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## **City of Cleveland Daily News Updates - #333**

The City of Cleveland continues to take numerous precautions across multiple departments and divisions amid increasing cases of coronavirus (COVID-19). Below are some important updates. **Mayor Frank G. Jackson signed an order on March 31, 2021 extending the City's Proclamation of Civil Emergency through April 30, 2021.** [Click here to view the order.](#) Essential services such as Police, Fire, EMS, waste collection and Utilities will remain operational.

### **Cleveland Department of Public Health Releases Weekly COVID-19 Update**

The Cleveland Department of Public Health has released a COVID-19 update for the week of March 28 to April 3. To view the update, [click here](#). To view the COVID-19 watch report, [click here](#).

### **Cleveland Police Officer Charged with Misdemeanor Domestic Violence in Parma, Ohio**

Cleveland Police Detective Raul Atanacio was charged with one count of misdemeanor Domestic Violence in Parma, Ohio on April 6, 2021. Atanacio has been placed on restricted duty with no contact with the public pending the outcome of the judicial proceedings. After the judicial process is complete, an administrative review will begin within the Cleveland Division of Police.

Raul Atanacio, 39, was hired by the Cleveland Division of Police in 2007. He is currently assigned to the Sex Crimes and Child Abuse Unit.

The City of Cleveland will maintain the confidentiality and privacy of all City employees until due process is afforded and/or the matter is adjudicated. All other inquiries on this matter should be referred to Mr. Atanacio's attorney.

### **Cleveland Hopkins International Airport Passenger Travel Data**

Cleveland Hopkins International Airport (CLE), like other airports worldwide, has had a dramatic drop in air service and travelers due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Concerns over health and safety, as well as quarantines, coupled with many businesses cancelling travel and leisure travelers staying home, have impacted flights.

We are currently averaging 9,199 passengers in the past seven days, compared with the 314 passengers we reported in April 2020. [Click here to view regularly updated numbers on airport travel on the Hopkins website.](#)

### **Union Avenue Rehabilitation Project Traffic Advisory**

Beginning Monday, April 19, 2021, ODOT will begin the Union Avenue Rehabilitation Project. Maintenance of traffic will be as follows:

- One way traffic will be maintained eastbound on Union Avenue from Broadway Avenue to East 93<sup>rd</sup> Street.
- The westbound Union Avenue Detour shall be: South on East 93<sup>rd</sup> Street then east on Harvard Avenue to Broadway Avenue.

Access at all intersections and driveways will be maintained, but on-street parking will not be permitted. Electronic message boards have been placed on both ends of the project informing the public of the impending construction work.

The Union Avenue construction is being administered by the Ohio Department of Transportation. Improvements include:

- The existing asphalt surface will be removed, the underlying pavement base will be repaired and new asphalt will be placed in two courses.
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps will be installed.
- Repairs or replacement of non-compliant street curbs, sidewalks, and drive aprons as required.
- 67 driveways will be removed at abandoned houses & empty lots improving the safety of the bikers.
- New thermoplastic pavement markings will be installed to support a road diet. The road diet will improve safety by channeling traffic into one lane in each direction, with center left turn slots at signalized intersections. On-street parking will be removed.
- Bike lanes on both sides of the street.
- Crosswalks at intersecting streets.
- High Visibility (Ladder-Style) crosswalks at Safe Route to School locations 1 mile of shared lanes.

The work on this project will take place Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The project is scheduled for completion in June 2022.

Questions? Contact the Ohio Department of Transportation District 12 Public Information Office at [D12.Public.Information@dot.ohio.gov](mailto:D12.Public.Information@dot.ohio.gov), 216-584-2005 or 216-584-2007.

***Editor's Note:** Road construction invariably presents hazards to the public. All travelers are urged to use caution in construction zones. Public safety and the safety of workers is a top priority.*

### **Lynn Court Reconstruction Project Traffic Advisory**

During the week of April 21, 2021, weather permitting, the City will restart roadway reconstruction on Lynn Court from Lydian Avenue to End. The street will be open for local access only. No on-street parking will be permitted for the duration of the project.

The project includes milling the existing asphalt pavement, concrete drive apron placement, grading, adjusting utility castings, placement of compliant ADA ramps, and placing new asphalt. The work will take place during the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The asphalt resurfacing project is expected to complete by the end of June 2021.

Should there be any questions, please contact the City of Cleveland's Construction Inspector, Eric Faehner at 216-857-3028.

