership. I am honored to serve as your City Manager and remain committed to advancing the vision and goals of our remarkable city.

Sincerely,

Megan O'Callaghan

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City Manager

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City Council

2023/2024 Goals

1

Become the Most Connected Community in the U.S.

Phase III: Broadband to the Home Project

Status: The City has been negotiating final terms of an agreement with the selected vendor. Negotiations have revealed some considerations involving Dublin that are important to resolve before presenting a final recommendation to the Council. Staff anticipates presenting a view of all of these conditions as a coordinated and comprehensive package to Council in late May/June as we move toward executing the agreement as the next major step of the 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: Staff is drafting an RFP/RFQ to solicit a proposed scope for a design firm to develop the design and implementation framework for the Metro Center/DCAP area. Staff continues to work with the property owners along the Frantz Road frontage to develop a concept to present to Planning and Zoning Commission.

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 aim 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: City Council provided direction at the May 15 Work Session, which will be incorporated into a draft amendment to the Code and Guidelines. This will be publicly noticed and reviewed by ARB at subsequent meetings. Following ARB’s review and recommendation, the amendments will be reviewed and recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission and then forwarded to City Council for determination. The Community Development Committee previously considered several options for management. One of the City’s Economic Development Administrators will focus efforts on our downtown and serve as the primary city resource and liaison with the Historic District. The next Economic Development Director will recruit and fill this vacant position.

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: Over the past year, staff has conducted numerous efforts in advance of this goal. In advancement of Goal #4, staff has evaluated the City’s current event tempo, operating and funding model; researched and analyzed operating models used by cities both domestically and internationally; visited cities both domestically and internationally to experience different events and discuss the funding and management models used by other cities with their staffs; and brought forward new events and policies regarding next-generation community events for Council consideration.

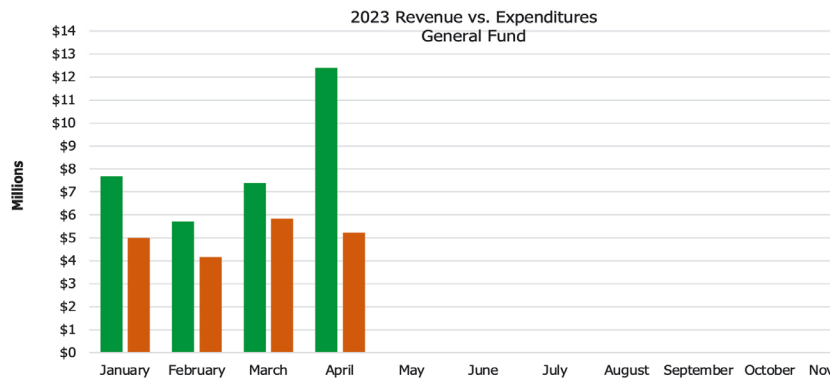
Financial Update

Highlights

General Fund Information

Total GF Revenue: \$33,182,374

Total GF Expenditures: \$20,061,180



Quick Facts

General Fund cash balance \$68,528,458

- 75.7% of budgeted expenditures
- \$23,285,503 in excess of 50% reserve level

Income Tax revenue was –2.3% below 2022 YTD levels, or -\$937,583

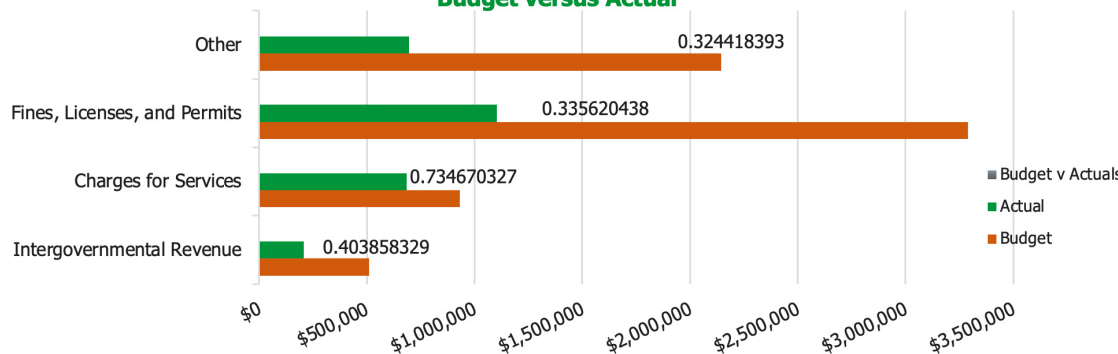
Receipts are 1.0% or \$384,358 ahead of budget
Comparing YTD April 2022 versus April 2023:

- Withholding decreased -2.36%
- Net Profit revenue decreased -8.20%
- Individual revenue increased 6.33%

