

CANTON CITY COUNCIL

President Kristen Bates Aylward

Council At Large:

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Greg Hawk, Ward 1
Brenda Kimbrough, Ward 2
Jason Scaglione, Ward 3
Chris Smith, Ward 4
Robert Fisher, Ward 5
Jonathan Cooks, Ward 6
John Mariol, Ward 7 - **Majority Leader**
Richard Sacco, Ward 8
Frank Morris, Ward 9

FINAL AGENDA
January 27, 2025
7:00 PM

Roll Call: ELEVEN MEMBERS PRESENT

Motion to Excuse Members: MEMBER HAWK ABSENT

Invocation: JONATHAN COOKS, WARD 6 COUNCIL MEMBER

Pledge of Allegiance: PRESIDENT BATES ALYWARD

AGENDA CORRECTIONS & CHANGES: (SUSPENDED RULE 22A TO ADD 1ST RDG O#17 - O#19; 2ND RDG O#20 - O#22; O#17 - O#19 ADOPTED ON 1ST RDG)

PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

PUBLIC SPEAKS: ROGER GATES SPOKE ABOUT HOW COUNCIL NEEDS TO COME TOGETHER WITH THE COMMUNITY. SKYLARK BRUCE, KIM BELL, JUSTIN NICELY, ERIC RESNICK, DANIEL GATES AND KEITH DOUTHETT SPOKE ABOUT THE LACK OF PUBLIC AWARENESS FOR THE BUILDING OF A NEW POLICE SUB STATION DOWNTOWN AND ONGOING CITY ISSUES. JASON COUSINS SPOKE ABOUT RECEIVING JUSTICE FOR HIS FAMILY MEMBER, JAMES WILLIAMS. SHEILA BILLMAN ASK FOR GUIDANCE FOR AN ONGOING STALKING ISSUE THAT SHE'S BEEN HAVING.

INFORMAL RESOLUTIONS: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. STATEMENT OF CASH POSITION DATED 12/31/24. – AUDITOR MALLONN
2. REQ AUTH TO PREPARE ORDINANCE TO SETTLE LAWSUIT PENDING IN COMMON PLEAS COURT REGARDING SEWER BACK UP @ 2118 6TH STREET SW IN 4/2023. - LAW DIRECTOR REESE

3. REQ NEW C1, C2 LIQUOR PERMIT FOR ARB CANTON INC. DBA B & B DRIVE THRU 2 @ 636 CHERRY AVE NE (WARD 2). - LIQUOR CONTROL DIV
4. REQ NEW D5J LIQUOR PERMIT FOR FINNEYS ARCADE LLC @ 417 MARKET AVE (WARD 2). - LIQUOR CONTROL DIV
5. REQ TRFO D5J LIQUOR PERMIT FOR K&M ROBINSON MANAGEMENT LLC DBA DISTRICT ONE ELEVEN @ 111 CLEVELAND AVE SW 1ST FL (WARD 4). - LIQUOR CONTROL DIV
6. REQ LEG FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AND BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION AND EXPANSION. - MAYOR SHERER, COUNCIL MEMBERS MARIOL, BABCOCK, GIAVASIS, CRYSTAL SMITH, KIMBROUGH, SCAGLIONE, CHRIS SMITH, FISHER, AND COOKS.
7. REQ REPLAT PART OF OUTLOTS 212,213 & PART OF LOT 9669 (ANTONIO WILSON @ 1533 MAPLE AVE NE, WARD 9). - PLANNING SECRETARY BAILEY
8. REQ REPLAT OF PARTS OF LOTS 8954 & 8955 (THOMAS BOWLING @ 1460 - 1464 SHRIVER AVE NE, WARD 2). - PLANNING SECRETARY BAILEY
9. REQ LEG TO ADOPTING CONNECTING CANTON - TOGETHER, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT. - PLANNING SECRETARY BAILEY
10. PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT (PLA) WAVIER @ 10TH NW SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROJ - GP 1454 (CDBG FUNDS). - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN
11. REQ LEG FOR REQUIRED CHANGE TO CANTON CODIFIED ORDINANCE 961.18 (AUTHORIZED NON-STORM WATER DISCHARGES INTO STORM SEWER). - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN
12. REQ LEG FOR DESIGN SERVICES - CSD 2024-38, 12-INCH MARYLAND AVE SW (SAN-07692) REHABILITATION; EMERGENCY. - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN
13. REQ LEG FOR ENGINEERING PROJ. FUND AND ORGANIZATION CODE ESTABLISHMENT AND APPROPRIATIONS; EMERGENCY (VARIOUS SUPP APPROPS AND TRANSFERS). - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN
14. REQ LEG FOR SANITATION DEPARTMENT CAPITAL PURCHASES; EMERGENCY (SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF THE 5601 REFUSE ADMINISTRATION FUND TO 5601 205001 ADMINISTRATION - OTHER). - SERVICE DIRECTOR HIGHMAN

FIRST READINGS:

15. RE-ESTABLISH STOREFRONT REINVESTMENT PROGRAM ("SRP"); AUTH MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER SRP GRANT AGMTS IN TOTAL AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000 OF ISSUE 13 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUNDS; EMERGENCY. - COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

16. RE-ESTABLISH PUBLIC REALM REINVESTMENT PROGRAM ("PRRP"); AUTH MAYOR AND/OR SERV DIR TO ENTER CONTRACTS WITH APPROVED PUBLIC REALM BUSINESSES IN TOTAL AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$75,000 OF ISSUE 13 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUNDS; EMERGENCY. - COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

(COUNCIL RECESSED AT 7:11 PM FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS O#17 - O#19; RECONVENED AT 7:19PM)

17. **7/2025** AUTH CLERK OF COUNCIL TO CERTIFY TO COUNTY AUDITOR UNPAID AND DELINQUENT CHARGES FOR BOARD UP/CLEAN UP/DEMOLIATION CHARGES; EMERGENCY. - FINANCE COMMITTEE*
18. **8/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SAF DIR. TO ENTER LEASE AGMT WITH A AND J URBAN DEVELOPMENT LLC FOR FIRST FLOOR OF 309 COURT AVE NW; AMEND APPROP ORD #247/2024; EMERGENCY (SUPP APPROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 1001 GENERAL OPERATING FUND TO 1001 102001 POLICE ADMIN - OTHER). - FINANCE COMMITTEE*
19. **9/2025** AUTH SETTLEMENT OF STATE EX REL. LARRY R. PARSONS, JR., ET AL. V. CITY OF CANTON; EMERGENCY. -FINANCE COMMITTEE*

***Ordinances and Formal Resolutions for First Reading Vote**

SECOND READINGS: (SUSPENDED RULE 22A TO ADD 2ND RDG O#20 - O#22)

20. AUTH MAYOR OR SER DIR TO ADVERTISE, REC BIDS, AWARD & EXECUTE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AND PROF SERVICES CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT FOR HARTER HEIGHTS AREA WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT AND ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJ - PHASE 1; AUTH AUDITOR TO PAY ALL MORAL OB FOR CHANGE ORDERS; AUTH CITY TO RECIEVE GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMT OF \$750,000 AND ZERO PERCENT INTEREST LOAN IN AMT OF \$750,000 FOR PROJ; AUTH AUDITOR TO ESTABLISH 5254 HARTER HTS AREA WATER MAIN REPLCMT AND RDWY IMPRV - PHASE 1 FUND; AMEND APPROP O#247/2024; EMERGENCY (\$1,500,000.00 FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 5254 HARTER HTS. AREA WATER MAIN REPLCMT & RDWY IMPRV - PHASE 1 FUND TO 5254 207083 HARTER HTS. AREA WATER MAIN RPLCMT & RDWY IMPROV - PH PERRY HTS. WTR. PH 2 WATER MAIN RPLCMT & RDWY IMPRV - PHASE 1 - OTHER; \$2,035,000.00 FROM UNAPPROP BAL OF 5201 WATER FUND TO 5201 207083 HARTER HTS. WTR. MAIN RPLCMT & RDWY IMPRV - PHASE 1 - OTHER). - FIN
21. AUTH MAYOR OR SER DIR TO ENTER INTO PROF SERVS CONTRACTS FOR DESIGN AND OVERSIGHT OF PROJS ON EXHIBIT A; ADVERTISE, RECEIVE BIDS, AWARD, ENTER INTO CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS FOR PROJS; ENTER INTO ONE OR MORE CONTRACTS; WAIVE INF RES REQUIREMENTS; AUTH AUDITOR TO PAY MORAL OB FOR CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS; AMEND APPROP O#247/2024; EMERGENCY (\$650,000.00 APPROPRIATION TRANSFER FR 5413 202010 ENGINEER - DAILY OPERATIONS TO 5413 202089 ORCHARD VIEW AVE SE SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION GP 1467 - OTHER) - FIN

22. AUTH AUDITOR TO PAY TWO MORAL OBS IN AMTS OF \$10,645.00 TO UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR 2024 & 2025 MONITORING PERIOD FOR MIDDLE BRANCH OF NIMISHILLEN CREEK STREAMGAGE; EMERGENCY. - FIN

***Ordinances and Formal Resolutions for Second Reading Vote**

THIRD READINGS:

23. **10/2025** AUTH REPLAT OF LOTS 6107 AND 6108; EMERGENCY (CANTON FOR ALL PEOPLE @ 301 - 305 BROWN AVE NW, WARD 1).
24. **11/2025** AUTH REPLAT PART OF LOTS 1600, 1602 AND 1602 AND PART OF VACATED RD; EMERGENCY (CANTON FOR ALL PEOPLE @ 1002 3RD ST NW, WARD 1).
25. **12/2025** AUTH REPLAT OF LOTS 4498, 4499 AND 4500; EMERGENCY (CANTON FOR ALL PEOPLE @ 400 BLOCK OF NEWTON AVE NW, WARD 1).
26. **13/2025** AUTH REPLAT OF LOTS 1587 AND 1588; EMERGENCY (CANTON FOR ALL PEOPLE @ 219 NEWTON AVE NW, WARD 1).
27. **14/2025** AUTH REPLAT OF OUTLOT 796 AND PART OF OUTLOT 795; EMERGENCY (TRISHA FERRUCCIO @ 3000 ATLANTIC BLVD NE, WARD 6).
28. **15/2025** AUTH REPLAT OF LOTS 29497 AND 29498; EMERGENCY (JOHN & REBEKAH EISENBARTH @ 702 22ND ST NE, WARD 9).
29. **16/2025** AUTH REPLAT OF LOTS 1898 AND 1899; EMERGENCY (HABITAT FOR HUMANITY @ 607 14TH ST SE, WARD 4).
30. **17/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR. TO ENTER AGMT TO ACCEPT \$96,455.00 IN JOINT GRANT FUNDS WITH ST. CO. SHERIFF'S OFC. FROM THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PRGM; ENTER CONTRACT FOR PURCH OF 15 TG3 KEYBOARDS, 5 HAVIS DOCKS, WATCHGUARD BATTERIES, 2 POLICE BICYCLES, 1 BALLISTIC SHIELD AND 1 BOMB DETECTION K9 FOR POLICE DEPT; AUTH AUDITOR TO RENAME FUND 2769 FY24 BYRNE MEM JUSTICE ASSIST GRANT 20215 TO 2769 FY24 EDWARD BYRNE MEM GRANT FUND; AMEND APPROP O#247/2024; EMERGENCY (SUPP APROP FR UNAPPROP BAL OF 2769 FY 24 EDWARD BYRNE MEM GRANT FUND TO 2769 102001 POLICE ADMIN - OTHER).
31. **18/2025** AUTH MAYOR OR SERV DIR. TO ENTER CHANGE ORDER NO. 5 WITH S.E.T., INC IN AMT NOT TO EXCEED \$219,184.62 FOR 11TH ST SE IMPROV PROJ, PID 90465, GP 1144; AUTH AUDITOR TO PAY ANY MORAL OB FOR CHANGE ORDER; EMERGENCY.
32. **19/2025** AUTH MAYOR, SERV DIR. OR DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE WITH PROP OWNERS AND ACQUIRE EASEMENT PARCELS BY DONATIONS; ESTABLISH 28TH ST. NW AS A PUBLIC ST; AUTH MAYOR, SERV DIR, OR DESIGNEE TO MAKE MINISTERIAL CHANGES TO CORRECT PROP OWNER NAMES, PARCELS NUMBERS, AND OTHER NUMERICAL DESCRIPTIVES OR TYPO ERRORS; EMERGENCY.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025 @ 6:45 PM

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: PRESIDENT BATES ALYWARD INFORMED THE PUBLIC THAT PUBLIC SPEAKS WILL BE MOVED BACK TO THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETINGS. SHE ALSO ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR FORMER COUNCIL MEMBER TOM HARMON. MEMBER CHRIS SMITH GAVE A REASON AS TO WHY SHE VOTED NO ON O#18.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:12 P.M.