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### **Virtual Public Information Presentation for West Franklin Boulevard Rehabilitation Project**

Mayor Frank G. Jackson, Ward 15 Councilwoman Jenny Spencer, Ward 3 Councilman Kerry McCormack, Director of the Mayor's Office of Capital Projects Matthew Spronz, Richard J. Switalski, P.E., Administration Bureau Manager, and the Division of Engineering and Construction invite you to participate in the Virtual Public Information Presentation for the West Franklin Boulevard Rehabilitation Project. This presentation can be viewed from April 22, 2021 to May 20, 2021 at [www.westfranklincl.com](http://www.westfranklincl.com).

The purpose of this presentation is to provide information and receive feedback on plans for the upcoming West Franklin Blvd Project. The proposed improvements on West Franklin Blvd from West 85th Street to West 25th Street include:

- Complete asphalt resurfacing, including full and partial depth pavement repairs where needed.
- Realignment of West 85th Street intersection adding ADA-compliant curb ramps
- Mini roundabouts and curb extensions at several locations as part of traffic calming measures.
- Improved pedestrian crossings including installation of rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs) at select crosswalks.
- Signing and pavement marking upgrades, including sharrows along corridor.

Construction is estimated to begin in April 2022 and be completed in October 2022. [View the invitation flyer here.](#)

### **Cleveland Releases Green & Equitable Energy Report**

On September 20, 2018, the City of Cleveland became the first city in the state of Ohio to commit to powering itself with 100% clean energy. Building off our Cleveland Climate Action Plan ([CAP](#)), Mayor Frank G. Jackson announced his commitment to combat climate change by transitioning Cleveland to 100% clean and renewable energy sources by 2050. At the heart of this goal is the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 80% over a 2010 baseline by 2050.

To help us achieve this critical goal, we secured grant funding from Partners for Places, The Cleveland Foundation, the George Gund Foundation, and the United Black Fund of Greater Cleveland, and assembled a core team, including Cleveland Neighborhood Progress, Cray Consulting Group, Greenlink Analytics, and our funders to understand what it would take to meet this goal. Together we developed *Cleveland's Clean and Equitable Energy Future* report, an action-oriented roadmap the City can follow for successful implementation of the 100% clean energy transition by 2050. You can find the full report [here](#) and an [FAQ sheet here](#).

“As a City, we have a long commitment to sustainability which includes focusing on reducing emissions,” said Mayor Jackson. “This report builds on our utility-level efforts, and includes things that residents, businesses, and the City can do to generate more clean electricity locally and to increase energy efficiency. One of the key takeaways is that existing state energy policy limits what we can do locally. Without a more comprehensive state energy policy focused on clean energy and energy efficiency, we cannot maximize the positive impact for our residents and neighborhoods.”

Greenlink Analytics – a national leader on carbon footprint accounting, utility resource planning, and environmental/social impact assessment -- provided a deep analysis of current and projected future energy use by the City of Cleveland and the Cleveland community. In the report, Greenlink Analytics modeled scenarios which demonstrate various Clean Energy Pathways the City can take to reach its 100% renewable electricity demand target, spanning across energy efficiency, solar, wind, energy storage, purchasing Renewable Energy Credits (RECs), Electric Vehicle (EV) adoption, and transit sectors. These pathways enable the City to achieve its goal of 100% clean energy, while also generating millions of dollars of public benefits, including utility bill savings and reducing energy burden for residents, the creation of green jobs, and public health benefits for Clevelanders.

*Cleveland's Clean and Equitable Energy Future* identifies numerous policy and program actions needed to achieve 100% clean energy as part of a Clean Energy Policy Toolkit. Since the launch of Sustainable Cleveland, we have taken intentional action to advance our transition to 100% clean energy. We have already implemented or begun implementing eleven existing policies and programs, committed to twelve, and are considering an additional nine as recommended by Greenlink Analytics. The actions included in the Clean Energy Policy Toolkit focus on:

- Reducing the overall amount of electricity consumed by enhancing energy efficiency across residential, commercial, and industrial sectors;
- Continued implementation of clean energy installations and investments in storage system technologies;
- Transitioning the transportation sector to more-electrified, less fuel-dependent vehicles and reducing motorized trips;
- Supporting state-level policy which supports clean energy and energy efficiency adoption; and
- Identifying creative and sustainable financing mechanisms which allow increased access to energy efficiency and clean energy programs for low-to-moderate income residents and small businesses.

“Even with the constraints state policy imposes, taking action now can have a positive impact on energy equity, job creation and the health of our residents and neighborhoods. Successfully implementing this plan will require community-wide commitment and accountability. Like everything we have successfully done as a community, we will have to do this together.”