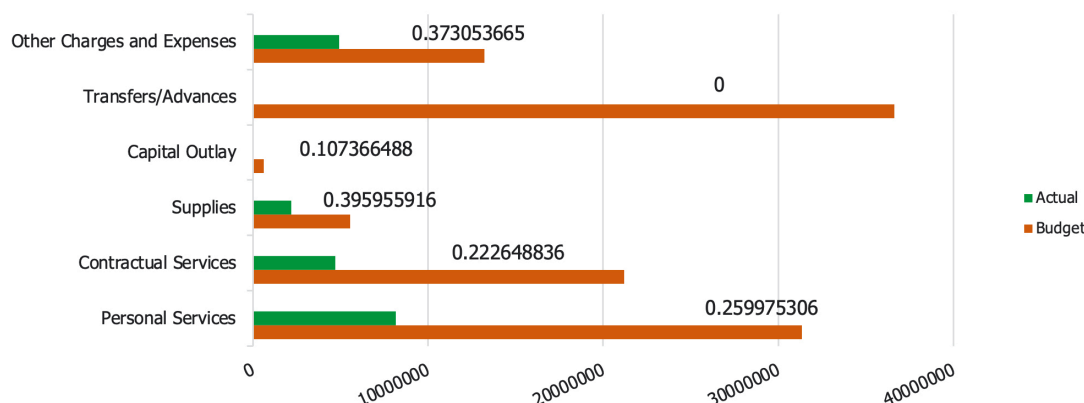
Finance Report Updates – See Appendix 1

Project Outlook Report – See Appendix 2

General Fund Revenue (by type) Excluding Local Taxes Budget versus Actual



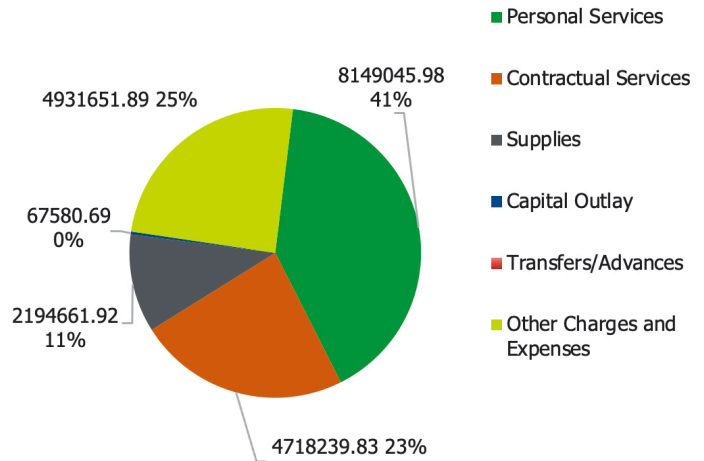
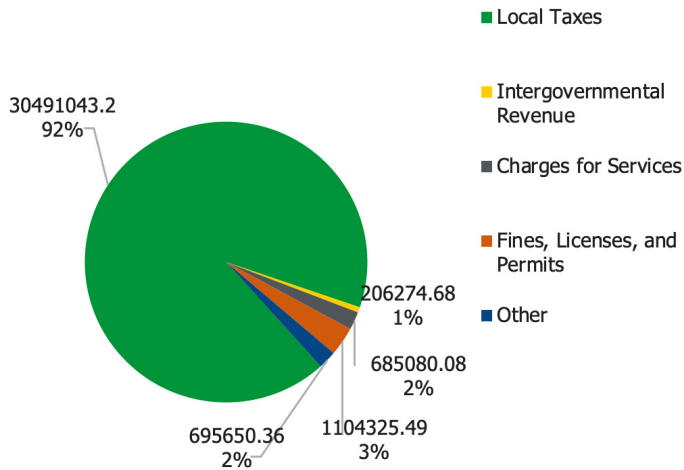
General Fund Expenses (by type) Budget versus Actual



Financial Update

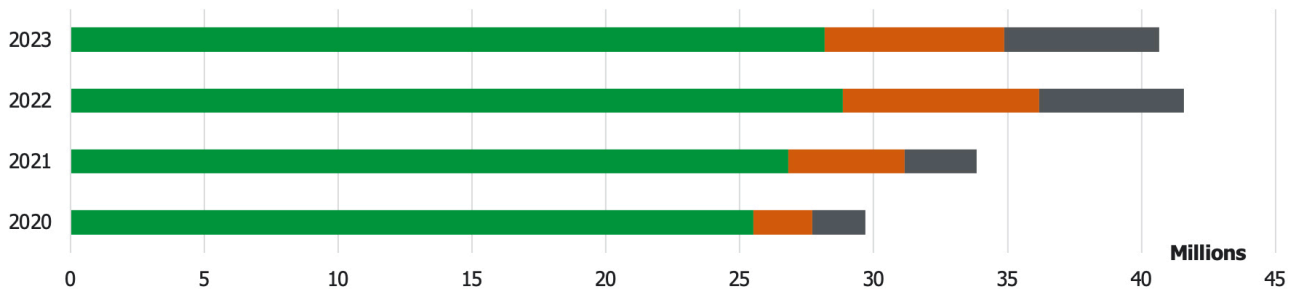
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Income Tax Collections

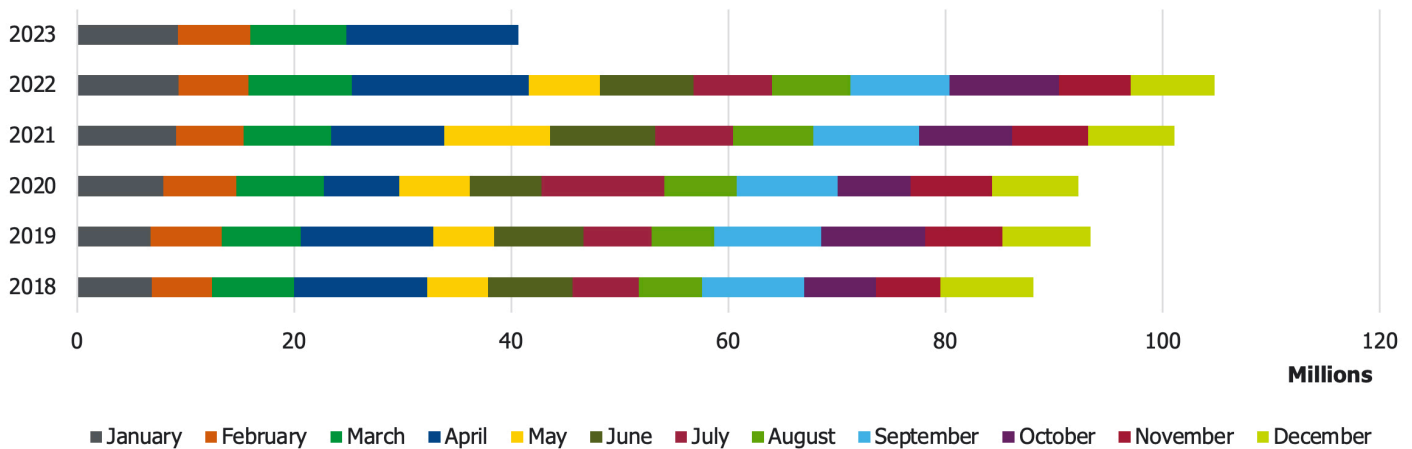
As of April 30, 2023, YTD income tax receipts totaled \$40,654,725, a change of -2.3% over the same time in 2023. The 2023 budgeted income tax revenue is \$94,000,000.



		2020	2021	2022	2023
Withholding	\$	25,511,788	\$ 26,804,634	\$ 28,839,440	\$ 28,158,960
Net Profit	\$	2,199,449	\$ 4,338,777	\$ 7,327,419	6,726,834
Individual	\$	1,980,703	\$ 2,691,497	\$ 5,425,450	5,768,931
Total	\$	29,691,940	\$ 33,834,908	\$ 41,592,308	\$ 40,654,725

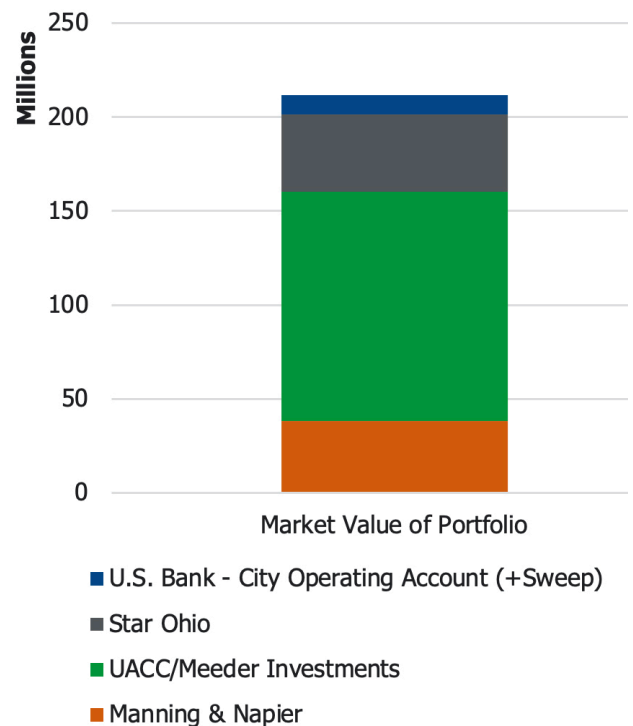
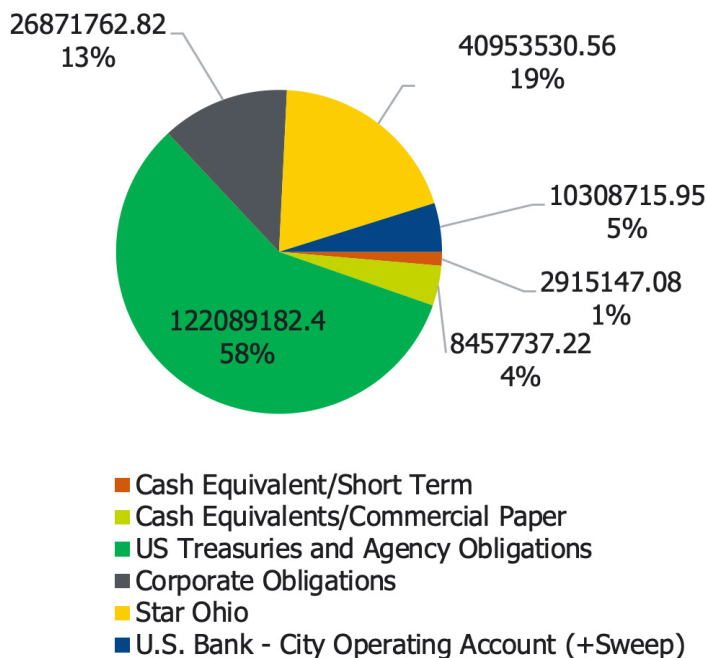
Financial Update

