



Mayor Bradley's

2026 STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

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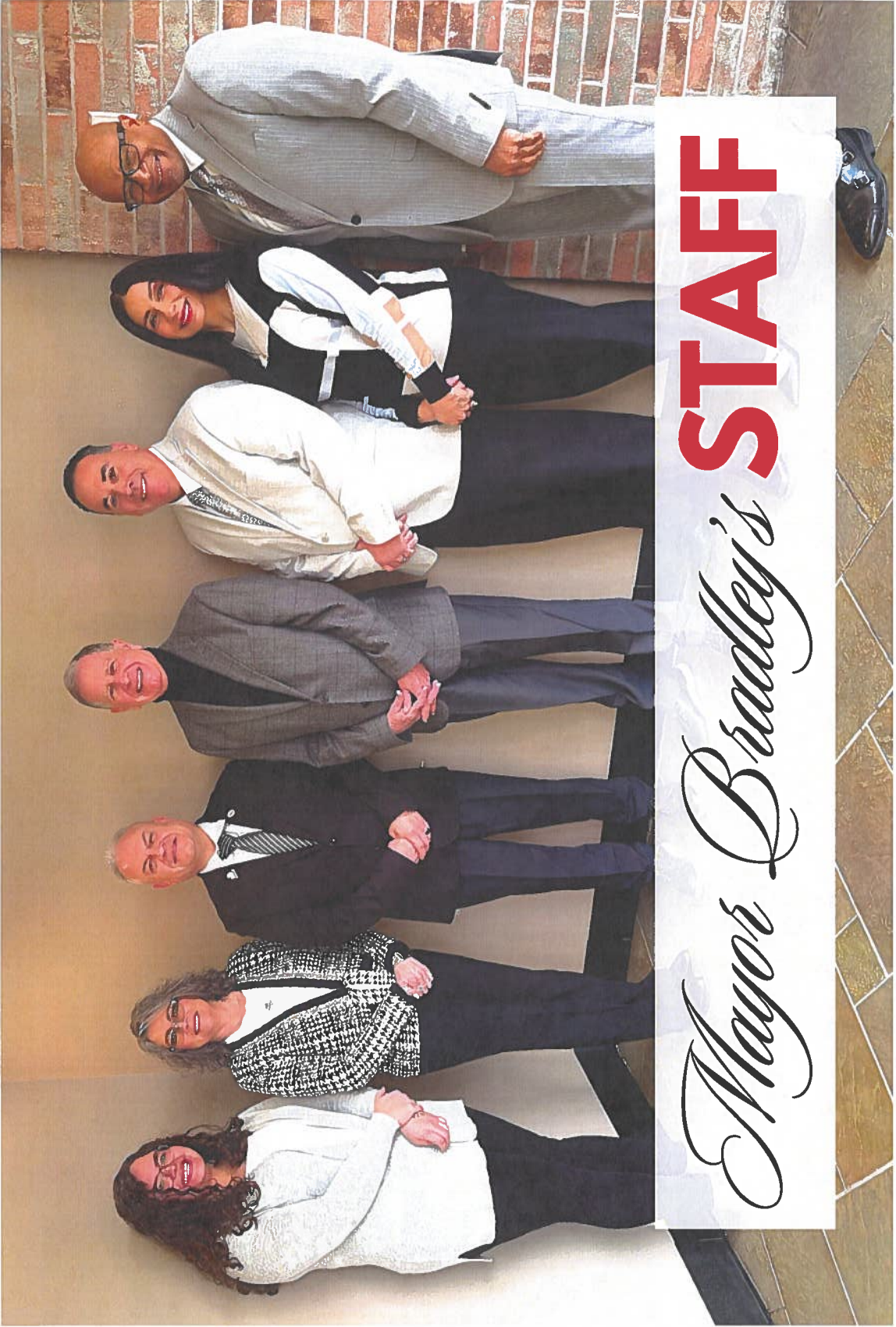


Rotary
Club of Lorain, Ohio

HEROES AMONG US

- July 24, 2025, marked a profound tragedy for the community when Officers Peter Gale, Brent Payne, and Phillip P. Wagner were ambushed in the line of duty.
- Officer Phillip P. Wagner tragically succumbed to his injuries while serving the community.
- The City honored Officer Wagner's heroism by proclaiming July 24 as Officer Phillip Wagner Day and supporting a memorial ceremony attended by thousands.