THE NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025 @ 7:00 PM

Statement Of Cash Position

Fiscal Year to Date: 12/31/2024

Fund	Beginning	M-T-D Revenues		Y-T-D Revenues		M-T-D Expenses		Y-T-D Expenses		Unexpended
	Balance									Balance
Fund Type 1 - General Capital Assets Subtotal:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
Fund Category 4 - Other Funds Subtotal:	\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
Grand Total:	\$181,800,648.65		\$22,712,354.89		\$286,001,341.27		\$31,615,412.77		\$303,268,566.46	\$164,533,423.46

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Fiscal Year to Date: 12/31/2024

Fund	Beginning Balance	M-T-D Revenues	Y-T-D Revenues	M-T-D Expenses	Y-T-D Expenses	Unexpended Balance
5701 - Building Code Fund	\$1,209,338.01	\$278,211.39	\$2,581,422.34	\$168,953.01	\$3,111,350.65	\$679,409.70
Fund Type 21 - Enterprise Funds Subtotal:	\$69,048,234.27	\$6,885,953.70	\$83,904,812.45	\$10,676,710.86	\$86,282,428.30	\$66,670,618.42
Fund Type 22 - Internal Service Funds						
6010 - Workers Comp Retro Fund	\$2,624,716.15	\$891,039.00	\$1,146,872.52	\$901,423.44	\$1,290,671.35	\$2,480,917.32
6017 - Health & Life Insurance (007)	\$1,407,623.31	\$1,011,092.13	\$18,319,662.22	\$1,503,264.53	\$18,210,045.64	\$1,517,239.89
6018 - Vehicle Self Insurance (008)	\$235,752.64	\$24.59	\$348,429.88	\$5,660.34	\$447,030.05	\$137,152.47
6019 - Eye, Dental and Lega	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
6023 - Compensated Absence Claim Fund	\$387,370.05	\$448,546.30	\$4,539,838.30	\$389,510.78	\$4,143,690.84	\$783,517.51
6041 - Motor Vehicle Dept DMV (40)	\$784,526.45	\$253,719.68	\$3,524,768.89	\$350,157.08	\$3,519,907.79	\$789,387.55
6091 - Management Inform Serv (009)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fund Type 22 - Internal Service Funds Subtotal:	\$5,439,988.60	\$2,604,421.70	\$27,879,571.81	\$3,150,016.17	\$27,611,345.67	\$5,708,214.74
Fund Category 2 - Proprietary Funds Subtotal:	\$74,488,222.87	\$9,490,375.40	\$111,784,384.26	\$13,826,727.03	\$113,883,773.97	\$72,378,833.16
Fund Category 3 - Fiduciary Funds						
Fund Type 33 - Private-Purpose Trust Funds						
2357 - RV Park/Camping Prog Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fund Type 33 - Private-Purpose Trust Funds Subtotal:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fund Type 34 - Agency Funds						
2312 - STD Control Program	\$127,618.71	\$0.00	\$462,686.78	\$46,193.89	\$481,560.79	\$108,744.70
2314 - Local Health Dept Prev Support	\$246,507.15	\$0.00	\$65,556.27	\$1,928.33	\$39,640.85	\$272,422.57
2315 - Infant Mortality Reduction	\$841,062.56	\$221,581.40	\$1,221,655.81	\$146,715.88	\$1,402,670.06	\$660,048.31
2316 - HTLV Antibody (Aids)	\$3,573.31	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,573.31
2317 - WIC	\$530,771.31	\$115,718.23	\$1,388,082.81	\$150,528.29	\$1,412,409.85	\$506,444.27
2318 - Local Health Assessment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2319 - HIV Prevention	\$374,572.01	\$14,397.56	\$275,240.35	\$22,582.81	\$270,509.94	\$379,302.42
2319 - Early Intervention Services	\$58,716.75	\$13,788.07	\$138,327.12	\$6,302.61	\$122,028.78	\$75,015.09
2320 - Nursing Clinic Activity Fund	\$565,114.10	\$14,160.03	\$147,095.86	\$11,689.80	\$129,330.86	\$882,879.10
2321 - Get Vaccinated Ohio (IAP)	\$32,801.50	\$0.00	\$225.02	\$2,311.31	\$32,281.32	\$745.20
2322 - Dental Sealant	\$59,501.17	\$8,675.00	\$50,628.00	\$3,945.20	\$52,164.15	\$57,965.02
2323 - Personal Responsibility Ed Pr Fd	\$11,086.89	\$0.00	\$54.92	\$413.17	\$4,881.94	\$6,759.87
2324 - NALOXONE ACCESS GRANT FUND	\$128,469.07	\$0.00	\$157,000.00	\$14,330.70	\$140,813.68	\$144,655.39
2325 - Ohio Early Start	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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5210 - 30th St Utility Bldg Acquis.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5211 - Plain Townsp-Whipple Ave Wtr Ext	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5212 - OWDA Steiner Hgts Water Ln Ext	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5213 - Plain Township Orchardale Wter Mn	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5214 - Knapp Elementary - water line ext	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5215 - 55th St NE Water Mn Ext Project	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5216 - Norw Hills/Wilwbrk Ht Wtr Mn Ext	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5218 - Perry Twnshp Water Mn Extension	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5219 - OWDA Lake-Hartville Wtr Line Ext	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5220 - Safe Drinking Water Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5222 - Lawr-Chester Ph II Wtr Main Ext	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5223 - Wtr Infrastructure Cap Impr Plan	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5224 - Osnaburg Water Main Ext	\$1,042.39	\$43,942.28	\$99,505.54	\$49,719.69	\$99,439.38	\$1,108.55
5225 - Carnwise Water Main Extension	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5226 - Harrisburg Rd Wtr Mn Replac Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5227 - Water Meter/MTU Replac Proj Fund	\$2,111,383.60	\$71,232.92	\$817,291.58	\$314,089.00	\$627,824.45	\$2,300,850.73
5228 - 7th St NW Water Main Replacemen	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5229 - Faircrest St SW Water Main Proj	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5230 - Westmoreland Wt Mn Replac	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5231 - 33RD ST RESERV ROOF REPLAC PROJ	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5232 - Wyondale Area Ph I Wtr Mn Rep Pr	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5233 - 30th ST/Grunder Ave Wtr Main Rep	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5234 - Sugarock Wtr Tr & Backwash Sldg	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5235 - Canton Sh Cleve Ave Wtr Ln Ext	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5236 - Wyondale Area Ph II Wtr Mn Rep	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5237 - Rdgwd E, PH 1 Pt 1 Wtr Mn Repl	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5238 - Canton Sh Wtr Ln Ext Ph 1 Proj	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5239 - 33rd St NW Area Wtr Mn Repl Proj	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5240 - 44TH Str NW Wtr Mn Rep Rd Recon	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5241 - Sugar Creek Wtr Tmnt Plnt Renov	\$0.00	\$1,181,434.18	\$12,603,335.45	\$1,142,839.03	\$12,564,740.30	\$38,595.15
5242 - Cromer Reservoir Improvement Pro	\$0.00	\$7,233.71	\$78,747.68	\$12,855.83	\$78,747.68	\$0.00
5243 - Cleve Ave NW Wtr Mn Repl Proj	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5244 - Edgefield Area Ph I Wtr Mn Repl	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5245 - Edgefield Area Ph II Wtr Mn Repl	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5246 - Canton Sh Wtr Ln Ext Ph 2 and 3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5247 - Canton South Wtr Ln Ext Ph 3	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5248 - Harvard Ave Wtr Mn Repl Proj	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Fund	Beginning Balance	M-T-D Revenues	Y-T-D Revenues	M-T-D Expenses	Y-T-D Expenses	Unexpended Balance
4531 - 18th St SW Strm Swr ClPP Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4533 - GP 1033 15th Street SW Reloc	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4534 - GP 1052 4TH St NE Reconstr Proj	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4535 - GP 1056 Forty-Fourth St NE Impr	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4536 - Worley Ave NW Storm Sewer Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4538 - Market Ave N Sanitary Sewer Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4540 - ODOT Facility Acquisition Imp	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4541 - Civic Center Improvement	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4542 - Georgeview Estates Project	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4543 - Marieta Ave NE Improv (GP 1060)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4544 - Traffic Signalization Improvemen	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4545 - Fire Truck Replacement	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4547 - GP 1050 Shorb & 4th NW Rdwy Impr	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4548 - GP 1066 25th St NW Storm Sewer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4549 - Faxon Rd/Park Intersec. GP 1077	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4551 - Tamarawas St. Improv Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4552 - Midway Ave NE Improv GP 1072 Fd	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4553 - 38th St NW Improv GP 1067 Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4554 - Speese Area Drainage Project Fnd	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4555 - 4th St Gardendale NE Strm Sw Pj	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4556 - Bagan Proj/Kimble Rd Strm Sw 1108	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4557 - 38th St NE Trunk Swr GP 1083	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4558 - 25th St NE Strm Sew Pj GP 1090	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4559 - Sherrick Road Project	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4560 - Cleveland Ave Resurfacing	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4561 - Harmont Sanitary Swr Ext GP 1071	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4562 - 15th St SW Bridge Replacement	\$0.00	\$483,311.60	\$1,182,898.20	\$483,311.60	\$1,182,898.20	\$0.00
4563 - 12th St N. Corridor Project	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4565 - 55th St NE Storm Sewer GP 1125	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4566 - Mahoning Rd Corridor Pj GP 1103	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4567 - Walnut/Cherry Fund GP 1153	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4568 - 11th St Improv Proj GP 1144	\$0.00	\$840,485.29	\$4,013,807.60	\$840,485.29	\$4,013,807.60	\$0.00
4569 - 41st St NW Roadway Recon Pj 1126	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4570 - Railroad Cross/Tfr Signal Upgrade	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4571 - Harrisburg Rd Resurf Pj GP 1139	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4572 - 37th St NW Watermn Repl GP 1180	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4573 - SIB Loan 12 St N. Corr. Pj Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Fund	Beginning Balance	M-T-D Revenues	Y-T-D Revenues	M-T-D Expenses	Y-T-D Expenses	Unexpended Balance
2776 - Police Donation Fund	\$517.64	\$0.00	\$52,009.38	\$0.00	\$31,745.66	\$20,781.36
2777 - Canton Police Youth Corp	\$108.25	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$108.25
2778 - Canton Auxiliary Police Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2779 - Comm Policing Dev Microgrant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2780 - FY 19 BulletProof Vest Part Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2781 - FY 22 EDWARD BYRNE MEM GRANT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2782 - FY23 Pat Leahy Bullet Proof Vest	\$25,380.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,380.00
2783 - Fire Donation Fund	\$2,961.36	\$0.00	\$51,400.00	\$0.00	\$5,099.75	\$49,261.61
2784 - 2017 COPS Hiring Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2785 - 2020 Edward Byrne Memorial Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2786 - 2023 State Body Worn Camera	\$26,050.79	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$26,050.79
2787 - 2022 COPS HIRING GRANT	\$0.00	\$22,947.32	\$136,010.37	\$0.00	\$113,063.05	\$22,947.32
2788 - 2013 Cops Hiring Prog Grant Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2789 - 2012 Cops Hiring Prog Grant Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2790 - 2017 Edward Byrne Mem Grant Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2791 - Edw Byrne Mem Just Asst Gt 2018	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2792 - Recovery Court ATP Fund	\$22,477.64	\$0.00	\$8,723.00	\$0.00	\$4,753.51	\$26,447.13
2793 - US Dept Just/Bureau Asst Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2794 - Proj Safe Neighbhd Grant Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2795 - Justice Reinvest Grant Prob	\$27,291.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$27,291.67
2796 - COURT TECHNOLOGY GRANT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2797 - Specialized Docket Grant	\$27,568.12	\$0.00	\$90,000.00	\$12,459.64	\$45,104.33	\$72,463.79
2798 - 2020 COPS Hiring Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$19,872.24	\$0.00	\$19,872.24	\$0.00
2799 - 2014 COPS HIRING RECOV PROG	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2801 - OCJS 2020 Proj Safe Neighborhood	\$0.00	\$23,633.82	\$375,473.63	\$40,741.82	\$351,839.81	\$23,633.82
2802 - 2021 COPS Hiring Program Grant	\$30,142.50	\$0.00	\$3,545.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$33,687.50
2803 - OCJS 2021 Proj Safe Neigh Grant	\$74,760.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$74,760.00
2804 - ARPA LAW ENFORC VIOLENCE REDUC	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2805 - 2023 COPS Hiring Program Grant	\$120,353.20	\$0.00	\$103,780.98	\$0.00	\$106,095.16	\$118,039.02
2808 - ARPA 2022 Wellness & Recruit Fd	\$37,912,698.42	\$0.00	\$159,493.89	\$1,345,530.78	\$12,787,426.37	\$25,284,765.94
2809 - American Rescue Plan	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2810 - COVID-19 RELIEF FUND	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2811 - 2017 Assist to Firefighters Gra	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2812 - EMS Training and Equipment	\$6,027.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,027.18
2813 - Firefighters Assist Grant Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2814 - Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2815 - Fire-FEMA Safer Grant 2015	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Fund Category: 1 - Governmental Funds						
Fund Type: 11 - General Fund						
1001 - General Operating	\$15,241,094.95	\$6,088,417.15	\$73,677,908.82	\$5,672,297.82	\$72,198,478.02	\$16,720,525.75
1104 - Zoning Ordinance (75)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1105 - Police Settlement Fund	\$11,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,500.00
1150 - General Economic Develop Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1151 - Land Reutilization and Note Fund	\$10,315.80	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,715.80
1152 - NIP Acquisition Demo Debt Fund	\$164,819.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$164,819.26	\$0.00
1153 - Historic Onesto Proj Loan Fund	\$8,075.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8,075.35	\$0.00
1154 - NIP Village Project Fund	\$14,652.78	\$0.00	\$2,400,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,395,843.75	\$18,809.03
1155 - NIP Acquisition Demo Debt Fund	\$151,829.21	\$0.00	\$28,748.00	\$0.00	\$180,577.21	\$0.00
1156 - Hercules Redevelopment Proj Fund	\$152,918.49	\$20,249.03	\$785,747.09	\$0.00	\$918,416.55	\$20,249.03
Fund Type 11 - General Fund Subtotal:						
	\$15,755,205.84	\$6,108,666.18	\$76,892,803.91	\$5,672,297.82	\$75,866,210.14	\$16,781,799.61
Fund Type: 12 - Special Revenue Funds						
2101 - Police and Fire Pension	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2111 - Street Maintenance	\$1,498,094.17	\$363,212.00	\$4,026,578.44	\$279,929.62	\$4,722,193.18	\$802,479.43
2112 - State Highway	\$258,487.04	\$26,536.67	\$290,367.55	\$12,939.10	\$319,334.71	\$229,519.88
2113 - Municipal Road Fund	\$896,805.05	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,557.70	\$111,984.30	\$784,820.75
2120 - Income Tax Fund	\$83,279.70	(\$103,661.00)	\$4,000,215.49	\$288,707.76	\$3,988,886.13	\$94,609.06
2155 - City Parking Deck/Lot Fund	\$88,602.87	\$17,279.80	\$201,870.21	\$6,396.91	\$215,578.11	\$74,894.97
2160 - Vacant/Forecl Registry Exp SR Fd	\$228,909.21	\$0.00	\$83,080.00	\$5,251.74	\$124,901.55	\$187,087.66
2170 - Neighborhood Development	\$1,967,125.45	\$137,437.04	\$1,435,483.61	\$0.00	\$2,201,075.71	\$1,201,533.35
2175 - Comprehensive Plan Implement	\$12,382,806.64	\$837,139.20	\$8,947,655.75	\$1,529,149.58	\$9,330,381.14	\$12,000,081.25
2176 - Downtown Canton TOD	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275,794.47	\$0.00	\$275,794.47	\$0.00
2177 - Hall of Fame Fitness TOD	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2178 - Centennial Plaza TOD	\$2,700.45	\$59.65	\$15,670.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,371.44
2180 - Mills Industrial Park TIF Fund	\$628,732.60	\$0.00	\$185,593.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$814,326.52
2181 - Gervasi 1700 LLC TIF Fund	\$116,426.79	\$0.00	\$57,760.96	\$6,883.33	\$13,766.66	\$160,421.09
2182 - Amazon TIF	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$335,282.12	\$0.00	\$150,429.25	\$184,852.87
2183 - Harcourt Holdings- Eastridge	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,940.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,940.17
2185 - Urban TIF Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$166,707.22	\$0.00	\$130,831.97	\$35,875.25
2190 - HOEV Fund	\$321,200.79	\$49,133.38	\$6,807,212.13	\$26,350.26	\$7,079,277.07	\$49,135.85
2211 - Community Development Fund(CD)	\$0.00	\$287,778.65	\$2,708,106.52	\$343,084.98	\$2,708,106.52	\$0.00
2212 - Neighborhood Stabilization Progr	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00