Income Tax Receipts by Month



Investment Summary as of April 30, 2023

Total market value: \$211,596,076



Economic Development

Highlights

Company News

ReAlpha, a Dublin-based business that uses AI to guide investments in Airbnb properties, raised \$9.1M in a “mini-IPO.” An eventual real IPO is still an option for the startup.

The economic development agreement and incentive for React Health was approved by City Council on May 22. React Health is a manufacturer and distributor of respiratory management, sleep therapy and equipment disinfection products.

Vargo, a leading provider of material-handling systems integration, warehouse execution software and equipment solutions for major fulfillment and distribution centers, officially moved into their headquarters on Frantz Road in April. City Council approved their economic development agreement and incentive in September 2021.

AdVon Commerce, a company offering software solutions for e-commerce, moved into 6555 Longshore Street in Bridge Park in April.

Veterinary Emergency Group opened their first Ohio location on Tuller Road in May.



Workforce Development

A third Dublin Talent Connect hiring event will be held the week of May 22-26, serving Dublin businesses from all industries. This is the first of two hiring events planned for 2023, in partnership with Chat-strike. While the May event targets new graduates and those searching for entry-level positions, roles for various experience levels will also be a part of available job listings.



Economic Development



Mobility in Color



The Beta District

Marketing efforts continue in support of The Beta District's regional economic development efforts. The District held "Mobility in Color," a red-carpet event for CEOs and venture capitalists of color, with 30 attendees. The event on May 16-17 featured a panel discussion and tour of the Transportation Research Center (TRC).

Strategic Planning Efforts

Economic Development is scheduled for City Council's June 5 work session to present updated strategies from Newmark and TEconomy. TEconomy has integrated key insights from Newmark's Intel playbook into the overall Economic Development Strategy.

Economic Development will be using CoStar, a comprehensive platform for commercial real estate data, to provide data trends for the commercial real estate data points.

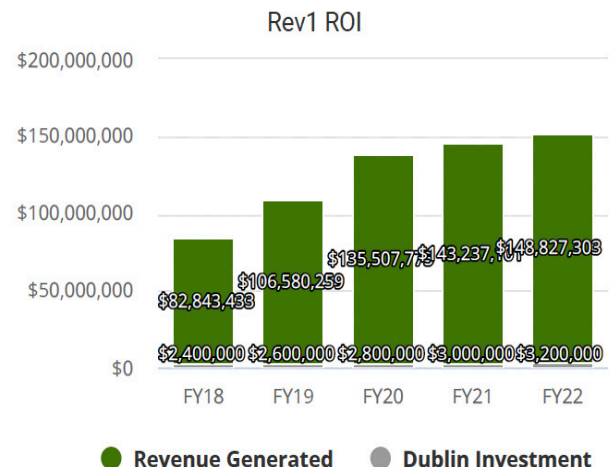
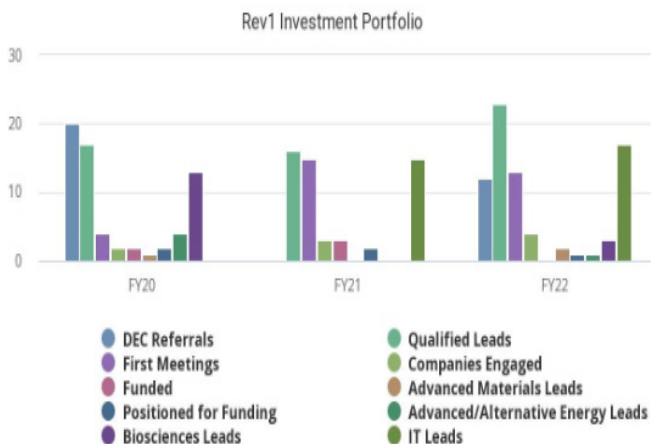
Outreach | Networking

In April, staff attended the Ohio Economic Development Association's (OEDA) Basic Course and also spoke on a panel about community development. This course is the prerequisite for both International Economic Development Council's Certification program (CEcD) as well as OEDA's Certification program (Ohio CED).