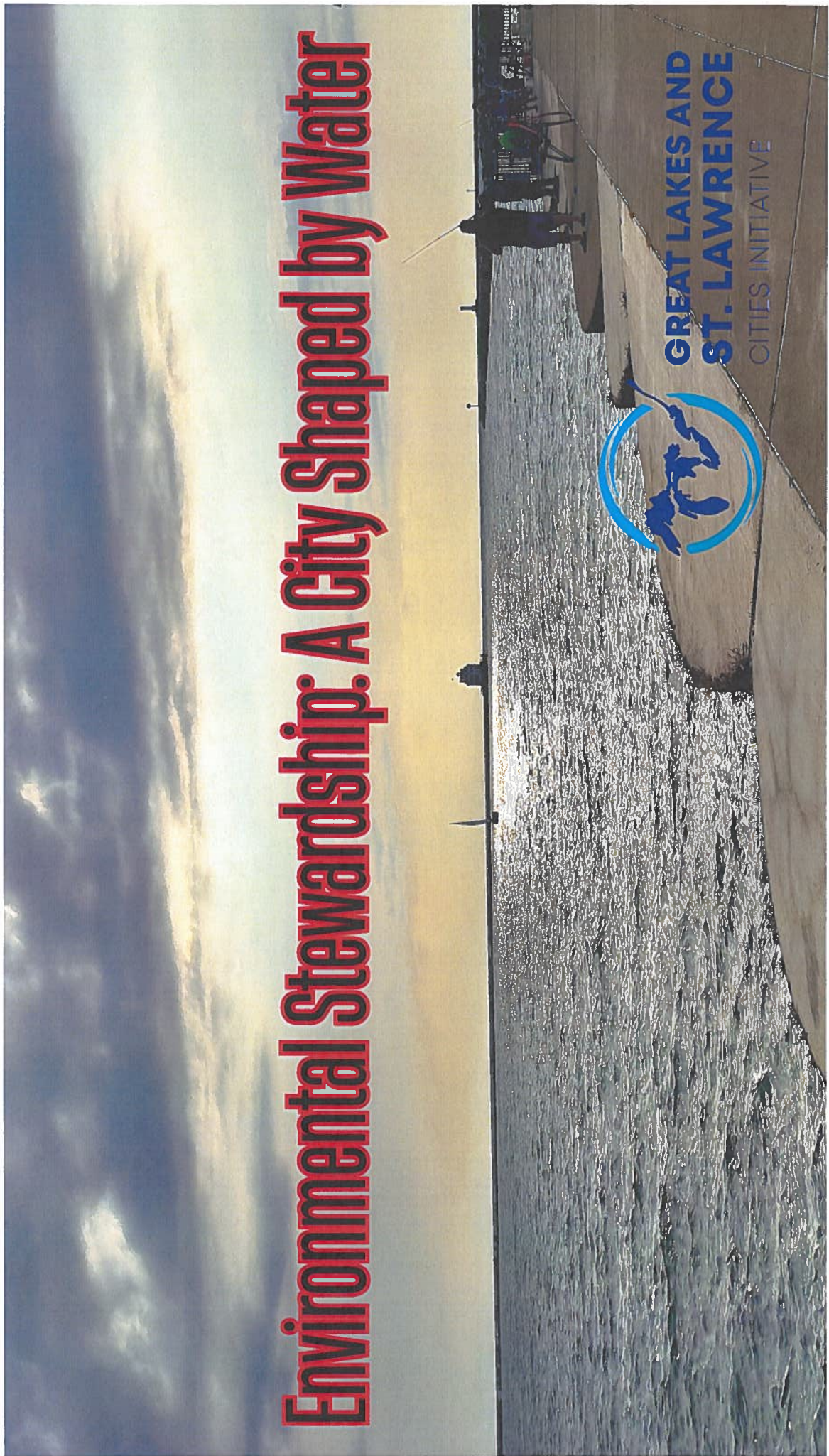


Mayor Bradley's **STAFF**

Environmental Stewardship: A City Shaped by Water



**GREAT LAKES AND
ST. LAWRENCE**
CITIES INITIATIVE





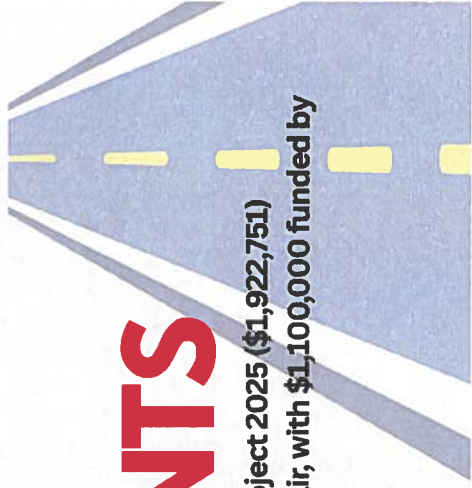
FAIRLESS DRIVE



Road

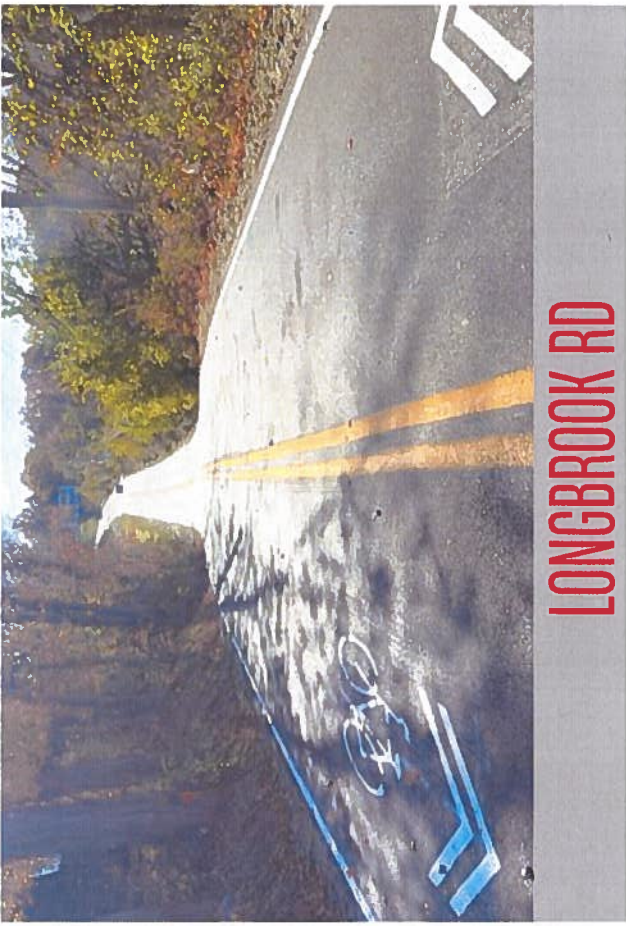
IMPROVEMENTS

The City of Lorain Local Roadway Rehabilitation Project 2025 (\$1,922,751)
City of Lorain administered \$1,922,751 for road repair, with \$1,100,000 funded by OPWC.



- Roads for Replacement
 - Reeves Ave. from W 21st St. to W 22nd St
 - Kelly Pl. from W 23rd St. to W 25th St.
 - West 32nd St. from Falbo Ave. to Amherst Ave.
 - Edgewood Dr. from Rosecrest Dr. to W 44th St.
 - Jamestown Pl. from Gettysburg Dr. to Jamestown Pl. Cul-de-sac
- Roads for Rehabilitation
 - Andover Ave. from Packard Dr. to Goble Dr,
 - Charleston Ave. from Packard Dr. to Fairless Dr.
 - Fairless Dr. from Grove Ave. from Tacoma Ave.
 - Meadow Ln. from Packard Dr. Fairless Dr.
 - Tacoma Ave. from Packard Dr. to Fairless Dr.
 - Willow Ave. from Packard Dr. to Fairless Dr.

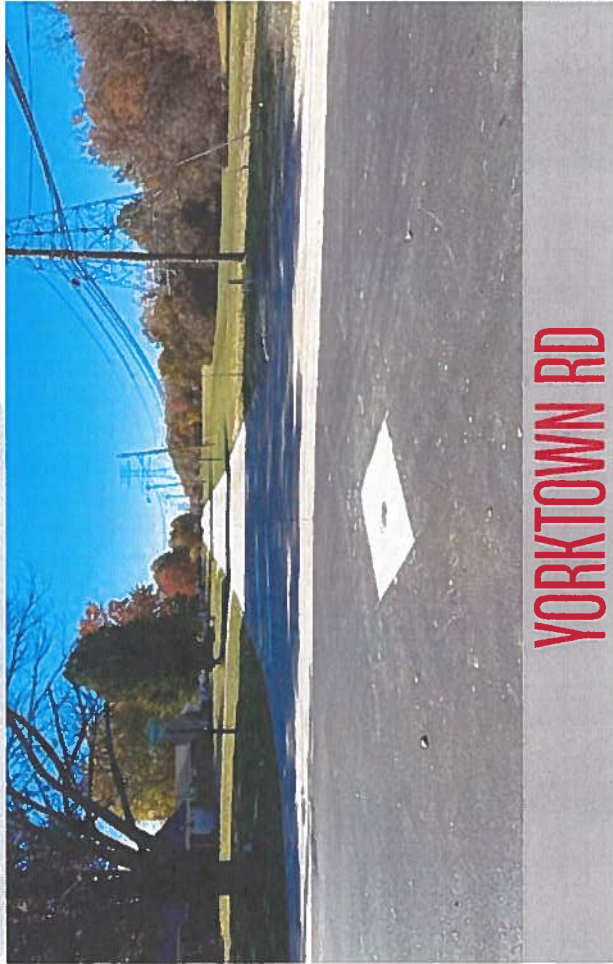
Road IMPROVEMENTS



Longbrook Rd

Longbrook and Yorktown Roads Repair (\$1,073,191)
City of Lorain administered \$1,073,191 for road repair, with \$935,093 funded by ODOT.

The City of Lorain rehabilitated Longbrook Road from Kolbe Road to Yorktown Road and Yorktown Road from Longbrook Road to Oakpoint Road. This project improved roadway drainage, replaced the asphalt pavement on Longbrook Road, and replaced the concrete pavement on Yorktown Road.



Yorktown Rd

GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

- Upgraded GIS to the latest version, expanding data access, sharing, and online application availability
- Developed a GIS application to support Building, Housing, and Planning's high-grass workflow, enabling streamlined field collection, notifications, and billing
- Built and began testing a distribution utility network to allow field staff to quickly identify how pipes and residents will be affected during system issues
- Supported roadway construction projects with GIS field applications for real-time data collection and monitoring
- Deployed two new GPS units to collect data directly into GIS, reducing processing time and staff effort





Utility

IMPROVEMENTS

- Worked in coordination with the Utilities Department to resolve structural and drainage issues as they occurred.
- Lake Erie Outfalls Condition Assessment – An ongoing assessment of the condition of all public outfalls on Lake Erie to the south side of Erie Ave. This assessment began in 2024 and continued through 2025.



PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS

- Year 1 Pedestrian Safety (\$733,867)
 - Pedestrian safety improvement project at thirty-three (33) total locations in the City of Lorain. The proposed improvements include upgraded pedestrian crossings, signage, ADA-compliant curb ramps, RRFBs (Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons), refuge islands, and pavement markings. These upgrades are designed to increase visibility, reduce crossing distances, and slow down approaching vehicles, making it safer for people to walk in their communities.
- Year 2 Pedestrian Safety (\$736,105)
 - Pedestrian safety improvement project at seventeen (17) total locations in the City of Lorain. This project sought to improve pedestrian safety by sidewalk gap-filling and improving pedestrian crossings with the installation of high-visibility markings, yield signage, rectangular rapid flashing beacons, and ADA curb ramps with detectable warnings.
 - Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon on Colorado Ave
 - Under this project, a new pedestrian hybrid beacon was installed at the crossing of the North Coast Inland Trail across Colorado Ave to improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians.
- Safe Routes To School 2025 - Clearview Schools (\$314,855)
 - New sidewalk on E 39th St and Clifton Ave for children walking to Clearview High or Durling Middle schools.



Signal

IMPROVEMENTS

SR-611 and Henderson Signal Improvement Project (\$868,992.44)

Signal improvements on SR-611 at Henderson Ave. to improve the flow of traffic and a new lane configuration to reduce crashes at this intersection.



BLACK RIVER DREDGE MATERIAL REUSE FACILITY

The City began accepting dredge material into the Black River Dredge Material Reuse Facility in September 2024. The 62,000 cy of material dredged from the Black River was harvested in spring of 2025 and reused as cover material.

The facility will be accepting navigational dredge material again this year.





PELLET TERMINAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

- This \$13.5MM project has been funded by ODOD Brownfield, ODNR Coastal Management Assistance, ODNR Division of Wildlife, EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, Congressman Bob Latta, and ARPA funding.
- Last year, the City of Lorain installed a new road and underground infrastructure to support future redevelopment of the Finger Piers and Pellet Terminal.
- Work planned this year includes the renovation of Hot Waters, slated to open to the public by Memorial Day, with a Fish Cleaning Station planned for construction in fall 2026 to spring 2027.



WEST PIER POINT



EAST PIER FISHING TRAIL



SUNSET PIER PARK
CITY OF LORAIN, OHIO

COLDWATER RAMA
CITY OF LORAIN, OHIO



WATERFRONT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT





Brownfield **DEVELOPMENT**

- Stove Works
 - Utilizing \$709,167 in ODOT Brownfield funds and \$236,389 in matching funds, the City completed the removal of contaminated soils at the Stove Works property in 2024. An additional \$4.9M, with a \$1.3M match, was secured from ODOT Brownfield funds to prepare the site for unrestricted residential use. Phase 2 cleanup work began in 2025 and continues into 2026.
- St. Joseph Hospital
 - In partnership with the Lorain County Land Bank, grant funding was acquired from the Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund to complete total site cleanup. While the project partners continue to work through project delays beyond City control, Phase 2 work is planned to be completed in 2026.





TEMPORARY IMPROVEMENTS

- Lorain Better Block
 - Using NOACA's Street Supplies program, the City of Lorain partnered with the Lorain Historical Society, FireFish Arts, the Lorain Port Authority, and many more local organizations to host a Better Block event on Broadway, bringing the community together to demonstrate temporary infrastructure improvements and showcase the future potential of downtown.
- Wayfinding Signage
 - With the revitalization of Lorain's Downtown and ongoing interest in Lorain's Metroparks, organizations like Main Street Lorain are eager to install wayfinding signage. This effort aims to encourage walking within the community and identify key destinations for residents. Funded by Lorain County Public Health and installed by the City of Lorain. The project began in 2024 and continued into 2025.
- Painting Lakeview Park and Century Park Bike Lanes
 - Using NOACA's Street Supplies program, the City of Lorain teamed up with local partners to paint the bike lanes green in front of Lakeview Park and Century Park to increase awareness of cyclists on the road in these high traffic areas.



FOLLOW OUR PARKS AND RECREATION SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS FOR REGULAR PARKS UPDATES!!



Follow Us
ON SOCIAL MEDIA

A green rectangular graphic with a white QR code in the center. The QR code is framed by a white border with the words "SCAN ME" at the corners. Below the QR code, the text "LORAINPARKSANDREC" is written in a small, black, sans-serif font.

➤ INSTAGRAM! @lorainparksandrec

➤ FACEBOOK! @City of Lorain
Parks & Recreation

We're now on Instagram!

FOLLOW OUR NEW ACCOUNT TO STAY IN THE LOOP WITH ALL THINGS LORAINPARKSANDRECREATION — ADVENTURES, EVENTS, UPDATES, AND MORE! AND DON'T FORGET — WE'RE ON FACEBOOK TOO!

