



FY 2024 BUDGET - GROWING FORWARD

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Joe Fivas
City Manager

City Manager Joe Fivas presented the FY 2024 budget to Mayor Brooks and the Cleveland City Council on Monday, May 8th. The budget is balanced as dictated by local and state laws and does not include a tax increase.

This year, even with standing costs, our local growth dictates we press forward and continue to invest in our local infrastructure, parks and public safety services. The budget is a fiscally conservative general operating budget.

The budget includes essential items required to move the city forward and highlights accomplishments of over 125 transportation, infrastructure, and capital projects. The budget includes some completed and a few on-going projects. Additionally, over the next three years, the Build Cleveland's Future initiative, a \$136 million investment will fund over 60 capital projects (Infrastructure & Economic Development; Downtown projects; State & Federal projects; Quality of Life projects).

Also included is: Major street paving; city street paving; equipment replacement; revitalization initiatives; infrastructure projects; stormwater corridor program; intersection improvements; streetscape and walkability projects; traffic signal initiative; sidewalk projects; public safety projects; fire and police capital expenditures; as well as a redevelopment plan for downtown; and several administrative initiatives.

The budget document is available on our website at www.clevelandtn.gov.



MOSBY PARK REVITALIZATION



Mosby Park revitalization project is complete. Mosby is one of Cleveland's oldest parks, established in 1966. It is located at the corner of Inman Street/Shepard Street N.E. and was named in memorial of Shepard Mosby, a WWI veteran. Additionally, Ms Jessie Davis's legacy was recognized with a plaque commemorating "Mama Jessie's Playground" and Ms. Grace Tucker was honored with a park bench named in her memory.

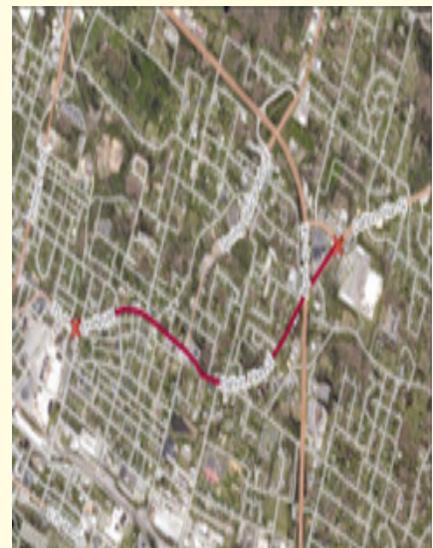
The revitalization project includes two community pavillions; a new amphitheater; playground equipment; arch entryway; fencing; sidewalks and landscaping. Mosby also boasts a swimming pool; splash pad; and a basketball court. Vice-Mayor Johnson described the park as "beautiful". Mayor Brooks stated "it will be a great park for many years to come." The revitalization project was funded by the Community Development Block Grant and Utility Grant funds. The Mayor, City Council, city staff and relatives of the Mosby family attended the grand re-opening held on July 10th.

WILDWOOD/DALTON PIKE SIDEWALK

The City contracted with TDOT in August, 2021 on a large-scale sidewalk project in the Dalton Pike (SR311), Wildwood area (SR74). The stretch of sidewalk rehabilitation is between 9th Street S.E. and 14th Street S.E. (West side of roadway) and ends at McGrady Drive S.E. (East side of roadway). The project was 95% funded by state grants and 5% city funds. The Wildwood/Dalton Pike sidewalk is completed and in the process of being closed out.

This project will provide a sidewalk system giving access along one of the highest pedestrian utilized corridors in the City. We now have a direct sidewalk access from Treasury Drive to Downtown Cleveland.

"This is a welcome addition to the southeastern corridor of Cleveland and will be enjoyed by the community for years to come." said City Manager Joe Fivas.



LIC NORTH

Local Interstate Connector (LIC) North construction and paving is now complete. It is now open to the general public. This connector will provide access to the Pleasant Grove area.

City staff are working with our consultants to close out the project and finalize the funding with the State and Bradley County. This project has created ample economic development benefits and has connected several existing streets to the bypass and I-75 at Exit 20.



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Our employee spotlight in this edition is on City of Cleveland Fire Marshall Chris Bates. He has been with the city for 27 years. He has held the position of Firefighter/AEMT; Engineer Company Officer; Shift Training Officer; and Fire Investigator, before being promoted to Fire Marshal in 2021. Chris has a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga; and an Associates degree from Cleveland State Community College as well as other certifications from the TN Commission of Firefighting.

He is a member of the International Association of Firefighters, International Association of Arson Investigators, and the TN Advisory Committee on Arson. He and his wife Debra have two children (Emily & Danielle) and one Granddaughter. In his spare time Chris enjoys traveling to see his granddaughter. He is also an avid high school and college sports fan. Chris is humble, soft spoken and takes pride in his job. "I enjoy serving the citizens of Cleveland and wish to make a positive impact on our daily lives" said Fire Marshall Chris Bates. "On behalf of Mayor Brooks, the City Council and myself, thank you for your service!", said City Manager Joe Fivas.

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Job Opportunities:

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- Police Officer

Additional job openings are posted on the city's website at:
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8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

(excludes holidays)

City Council meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday, unless otherwise noted (Excludes holidays). There are two sessions.

Work session is held at 1 p.m.

Voting session is held at 3 p.m.

in the City Council Chambers located on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Building at 190 Church Street.

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