OEDA

Partnership with Rev1 Ventures



Key Project Updates

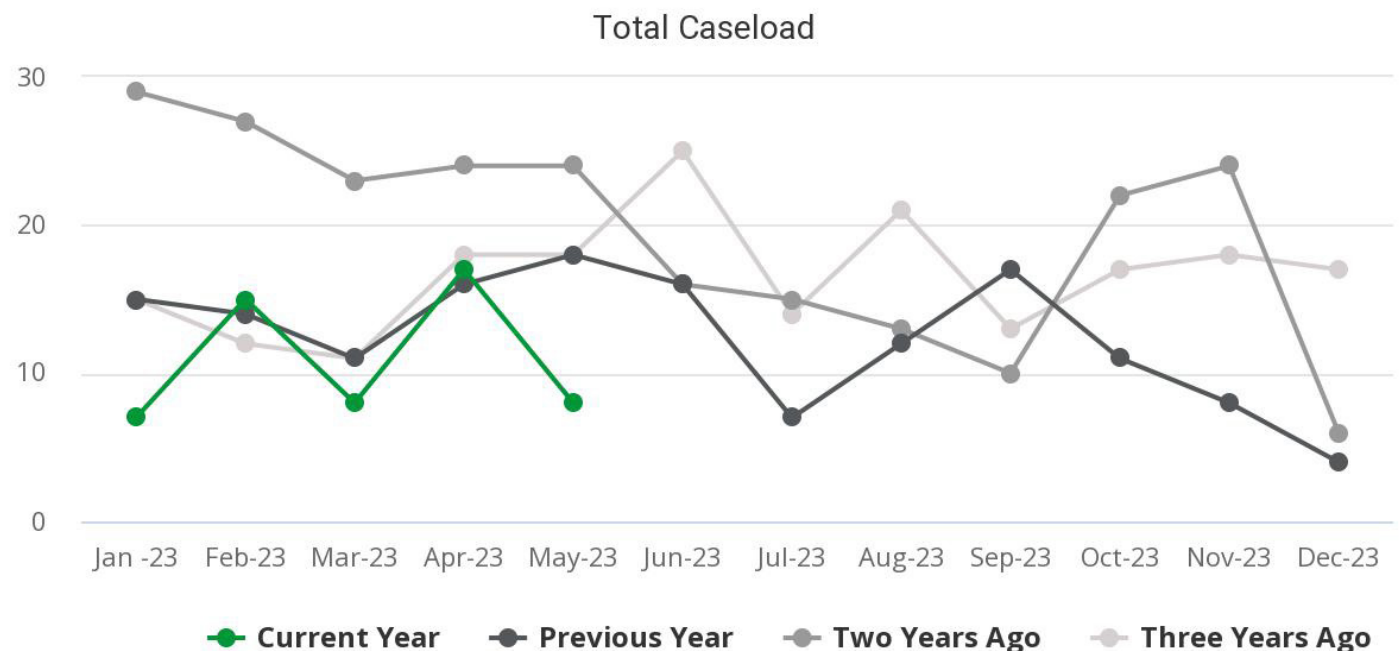
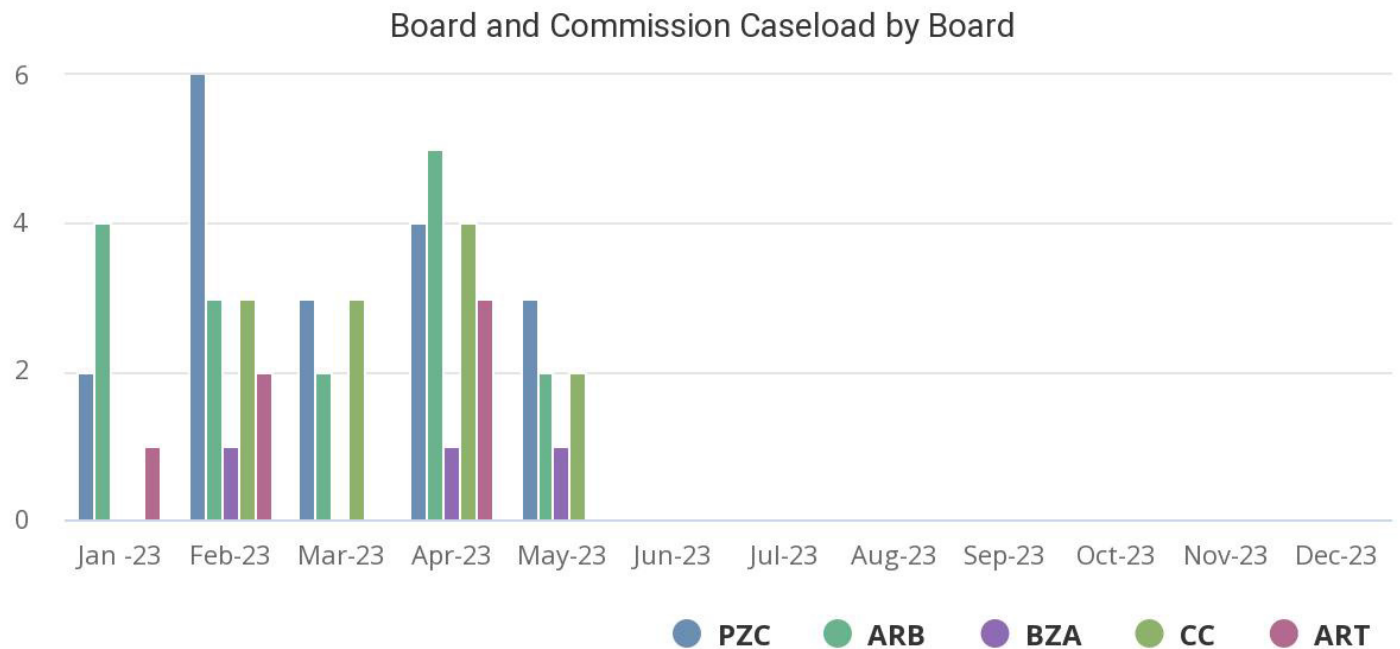
PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
Community Health Needs Assessment	The Community Health Needs Assessment is a systematic process involving the community to identify and analyze community health needs, prioritize community health needs, and plan to act upon unmet community health needs.	The consultant, Illuminology, has completed 17 stakeholder interviews and is currently in the process of obtaining feedback through 6 different focus groups. A comprehensive representative health survey is being developed and is scheduled to be sent in mid-June.
Community Plan	<p>The Envision Dublin Community Plan will be a roadmap for the City to direct future growth and development over the next 20 years. Launch activities included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State of the Community – initial kickoff event to announce Envision Dublin efforts and provide first opportunity for feedback Kickoff Meeting – 80+ residents and workforce members attended a public meeting on April 18. The event included workshop activities, engagement stations and a panel discussion. Community Survey – 400+ responses received so far. Survey can be accessed at www.envisiondublin.org Steering Committee – This committee includes 20 community leaders and business partners 	<p>Next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 21-22 – Visioning Workshop (public meeting), Existing Conditions presentation (Steering Committee), Business workshop DIY workshop kits for neighborhood groups, churches, businesses and community associations. The kits can be requested from www.envisiondublin.org Promotions to boost participation and engagement include social media, sandwich boards outside City Hall, DCRC, and the Library, flyer distribution at key locations, and staff stations at the Dublin Market and Mobility Concierge throughout the summer. 
DCRC Refresh	The City of Dublin directed funding through the American Rescue Plan Act towards improvements to the DCRC.	The DCRC Refresh was presented to Council at the May 22 meeting for feedback and guidance regarding the proposed improvements. Staff is moving forward consistent with the feedback received.
Dublin Road Resurfacing	ODOT is resurfacing Dublin Road between Emerald Parkway and Glick Road.	Paving, striping, raised pavement markers and road-side work are complete.
Holiday Market Feasibility Study	At the recommendation of the Public Service Committee (PSC), staff is seeking a consultant to conduct a detailed feasibility study regarding a potential holiday market.	Staff is in the process of analyzing next steps.
Neighborhood Design Guidelines	Creation of residential design standards for Planned Urban Developments (PUDs). The intent of this project is to ensure creative, high-quality design.	Adopted March 27, 2023.