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Dear Mr. President and Honorable Members of Council:

Re: Settlement in State ex rel. Parsons v. City of Canton, et al., Stark County
Common Pleas Court Case Number 2023CV02134

The purpose of this communication is to request final authority to prepare an ordinance that will settle a lawsuit that is pending in Stark County Common Pleas Court regarding a sewer backup at 2118 6th Street SW in April, 2023.

The Parsons case was filed on November 20, 2023, and has been actively litigated since that date, including two mediations. Pursuant to agreement shortly after the second mediation, the City will pay Parsons and his attorney a total of \$98,500. In exchange, the Plaintiff will dismiss the pending lawsuit.

We believe this is a fair and reasonable settlement considering all the circumstances.

The Law Department will be available to discuss this legislation further and answer any questions in executive session. Due to the nature of this legislation, we will ask Council to put the ordinance on the agenda with the communication and pass it on first reading on January 27, 2025.

Sincerely,

Jason P. Reese
Law Director

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January 23, 2025

Canton City Council
Council Chambers
Canton, Ohio 44702

Subject: Housing Development and Beautification Program Reauthorization and Expansion

Dear Madam President and Honorable Members:

I am submitting to City Council for consideration legislation reauthorizing the approval of a Housing Development and Beautification Program (HDBP) which has been created as an economic recovery program aimed at increasing the vibrancy of the city's neighborhoods as outlined within the Mayor's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative.

The intent of this program is to spur new in-fill housing construction, redevelopment of vacant homes and to improve the existing building stock; and increase the diversity of housing options and types within the city of Canton. Only residentially (R-1(a)(b)(c)(d), R-2, R-3 and R-4) zoned parcels are permissible for the program within the Neighborhood Priority Action Areas as outlined within Connecting Canton Together, Comprehensive plan Update.

The Housing Development and Beautification Program consists of grant funding in three different categories. (1) exterior façade home repair; (2) substantial development / redevelopment; and, (3) home purchase assistance.

Home Improvement Grant Type I – Exterior Façade Home Repair

Grant assistance, providing a 50% rebate, up to \$10,000 of eligible exterior façade home repairs and improvement expenses.

Home Improvement Grant Type II – Interior Home Repair and Substantial Development / Redevelopment Improvements

- \$5,000 grant assistance for interior projects in excess of \$2,500 per unit.
- \$15,000 grant assistance for new home construction.

Home Purchase Assistance

Grant assistance of \$5,000 for all eligible home purchases. Grants may be used for the acquisition of single and/or multi-family residences that will be owner-occupied.

The aforementioned program has been, and will continue to be administered by the Department of Planning and to be funded through Issue 13 funds allocated specifically for economic development and designated purposes prioritized within the Comprehensive Plan.

I therefore respectfully request legislation which:

1. Re-establishes and expand the Housing Development and Beautification Program to incorporate the Neighborhood Priority Action Areas (Refer to Attached Map); and,
2. Authorizes the Auditor to draw his warrants from the Issue 13 Comprehensive Plan Fund in the amount not to exceed \$200,000.

Respectfully,



William V. Sherer, II
Mayor

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Ward 7/Majority Leader

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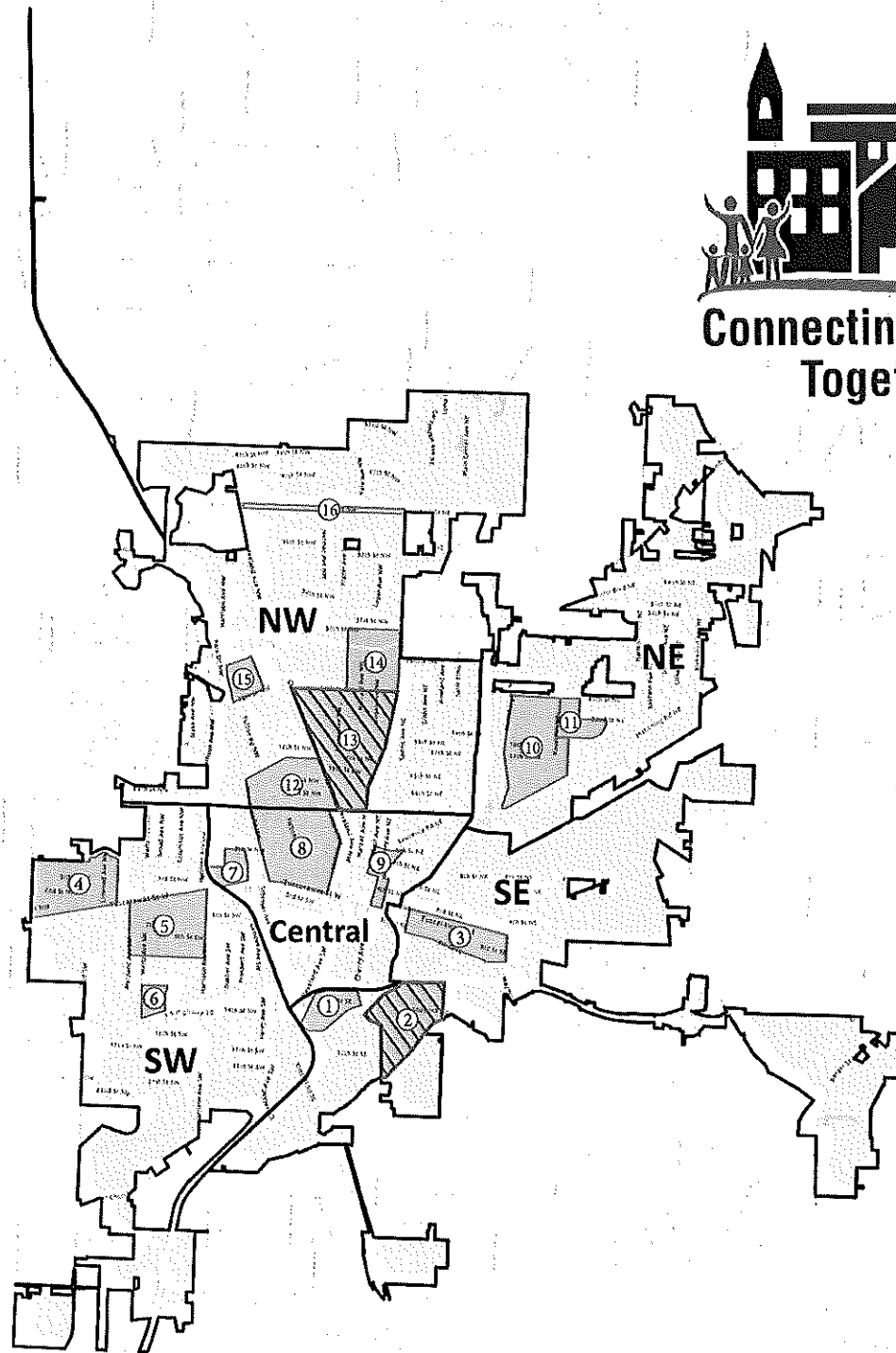
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Ward 6

Cc: Donn Angus, Planning Director
Mark Crouse, Finance Director
Jason Reese, Law Director

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**Connecting Canton
Together**



Neighborhood Priority Action Areas

Southeast

1. Allen Avenue SE Area
2. Southeast Community Center and Sherrick Road Corridor
3. Hartford School and Tuscarawas Street E Area

Southwest

4. Harter Elementary School and Surrounding Harter Heights Neighborhood Area
5. Aultman Hospital Neighborhood Area
6. J. Babe Stearn Community Center Area

Central

7. Neighborhood Around Monument Area
8. Greater Shorb Neighborhood Area
9. Walnut/Cherry Revitalization Area

Northeast

10. Crystal Park Area
11. Crenshaw Middle School and Youtz School Area

Northwest

12. West Park Neighborhood Area
13. Vassar Park Neighborhood Area
14. Wels Park Area
15. HOF Fitness Development Area and the Intersection of Fulton Rd NW, 25th St NW, and Harrison Ave NW
16. 44th St NW Corridor



Mayor Sherer's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative
Re-investment Approach in Focused Planning Areas
"One Block at a Time"



The City of
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Housing Development and Beautification Program Application and Information Guide

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Application and Information Guide



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The City of Canton

Greater Shorb Neighborhood Core Targeted Investment Area
Residential Zoning Districts: R-1 (a)(b)(c)(d), R-2, R-3 and R-4

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The City of Canton

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Background

The Mayor's Office, Department of Planning is committed to improving the quality of life in Canton by strengthening our neighborhoods and making our city a desirable destination in which to Live, Work and Play. We envision a thriving Canton, resilient in the face of adversity - competitive, right-sized and diverse. All the while embracing the posture as the Hall of Fame City; one that is vibrant, safe and sustainable for current and future generations to come.

