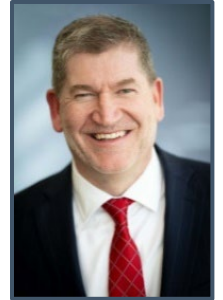


Mayor's Message

We are gearing up for a busy summer! In addition to our sports programs, fitness classes and other recreation activities, North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation and our partners have a great line up of family-friendly events planned for this season. Here are a few highlights of what's in store:



- Always a hit with kids of all ages, Touch-A-Truck will be June 3 at Shady Drive Complex from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Our Summer Concert Series will bring live music to South Central Park Gazebo four Sundays this summer: June 11, June 25, July 2 and August 6. Don't forget to bring your lawn chair or blanket!
- Celebrate Independence Day at Freedom Festival and Fireworks at Victory Park on July 3. Tickets are available at victoryparkohio.com and proceeds benefit three wonderful nonprofit organizations including North Ridgeville Community Care, Canine Superheroes Foundation and Save 22.
- And the biggest event in town will be our annual North Ridgeville Corn Festival from August 11-13. Enjoy live entertainment, kids' games, corn-eating contest, grand parade and more at this summer classic!

The City and our partner agencies are also busy at work on numerous road and infrastructure improvement projects this summer. Around town, you'll see many projects underway including road resurfacing, bridge replacement and our new police station taking shape, in addition to the new commercial construction projects in progress. Read more about these projects in this edition of *Community Connection*. Finally, our Ridgeville Ready master plan process continues with our second round of public engagement scheduled for this summer. Details of these opportunities will be provided at RidgevilleReady.com and in all of our news outlets.

Stay informed about our projects and initiatives in the city by visiting our website at nridgeville.org and by following our city on social media. Keep an eye out for my weekly videos reporting the latest and greatest city news. Also, I invite you to stop by City Hall for one of my monthly Coffee and Conversations where I provide project updates and answer your questions.

I was able to join the Culver's team and other local representatives at a recent groundbreaking ceremony for their newest location at 32574 Lorain Road. We look forward to welcoming another new restaurant to town later this year! I hope you have the opportunity to get outside, support new businesses, explore our local parks, connect with friends and neighbors and enjoy summer in our city!

Mayor Kevin Corcoran



Street Repairs and Paving Projects

After careful review of the master plan report for Pavement Condition Rating (PCR), the City identified the streets to be paved/repared this year within the allocated budget. The PCR report includes a summary of the condition assessment, recommendations as to the prioritized areas requiring attention, and maintenance and rehabilitation recommendations for the entire city network of streets, with the exception of interstate highways.

Asphalt Paving Projects

The City has appropriated \$610,000 for asphalt paving in 2023. The Service Department will pave the following streets:

- Clark Drive
- Downing Avenue
- Elyria Street
- Frances Street
- Helen Street
- Joseph Court
- Lear Nagle Road (between Center Ridge Road and Mills Road)
- Lee Avenue
- Patton Drive
- Ronald Drive
- Root Road (south of Lorain Road to Reed Road)
- Thelma Street

Full Depth Concrete Pavement Replacement Project

The City has appropriated \$590,000 for this project. The following concrete streets are on the list to be repaired:

- Albert Street (various slabs and joints from Drake Street to 5908, 6142 to 6174)
- Forest Glen Way at Chestnut Ridge Road
- Lorain Road (various locations consisting of catch basin repair, manhole adjustment, and isolated expansion joint repairs)
- Oakhurst Drive (various joints and slabs)
- Rosebelle Avenue (various slabs and joints from 5844 to Drake Street)
- Woodridge Court

If additional funds become available for asphalt paving or full depth concrete, streets may be added to this list. For the latest updates and repair schedule, visit our website at nridgeville.org.

Capital Improvement Projects

Highlighted below is a brief summary of a few of the capital improvement projects planned in the coming months. If you have any questions regarding these projects, please call the Engineering Department at (440) 353-0842. With any construction projects, dates are subject to change based on weather conditions, contractors' schedules and extenuating circumstances. For the most up-to-date information, visit our website at nridgeville.org.