Key Project Updates Continued

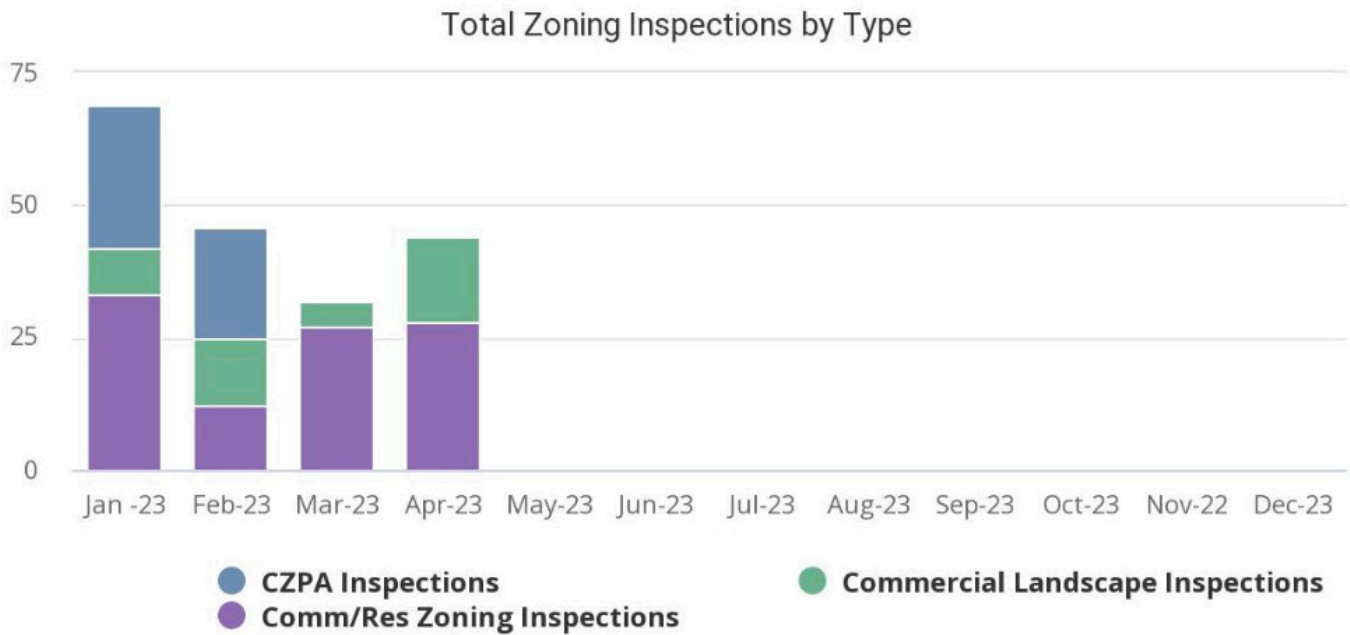
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Mobility Hubs	Design of the Dublin Community Recreation Center Mobility Hub. The project includes site improvements, such as solar power, wayfinding signs, canopies, bike racks, and a CoGo Bike Share station.	Staff is re-bidding the project for a third time. Staff will also directly purchase selected components of the mobility hub at a discounted price. Revised plans have been received from the consultant, but still not ready for bid. Working toward a bid in late-May. Final completion date will be adjusted accordingly.
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.	Council approved the feasibility study at the January 30, 2023 meeting. The results of the feasibility study were presented at the May 23 Community Development Committee meeting.
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. The project will provide the needed interchange capacity.	<p>Construction is underway and is managed by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT).</p> <p>Construction impacts on Post Road and US-33 are ongoing for bridge construction.</p> <p>Project experienced a construction delay in 2022 impacting the anticipated final completion date of June 2025. Schedule analysis is underway to determine the extent of the delay.</p>
Renewable Energy Equipment - Solar	Research for updates to zoning code surrounding the use of renewable energy equipment for solar, including rules regarding location, materials and aesthetics for installation on residential and non-residential properties.	Staff shared findings and recommendations with City Council at the May 1 Work Session. Council provided further direction at the Work Session and staff plans to bring forward the final draft Code Amendment for determination at the second reading/public hearing on June 12.
Speed Management	The program was discussed at the March 6 City Council Work Session and the April 24, 2023 City Council Meeting. Staff is targeting bringing this back to Council at the June 12 meeting and following up with a resolution after receiving additional direction.	<p>The program was discussed at the March 6 City Council Work Session and the April 24, 2023 City Council Meeting. Staff is targeting bringing this back to Council in June.</p> <p>For a complete listing of projects reference Appendix 2</p>

Planning

Boards & Commission Overview



Zoning Compliance Inspections YTD



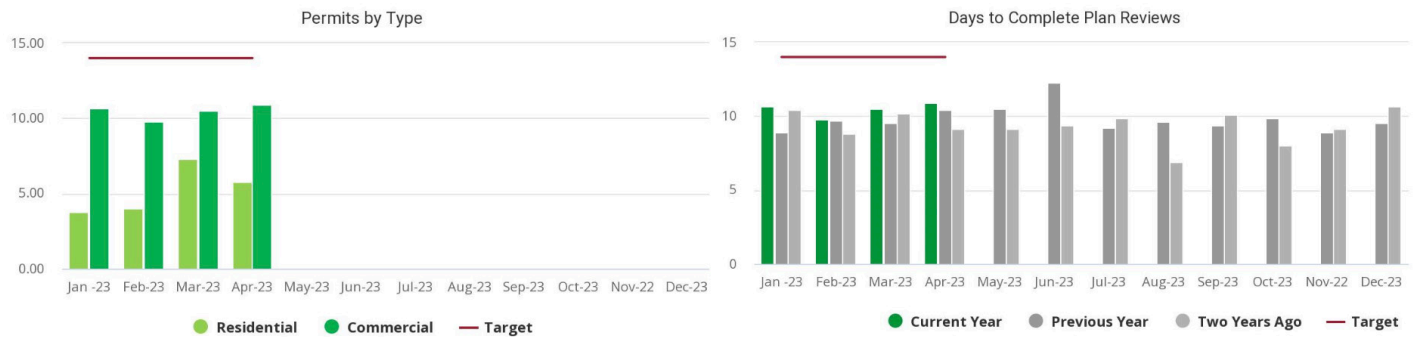
Code Enforcement Violations YTD



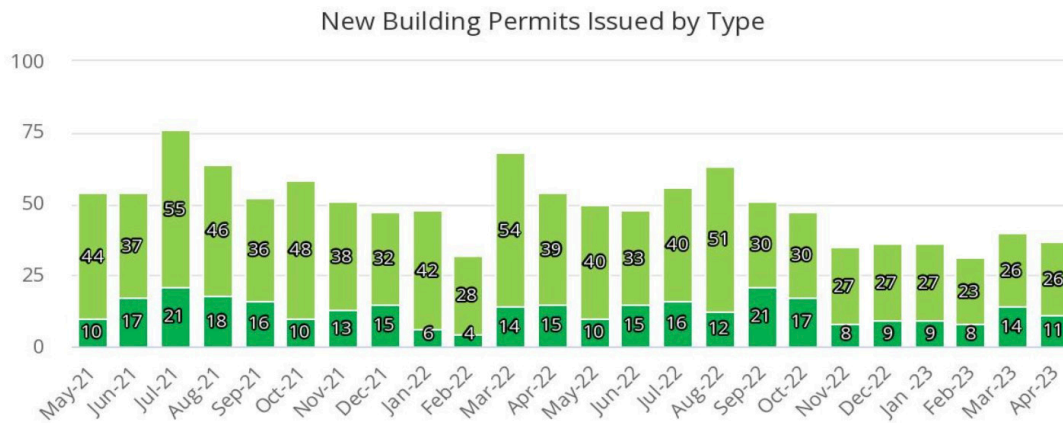
Building Standards

Update

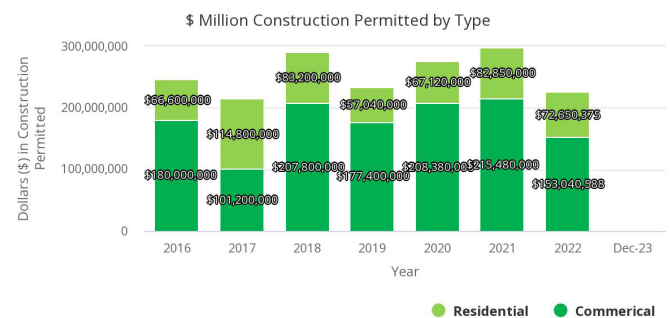
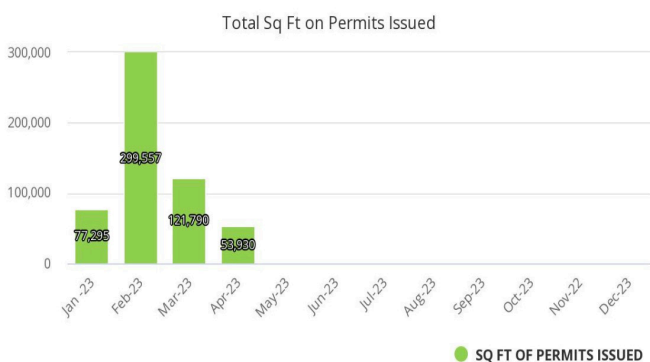
Plan Review Turn Around Times YTD



