



WARD 5 NEWSLETTER

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Happy Fall to all my residents!! After a long, hot summer, the cooler weather is a nice change. As the leaves begin to fall, City leaf collection will be starting. Please place leaves three feet from the street to allow for proper collection.

Ward 5 News

The Ward saw a number of road projects completed. Lansdowne Drive residents had their road replaced and I thank the residents for their cooperation during this project. A number of other streets received partial concrete replacement. The 2018 Asphalt Repair Program is occurring now with a number of roads in the Ward being replaced. As part of this program, the City playground on Woodall Road is having the basketball court redone. The park has seen some upgrades in the past year and residents are encouraged to use the park.

Residents are painfully aware of the continued water main breaks on Miles Road. Unfortunately, the City has no control over this water line since the line is owned and maintained by Cleveland Water. Solon is continuing to pursue talks with Cleveland Water to convince them to address this ongoing problem. However, the City of Solon can improve communication with our residents when these issues occur. The City does have a

"Notify Me" option on the City website (www.solonohio.org) which allows a resident to sign up for emails and text message alerts for a variety of topics. There is also an app called nextdoor.com which the Solon Police use that is very helpful.

City Issues

The City received great news from Swagelok who has decided to build their Global Headquarters here in Solon. There were many cities who presented proposals to the company, so the competition was stiff. The Mayor, Planning Department, Engineering Department and Law Department worked very hard to make this happen. I have to give a special shout out to my fellow Council members, Bill Russo, Marc Kotora and Bob Shimits, who are on our Enterprise Zone Committee, for all their hard work on this project. The long term benefits to the City will be huge.

The City continues to reach out to developers and property owners to create new businesses and to improve existing properties.

The City hired a new Director of Business and Marketing, Angee Shaker, a Solon and Ward 5 resident!! The City has never had anyone marketing our City.

As other surrounding cities are forming new development, we need someone out there promoting Solon.

There certainly has been some positive economic development in the City. The new Rose Italian Kitchen is a great addition to the SOM Center corridor. Chick-fil-A will be building on the former Panini's/Tavern on 91 site next to Rose's. Demolition of this site should begin in the Spring. The Shell Station on Aurora Road and Solon Boulevard will be replaced by a Mobil Station which, according to the site plan, will be a major improvement to the property.

I encourage everyone to frequent the good restaurants and all the other businesses we have in our Ward. Munch, Shinano and China Bowl are located in the Shoppes of Solon North. Bar 50/20 aka Mish Mosh located on Brainard Road and Fisher's American Tavern, which has new owners, is located on Miles Road. Those who have not eaten at any of these establishments will be pleasantly surprised by what they offer.

The November 6, 2018 election will be here soon. I strongly encourage everyone to vote. There are three proposed zoning amendments that will be on the ballot.

Issue 92:

This ordinance would create a new "I-3" Industrial Auto Service Zoning District at 31835, 31875 and 31935 Aurora Road and along Old South Miles Road. This would permit automotive related uses such as body shops and general vehicle repair.

Issue 93:

This ordinance would change the "I-2" Industrial Manufacturing Zoning District to permit certain medical related uses in the district. This would include medical and dental offices, but would exclude hospitals, emergency care, outpatient clinics and any other medical facilities accommodating five or more primary medical providers.

Issues 92 and 93 were approved by the Planning Commission and the Council through the normal planning process with public hearings held for both.

Issue 110:

This issue was proposed by Initiative Petition to amend the City's Zoning Map and Code to create a Kerem Lake Mixed Use District. If approved, it would rezone a 103 acre site located on Bainbridge Road. This property is currently zoned for single family residential housing on one acre lots. This mixed use development would include six different zones for development and would allow for apartment buildings up to four stories for rent, a three story senior living building, three to four story townhomes, a winery, boutique hotel and retail shops.

I appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve you. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at nmeany@solonohio.org or 440-248-1575.

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