

Council Candidate Q&A Transparency Posting

Posting No. 4

To ensure transparency and provide equal access to information for all candidates, the City is posting the following question received from a candidate, along with the City's response. This information is shared exactly as provided so that all candidates have the same access to City resources and clarification.

QUESTION SUBMITTED:

Question regarding the timing of the installation of the HAWK signal at Hyland-Croy and Tullymore.

CITY RESPONSE:

The project is currently in the design phase and is included for construction in the City's proposed 2026–2030 Capital Improvements Program (CIP). We are on track to open bids in early-to-mid December and plan to award the project in late January. Once a contractor is selected, they will install a temporary HAWK signal to provide safe pedestrian crossings until the permanent signal is complete. Weather can play a role, but our goal is to have the temporary signal in place and operating by the end of March.

The permanent HAWK signal is scheduled to be completed by October 31, 2026. That timeline could shift slightly depending on equipment availability, especially with signal poles and related parts.

QUESTION SUBMITTED:

Question regarding the timing of certain sidewalk repairs.

CITY RESPONSE:

Our <u>Sidewalk Maintenance Program</u> identifies both shavings and full replacements of sidewalks for the five years in our Capital Improvements Program.

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Question regarding why a shared use path along Martin Road had a closed sign up.

CITY RESPONSE:

The section of the shared-use path was closed due to a small sinkhole forming. Our streets staff initially attempted to fill it with asphalt patch material, but the material continued to sink. Upon further inspection, we discovered a hole in the storm sewer that requires excavation and repair. Once the repair is complete, our crews will restore the path surface.

QUESTION SUBMITTED:

The CIP project description has acquisition and utility relocation in 2026 and construction in 2027. Is it really going to take over a year to get through the acquisitions and utility work?

CITY RESPONSE:

Design is ongoing for the waterline extension to Area 3A and sanitary sewer extensions to Areas 3A and 3C, and will be completed by late 2025/early 2026. The project will serve nineteen (19) parcels for water along Riverside Drive north of Hard Road to Wyandotte Woods Boulevard, and sixty-one (61) parcels for sanitary sewer along Riverside Drive north of Hard Road to Wyandotte Woods Boulevard, including the Tonti Drive area.

The easement acquisition process for the waterline extension to Area 3A project is underway and is expected to be completed by late Summer 2026. Private utility relocations for the waterline extension to Area 3A project are expected to begin in early 2026 and be completed by Fall 2026. Staff expects to advertise the waterline extension to Area 3A project for bids in late Fall 2026, with construction commencing in early 2027. The above easement acquisitions and private utility relocations timeframe is comparable to similar public utility projects requiring easement acquisitions and private utility relocations.

Construction of sanitary sewer extensions to Areas 3A and 3C are not proposed within the 2026-2030 CIP.

QUESTION SUBMITTED:

Does the City repair sidewalk extensions that run along the bottom of resident driveways?

CITY RESPONSE:

Under Dublin Code, the portion of the sidewalk that crosses a driveway is considered part of the driveway. This designation is made for several reasons:

- The panels across the driveway are often integral to the driveway itself, typically containing more reinforcing steel and serving a more structural purpose.
- When these panels are removed, portions of the adjoining driveway or apron often also need to be removed.
- Nearly all damage observed on driveway sidewalk panels is the result of vehicles traversing them.

Based on these provisions, the apron and sidewalk panels within the driveway are considered part of the driveway. Driveways are not owned or maintained by the city, so repairs in those areas are the responsibility of the property owner.

QUESTION SUBMITTED:

Question about the guidelines for determining which residents and/or homes, who live in the proximity of the Irish Festival, receive complementary tickets.

CITY RESPONSE:

Complimentary ticket distribution is not determined solely by distance from the Festival grounds. Staff evaluate the areas most directly impacted by Festival-related traffic and parking, as well as observed traffic burdens on each street. The residents who receive tickets include:

- All of Tara Hill Drive west of Literary Lane, including the courts branching off that section.
- Streets west of Literary and south of Tara Hill.
- Roscommon and Erin Isle Court, since Roscommon connects directly to Coffman Road.
- All of Willow Grove.

Staff have reviewed these areas over the years and focused on neighborhoods most affected by traffic or without alternate routes to exit. Ernest Way has not been included because residents there have the option to exit north via Adventure Drive. Currently, 1,076 tickets are distributed annually to residents in these areas.

The approved Community Events Roadmap Report notes that the City should continue to grow event revenue with a goal of \$150,000. As part of this effort, the City closely monitors the distribution of complimentary tickets distributed. In keeping with this directive, it would not be appropriate to expand complimentary ticketing beyond the current levels.

NOTE:

The City of Dublin provides factual responses to questions from all candidates. Responses are limited to information that is publicly available and do not include campaign advice, strategy, or opinions. All candidate questions and City responses will be posted on the website for reference throughout the election period.

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