New Building Permits Issues YTD



Square Feet of Permits Issued YTD



Transportation & Mobility

Highlights

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	STATUS												
Bird Scooters	A micromobility pilot program using electric scooters, in partnership with Bird. Pilot is in Phase 1 with scooters available in Bridge Park and Historic Dublin areas.	Year to date, a total of 545 unique riders have completed 1,113 rides, traveling 2,117 miles on scooter.												
CoGo Bike Share	A bikeshare program, in partnership with CoGo, with traditional and electric bikes available throughout the City.	Launching next month.												
Crash Data	This data summarizes crashes reported by the Dublin Police Department.	<table><tr><td></td><td>Frequency</td><td>High severity</td><td>Bike Ped</td></tr><tr><td>YTD</td><td>123</td><td>2</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>March</td><td>50</td><td>1</td><td>1</td></tr></table>		Frequency	High severity	Bike Ped	YTD	123	2	2	March	50	1	1
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Dublin Connector	Community transportation program, in partnership with Share Mobility, offering free shuttle service for residents ages 55+, people with disabilities and our workforce.	Year to date, a total of 114 unique riders have taken 5,266 rides on the Dublin Connector, saving 3,510 pounds of CO2 emissions. For a detailed breakdown of the Dublin Connector ridership, see Appendix 3.												
Mobility Concierge	Community outreach that serves to educate the public on Dublin’s mobility options.	The 2023 program runs June 9 - Sept. 29. The June 9 event is themed Envision Dublin, in partnership with Planning.												

Monthly Mobility Update - Appendix 4



Public Service

Highlights

May Sustainability Events

The Household Hazardous Waste event- May 6 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Fleet Complex.

- 1,071 cars visited. Official tonnage from this event will be available later this summer.

Styrofoam Collection event- May 20 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Ongoing Sustainability Initiatives

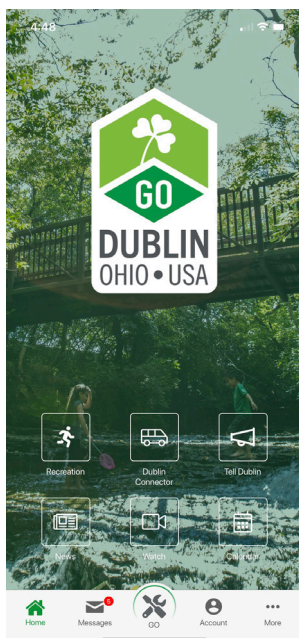
- Styrofoam Collection Boxes - 3,615 pounds recycled since January.
- GoZero Composting- Dublin residents have composted 16.97 tons of food waste since January.

Celebrating National Public Works Week

- Dublin families were invited to kick off National Public Works Week at the Service Center during the Touch-a-Truck event on May 20 from 9 a.m. to noon.



Asset Management



GoDublin

- 1,170 requests were submitted in April.
- 24% Increase from 2022 (928 requests).
- Steady increase as more people use the GoDublin app.
- Chipping Service is the top request on the GoDublin app in the month of May.
- The top 4 requests have not changed from 2022.
- Top 10 requests generally account for 80% of all requests per month.

Recreation Update

Highlights



Memberships

- DCRC Member Count is 7,751, which exceeds our pre-COVID peak of 2020.
- Outdoor Pool Pass sales total 4,325, which is ahead of last year at this time. Total passes sold in 2022 was 6,357.

Summer Staffing

The recruitment efforts of Recreation Services, CPI and HR have been successful, and summer staffing is on target. Wyandot Camp will have staffing for 300 camp slots, which is just 60 slots under pre-pandemic capacity. Aquatics staffing is also on target and should support full operations if nothing else changes.

Teen Programming - E-sports

In an effort to increase the opportunities for tweens/teens, the DCRC E-sports initiative is in its final preparation and internal testing phases. The esports room is located in the DCRC and is branded as the Respawn Lounge. It will house open play hours, esports team partnerships and tournaments and many programming and classes for all ages. The initiative will begin with tween and teen programming and grow to include youth and adult STEAM programming.



Police Update

Highlights

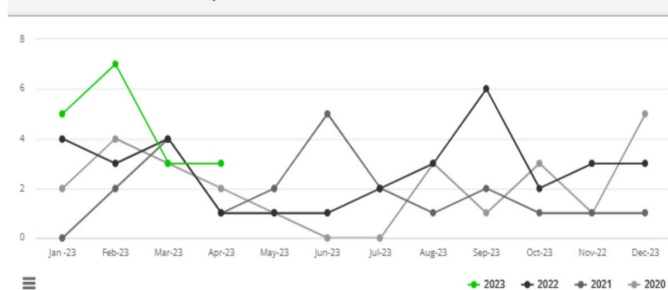
Critical Incident and Major Crimes

- Solved five burglary incidents in Muirfield
- Investigated Dublin Scioto High School threat and charged two students with inducing panic
- Collaborated with Human Trafficking Task Force to arrest trafficker and provide resources to the local victim
- Supported Colorado police agency with homicide arrest in Cooperstone

Police Reports and Crime Trends

- Charged suspects in theft-from-vehicle spree including a dozen incidents
- Investigating Washington Township Fire Department vehicle thefts, which also include area fire departments

Total Part 1 Violent Crimes Historically



Statistics	2021 YTD	2022 YTD	2023 YTD
Part 1 Violent Crimes Reported	7	11	17
Theft Offenses	105	138	139
Thefts from Vehicles	50	68	65
Motor Vehicle Thefts	11	16	15
Burglaries/B&Es	7	19	25
Traffic Crashes	146	173	204
Serious Injury Crashes	1	4	3
OVI Related Crashes	5	3	9
OVI Arrests	23	9	60
Traffic Stops	2057	1160	2348
Speeding Citations	634	116	218

Safety Messaging

To share during the Memorial Tournament:

- Safe Ride: Lyft discount code to discourage drinking and driving and make it convenient for people to take a ride-hail service
- Traffic, parking and safety reminders for residents and visitors



Police Responses to Issues of Community Concern

Investigating shared use path robberies

- Developed staffing plan to ensure public safety and high visibility of officers in neighborhoods
- Police shared personal safety tips with HOAs and the public