As the City of Cleveland begins to take action towards our 100% clean energy goal, there is also a role for our community to play in achieving this goal. Over the coming months, the Office of Sustainability will continue to engage with stakeholders at all levels to share the findings of the plan and how residents, businesses, and community organizations can help meet our 100% clean energy goal. Stay tuned for updates on upcoming projects and ways to get involved in this exciting work.

If you have any questions about *Cleveland's Clean and Equitable Energy Future*, feel free to contact us at [sustainability@clevelandohio.gov](mailto:sustainability@clevelandohio.gov).

## **Other Important Reminders**

### **Ohio Governor Mike DeWine Announces Amended Health Order**

On April 9, 2021, Governor Mike DeWine announced that Ohio Department of Health Director Stephanie McCloud signed an amended health order to provide clarity regarding religious exemptions, spacing in restaurants and K-12 facial coverings. View the amended Order for [Social Distancing, Facial Coverings, and Non-Congregating here](#).

## City of Cleveland Board of Control Issues Resolution for NFL Draft Vendors

As the City of Cleveland prepares to host the NFL Draft from April 29, 2021 – May 1, 2021, vendors should be advised of required regulations and Codified Ordinances within the City. [Click here to read the resolution.](#)

## Update on Temporary Outdoor Dining for Restaurants

In order to better serve restaurants and their patrons during the COVID-19 pandemic, the City of Cleveland has established guidelines and regulations for permitted businesses to use private parking lots, streets and on-street parking areas as outdoor restaurant spaces as part of Mayor Frank G. Jackson's ReStart CLE plan. This legislation provides restaurants with additional dining space that allows them to safely operate.

Businesses will need to acquire permits for outdoor dining. Permits issued for a Temporary Expansion Area (TEA) may be revoked at any time for failure to comply with the provisions of this ordinance, the codified ordinances and applicable rules and regulations of the City of Cleveland or laws of the state of Ohio, including Ohio Department of Health (ODH) orders. Businesses must adhere to the following regulations:

- **Permit Fee Duration:** A TEA permit, is valid through Nov. 1, 2021, unless terminated earlier or revoked. No fee will be required for a TEA permit application.
- **Patio Elements:** An application for a Temporary Expansion Area permit shall include detailed plans drawn to scale showing the number and location of patio elements, including standard tables, chairs, and umbrella. Additional elements such as tents, generators, and other structures may require additional approvals. All elements must remain within the approved site plan area of operation.
- **Spacing Requirements:** All patio furnishing must be organized to allow for appropriate social distancing between tables in compliance with ODH orders.
- **Protective Barrier Structure for patio area expansion:** All expanded patio enclosure areas must contain the appropriate protection between the patio area and vehicular traffic. This will require a much stronger barrier than a typical patio enclosure. The structure must be removable at the end of business hours (if necessary) or after any designated period approved as part of the application. In the case of a full street closure, or where, in the determination of the City, additional buffers are needed, the City may provide the necessary protective barrier structure at no cost.
- **Maintenance:** Permittees shall maintain the TEA in accordance with all City, County, and State laws, regulations, and orders. Permittee shall be responsible for keeping TEAs clean and safe.

To learn more about the permit application process, outdoor dining and public space typologies and outdoor dining guidelines and regulations, [click here.](#)

[Click here to view Outdoor Dining and Public Space Typologies.](#)

## City of Cleveland Seeks Applicants for CMSD Board Appointment

Mayor Frank G. Jackson has announced that applications will be accepted from now until Monday, May 3, 2021 for appointment to four seats on the Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) Board of Education. The four seats are for expiring terms ending Wednesday, June 30, 2021. New terms will begin July 1, 2021 and expire June 30, 2025.

To be considered, applicants must be residents of the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. Interested parties can mail their applications to the Nominating Panel at 601 Lakeside Avenue, Room 227, Cleveland, Ohio 44114, attention Dr. Monyka Price or drop off applications at City Hall. Applications must be turned in by close of business Monday, May 3, 2021.

To obtain an application please visit [www.city.cleveland.oh.us](http://www.city.cleveland.oh.us), [www.cpl.org](http://www.cpl.org) and [www.clevelandmetroschool.org](http://www.clevelandmetroschool.org) or contact Dr. Price at (216) 420-8087 for more information. Applications can also be found at branches of the Cleveland Public Library and City of Cleveland Recreation Centers.

- [Click here to obtain an English language application](#)
- [Click here to obtain a Spanish language application](#)

### **Mayor Frank G. Jackson Announces Return of the Exterior Paint Program**

The City of Cleveland invites residents to take advantage of its 2021 Exterior Paint Program. Applications must be received by April 30, 2021.

The Exterior Paint Program provides paint and materials to homeowners who wish to paint the exterior of their homes. Labor is not included. The goal for 2021 is 500 homes with a total allocation of \$500,000 for the program.

