



Mayor's Update to City Council

August 28, 2018

Labor Day Block Party:

- Sunday, September 3, 4:00 to 7:30 pm
- Labor Day cookout provides funding to help pay for special events and activities on the day of the block party
- I'm looking for cooks, servers, and prep workers
- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904044bacab2ca46-labor1>

Skunk Issue – Proposed Solution:

- Skunks are a nuisance animal that are opportunists
- Unlike some other types of nuisance wildlife, treating within city right of way is not a realistic option
- We will be gathering data from residents on where skunks have recently been sighted and/or are known to live
- Based on the data gathered, we will contract with a third party to trap skunks on the property of volunteer residents

BCF Grant Applications:

- Based on LOIs submitted for the 2nd round 2018 grant cycle, the City has been asked to submit, and has submitted, the following applications:
 - Improvements to the South Community Gardens
 - Permanent fencing, garden shed, raised beds, and site furnishings for the South Community Gardens
 - Southwest Bexley Residential Façade Micro-Grants
 - A proposed grant program to assist residents in the area with façade and landscape improvements

North Cassady – Columbus CSX to 7th Project:

- Larry Helman and I attended the community workshop to gather info and provide feedback
- Engineers are aiming to create a center turn lane along this portion of Cassady, a curb and tree lawn, a multipurpose path on the west side of the right of way, and a sidewalk on the east side of the right of way
- There will be additional opportunities for feedback and workshopping
- This project would not begin installation until summer of 2022 at the *earliest*

What I've Been Up To:

Here are some highlights from my calendar since the last council meeting:

- Conducted routine staff and director meetings
- Met with Scout Master from Troop 166 re: upcoming Eagle Scout projects
- Met with Bricker and Eckler re: PACE next steps
- Met with City Engineer & Service Dept. re OPWC round
- Attended Splish Splash and Dash
- Met with CIC Developer Selection Subcommittee
- Visited AT&T Distracted Driving simulator at Capital
- Met with telecom attorney re: Bexley Verizon lease possibility
- Reviewed valet parking plans for Bexley Premier
- Attended Columbus stakeholder workshop for N Cassady project
- Attended Jeffrey Mansion Master Plan steering committee meeting
- Met with Sergeants re: 2019 budget
- Worked with area organizations to cross-plan Ohio Open Doors Event
- Applied for 2 grants from BCF: South community garden improvements; SW Bexley residential façade micro-loans
- Met with resident group interested in pickleball courts at Jeffrey
- Several planning meetings and trial recipes for Labor Day Cookout
- Attended Maryland playground ribbon cutting
- Met with potential ARB/BZAP appointees
- Attended Psoriasis 5K
- Assisted with setup and teardown at Jazz in the Park
- Attended BMPA cookout
- Facilitated natural playground meeting for Schneider Park
- Met with Cap film students re: 1st safety PSA video
- Attended SID Meeting
- Convened "skunk committee" and met with ACO, code enforcement, and came up with concept

Upcoming on the Calendar:

August 29, 5:00 pm:	Jeffrey Mansion Steering Committee Meeting
August 30, 4:00 to 7:00 pm:	Bexley Farmers' Market
September 2-3:	Trash and Treasure Sale at Jeffrey
September 2, 4:00 pm:	Labor Day Block Party
September 3:	Labor Day Block Party rain date
September 3:	City Hall Closed & No Trash Pickup
September 4:	Paws in the Pool
September 4, 6:00 pm:	City Council Meeting
September 5, 5:30 pm:	Recreation Board Meeting
September 7-16:	Ohio Open Doors Events
September 13, 6:00 pm:	Bexley ARB Meeting
September 17, 6:00 pm:	Bexley CIC Meeting
September 21:	Main Event and Bexley's Got Talent
October 16, 6:00 pm:	Implicit Bias training for elected and appointed officials



Lining up at the pool @ Splish, Splash, and Dash



This season's final "Jazz in the Park" at Havenwood



Splish, Splash, and Dash awards ceremony



Maryland Playground Ribbon Cutting



Life-Saving Award Recipients (from left to right): PCO John Millard, Officer Lindsey Eyears, and Sergeant Ron Kenefick



At the Cassady improvements workshop