Distributed free steering wheel locks to Kia and Hyundai owners to prevent vehicle theft

- Gave out more than 200 locks within a few days
- Received second shipment of locks in April (hundreds more)

Presented at Dublin City Schools' "Safety-Focused Community Conversation"

- Discussed School Resource Officer program and Safe Space Dublin

Finalized Public Safety Services Liaison position details

- Position to be hired by Syntero

Initiated citywide traffic enforcement campaigns

- Speed enforcement in school zones and neighborhoods
- Loud vehicle and reckless driving enforcement

Planning annual Memorial Tournament safety response

Community Outreach and Engagement

- Police presented at the Spring Neighborhood Leader Meeting to share citywide crime trends and police response.
- Officers hosted their bimonthly Drug Take Back event
- Police partnered with the Starfish Assignment on the Dublin Police's third annual Bikes & Badges donation drive, collecting 70 bikes for Columbus kids
- Officers taught safety tips and conducted an obstacle course during the Dublin Bike Rodeo
- To honor Police Week, the department held its annual Dublin Police Memorial service, lit The Dublin Link blue and participated in the Light Ohio Blue police cruiser caravan
- Officers supported Wright Elementary's and the City of Dublin's Touch-a-Truck events to showcase police cruisers and gear
- Chief's Advisory Committee: Local FBI agents presented to committee members about hate crime reporting and the investigation process as well as the FBI-police partnership that helps inform the response to school threats

Human Resources Update

Highlights

Culture Playbook – An employee survey, focus groups, and stakeholder session in February established a high-level draft of the Culture Playbook. A smaller leadership team met in April and May to further refine the Culture Playbook and a City-wide roll-out is expected over the summer and fall months.

Compensation Study – Human Resources will work with our compensation consultant to update our non-union compensation pay grades starting this spring with results in fall.




Annual Memorial Tournament Employee Appreciation Event - One of the three annual employee appreciation events. Employees can choose to participate in breakfast or lunch activities while enjoying golf, camaraderie and special activities.

Collective Bargaining – Council recently approved new three-year agreements with the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #9 and United Steel Workers. Fraternal Order of Police – Ohio Labor Council will begin negotiations in Fall 2023.

Bring Your Child to Work Day – On April 27, employees' children joined staff to learn what a local government does, including a mock election, designing a park, talking with police officers and touring City buildings.



Recent Promotions

Employee Headshot	Employee Name	Previous Position	Promoted Position
	Michael Hendershot	Senior Civil Engineer	Deputy Director of Engineering
	Tina Wawzkiewicz	Civil Engineer II	Deputy Director of Transportation
	Caitlynn Wood	Communications Technician	CAD Manager

Human Resources

Recent and Upcoming Retirements

Employee Headshot	Employee Name	Position	Retirement Date	Years of Service
	Vince Vannicelli	Crew Supervisor	May 8	34 years
	Homer Rogers	Director of Administrative Services	May 31	8 years
	Eagan Foster	Civil Engineer II	June 9	11.5 years

2023 Anniversary Dates

- 5 years – 22 employees
- 10 years – 15 employees
- 15 years – 5 employees
- 20 years – 15 employees

New Additions

- Lieutenant Tom Gallagher and his wife, Sarah, welcomed a baby boy, Owen Thomas.

Court Services - Highlights

- Received 154 traffic, six OVI (Operating a Vehicle Under the Influence) and seven criminal cases.
- Received two juvenile criminal cases, five juvenile traffic diversion cases and nine adult traffic diversion cases.
- Collected \$25,758 in fines and court costs.
- Collected \$725 in restitution for victims.
- Diversion participants completed 56 hours of community service work.
- One staff member attended the Ohio Association of Mayor's Court Clerk's spring conference.

Outreach & Engagement

Highlights

- **A U.S. Naturalization Ceremony** was hosted by the City of Dublin and the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio on Tuesday, May 2. Over 90 people took their citizenship oath in the Abbey Theater. Members of CIAC volunteered to host the reception. Mayor Fox was the guest speaker, and Vice Mayor De Rosa and Council Member Keeler were in attendance, as well as former Mayor Greg Peterson and City Manager Megan O'Callaghan.
- **Community Gardens** located at Darree Fields have officially opened with 25 garden plots for the community to register and maintain their own gardens throughout the season.
- **Citizen U Jumpstart**, a teen version of Citizen U, has started receiving applications from high school students for the July 10-14 program.
- **McDaniel Citizen U**, A total of 22 adults in this year's nine-week Citizen University complete their experience on Wednesday, May 24. Ranging in age from 22-81, residents have spent time with all City work units and have met City Council members during their time in the program. This brings the total of active Citizen U alumni to 125.
- **Nature Education** classes are in full swing with Family Fishing Fun, hikes and outreach to local schools with emphasis on tick safety this spring and summer.
- **National Volunteer Week (April 16-22)** was celebrated in the City with a thank-you to staff for working so well with volunteers throughout the year. Shamrock cookies and thank-you signs were placed in each City building. In addition, volunteers received communication of thanks from our team as well as a National Volunteer Week banner placed at the Dublin Community Recreation Center.
- **Community Service Day**, sponsored by the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, was held on Saturday, May 6, and supported by the O&E team with logistics, recruitment and communication support. In addition, two special City of Dublin projects were coordinated: Kids In Dublin Service beautification at Dublin Glenn Memory Care and a native garden bed planting at Grounds of Remembrance Park with Dublin AM Rotary and our Horticulture team.
- **Senior Citizen Outreach and Connections**, a total of 12 senior citizens sought individualized case assistance with Forever Dublin, or needed connections to other nonprofits, faith organizations or support needs to address a hardship.



Outreach & Engagement

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION	PARTICIPATION
Dublin Irish Festival	Volunteer scheduling opened on May 16.	1,000 Volunteers
Earth Month	Earth Month featured a variety of projects incorporating volunteers. On Earth Day, volunteers joined the Horticulture team at Ferris-Wright Park to plant historic interpretive gardens for visitors as well as remove invasive honeysuckle from the creekbed. Barbara Ray joined the forestry team to feature a Nature Education table at the Arbor Day event. Volunteers promoted the City Nature Challenge, a global community science initiative, increasing the City of Dublin's documented nature observations from 29 in 2022 to 972 in 2023.	25 Volunteers
Heritage Interpreters	Heritage Interpreters have participated in training sessions and field trips to Hopewell Cultural Center, Ohio History Connection and more. This spring, they have already assisted in school tours and the Earth Day event and held their first open house of the season at Ferris Wright Park on Saturday, May 20.	12 Volunteers
Memorial Tournament	Memorial Tournament badge pickup and registration volunteers are scheduled and are ready to support badge pickup at the Dublin Community Recreation Center as well as on Tournament grounds at the Sarazen Villa for City of Dublin guests.	13 Volunteers
MLK Civic Service Series	MLK Civic Service Series on April 15 focused on Dublin's historic core. Volunteers learned from the Dublin Historical Society and completed work at the Dublin cemetery – mulching, prepping garden beds and cleaning up debris from cemetery grounds.	35 Volunteers