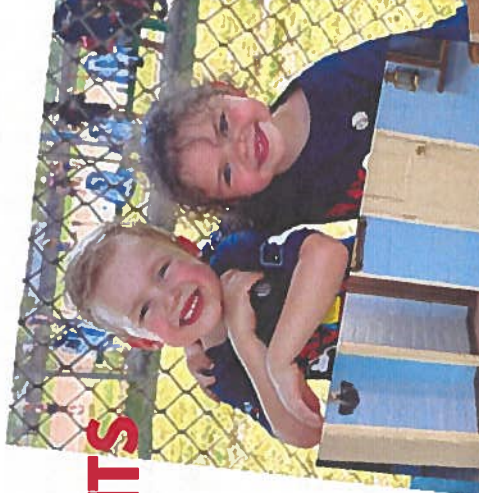
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Thanks for supporting Parks and Rec!

Instagram: @lorainparksandrec
Facebook: @ City of Lorain Parks and Recreation

PARKS AND RECREATION 2025 EVENTS

- Storytimes at Century Park Harbour House. Included instruments, songs, and other playful activities to keep kids engaged.
- We hosted several yoga clinics across the community.
- At our enchanting Fairy Tea, guests enjoyed a magical afternoon filled with fun activities.
- Our Foam Party at Lakeview Park South included Water slide, Foam pit, Music, popcorn and candy bags, and ice cream.



Summer **CAMP**

- 5-Week FREE Summer Camp at Lakeview Park
- Ran daily 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM
- Led and coordinated by Sheena Solar, a Lorain City School teacher, who planned and executed all activities
- Supported by two teen counselors assisting Sheena
- Camp was at FULL CAPACITY with 42 children signed up!
- Food & Snacks Provided
 - Free breakfast and lunch provided by El Centro
 - Daily snack provided by the Parks Department



REMINDER!
CITY OF LORAIN
SUMMER CAMP!

FREE! NOW-TEEN LEADERSHIP
AT LAKEVIEW PARK SOUTH

Don't FORGET to sign your kids from ages 6-12 up for this year's summer camp!

Your child will enjoy activities, crafts, and more - all provided!

Early sign-ups are available. Sign-ups close on 6/15/2024. Sign-ups are on a first-come, first-served basis. Sign-ups are available for more days to see <https://www.ci.lorain.oh.us>

For more information contact: 640.704.2316 or community@lorain.oh.us

REGISTER NOW!

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Move with

THE MAYOR

- The National Forum for Heart Disease & Stroke Prevention brought Move with the Mayor® (MWTM) to Lorain, with Mayor Jack Bradley proudly supporting the initiative to get our community moving!
- Move with the Mayor® encourages physical activity, mental health, social connection, and overall community well-being.
- Through events, challenges, and educational resources, this program:
 - Empowers and protects residents from health threats
 - Improves cardiovascular and mental health
 - Sparks community collaboration and resilience
- Thanks to Mayor Bradley's support, Lorain joined mayors nationwide in promoting a culture of active, healthy lifestyles!



250 ACTS OF KINDNESS

• In conjunction with the United States 250-
year celebration



The City of Lorain, Ohio
Jack W. Bradley
Mayor

December 8, 2023

Correspondence to City Council

Dear Members of Lorain City Council:

At this time of year, I thought it appropriate to present to you a Values Statement. In Lorain, we should be guided by a simple but profound principle: every person has dignity, and every person belongs. As Mayor, I affirm that our city is stronger when we lead with integrity, join with humility, and govern with fairness.

As a city, we must commit ourselves to:

- Respect every resident, visitor, business owner, and city employee.
- Ensure that no one is pushed to the margins because of race, religion, ethnicity, ability, identity, or economic circumstance.
- Partner with through open communication and responsible stewardship of public resources.
- Remain true to local government values to solve problems, support families, and build community.
- Uphold the highest standards of integrity, transparency, and accountability, holding ourselves to the highest standards in conduct, ethics, and respect for the rule of law.

Our strength has always come from a wide range of cultures, languages, and traditions that make Lorain one of the most diverse cities in Ohio. Free speech is a fundamental right—but like that thirteen, enmesh, or dehumanize is not who we are.

Lady and every day, I affirm:

- We will protect the dignity of all our residents.
- We will continue to strive for equity, clarity, and without hesitation.
- We will support those targeted by misinformation.
- We will create space for dialogue, understanding, and civic unity.

We are a city of union workers, educators, small-business owners, veterans, artists, and families from every corner of the world. We know what it means to pull together. We know what it means to lift each other up. And we know that there is no home here in Lorain.

As we move forward together, we will continue to build a Lorain that reflects our highest ideals. A city where opportunity grows, where compassion leads, and where every person is treated with dignity.

Sincerely,

Jack W. Bradley
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Mayor of Lorain

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PLAYBALL

Playball T-BALL CLINIC

Major League Baseball and the United States Conference of Mayors joined together to launch the Play Ball initiative, which focuses on promoting baseball and encouraging sustained participation in the sport. The program's purpose is to reach kids who don't normally play baseball and to strengthen the connection with those who are currently involved in the game. This year marks the second time Mayor Bradley has led the charge during the Play Ball clinic.



LORAIN COUNTY HOT STOVE REGIONAL TOURNAMENT



The City of Lorain was honored to be selected as a host site for half of the Lorain County Hot Stove

2025 Regional Softball

Tournament. This year, we proudly welcomed 24 exciting regional games - an incredible opportunity to showcase our beautiful facilities.