Cypress Avenue Extension

The Cypress Avenue Roadway Extension Project includes the addition of 930 linear feet of new roadway to connect Cypress Avenue to Lorain Road just inside the city limits of North Olmsted. The project will include storm sewers, along with a waterline and sanitary sewers. This project is intended to provide opportunities for future business development along the newly extended roadway. The City intends to bid the project this summer with construction to follow.

Mills Road, Stoney Ridge Road and Avalon Drive Roundabout

Preliminary work is continuing on the Mills Road, Stoney Ridge Road and Avalon Drive Roundabout Project. Utility work is underway with poles scheduled to be relocated and a gas transmission line to be encased. The encasing of the line may require a two-week closure of Stoney Ridge Road just north of Mills Road and is tentatively scheduled to begin May 30, 2023. The project will be a peanut-shape to improve safety and efficiency and eliminate the current intersection's offset geometry. Also included in the project is new pavement, curb and gutters, traffic control, landscaping and new watermain and sanitary sewers. The City intends to bid the project this summer with construction anticipated to begin in the fall.

Eagle Scout Recognition

Jacob Vincent, a North Ridgeville High School senior, partnered with the Parks & Recreation Department to install shade structures over the dugouts of diamonds 10 and 11 to earn his Eagle Scout badge. Jacob and his team of volunteers did a tremendous job to provide a much-needed amenity to the Shady Drive Complex. Thank you Jacob for all your hard work and we wish you success in all your future endeavors!



Capital Improvement Projects (cont'd)

Ohio Turnpike Bridge Deck Replacement

The Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission will be replacing the bridge deck over the Ohio Turnpike on Race Road. Race Road will be closed for 120 days to perform the work with local access to homes and businesses; however, the bridge will be completely closed. The anticipated start date is May 15, 2023 at 7 AM but is subject to change. Detour signs are posted to assist drivers around the work area. Most construction will occur during daytime hours, with some work occurring at night due to lane closure requirements on the Ohio Turnpike below the bridge.

Norfolk Southern Railroad Bridge Replacement

Norfolk Southern will be replacing the bridge over the Ridgeway Ditch on Maddock Road. Preliminary work will begin late May and continue through mid-summer and may require intermittent 2-3 hours of northbound lane closures with two-way traffic maintained. A full closure of Maddock Road will be required later in the year to complete the bridge replacement.



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New Police Station Update

Just like many things in springtime, the new police station on Ranger Way has sprung up from the ground and it is a bevy of activity. With the mild winter the underground utility work was completed and as evidenced in the pictures the concrete foundation and block work is underway. The evidence/equipment storage facility structure is also taking shape.



If the weather continues to cooperate the new station will be finished by the start of 2024. Again, we would like to thank the community for making this a reality!

Congratulations & Welcome!

The Police Department recently welcomed two new members, Michael Gasparini and Rudy Ackerman, to the force. Both men are North Ridgeville residents.



Pictured left to right: Mayor Kevin Corcoran, Michael Gasparini, Rudy Ackerman, Police Chief Michael Freeman

The Fire Department recently swore in Alex Shear as Captain and Chris Federan & Justin Silvi as Lieutenants. Richard Kenney and Noah Tanzilli were sworn in as new firefighters. These promotions and new members were a result of recent retirements of Captain Paul Sadowski and Lieutenant Greg Laborie.



Pictured left to right: FF Richard Kenney, Lt. Justin Silvi, Capt. Alex Shear, Lt. Chris Federan, FF Noah Tanzilli

Community Calendar

The calendar is subject to change. Visit the city's website at www.nridgeville.org for the latest updates.