The goal is to ensure that the Mayor's Agenda, the Director of Plannings Vision and the principles that define Canton's unique character are widely promoted and embedded in planning initiatives that advance the implementation of the cities adopted Comprehensive Plan.

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Ordinance No. 165/2023

An Ordinance establishing the Housing Development and Beautification Program (HDBP) utilizing Issue 13 Comprehensive Plan Funds; authorizing the Mayor and/or Director of Public Service to enter into HDBP contracts (grant agreements).

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Housing Development and beautification Program

1.0 Introduction

The Housing Development and Beautification Program (HDBP) is an economic recovery program aimed to increase the vibrancy of the greater Shorb neighborhood area; a Core Targeted Investment Area, as identified within the City's adopted Comprehensive Plan, and as highlighted within the Canton Neighborhood Development Master Plan and Redevelopment Strategy (Adopted 09/2021). The intent of this program is to spur new in-fill housing construction, redevelopment of vacant homes and apartments and major renovations to existing units to improve the existing building stock and increase the diversity of housing options and types within the city of Canton.

1.1 Abstract

This program is intended as an implementation action for the Shorb Corridor Area Neighborhood Development Master Plan and Redevelopment Strategy which proposes a long-term vision, of this Target Investment Zone on the northwest side of Canton; within the Center City Planning Area of the Summit Neighborhood located within the 1st and 2nd Wards.

Where does the HDBP funding originate from?

Funding for this program comes from Issue 13 Comprehensive Plan funds. Which was a May, 2018 ballot initiative increasing the City Income tax rate by one-half of one percent; of which three-tenths of one percent (.3%) has been allocated to a specifically designated fund established by City Council to be used exclusively for purposes prioritized in the current Comprehensive Plan including economic development.

What financial assistance does the HDBP offer?

The HDBP consists of grant funding in three different categories. (1) exterior façade home repair; (2) substantial development / redevelopment; and, (3) Home Purchase Assistance.

Home Improvement Grant (Type I) – Exterior Repair

Grant assistance of 50% of eligible project costs (maximum grant amount \$10,000). Grants may be used to undertake certain exterior façade home repairs and improvements which can be seen from your street, including but not limited to painting, porch construction, roof repairs, door/window replacement and solar panel installation.

Home Improvement Grant (Type II) – Substantial Development/Redevelopment

- \$5,000 grant assistance for interior projects in excess of \$2,500 per unit.
- \$25,000 grant assistance for new home construction.

Home Purchase Assistance

Grant assistance of \$5,000 for all eligible home purchases. Grants may be used for the acquisition of single and/or multi-family residences that will be owner-occupied.

Can multiple HDBP rebates be obtained?

Yes, the HDBP will commit to funding multiple projects by one individual and/or entity providing they are separate applications for each parcel/building site and made as individual HDBP application

Which city areas are HDBP applications permitted?

The HDBP is intended to facilitate investment, housing development and beautification within the Neighborhood Priority Action Areas as outlined within the Mayor's Neighborhood transformation Initiative and the subsequent Connecting Canton Together, Comprehensive Plan Amendment.

Who qualifies for the HDBP?

Any current property owner within the greater Shorb neighborhood area of the City of Canton that wishes to make improvements to their current living structure or develop a new residential structure; as well as anyone in contract to purchase property that will be owner occupied within the greater Shorb neighborhood area of the City of Canton.

What building types are not eligible for the HDBP?

Only residentially (R-1(a)(b)(c)(d), R-2, R-3 and R-4) zoned parcels are permissible for this program.

How are the HDBP grant funds dispersed?

Grantees will receive awarded funds as follows:

Improvement Grants (Type I and II)

The HDBP offers a rebate, which is paid out after construction is completed and the project has been paid in full and necessary documentation has been submitted for approval by the City.

Home Purchase Assistance

This assistance will be in the form of a grant check Issued to the title agency at the time of closing.

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2.0 Eligibility and Programs

The Mayor and/or Director of Public Service have been authorized by Council to enter into any and all HBDP grant agreements. The Director of Planning will administer the HBDP and make all final determinations of eligibility.

2.1 Overview

Eligibility to participate in the Housing Development and Beautification Program (HBDP) is based on many factors and each project is considered individually on its own merits. However, there are several general conditions that would exclude a project from the HBDP. The following is not an exhaustive list of program requirements and restrictions, but may be used as a guide to describe our most common policies.

- Properties are eligible to receive HBDP funding only once every three (3) years.
- A new owner of a previously HBDP renovated structure would be eligible to apply for grant assistance if:
 - The structure was not renovated within the last three (3) years of this application;
 - The new owner is not legally connected to the previous ownership of the structure in any manner when it participated in the HBDP; and/or,
 - The structure will be renovated in a manner that creates the opportunity for a new visual impact (as determined by the Planning Department).
- Only structures originally built as a residential use are eligible to participate in the HBDP.
- Applicants eligible for HBDP grant assistance funding must complete the required application with the City. Grant assistance funding will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until all allocated funds are committed.
- An Applicant cannot enter into a contract for grant assistance funds and/or receive grant assistance funds upon completion of project unless the property taxes of this property are current with the County.
- Properties that have received a condemnation notice from the City's Building Department will not be eligible to participate in the HBDP until the building is brought out of violation status and is issued a certificate of occupancy.
- All funds under this program are grant funds to be provided as reimbursement to the applicant when the project is complete, proof of payment is submitted, and necessary inspections are performed and approved.
- Projects completed prior to the conditional award / agreement are ineligible for grant assistance. **THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.**

2.2 Programs

Home Improvement Grant (Type I) Exterior Repair

The intent of this program is to aid in the redevelopment and beautification of existing housing units. These efforts will preserve the quality and condition of existing housing stock, address major physical needs and code violations, increase property values, and spur additional private investment. Landscaping is not eligible for grant funding. Properties with code violations may be eligible for funding.

ELIGIBLE EXPENCES (reviewed on a case-by-case basis):

- Demolition – not limited to the dwelling. This can include any dilapidated structure on the property
- Physical construction costs, visibly facing the main public right of way and exclusively for:
 - Dead tree and/or overgrown shrub removal – must be at the front of the house
 - Fence removal - must be front or side of the house. Fences on the rear of the property are not eligible
 - Driveway installation – must be the front of the house. Driveway repairs are NOT eligible
- Exterior improvements to the home, including but not limited to:
 - Porches and steps to the front entrance of the home and sidewalk installation or repair – includes only walkways to the front entrance of the home outside of the Public Right-of-Way
 - Siding Replacement and Painting
 - Windows and doors
 - Roofs and solar panel installation

EXCLUSIONS (not eligible for grant funding):

- Foundation work, except for front porches
- Installation of fencing
- Landscaping
- Repair to or improvement to accessory structures
- Driveway and/or sidewalk repairs

REQUIREMENTS:

- City will provide 50% of eligible project costs or \$10,000 per property – whichever is less. Must provide cost estimates prior to approval.
- Applicants are permitted in certain instances to perform improvement work themselves; however, in these cases, city grants will be available for materials only (no labor).

- The City reserves the right to deny eligibility of certain project expenses at its sole discretion. Handwritten receipts for projects may not be accepted.
- Owners of multiple properties can apply for grant funding for multiple properties.
- Applicants must be the legally titled owner or authorized representative of the owner.
- Applicants may be required to seek approval of enhancements by other administrative bodies, including but not limited to BZA or the Planning Commission - approval which must be obtained prior to a determination of any HDBP grant agreement.
- All awarded projects are conditional and must be completed and the funds disbursed within six (6) months of the conditional award date. Should an unexpected hardship occur, an extension may be requested in writing PRIOR to your completion deadline. All requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and the applicant notified of approval or rejection of an extension of the deadline for completion. If the applicant fails to comply with the deadline for completion, the applicant will not be able to apply for funding for the property for three (3) years.
- Permits and inspections will be required for any construction to the home, including but not limited to roofing, siding, excavating, demolition, etc.

DISBURSEMENT:

The grant will be disbursed in one lump sum at the completion of the project and cannot be drawn down during construction. Completion will be achieved when a Certificate of Occupancy is received (if required) or once a certificate of completion is issued.

Funds will be provided directly to the property owner after the completion of all improvements and evidence of expenses incurred have been paid.

- Job name or project address must be listed on all paid receipts/invoices. Please inform your contractor or specify the address when purchasing materials.
- If purchasing materials for an eligible project, please purchase materials separate from personal items.
- Handwritten receipts may not be accepted. Contractor invoices, store receipts with project name/address and canceled checks may be submitted as proof of payment.

Home Improvement Grant (Type II) Interior Home Repair and Substantial Development / Redevelopment Improvements

The intent of this program is to spur new in-fill housing construction, redevelopment of vacant homes and apartments and major renovations to existing units to preserve existing building stock and increase the diversity of housing options and types within the city. Projects that involve the adaptive reuse of non-residential properties into residential units will be considered.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES:

- Environmental remediation (i.e. asbestos abatement)
- Demolition (not all properties will be eligible)
- New home construction
- Garage Construction
- Physical Interior construction costs
- Site work and improvements
- Soft costs including but not limited to architectural drawings, surveys, estimating, market studies, environmental reports, and appraisals

EXCLUSIONS:

- Transient or short-term rental property is not eligible for this program unless this is also the primary residence of the applicant.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Projects must be \$2,500+ per unit in total improvement costs which can include soft costs.
- Applicants are permitted in certain instances to perform improvement work themselves; however, in these cases, city grants will be available for materials only (no labor).
- The city reserves the right to deny eligibility of certain project expenses at its sole discretion.
- For interior projects valued at \$2,500+ per unit in improvements, assistance is \$5,000 per unit.
- For new home development, grant assistance is \$15,000 per unit.
- Applicants must be the legally titled owner or authorized representative of the owner.
- Applicants may be required to seek approval of enhancements by other administrative bodies, including but not limited to BZA or the Planning Commission - approval which must be obtained prior to a determination of any HDBP grant agreement.
- All awarded projects are conditional and must be completed and the funds disbursed within six (6) months of the conditional award date. Should an unexpected hardship occur, an extension may be requested in writing PRIOR to your completion deadline. All requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and the applicant notified of approval or rejection of an extension of the deadline for completion. If the applicant fails to comply with the deadline for completion, the applicant will not be able to apply for funding for the property for three (3) years.
- Permits and inspections will be required for any substantial development / redevelopment and/or new home construction.

DISBURSEMENT:

The grant will be disbursed in one lump sum at the completion of the project and cannot be drawn down during construction. Completion will be achieved when a Certificate of Occupancy is received (if required) or once a certificate of completion is issued.

Funds will be provided directly to the property owner after the completion of all improvements and evidence of expenses incurred have been paid.

- Job name or project address must be listed on all paid receipts/invoices. Please inform your contractor or specify the address when purchasing materials.
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Home Purchase Assistance

This program aims to increase homeowner occupancy in the city and make the goal of homeownership a reality for residents that may have been traditionally limited to renting, including those who may not have enough money saved for unexpected out of pocket costs. It further seeks to attract residents to the City of Canton.

