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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 (CDPH) COVID-19 Weekly Case Summary

CDPH has been notified of 631 new coronavirus cases in city residents for April 4 - April 10. This brings the total to 29,894 confirmed cases in the City of Cleveland and 450 fatalities.

[Click here to view the entire COVID-19 case summary.](#)

Enhanced Video from the April 15 Officer Involved Shooting

The City of Cleveland is issuing enhanced body camera footage of the April 15 officer involved shooting. [View the footage here](#) and read the [April 15 news release here](#).

Cleveland Division of Police Commander Retires

Mayor Frank G. Jackson, Director of Public Safety Karrie D. Howard and Police Chief Calvin D. Williams announce that Cleveland Police Commander Debra Brumfield has retired after serving with the Cleveland Division of Police for over twenty-five years. Commander Brumfield most recently served as the Commander of the Bureau of Communications and Property Control, overseeing the Communications Control Section, Logistics and Property.

Mayor Frank G. Jackson, Director of Public Safety Karrie D. Howard and Police Chief Calvin D. Williams issued a joint statement on Commander Brumfield's retirement: "Commander Debra Brumfield has served the Division throughout her career. She is a strong leader and we want to thank her for her service to the citizens of the City of Cleveland. Commander Brumfield has set a strong foundation for those who follow in her footsteps."

Commander Debra Brumfield was hired by the Cleveland Division of Police in April of 1996, promoted to Sergeant in 2000 and to Lieutenant in 2002 and to Captain in 2014. In 2014, she was appointed to Commander by Mayor Frank G. Jackson, overseeing the Bureau of Communications and Property Control.

Commander Debra Brumfield officially retires today, April 16, 2021. Commander Brumfield was instrumental in the implementation of many upgrades to the Bureau of Communications and Property Control including enhanced call answering software and the modernization and digitizing of property intake management. Commander Debra Brumfield hired and trained hundreds of Dispatchers and Call Takers under her command and instated a wellness program for her employees as well as community programs including the bedsheet program for survivors of sexual assault to provide clean linens for survivors.

A supervisory member of the Division of Police will serve as Acting Deputy Commander of the Bureau of Communications and Property Control until a new member of the Cleveland Division of Police Command Staff is selected.

[Click here to view Commander Debra Brumfield's headshot.](#)

City of Cleveland Municipal (Muni) Parking Lot to Close April 27 - April 30

In preparation for the 2021 NFL Draft, the City of Cleveland Muni Lot will be closed for monthly and transient parking beginning Tuesday, April 27 through Friday, April 30. Customer parking will resume on Monday, May 3 after the event concludes.

Parking will be available in the Willard Park Garage located at 600 Lakeside Ave. (next to City Hall). Monthly parkers can present their Municipal parking pass to attendants to receive a ticket for free parking.

Pipeline Infrastructure Improvements Update in Ward 9

On Monday April 26, 2021, Dominion Energy Ohio's gas pipeline infrastructure replacement project will begin on the following street:

- Parkwood Drive – From Superior Avenue to Tuscora Avenue
- Grantwood Avenue – From Parkwood Drive to East 105th Street
- Drexel Avenue – From Parkwood Drive to East 105th Street
- Pasadena Avenue – From Parkwood Drive to East 105th Street

The improvements include replacing the old steel mainline with a new plastic mainline in the sidewalk area. A work zone will be established which will allow two-way traffic with traffic control personnel present to help direct traffic flow. Access to adjacent driveways will be maintained throughout construction. All work zones will be removed at the end of each work day. The work on the project will take place Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This project is scheduled for completion by November 2021.

Questions? Contact Matt Lenke - Hill International at (330) 353-7111.

***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.*

CITY DOGS Reunites Dog with Owner After 4 Years

On the morning of April 2, 2019, Cleveland Division of Police picked up a stray dog on the West Side and left him in the care of Animal Care & Control. He was within the normal range of health

when he arrived and was friendly with kennel staff. Kennel staff estimated he is between the age of 5-6 years old and is a shepherd/retriever mix.

He was medically assessed, vaccinated and scanned for a microchip at 9:33 a.m. the same day and his owner was contacted shortly after. The owner appeared to be shocked and so excited. He drove eight hours from Tennessee to Cleveland to pick him up the next day. Sam, the dog, had been missing for four years and originally went missing from Georgia. The owner had since moved to Tennessee. It was an emotional reunion. Sam was excited to see his family and they were thrilled to be reunited with him.

We are so glad this story has a happy ending. It also illustrates the importance of getting dogs microchipped. If your dog needs to be microchipped, please contact Animal Care & Control at 216-664-3069.

“One of the best parts of our job at Cleveland Animal Care & Control is reuniting lost dogs with loving owners who have been looking for them,” said Kennel Manager Michelle Harvanek. “We take a lot of pride in our efforts to trace microchips right away and making several attempts to contact owners. We also place a huge emphasis on microchipping dogs. Every dog that leaves our care through adoption or return to owner is microchipped if they weren't already. This is one of those very feel-good stories that make all of our hard work worth it.”

[Click here to watch a video of Sam reuniting with his family.](#)

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 8,335 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.](#)

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, www.cpl.org and 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](#)

RTA and Civic Partners Provide Free Ride to Vaccination Centers

The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) is partnering with Cuyahoga County and the City of Cleveland to provide All Day passes good for a free ride on bus, rail and paratransit to the Wolstein Center and [vaccination sites](#) throughout the county. [Read the full release here.](#)

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#

[Find a local number](#) | [Reset PIN](#)

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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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+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

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>

Meeting ID: 965 7742 6538 Passcode: 333569

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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
- <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>
- <http://www.clevelandhealth.org/>

About the City of Cleveland

The City of Cleveland is committed to improving the quality of life for its residents by strengthening neighborhoods, delivering superior services, embracing diversity and making Cleveland a desirable, safe city in which to live, work, play, and do business. For more information on the City of Cleveland, visit online at www.clevelandohio.gov, Twitter at @cityofcleveland or Facebook at www.facebook.com/cityofcleveland.