Corporate Volunteer Engagement

150 Volunteers

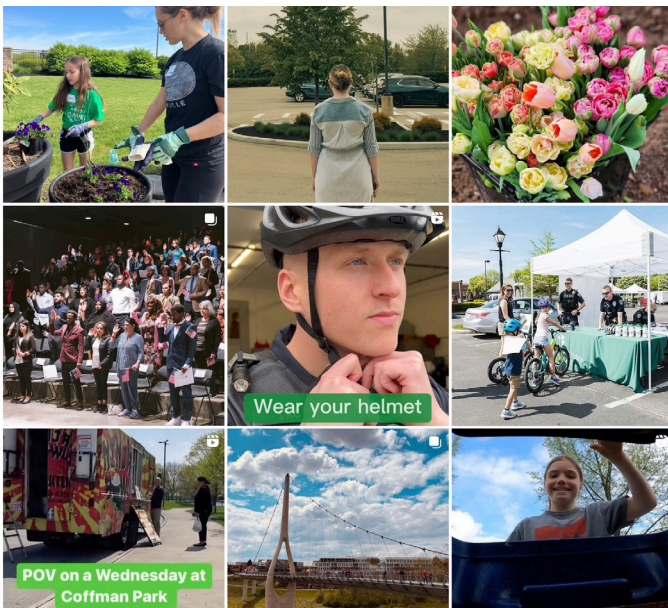
- Veterinary Emergency Group (VEG)
- Safeware
- Walmart
- Brixey and Meyer
- Veeva
- HBD Industries
- Chick-Fil-A

Communications & Public Information

Highlights

May'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.
- May's strategic topics include: Bike Month, the Memorial Tournament, Police Week and the Memorial Day Ceremony.



Staff uses current trends to highlight the City's vision to be the most sustainable, connected and resilient community and feature key messages in fun, fresh ways. (Monthly CPI Measurements - Appendix 5)

Sustainable Dublin Communications

- Styrofoam Recycling Collection event
- Household Hazardous Waste Removal event
- Bike Month — Highlight our Bike Friendly Community honor and how the City's bike paths and micromobility options offer alternatives to motor vehicle use.

Connected Dublin Communications

- 150-Miles of shared use paths
- Memorial Tournament - City division work together to make Dublin look its best for tournament time.

Resilient Dublin Communications

- Dublin Police Memorial
- National Police Week
- Memorial Day Ceremony
- WhyDublin? Wednesday video campaign - combined, have more than 625,000 views and remain in our top four most watched videos weekly.

June Lookahead

- Independence Day Celebration, highlight table and wristband sales as well as the schedule of events.
- Pride Month, feature Rainbow Dublin's event, the City's LGBTQ+ Liaisons, bridge lighting, Safe Space and more.
- Juneteenth, featuring the bridge lighting and the history of Juneteenth as explained by Dublin residents.



Link Ahead Podcast

- Reached its 25th episode in May
- 9,420 listens
- A few of the recent topics included the Columbus Metropolitan Library — Dublin Branch, "on-the-road" episode for the City's Envision Dublin meeting and the City's sustainable initiatives for Earth Month.

Legislative

Update

Operating Budget Timeline

- April 26th – The House voted the budget out 78-19.
- June 14th or 15th – The Senate is expected to vote on the budget.
- Mid-Late June - Once the Senate passes their version of the budget, the bill will go to Conference Committee where key House and Senate members will continue negotiations until they reach an agreement that can be taken to the Governor's desk.
- June 30th – The constitutional deadline for when a balanced budget bill must be on the Governor's desk, ready to sign.
- July 1st – The budget goes into effect.

Tracked Legislation

HB1

PROPERTY, INCOME TAX CHANGES (MATHEWS A) To modify the law regarding property taxation and income tax rates.

Current Status: 4/25/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Seventh Hearing)

HB33

FY24-25 OPERATING BUDGET (EDWARDS J) To make operating appropriations for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025, to levy taxes, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs.

Current Status: 5/4/2023 - Senate Workforce and Higher Education, (Fourth Hearing)

HB60

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION-EXPANDED QUALIFICATIONS (TROY D) To increase the amount of and expand the income qualifications for the homestead exemption.

Current Status: 4/18/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Fourth Hearing)

HB64

EMINENT DOMAIN LAW CHANGES (KICK D, CREECH R) To modify the law regarding eminent domain.

Current Status: 5/23/2023 - House Civil Justice, (Fourth Hearing) City of Dublin submitted opponent testimony on 5/22/23

HB93

LIMITATIONS ON RECOVERY, LIEN IMPOSITION (JOHNSON M, MCCLAIN R) Regarding limitations on recovery and lien imposition by municipalities against property owners of non-owner-occupied properties for unpaid water, sewer, and disposal services rates and charges.

Current Status: 5/2/2023 - House State and Local Government, (First Hearing)

HB121

REMOTE WORKERS - MODIFIED MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX (ROBB BLASDEL M, MATHEWS A) To allow businesses with remote workers to use a modified municipal income tax apportionment formula.

Current Status: 5/2/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Third Hearing)

HB126

TAX EXEMPTION - MILITARY PAY (MATHEWS A, MILLER A) To expand a municipal income tax exemption for military pay.

Current Status: 3/28/2023 - Referred to Committee House Ways and Means

SB41

LAW CHANGES-BUILDING INSPECTIONS (ROEGNER K) To make changes to the law relating to building inspections.

Current Status: 4/18/2023 - Referred to Committee House Economic and Workforce Development

SB75

JEDD FORMATION REQUIREMENTS (BLESSING III L) To allow two or more municipalities to create a joint economic development district without involving a township.

Current Status: 3/28/2023 - BILL AMENDED, Senate Local Government, (Third Hearing)

SB76

HIGH-VOLUME LANDLORD TAX (BLESSING III L, ANTONIO N) To levy a tax on certain high-volume landlords.

Current Status: 3/22/2023 - Senate Ways and Means, (Second Hearing)

SB78

RESTORE LOCAL AUTHORITY-FIREARMS (CRAIG H, INGRAM C) To restore local authority to generally regulate firearms-related conduct.

Current Status: 3/8/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Veterans and Public Safety

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
June				1 All Day Memorial Tournament 7:30 p.m. Abbey Theater McQueen	2 All Day Memorial Tournament 5 p.m. Fore!Fest 7:30 p.m. Abbey Theater McQueen	3 All Day Memorial Tournament 9 a.m. Dublin Market at Bridge Park 5 p.m. Fore!Fest 7:30 p.m. Abbey Theater McQueen
	4 All Day Memorial Tournament	5 4:30 p.m. Special Council Meeting 6 p.m. Council Work Session	6 6 p.m. Advisory Committee Training	7	8 9 a.m. Records Commission 6:30 p.m. Planning & Zoning Commission 5 p.m. Dublin Market at Bridge Park - Night Market	9
						10 9 a.m. Dublin Market at Bridge Park
	11	12 7 p.m. Council Meeting	13 4 p.m. Finance Committee 6:30 p.m. Community Services Advisory Committee	14	15 5:30 p.m. Chief's Advisory Committee 7:30 p.m. Abbey Theater 40 Acres	16 7:30 p.m. Abbey Theater 40 Acres
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25	26 7 p.m. Council Meeting	27 6 p.m. Community Inclusion Advisory Committee	28 6:30 p.m. Architectural Review Board	29 6:30 p.m. Board of Zoning Appeals	30 7 p.m. Abbey Theater Playwrights Collective	

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