“The goal of this program is to help residents protect their home investments, improve housing stock in our neighborhoods and create a better, more equitable quality of life,” said Mayor Frank G. Jackson.

Homeowners, as well as tenants, who meet income guidelines, are welcome to apply for the program. Funds cover the cost of up to \$1,500 for owner occupants or up to \$750 for tenants in paint and materials, though restrictions do apply. Inspections of the property must also be conducted. Applications must be received by April 30, 2021 and the painting must be completed by October 31, 2021.

The Department of Community Development’s Division of Neighborhood Services administers services on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested Cleveland residents can obtain applications by calling (216) 664-2045.

#### **Exterior Paint Program Income Guidelines**

FAMILY SIZE	INCOME LEVEL	FAMILY SIZE	INCOME LEVEL
1	\$51,600	5	\$79,600
2	\$59,000	6	\$85,500
3	\$66,350	7	\$91,400
4	\$73,700	8	\$97,300

### **[Governor Dewine Announces Guidance to Vaccine Providers on Phase 1c and Phase 2](#)**

#### **City of Cleveland Establishes Call Center to Answer General Vaccine Distribution Questions**

The City of Cleveland has established a call center that is currently available to answer general questions pertaining to the City’s vaccine distribution efforts and assist eligible individuals in scheduling an appointment to receive the vaccine.

- Call Center Number: (216) 664-2222



- Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

As a reminder, only individuals who meet the Ohio Department of Health's criteria are eligible to receive the vaccine at this time. Due to limited supply, it will take time for eligible individuals to receive the vaccine. We ask for your patience. As we receive additional supply, we will be opening up additional vaccination sites and scheduling appointments for eligible individuals to receive the vaccine.

### **Calls Regarding COVID-19 Complaints**

With the passage by Cleveland City Council of an ordinance authorizing penalties for non-compliance with Mayor Jackson's mask mandate, enforcement is now in effect. There are two numbers Clevelanders should call regarding non-compliance:

- **Business complaints:** CDPH hotline at (216) 857-7165
- **Individual or private residence complaints:** Cleveland Police non-emergency line at (216) 621-1234

Cleveland City Council recently approved the mandatory use of masks in public spaces as well as certain penalties for individuals and businesses that do not comply. On July 3, Mayor Jackson signed an amended order mandating the use of masks in public in the City of Cleveland to slow the spread of the highly contagious coronavirus. This includes mandatory use in bars, restaurants, shared office settings, rideshares and other shared spaces.

Citations may be issued with fines for the following:

- Any business or person violating the mask or safe-seating order (which maintains social distancing of at least six feet between patrons) is subject to civil penalties in accordance with Ordinance No. 556-2020, specifically chapters 602 and 236.
- Any business in the City of Cleveland with an employee who becomes ill with the coronavirus is required to immediately disinfect and sanitize the premises. Following a warning, they may be subject to a civil penalty of \$1,000 for the first offense and a civil penalty of \$3,000 for each subsequent violation.

### **Upcoming Cleveland Transformation Alliance Meetings**

The Cleveland Transformation Alliance Committee (CTA) is currently hosting public meetings via Zoom or Microsoft Teams. For more information on these meetings, please visit <http://www.myCLEschool.org>. See details for upcoming meetings below:

#### ***Finance Committee Meeting***

Thursday, April 22 at 8:30 a.m. via Microsoft Teams

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only)

[+1 216-815-0098,571164429#](tel:+12168150098571164429) United States, Cleveland

Phone Conference ID: 571 164 429#

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#### ***Cleveland Plan Progress Committee Refresh Retreat***

Friday, April 23, 2021 at 1 p.m. via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/93125169762?pwd=MWNKUE9jUTZNaGpxSXJEWUdTMGZuUT09>

Meeting ID: 931 2516 9762      Passcode: 637409

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Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/adbbpeaKcU>

### ***Cleveland Transformation Alliance Board Meeting***

Monday, April 26 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/96577426538?pwd=dU5GLzZqUWlsNSs5THBWV05KWFJRZz09>

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### **CodeRED**

Sign up for CodeRED alerts to receive calls and emails with important info regarding the coronavirus. To sign up online, visit <https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED>. Get mobile alerts by downloading the CodeRED app via the Apple or Google Play stores. Seniors who need assistance signing up are welcome to call the Department of Aging at (216) 664-4383 for periodic phone call messaging.

### **Previous COVID-19 Updates from the City of Cleveland**

[Click here to view previous updates.](#)

**For more information about COVID-19, visit the following:**

- [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)
- <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>
- <http://www.clevelandhealth.org/>

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