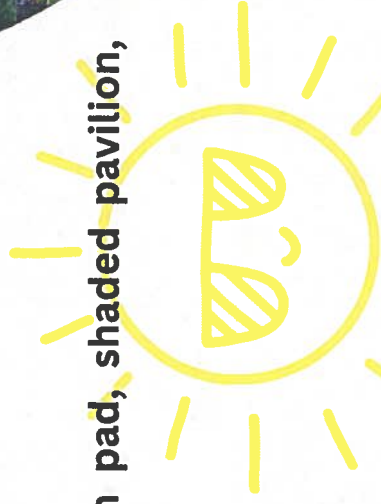
Looking ahead, our goal for next year is to bring the State

Championship Tournament to

Lorain, continuing to highlight our city as a premier destination for top level softball competition.

Oakwood Pool

- Monday - Friday 1PM - 7PM
- Saturday and Sunday 11AM - 5PM
- Daily Rate \$4
- Amenities include a bath house, splash pad, shaded pavilion, lounge chairs, and picnic tables



- 2025 Revenue: \$20,345.51 (67.85% higher than 2024)
- 2025 Average Daily attendance: 70 people (34.61% higher than 2024)
- Over \$10,000 worth of pool passes were awarded to families and individuals

TREE RESTORATION AT OAKWOOD PARK

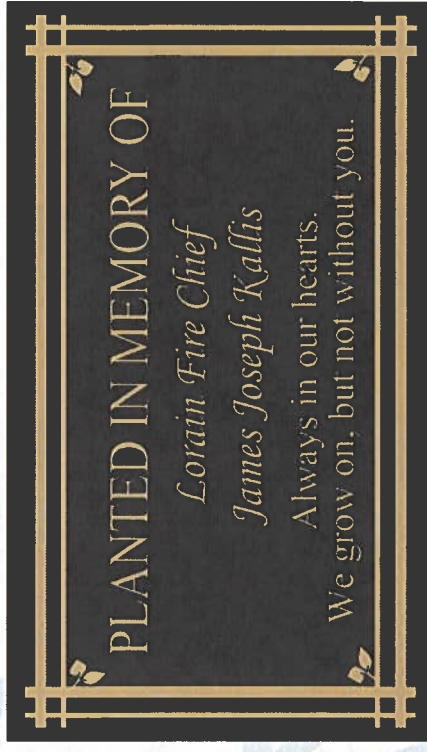
Following the significant damage caused by the August 2024 storm, the Greenleaf Group planted 100 new trees at Oakwood Park in

March 2025 as part of our restoration efforts. The plantings included a variety of oak species such as Bur, Sawtooth, Red, Willow oaks, among others. Each tree was equipped with a tree diaper, which helps retain moisture for up to 30 days, supporting healthy growth during the establishment period.



LIVING LEGACY: TREES OF REMEMBRANCE PROGRAM

- Residents can honor loved ones by planting a memorial tree at Central, Falbo, Lakeview, Longfellow, and Oakwood.
 - Cost: \$150 per tree
- Native, nonflowering species chosen by a local arborist (examples: oak, sugar maple)
- Trees will include a placard with the honoree's name
- Plantings will occur in spring and fall, depending on species
- Addresses urgent tree needs in city parks, especially older/larger parks
- 2017 survey identified 109 high-risk trees in Oakwood Park
- 2024 storms damaged or toppled over 100 trees in Oakwood
- The city has already planted 100 new trees in Oakwood with 100 more planned by next spring
- Living Legacy trees will be in addition to these 200 replacements
 - Priority Parks: Oakwood & Central Park
 - Goal: 25 Trees a Year!



LIVING LEGACY TREE PLAQUE

STREET DEPARTMENT

- Paved approximately 5.2 miles of city streets
- 23 blocks of streets were milled and filled
- over 150 linear feet of curbing were replaced
- 4,400 tones of new asphalt was used to repave the interior roads of Oakwood Park
- Aided in the construction of the Hispanic Veterans Memorial in Oakwood Park



BROADWAY COMMONS

- In 2025, the Broadway Commons project moved into advanced pre-development stages
- Designed to help those experiencing a lack of adequate housing and will also assist our veterans



SILVER HILLS

- WEST ERIE AVE
- PLANNING TO BREAK GROUND IN 2026
- \$16 MILLION DOLLARS IN CONSTRUCTION COSTS



 Front elevation

NEWPORT COMMUNITIES

- 10-15 acres for senior living housing



FORMER LINCOLN BALLROOM SITE

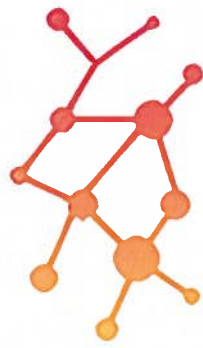


- 6 acres
- 50 - 60 unit project
- Estimated investment of \$8.5 million

- multi-unit housing development
- \$15-20 million dollar investment



EMERALD VALLEY



Center for Food Innovation

CENTER FOR FOOD INNOVATION

WATERFRONT REDEVELOPMENT



IN FILL HOUSING



Greater Cleveland

Habitat
for Humanity®



- \$1.2 in HOME funds
- develop four in fill properties on 10th Street and Brownell
- in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity
- \$260,000 per unit