ELIGIBLE USES:

- Assistance with lender requirements and title company closing costs
- City will provide \$5,000 to eligible applicants which will be disbursed to the Title Agency
- City awarded grant funding must be shown on draft and final settlement statement and not reimbursed to the applicant. Should the grant funding exceed the expenses incurred in the sale, the remaining proceeds should be applied to the principle balance of the loan
- This grant is not restricted to first time home buyers. This is available to anyone purchasing a home for owner occupancy within the City of Canton

REQUIREMENTS – PROSPECTIVE HOME BUYER: (must meet ALL of the following criteria)

- Have secured a mortgage/loan preapproval from lender which outlines:
 - Type of loan (fixed or adjustable)
 - Term of loan (in years)
 - Interest rate of loan
- Provide a mortgage interest rate that does not exceed the national average rate more than 1.5 percentage points as determined by Bankrate, Freddie Mac or other comparable company as determined by the City.
- Provide a mortgage term of at least 10 years with a fixed interest rate for the life of the loan and be fully amortizing.

REQUIREMENTS – PROSPECTIVE HOMES:

- Homes can only be purchased for the purposes of owner occupancy and must remain so for minimally three (3) years by the successful applicant.
- Properties must contain three (3) or fewer units and occupied by the applicant.

- If a conditional award is granted and the sale is canceled, the conditional award is also canceled. The applicant may re-apply for a different property; however, they must fill out a new application with a new purchase agreement and loan estimate referencing the new property. The new application will be reviewed in the order it was received.

REQUIREMENTS – LENDER/TITLE COMPANY

- Be licensed in the State of Ohio
- Title Agencies will be required to submit licensing and tax information.
- Lender must provide escrow services to buyers for insurance and property taxes

APPROVAL:

The application and approval process can take up to three (3) weeks. Delay in submitting required documentation may delay the closing date. Final approval is not determined until the City reviews the sales contract, lender information, owner occupancy affidavit and a completed W-9 tax form

TYPE OF FUNDING AND DISBURSEMENT:

Since this is not a loan, there is no loan repayment schedule attached to this funding. The grant will be disbursed in one lump sum at the time of property closing and disbursed directly to the Title Company handling the property transaction.

- A draft settlement statement/closing disclosure must be received showing the entire grant amount as a buyer credit at least Fourteen (14) days prior to the scheduled closing date in order to ensure the grant funds are disbursed in time for closing.
- Failure to notify the City of your closing date may delay your closing date. While the City will do its best to meet your closing date, disbursement checks may not be available until after the required review/approval process plus fourteen (14) day notification of closing.

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3.0 Process

Please read the complete guidelines prior to turning in your application. If there are still questions, please e-mail Neighborhood Planner at cassandra.pearson@cantonohio.gov.

3.1 Summary

APPLY

Review the guidelines and completely fill out an application – if not completely and correctly filled out, it will delay the processing of the application. For Home Improvement Grants, be sure to include cost estimates and contractor contact information. For Home Purchase Assistance, be sure to include an executed purchase agreement or other proof that you have obtained a loan commitment and the terms of that loan.

WAIT

Wait for a response. You will either receive a conditional award letter or a rejection letter. You may not begin the project until you receive an approval and a conditional award letter.

NOTIFY

To ensure proper permits are obtained, you may contact the Building Division directly at (330) 438-7800. If required permits are not obtained, your grant award or disbursement may be delayed, or the grant may be rescinded. You may expand the scope and cost of the project, but the grant award will be based on your original estimates and funding will not be increased.

PROCEED

You will have six months to complete your project. Should the project require more time, an extension may be requested prior to the six-month deadline.

CONFIRM

Once the project is complete, provide the following to the Department of Planning:

- The final invoice demonstrating that the project is complete and the amount due has been paid in full or that the portion owed by the applicant is paid in full.
- Proof that permits were obtained and proof that the contractor(s) are registered with the City of Canton. Failure to provide this information may lead to grant revocation.

FINALIZE / DISBURSEMENT

Grant assistance payments are made to the applicant or entity that is legally titled to the property. Allow up to three (3) weeks to receive the grant check. For Home Purchase Assistance – Participants must notify the Department of Planning at least fourteen (14) days prior to the closing date in order for a check to be available at the time of closing. Failure to do so will likely delay your closing date.

3.2 Procedure

Eligibility Requirements

Property must be located in the municipal boundaries of the City and must meet applicable zoning requirements and be residential in nature as defined in Codified Ordinances of Canton Residential Code of Ohio

Mixed-Use properties are eligible to participate for the residential portion of the structure. Staff has the ability to modify the program if the project is considered catalytic or is within a core targeted investment zone. Project eligibility will be determined by the Planning Department.

Projects with outstanding code violations are encouraged to apply, however all code violations on the property must be repaired prior to grant disbursement.

Approval Process

Completed applications will be accepted throughout the year on a first-come, first-served basis until the program funds are exhausted. The Planning Department reviews applications first for completeness and to ensure compliance with eligibility criteria. Supporting documents must be included with applications. All approved applications will receive a conditional award letter. If your application is not approved, you will receive a rejection letter stating the reason for denial. Applicants who submit incomplete applications will be contacted and will have two (2) weeks to rectify all identified issues. If the issues are not rectified within two (2) weeks to the satisfaction of the City, the application will be discarded, and the applicant will need to submit a new application. If funding is depleted during this time, your application will be denied due to lack of funding. Please allow up to two (2) weeks for application review. Accepted applications must be for the current program year. Once funds for the current program year are exhausted, applicants must reapply when new funding is available. If the project scope and/or contractor changes after the conditional award is issued, the grant amount may be reduced or rescinded. If you choose to expand the scope or cost of the project, grant funding cannot be increased.

Withdrawal of Application:

If an applicant determines that they cannot complete the project due to an unforeseen reason and wishes to withdraw their application, they may do so within sixty (60) days of the conditional award letter. If the applicant withdraws their application

within the sixty (60) day period, they are not penalized and may re-apply for the same (or other) property the following year. This will only be allowed one (1) time per property.

Construction Phase:

Contractors perform work at the direction of the Applicant since all construction contracts are between the Applicant and the contractor(s). It is the Applicant's responsibility to schedule, coordinate and manage any and all parties performing work.

The Department of Planning periodically monitor construction progress and respond to questions as applicable. The involvement of the Department of Planning is solely for adherence to the program regulations.

Project Exclusions:

Each program outlined in the preceding section may have specific and more restrictive eligibility requirements. The project exclusions outlined below generally apply to all applications and projects regardless of the type of financial assistance being requested.

Projects will not be considered for financial assistance through HDBP if they involve:

1. Substantial development / redevelopment that involuntarily and permanently displaces residents, or tenants.
2. Refinancing of existing debts and mortgages.
3. Financing of land banking or acquisition of real estate with no planned capital improvements or re-occupancy
4. Financing to projects in which the applicant has ever or currently owns entirely or in part, real estate that is tax delinquent and not on a payment plan, contains non-registered rental units, or is in foreclosure
5. Financing of projects in which the applicant currently has utility delinquencies including but not limited to water and sewer.
6. Financing of projects in which the applicant has been convicted or has a pending conviction of a felony within three (3) years from the date of application submittal

Requests for funding will be denied if applicants have outstanding collections, judgment liens, other court judgments, delinquent taxes, other tax liens, or any delinquent outstanding money owed to the city.

No person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity funded in whole or in part with HDBP funds.

3.3 Federal, State and Local Laws

Applicants must comply with all applicable laws of the Federal Government, State of Ohio and City of Canton, including all other regulations and administrative rulings pertaining to the HDBP. Additionally:

- Applicants, or their contractors, shall be responsible for securing all applicable licenses, permits, approvals, and certificates of inspection required by law or by this program. These fees are not HDBP eligible costs.
- Financial assistance through the HDBP requires that all proposed improvements conform to current City of Canton Building, Legal Use, and Zoning Code requirements, regardless of existing conditions.

As part of the HDBP, applicants and grant recipients are screened pursuant codified ordinance 105.07 and the income tax withholding language of codified ordinance 105.15; as follows:

105.07 GRANT AND LOAN APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS.

- (a) No person, partnership, corporation and/or unincorporated association shall be eligible to receive any grant, loan from Community Development funds or tax incentive, whether administered directly by the Department of Development or indirectly through a program administered by a non-profit agency on behalf of the City, unless the applicant is paid in full or is current and not otherwise delinquent in the payment of any of the following:
 - (1) Any outstanding judgments, liens, grant or delinquent loan obligations owed to the City of Canton, any other municipality, township, county, state or federal governmental entity;
 - (2) Utility bills for water, sewer and sanitation services owed to the City of Canton;
 - (3) Income taxes (to include mandatory wage withholding by employers) owed to the City of Canton, any other municipality, township, county, state or federal governmental entity;
 - (4) Real estate taxes and assessments on any properties owned by the applicant;
 - (5) Personal property taxes owed to the Stark County Auditor and/or State of Ohio; or
 - (6) Any outstanding loans, grants, subsidies or other entitlements received from any federal or state funded Housing and Community Development program.
- (b) The applicant shall be required to provide to the City of Canton a notarized statement averring that the applicant is paid in full or is current and not otherwise delinquent in the payment of the obligations listed in subsections (a) (1 - 6).
- (c) Falsification of such statement shall result in cancellation of any grant or loan received, and the applicant shall be required to refund any grant or loan funds received.
- (d) Council may waive or modify the requirements of this section as applied to a particular applicant if in the interest of justice, and upon consideration of the surrounding circumstances, such waiver or modification is deemed reasonably necessary by Council.
- (e) Under any Community Development program in which the combined household income of all members is calcu-

lated for the purpose of determining income eligibility of the applicant, no applicant shall be eligible to receive any grant or loan from the Department of Development if any co-applicant or other member of the same household is delinquent in the payment of any of the categories listed in subsection (a) hereof.

- (f) Notwithstanding the above, this section shall not apply to any individual, partnership, corporation or incorporated association seeking assistance under a HOME Repair or Emergency Shelter program grant, at the time of the application.
- (g) No partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which has as one of its partners, shareholders or owners, any person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in such partnership, corporation or unincorporated association and who is delinquent in any of the categories listed in subsection (a) hereof, shall be eligible for the award of any grant or loan. No person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in any partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which is delinquent in any of the items listed in subsection (a) hereof shall be eligible for the award of any grant or loan.
- (h) The Department of Development and any other department which may hereinafter or presently administer the awarding of grants and loans to applicants under any program shall establish guidelines and screen applicants consistent with the foregoing requirements. All City Departments shall comply with the requests of the Department of Development and any other department for information which are made pursuant to this section.
- (i) The Department of Development, for programs within its administration and authority, may waive or modify the requirements of this section, under appropriate surrounding circumstances, where a strict interpretation of this section would not further the established goals of the Department. (Ord. 205-2010. Passed 11-8-10.)

105.15 CITY INCOME TAX.

- (a) No person, partnership, corporation or unincorporated association may be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10, unless the bidder is paid in full or is current and not otherwise delinquent in the payment of City income taxes, including any obligation to pay taxes withheld from employees under Section 182.05 and any payment on net profits under Section 182.06.
- (b) Falsification of any information related to or any post-contractual violation of the requirement to pay City income taxes set forth in subsection (a) shall constitute cause for the rescission of the balance of the contract at the City's discretion.
- (c) No partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which has as one of its partners, shareholders or owners, a person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in such partnership, corporation or unincorporated association and who is delinquent in the payment

of City income taxes as set forth in subsection (a), may be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10.

- (d) A person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in any partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which is delinquent in the payment of City income taxes as set forth in subsection (a) may not be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 and 105.10.
- (e) A contract awarded under Sections 105.09 or 105.10 for a public improvement project, services other than personal or professional services, and personal or professional services shall not be binding or valid unless such contract contains the following provisions:

Said [applicant] hereby further agrees to withhold all City income taxes due or payable under Chapter 182 of the Codified Ordinances for wages, salaries, fees, and commissions paid to its employees and further agrees that any of its subcontractors shall be required to agree to withhold any such City income taxes due for services performed under this contract. Furthermore, any person, firm or agency that has a contract or agreement with the City shall be subject to City income tax whether a resident or nonresident in the City, and whether the work being done is in the City or out of the City. In addition to the tax withheld for employees, the net profits on the contract shall be subject to City income tax.