- June 3** Touch-A-Truck from 10 AM-2 PM (10 AM-noon sensory-friendly) at Shady Drive Complex, 37077 Shady Drive. Get up close and personal with all kinds of big trucks! This is a free event. For more information contact Parks & Recreation at (440) 353-1503 or visit www.nridgeville.org/parksandrec.
- June 5, 19** City Council Meeting at 7 PM in Council Chambers at City Hall, 7307 Avon Belden Road.
- June 7-10** Citywide Garage Sale Days sponsored by North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce/Visitors Bureau. Drive thru registration will be held on June 1 and June 2 from 9 AM-3 PM at North Ridgeville Community Care (behind Arby's). For more information visit the Chamber's website at www.nrchamber.com or call (440) 327-3737.
- June 11** Summer Concert Series at South Central Park Gazebo from 6-8 PM featuring the sounds of The Michael Weber Show an explosive rock group. Pack your lawn chairs and bring the entire family out to enjoy this free concert.
- June 12** Coffee & Conversation with Mayor Corcoran from 8:30-9:30 AM in Council Chambers at City Hall. Stop in to enjoy a cup of coffee and casual conversation with the Mayor.
- June 24** Shred Day from 9 AM until noon (may end earlier if truck is full) in the parking lot at the North Ridgeville Branch Library, 35700 Bainbridge Road. Bring your sensitive documents to be shredded onsite. Each household may bring up to five standard-size copier paper boxes or five grocery bags of documents. Staples are acceptable, but no paper clips, binder clips, binders, spiral-bound notebooks, other metal objects, batteries or electronics. Free event provided by Lorain County Solid Waste Management District.
- June 25** Summer Concert Series at South Central Park Gazebo from 6-8 PM featuring The Liverpool Lads, a Beatles Tribute Band. Pack your lawn chairs and bring the entire family out to enjoy this free concert.
- July 2** Summer Concert Series at South Central Park Gazebo from 5-8 PM featuring Disco Inferno performing music from the 70's. Pack your lawn chairs and bring the entire family out to enjoy this free concert.
- July 3, 17** City Council Meeting at 7 PM in Council Chambers at City Hall, 7307 Avon Belden Road.
- July 3** Freedom Festival and Fireworks at Victory Park Ohio, 7777 Victory Lane, North Ridgeville. Gates open at 4 PM with activities, entertainment, food and beverages, and fireworks at approximately 10 PM. Tickets are per vehicle and can be purchased online in advance only by visiting www.victoryparkohio.com.
- July 4** Independence Day - City Hall will be closed in observance of the holiday; trash collection delayed one day.
- July 18** Coffee & Conversation with Mayor Corcoran from 6-7 PM in Council Chambers at City Hall. Stop in to enjoy a cup of coffee and casual conversation with the Mayor.
- August 2** Coffee & Conversation with Mayor Corcoran from 8:30-9:30 AM in Council Chambers at City Hall. Stop in to enjoy a cup of coffee and casual conversation with the Mayor.
- August 6** Summer Concert Series at South Central Park Gazebo from 6-8 PM featuring Funkology performing music from Motown to Country, Disco to Classic Rock. Pack your lawn chairs and bring the entire family out to enjoy this free concert.
- August 7, 21** City Council Meeting at 7 PM in Council Chambers at City Hall, 7307 Avon Belden Road.
- August 11-13** Corn Festival on Bainbridge Road between Root Road and Avon Belden Road. For more information on festivities, please visit nrcornfest.org or call (440) 218-9802.
- September 4** Labor Day - City Hall will be closed in observance of the holiday; trash collection delayed one day.
- September 5, 18** City Council Meeting at 7 PM in Council Chambers at City Hall, 7307 Avon Belden Road.

Senior Center

Reservations are required by calling (440) 353-0828 or to obtain a complete listing of Senior Center activities.

- June 1, July 6, Aug. 3** Men's Breakfast at 9 AM with a featured speaker. Cost for breakfast is \$4, payable at the door.
- June 15, July 20, Aug. 17** Ladies Brunch at 10:30 AM with a featured speaker or entertainment. Cost for brunch is \$4, payable at the door.
- June 23, July 14, Aug. 11** The Breakfast Club, a monthly social breakfast, at 9:30 AM open to individuals 55 and up and adults with disabilities 18 and up. Cost for breakfast is \$4, payable at the door.