LONGFELLOW SKATE PARK

- total project cost approximately \$1.3 million
- 17,000 square feet of space



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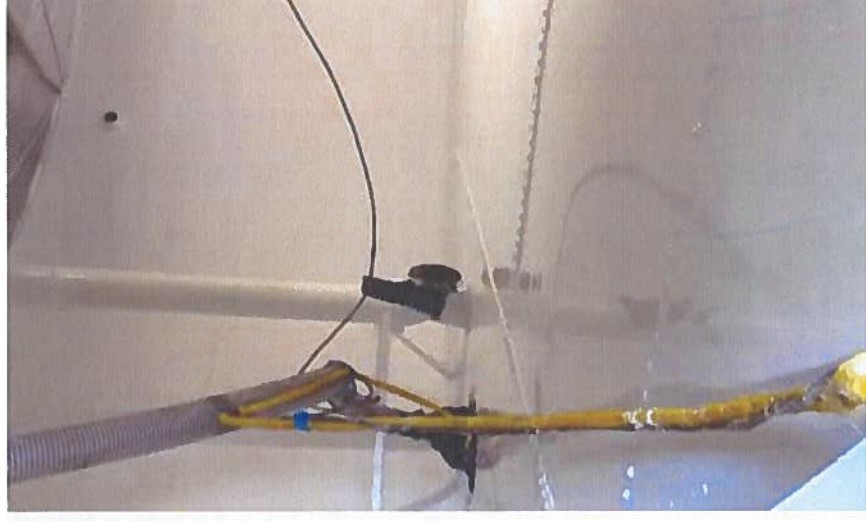
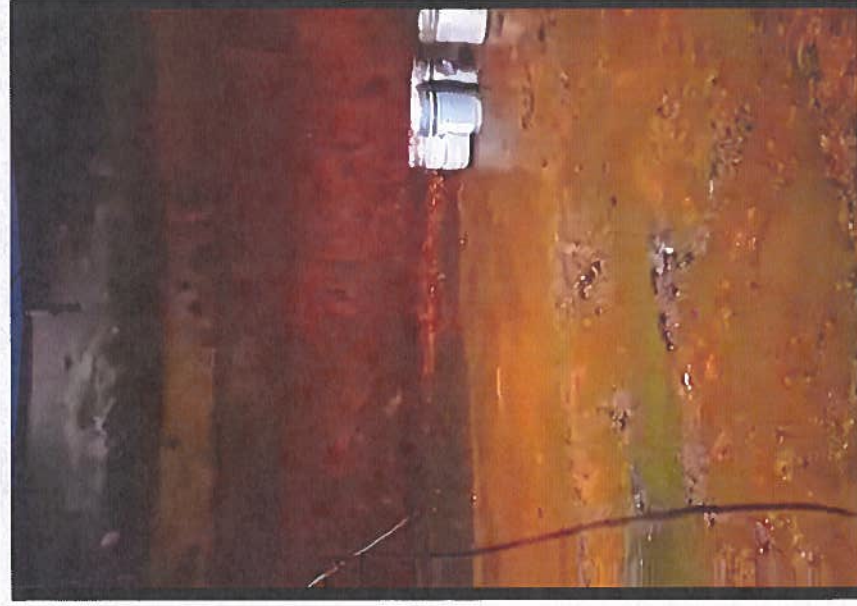


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MARITIME**

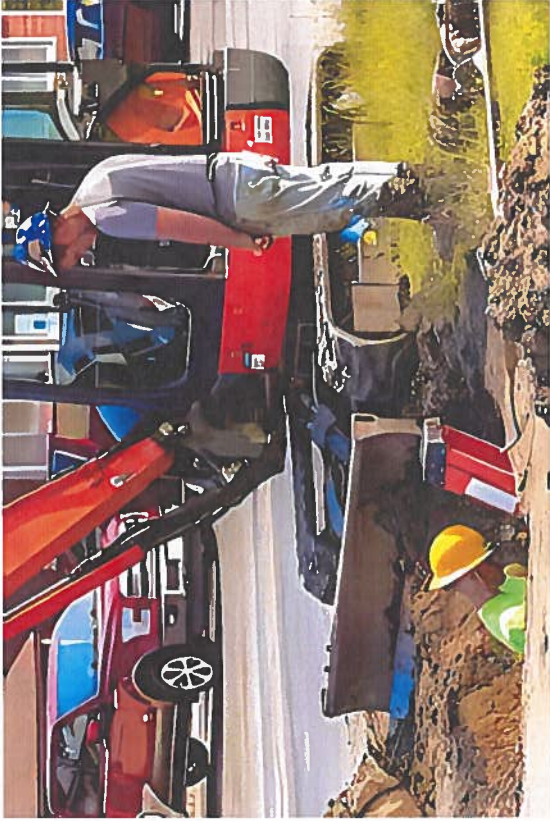


**FORMER HILLS
PROPERTY**





Completed the emergency rehabilitation of the Wash Water Tanks at the Water Purification Plant to continue to provide high quality drinking water.



UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

- Water Pollution Control Fund saw a deficit in 2025
- Received \$4 Million dollars in Principal Forgiveness towards the construction and the rehabilitation of the Jaeger Road Pump Station.
- Completed over 75% of the Digester Improvements Project at the Black River WWTP which allows the City to land apply sludge at an overall cost savings for disposal of sludge.
- Completed Year 6 Sewer Rehabilitation & Lining Project along East Erie Avenue & South Lorain at a cost of \$2 Million.
- Performed 208 Main Break Work Orders at a cost of \$317K
- Replaced 24 Hydrants in 2025 as well as begin painting hydrants throughout the City as work allows.



LORAIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

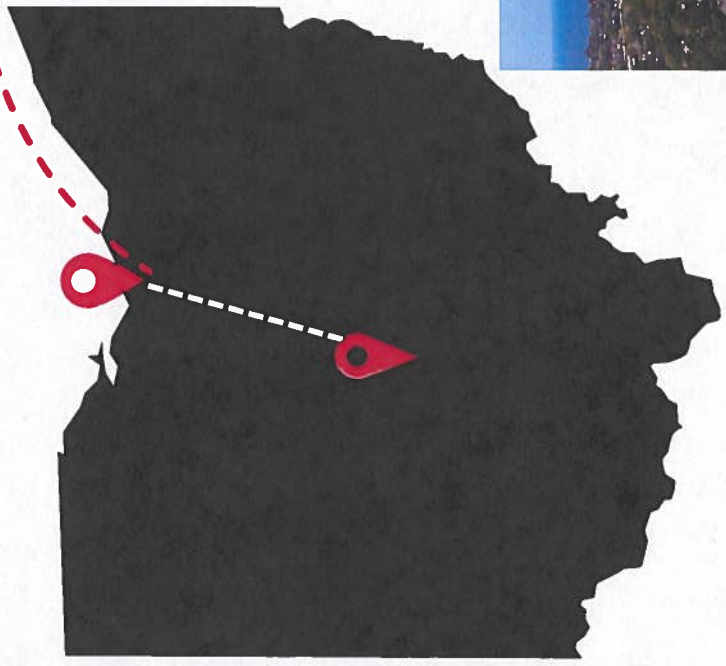
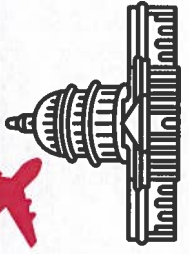
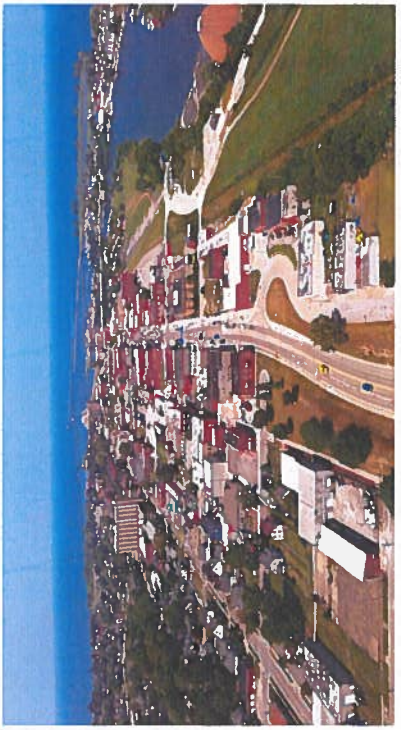
- New Police Chief Mike Failing
- Completed the new dispatch center.
- Dispatch staffing was expanded to its highest level in 15 years.
- Improve safety in our neighborhoods





- Reinstate the Patrol Impact Team to:
 - Identify and disrupt violent crime
 - Address drug-related activity
- Partner with landlords and property owners to remove drug dealers and criminal activity from rental properties.
- Hire a full-time Police Support Specialist to revitalize social media and improve public communication.
- Work collaboratively with residents to reestablish and expand the Block Watch Program.
- Create an “Officer Next Door Program”





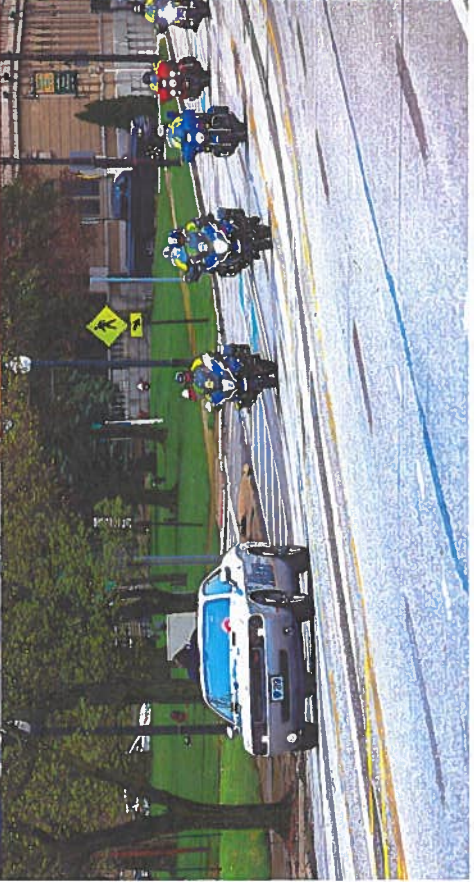
EMERGENCY TASK FORCE RESTORATION



2026 BUDGET

- working with Auditor Anita Harper
- Our general fund has grown every year since 2020





Thank
YOU!