(Ord. 238-2015. Passed 11-30-15.)

3.4 Application

Interested parties are encouraged to discuss all city economic development incentives and/or programs available to them with the Department of Planning.

Applicant shall complete and submit an HDBP application form. Applications will not be considered if documents are missing or any portion of the application is incomplete. Please allow up to five (5) days for a response.

If after you have read these guidelines, you need further clarification, please feel free to e-mail questions to the Greater Shorh Area Neighborhood Planner. E-mail may be the quickest method of communication and it is highly recommended to schedule an appointment if you intend to speak in person between the hours of 9am and 4pm.

CONTACT

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Application (under separate document) can be found at:
<https://www.cantonohio.gov/157/Planning-Zoning>



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Canton, Ohio 44702

Subj: Replat of Part of Outlot 212, Part of Outlot 213 and Part of Lot 9669, also known as tax parcels 223775, 236929, 222932, & 214043, Ward 9

Dear Madame President and Honorable Members:

On Tuesday, January 14, 2025, the Canton City Planning Commission met and heard a case for the subject replat. The Canton City Planning Commission recommended approval of the subject Replat at that meeting.

The applicant in this case is property owner Antonio Wilson. The physical location of this property is 1533 Maple Ave NE. Mr. Wilson is proposing a combination of the four existing parcels into a single .337-acre lot. With this combination, the property owner will be able to improve the property through possible additions and brings the property into compliance with zoning regulations regarding accessory structures. This area is zoned R-2 – Two Family Residential and reviewing City Departments take no issue to this proposal.

This proposed replat is in line with the theories presented in the Comprehensive Plan. This replat will result in a right-sized property that could result in neighborhood investment and helps to eliminate a previously land locked parcel as well.

Therefore, I am respectfully requesting that legislation be enacted to authorize the subject replat of said property.

As always, if any additional information is needed, please contact the Planning Department at 330.438.4132.

Sincerely,

Matt Bailey
Secretary
Canton City Planning Commission



January 15, 2025

Canton City Council
Council Chambers
Canton, Ohio 44702

Subj: Replat of Part of Lots 8954 and 8955, also known as tax parcels 206312 & 232450, Ward
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Dear Madame President and Honorable Members:

On Tuesday, January 14, 2025, the Canton City Planning Commission met and heard a case for the subject replat. The Canton City Planning Commission recommended approval of the subject Replat at that meeting.

The applicant in this case is property owner Thomas Bowling. The physical location of this property is 1460 – 1464 Shriver Ave NE. Mr. Bowling is proposing a combination of the two existing parcels into a single .157-acre lot. With this combination, the property owner will be able to potentially construct an addition and a garage. This replat allows compliance with City of Canton Building Codes in regards to construction across lot lines. This area is zoned R-1a – Single Family Residential and reviewing City Departments take no issue to this proposal.

This proposed replat is in line with the theories presented in the Comprehensive Plan. This replat will result in a right-sized property that could result in neighborhood investment.

Therefore, I am respectfully requesting that legislation be enacted to authorize the subject replat of said property.

As always, if any additional information is needed, please contact the Planning Department at 330.438.4132.

Sincerely,

Matt Bailey
Secretary
Canton City Planning Commission

REPLAT OF PART OF LOTS 8954 AND 8955 LOCATED IN THE CITY OF CANTON, STARK COUNTY, OHIO

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT I, THE UNDERSIGNED AGENT OF THE OWNERS OF THE LAND DELINEATED HEREON, DO HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THE MAKING AND SIGNING OF THIS PLAT TO BE MY FREE ACT AND DEED.

THOMAS R. BOWLING

BEFORE ME, A NOTARY PUBLIC, IN AND FOR SAID COUNTY AND STATE, PERSONALLY APPEARED THE ABOVE, WHO ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE DID SIGN THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT, AND THAT THE SAME IS HIS FREE ACT AND DEED.

I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL AT
THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2024.

NOTARY PUBLIC _____ MY COMMISSION EXPIRES _____

PLANNING COMMISSION
APPROVED BY THE CANTON CITY PLANNING COMMISSION AT A MEETING HELD
THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2024.

WILLIAM V. SHERER II, MAYOR
MATT BAILEY, SECRETARY

CANTON CITY ENGINEER

RECEIVED AND RECOMMENDED FOR ACCEPTANCE THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2024

CHRISTOPHER BARNES, P.E. CANTON CITY ENGINEER

THE ACCOMPANYING PLAT SHOWING THE REPLAT OF THE LOTS AS DELINEATED ON
THE TITLE OF THIS PLAT WAS APPROVED BY ORDINANCE NO. _____ AND
GIVEN LOT NUMBER _____ RECORDED IN SCHEDULE
BOOK _____ PAGE _____

CHRISTOPHER BARNES, P.E. CANTON CITY ENGINEER

CANTON CITY COUNCIL

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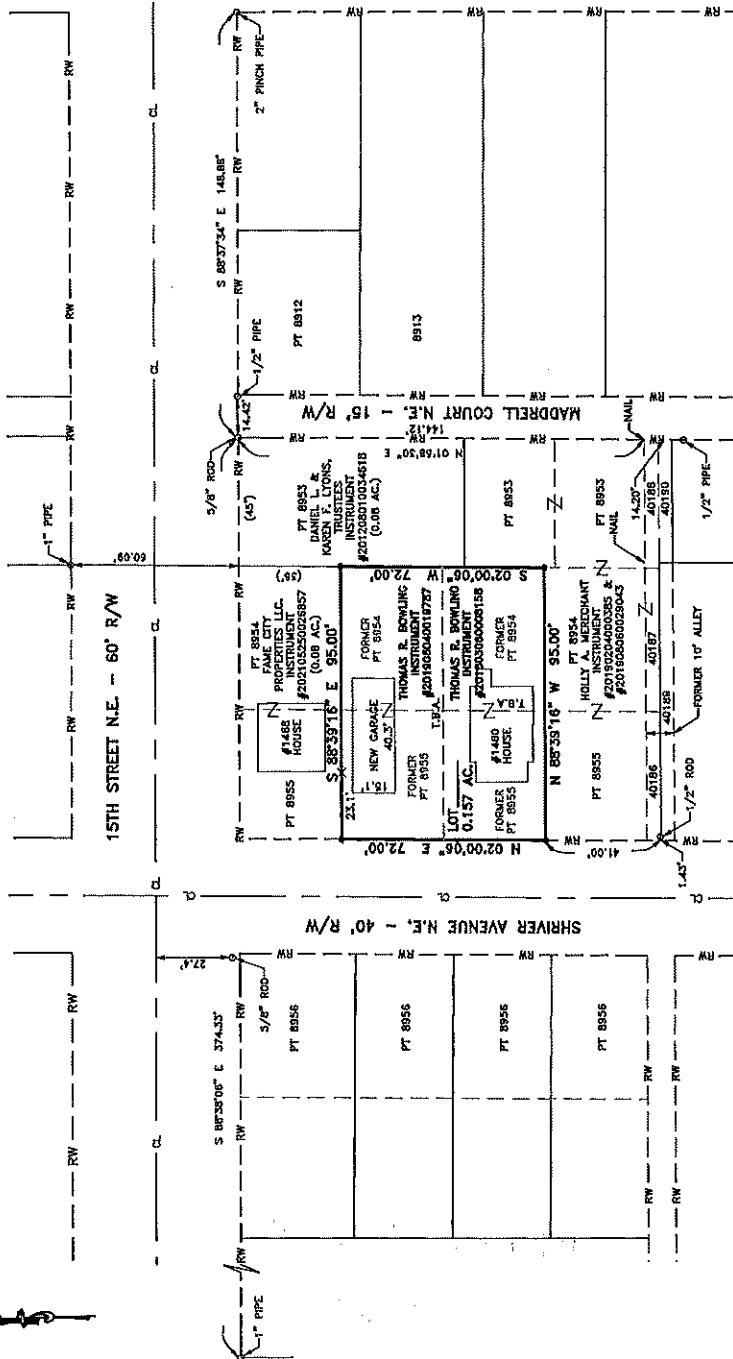


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8954 AND 8955
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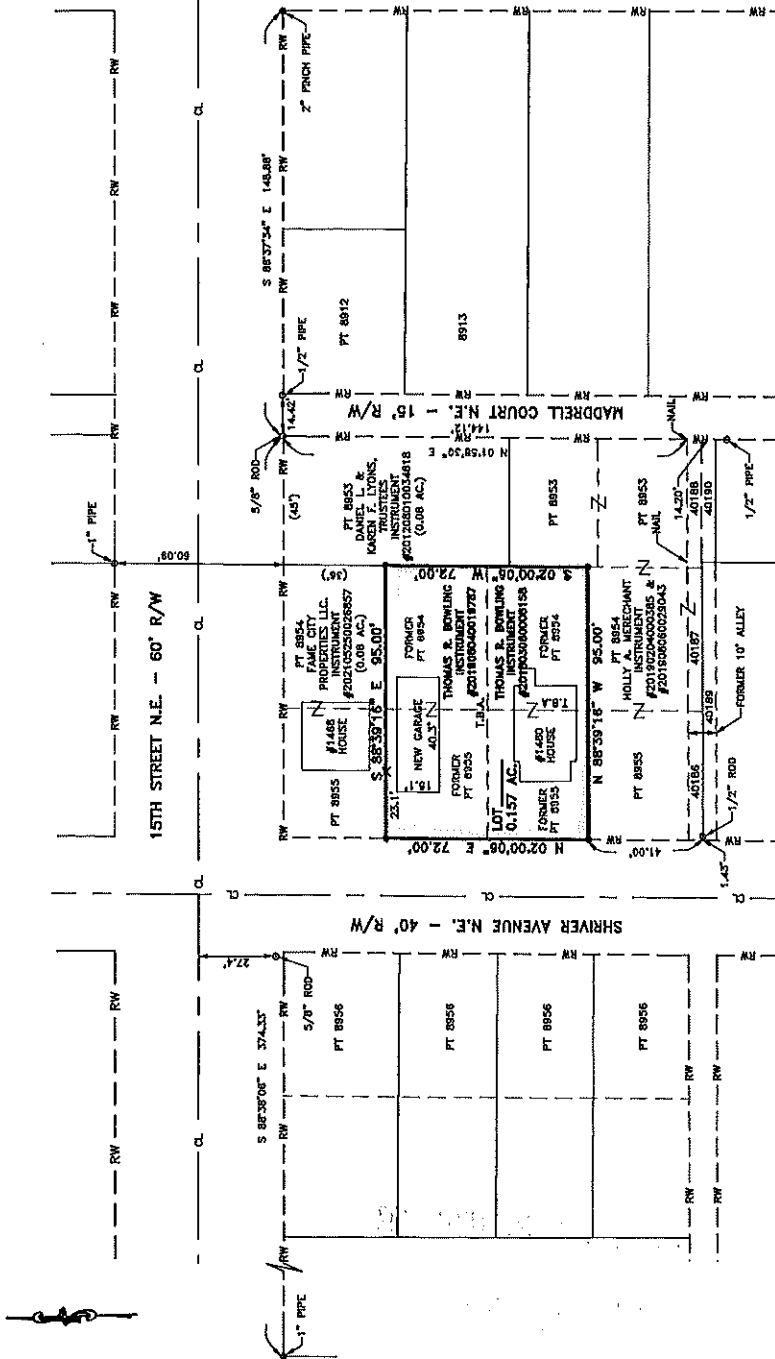
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WILLIAM V. SHERER II, MAYOR

January 15, 2025

Canton City Council
Council Chambers
Canton, Ohio 44702

Subj: Connecting Canton – Together; Comprehensive Plan Amendment

Dear Madame President and Honorable Members:

I am requesting city council authorize legislation to adopt the Connecting Canton 0 together, Comprehensive Plan Amendment.

The current Comprehensive Plan was adopted on March 28, 2016 (Ord.#58/2016) and sought to answer one basic, over-arching question; How, with limited funds, can Canton and its partners make investment decisions that will generate the largest positive ripple-effect? Therefore, as a result, the Plan provided a guide for prioritizing focused economic development in geographically oriented nodes with long-range land-use planning objectives for the stabilization and future growth of the city through a series of guiding principles. This plan has achieved many of its outlined goals, and it is now time to update the plan in an effort to continue “Moving Canton Forward.”

Through a year-long process of engagement and outreach in the form of stakeholder interview sessions, town hall workshops, and neighborhood meetings, the resulting Comprehensive Plan Amendment outlines a commitment to improving the quality of life in our city by strengthening our neighborhoods, delivering services, and addressing Canton residents’ concerns.

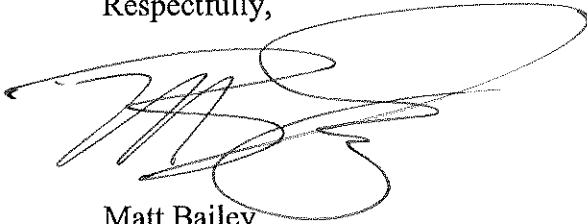
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tactical framework and vision to achieve its goals through a strategy that builds on the city's unique assets; and the assets of each of its diverse neighborhoods

On Tuesday, January 14th, 2025, the Canton City Planning Commission met and considered the subject Comprehensive Plan amendment, attached hereto. The Canton City Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the proposed Connecting Canton – Together; Comprehensive Plan Amendment for the City of Canton.

Therefore, I am respectfully request legislation authorizing the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment for the City of Canton as presented.

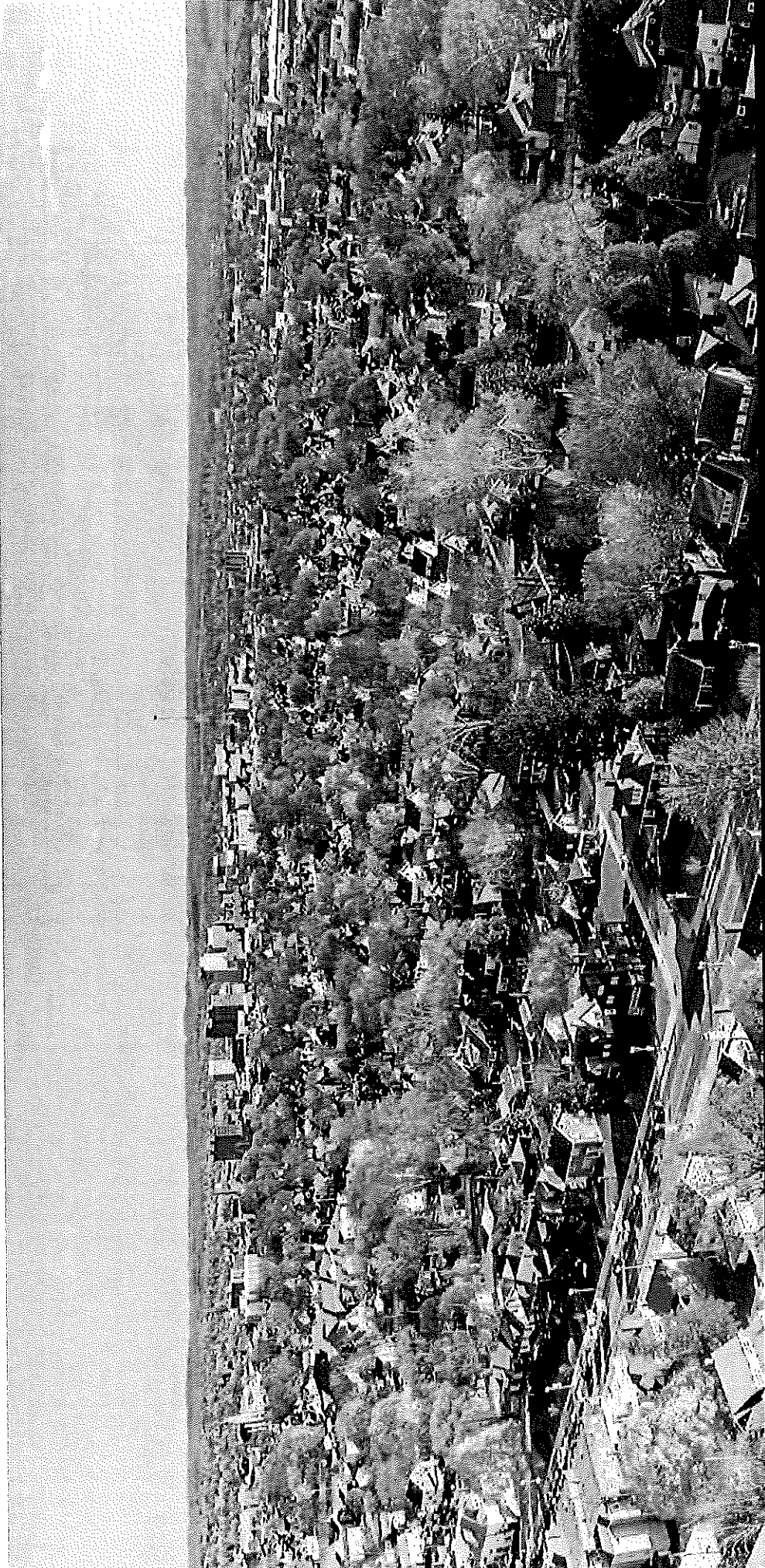
Respectfully,

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Matt Bailey
Secretary
Canton City Planning Commission

Cc: William V. Sherer II, Mayor
John Highman, Director of Public Service
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The City of Canton, the Honorable Mayor William V. Sherer II and
Canton City Council

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1.0 Recapitulation

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Comprehensive Plan

Overview

Canton is a city in and the county seat of Stark County, Ohio. It was founded in 1805, incorporated as a village in 1822, and reincorporated as a city in 1838. Canton is the largest municipality in the Canton-Massillon metropolitan area, and is the 8th largest city in Ohio with an approximate area 25.82 miles². Moreover, Canton is a statutory city, with a mayor-council form of government. The City Council is the legislative body of the government and the Mayor is the Chief Executive Officer.

The city’s current Comprehensive Plan was developed between April 2014-March 2016, and adopted on March 28, 2016 (Ordinance #58/2016). This plan sought to answer one basic, overarching question. How, with limited funds, can Canton and its partners make investment decisions that will generate the largest positive ripple effect - critical when resources are limited.

At the time when the Plan was being drafted it found that the city’s population was 73,000 compared with

117,000 in 1950. Fast forward, as of the 2020 census, the population of Canton was 70,872, making Canton eighth among Ohio cities in population; of which, one in every three Canton families was classified as low income. Therefore, Canton’s smaller, poorer population has to take care of a city that is too big, with too many structures, streets and roads.

Therefore, as a result, the Plan provided a guide for prioritizing FOCUSED economic development in geographically oriented nodes with long-range land-use planning objectives for the stabilization and future growth of the city through the following principles:

- Right-sizing Canton;
- Economically diverse; and,
- Oriented to strengthen marketable assets.

Summary

The current Plan’s framework and Implementation strategy has been hinged to, and measured against the following summary points:

- The Plan recommended that its implementation should NOT come from the General Fund; rather, it was recommended that the \$250M needed to be raised be sourced on a 1:1 match basis – establishing a substantial, Comprehensive Plan only fund.
 - *Issue 13 (05/2018 Ballot Initiative)*
- The Plan stated that the City needs to establish a 21st century, sufficiently staffed Planning Department to implement the Plan.
 - *Director of Planning Hired (06/2017)*
 - *Codified Ordinance of Canton Part 11 Planning & Zoning Code Updated (Ord. #44/2018)*
 - *Planning Department Established (Ord. #06/2021)*

The Plan’s definitive goal was to link assets and initiatives to city development efforts through the

strategy of geographically targeted efforts and through the repurposing / stabilization of residential neighborhoods, or converted to productive use.

To successfully make the most of scarce resources, the Plan organized the City of Canton into three (3) main areas that every citizen needs to understand in terms of location (where), role (how it affects the city), actions (what needs to occur), and implications (what happens if ignored).

1. Protect the city’s six most important community and employment assets.
2. Take parts of the city out of service because they are flood-prone or contain properties where people should not live and businesses are not likely to use.
3. Improve neighborhoods by acting on decisions made by citizens.

The first – referred to as Targeted Core Investment Areas – contains those blocks around key assets / employment centers that are absolutely crucial to the city’s long term health. The Plan identifies these assets – designating a somewhat arbitrary targeted geography around them which required massive reinvestment.

The second contains those sections of the city identified as being in the flood plain (approximately 21% of the city’s area) and not easily conducive to prolonged investment or new development given environmental and financial considerations, and also areas that require adaptive repurposing to natural corridors, urban agriculture, or cleaned and greened lots.

The third area of focus – the city’s residential neighborhoods – contains those parts of the city not in the core and not in the flood plain, and generally prescribes the conversion of fallow property (tax delinquent, abandoned, blighted) into productive shovel-ready land for future housing investment.

Core Targeted Investment Areas

Since the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan, the city has been diligently focused on the stabilization and growth of five key asset areas; as well as one particular neighborhood because it threatens progress in the surrounding key asset areas. The six Core Targeted Investment Areas that form what has been referred to as the "Golden Triangle" are as follows:

1. The Pro Football Hall of Fame and Village (area based upon future expansion and annexation)
2. Mercy Medical Center Cleveland to Monument or to I-77, 12th St to 21st St (Census Tract 7008)
3. Aultman Hospital Harrison to Maryland, Tusc to 11th St (Census Tract 7013)
4. The TimkenSteel neighborhood Henry to Clarendon, Rt 30 to the RR Tracks to the south (Census Tract 7025)
5. Downtown McKinley to Cherry, 12th St N to 6th St S (Census Tract 7001)
6. The Shorb Neighborhood McKinley to Monument or the RR Tracks, Tusc to 12th St (Census tract 7017)

Neighborhood Areas

Canton could not have survived economically if the "Golden Triangle" was not stabilized and heavily invested in. But while the core targeted investment areas are vital economic engines, Canton is comprised of more than 20 neighborhoods (approximately 76 percent of the city) that are not directly affected by the "Golden Triangle" and have been somewhat overlooked; and must be made a priority moving forward.

A dilemma the city faced was that the cost of properly revitalizing these areas is such that hard choices had to be made about priorities across the balance of the city. To achieve eventual citywide vitality, investments of public resources were married with investments aimed at growing community capacity.

This is best done according to the exact same planning principles and with a commitment to the exact same guiding values that serve to designate the Core. There is a substantial difference in execution, however. The Plan spells out the steps to be taken to revitalize specifically-named parts of the core. While each year hence, circumstances will dictate the need for flexible revision of the intervention strategies contained here, the general thrust in the core will remain the same: protect assets by investing in the relatively strong areas around them, coupling such work with sufficient and targeted deployment of public and private resources to catch up on infrastructure and trigger private sector reinvestment confidence.

The existing plan, by design, did not – however – spell out the steps for stabilizing the rest of the city or specify which neighborhoods should be addressed to what level of finish in what order.

Instead, for neighborhood areas, the Plan defaults to the guiding planning principles and the community's commitment to being both smart and fair on a portfolio basis. The community will have to decide – subject to resource availability – how much to spend where, and routinely revisit the issue as conditions change and market shifts dictate. There are many potential candidate areas throughout Canton. As noted, additional work will be required to identify them and coordinate their revitalization with the City's regular departmental activities, as well as non-profit groups, and local residents.

Whichever areas of the city outside the Core Targeted Investment Areas are selected by the community for reinvestment, investments of limited public dollars should be made based on the following guiding principles and implementation criteria:

- Investments should be aimed towards right-sizing Canton's problem of excess supply. The city has excessive housing for its population, particularly excess housing that is not marketable

today. The city has excessive commercial space. The city has excessive roads and alleys and parks and industrial parcels, each with a cost that exceeds the city's capacity to bring it up to date and thereafter properly manage it. So any public money deployed outside the core has to follow the same principle of aiming to right size. The addition of new supply has to receive deliberate consideration of this matter.

- Canton may stabilize if investments are geographically focused, instead of spread thinly in a diffused manner. There are more blocks than the city can afford to take care of, more need for police than the city has officers, and more need of park maintenance than the community can support.
- Any public investments outside the core of the "Golden Triangle" have to be oriented around identified assets key to strengthening the city as a whole.
- Marketability and visibility matter. Certain commercial corridors and intersections outside of the Downtown core may be more valuable targets than others for consideration. The following were recommended by the existing plan for consideration:
 - 12th and Fulton NW;
 - 25th and Fulton, NW;
 - Broad and 13th, NW;
 - Tuscarawas and Maryland, SW;
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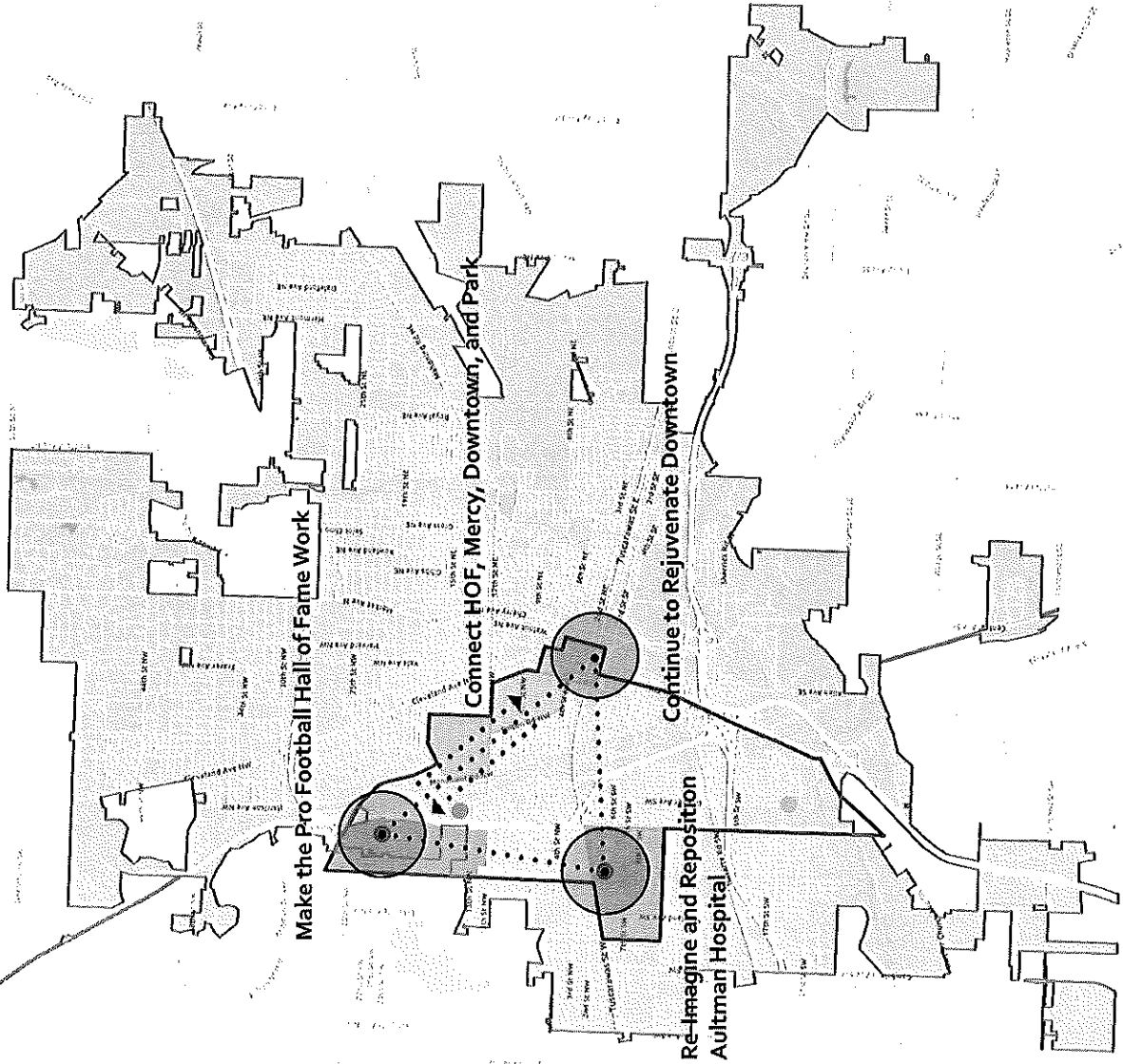
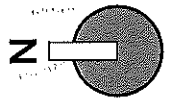


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Golden Triangle

Legend

- City of Canton Boundary
- Canton Core
- Aultman Hospital
- Hall of Fame
- Mercy Medical
- Timken HQ
- Canton Asset Areas**
 - Aultman
 - Downtown
 - HOFV
 - Mercy
 - Shorb

2.0 Amendment

Making Revisions

The current Comprehensive Plan can be revised, modified or changed through two kinds of amendments that result in an Update to the Plan:

- The first – minor amendments – are changes that merely clarify, refine, or correct elements of the plan without modifying the underlying intent of the plan. These kinds of changes can be made administratively by the a city's planning director, with advance notification of the Planning Commission and City Council.
- The second – major amendments – are significant changes to the policies, maps, priorities or goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan. Major amendments should be approved by the City Council. Public outreach for major amendments should be commensurate with the impact of the change.

Moving Canton Forward

Cities are constantly changing. In urban environments, buildings are often constructed, torn down, renovated and abandoned while roads and public facilities are built or improved. Residents of this physical environment also change over time. They age, form families, and move through various stages of life looking for different things from the community in which they live. Attending to these changes, city leaders typically address various issues and concerns on an individual basis. Meeting agendas are filled with consideration of individual projects and proposals at various locations throughout the city. With the passage of time, communities often recognize the need for a more comprehensive and long-term view of urban change. This is in response to governmental need to grasp a bigger picture and to have some sense of "where we are going" and "where we should be going."

This need to grasp a sense of "where we are going and where we should be going" was demonstrated through the previously adopted Comprehensive Plan.

Why Plan; why an Amendment - now?

This comprehensive plan should be used as a definition of civic vision and a general guide for public and private decision-making. It should also be used as a source of inspiration by describing what the City of Canton could be like in the future and the necessary steps / actions to get there. In some ways, these actions represent a "to do list" for the City as it strives to become an even greater community in the future

It should be recognized, however, that any city planning effort, no matter how thoughtfully developed, represents only a single "snapshot" of a desired future and needed policies, programs and implementation initiatives to achieve that future. To be most effective, the completion of this plan should not just be viewed as the completion of a plan. Rather, it should be viewed as a milestone along a planning process and a step forward along a journey toward greater livability and community vitality.

Purpose

The Connecting Canton – Together, Comprehensive Plan Amendment outlines Mayor Sherer's commitment to improving the quality of life in Canton by strengthening our neighborhoods, delivering services, celebrating the diversity of our citizens and making Canton a desirable, safe city in which to live, work and play; one that is rich with opportunity.

Addressing Big Issues

One important purpose of this Plan Amendment is to draw attention to significant issues facing the City and its neighborhoods now and in the future. These

issues are both meaningful and complicated. At the same time, these issues are manageable and can be effectively addressed by leaders and residents of the City. Large and small communities alike have successfully identified major concerns facing them and have achieved remarkable things.

In Canton, one major issues is . . .

There are troublesome statistics concerning the state of the housing stock in Canton and trends related to home ownership within our neighborhoods. While many homes are safe and attractive places to live, there are significant concentrations of substandard units. To some degree, these concentrations of substandard units form a ring around the heart of our community – our downtown.

Fundamental Approach

The concept of placemaking, "20-minute neighborhood" and social-infrastructure are the key approaches driving this amendment. Placemaking capitalizes on Canton's assets, inspiration, and potential, with the intention of creating public spaces that promote people's health, happiness, and well-being.

The 20-minute neighborhood is all about "living locally" - giving people the ability to meet most of their everyday needs within a 20-minute walk, cycle or local public transport trip from their home.

Incorporated within the concept of the 20-minute neighborhood is the emerging idea of Social Infrastructure; simply put, "People as Infrastructure" and the policies, resources and services that ensure that they can participate in productive social and economic activities. The public life of our city and its neighborhoods are a key matter for people's sense of wellbeing, belonging and engagement with the community they live in. Social infrastructure

is not interested in the totality of our city, but in the collective of public life, the public realm and neighborhoods. This plans social Infrastructure focus is on the places that facilitate and activate civic stewardship, the infrastructure of social life - and the public and quasi-public places that support social connection (parks, sidewalks, libraries, churches, centers, and community spaces); benefiting both present and future generations.

What Makes a Successful City – How can we Make Canton Great?

Planned Development – Ever wondered what is the one common thing in all the top ranking cities in the country? They have planned decision making and development at their very core. A city which is a result of technology and evolution combined with planned development is one of the most preferred cities. This planned development forms the backbone of all activities taking place in the city and is responsible for their overall functioning. This helps in providing a minimum level of quality of life to its residents.

Built for people – Cities which are built for people and not for vehicles or buildings are some of the greatest cities. This part is getting lost in many of our state's cities; but it needs to be kept in mind that the ultimate purpose of having a city is to provide comfort, security, safety and utility to its residents. A city without people is merely a ghost town. People are essence of any city and gives life to it. Respecting humans and providing infrastructures to meet the diverse needs of society is essential to making a city great.

Efficient – Cities are often looked down upon for their massive resource consumption and wastage. City administrators who focuses on providing maximum out of minimum resource are the key players in making cities sustainable and efficient. Waste increases the

cost of living in the urban area and is ultimately cross subsidized among its residents. Increased efficiency also helps in providing a higher population holding capacity in most of the cases.

Identity & characteristic – Every city is different like humans. Each city offers something unique which other cities cannot provide. Irrespective of the comparisons made between cities on basis of different parameters each remains to be unique in its own.

They have a feel and identity of its own. It may be its magnificent buildings, green areas, open spaces, pedestrian friendly transportation system, architectural heritage tourism significance etc. There is something unique about each city which makes it great.

Growth and Flexibility – History of cities started with the need of trade and they started growing. Growth is an indispensable part of cities and what becomes more important is how this growth is accommodated & adjusted. Cities should be ready to provide space to new entrants from surrounding areas while absorbing its natural population growth. Cities which grow attracts talent which results in their growth. Cities which are flexible in making changes to its policies and rules stand out as they "respond" to the changing needs. Change is inevitable and thus needs to be dealt carefully and accordingly.

Administration – All the points mentioned above will be left useless if not adopted by those administering the city. City administrators must have a good understanding of how cities work and what needs to be done to solve an issue or prevent any problem. A good administration will be open to suggestions of its team members and public which will subsequently be incorporated in the policies. Having a good team of city administrators and engaged stakeholders is must for a city to survive and flourish.

Goals and Objectives

The goal of this amendment is to ensure that the Mayor's Agenda, City Council/ Planning Director's Vision and the neighborhood planning and urban design principles that define Canton's unique character are widely promoted and embedded in this plan and subsequent implementation actions, initiatives and projects.

The administration embraces the guiding supposition that the City's form and civic capacity must be appropriate to market and demographic constraints. Interventions aimed at stabilizing and revitalizing Canton require focused planning to employ a proposition that advances a Competitive, Right-sized, and Diverse city approach; through a structured framework, that advances of the 'Live, Work, Play' premise while embracing the posture as the Hall of Fame City.

Therefore, the following objectives have been identified to ensure the highest quality outcome.

- **Authentic**

Pro-actively identify and protect the historic character of Canton landmarks, districts, and architecturally significant structures;

- **Healthy**

Maximize the function of public open space and ensure that neighborhood investment utilizes a public health-centered approach through the utilization of Health Impact Assessment to regulate design and development;

- **Equitable**

Ensure that all planning efforts address the needs of all residents – taking into account disparities as it relates to things such as age, income, and mobility;

- **Vibrant**

Promote and humanize the city to support active living and dynamic nodes; complementing the city's context with an appropriate scale,

massing, and character of the built form; foster the organized integration of public art within the public realm while enhancing the sense of arrival with iconic gateways and through the development of intuitive wayfinding;

- **Safe**
Employ a multi-modal transportation policy, and utilize Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) standards to improve overall public safety; and,
- **Sustainable**
Incorporate environmentally conscious 'Green' design principles and ensure that vacant Land Bank resources are utilized in an overall geographically targeted reuse strategy.

Values

The Plan Amendment has been a city government / city-wide community process in neighborhood planning that strives for the following:

- Collaboration and Inclusion: planning is done with the community rather than to it, incorporating a diverse range of voices. The process works across sectors and brings together different constituencies, encouraging synergies between people, efforts and ideas.
- Asset-based approach: build on the assets and strengths of a neighborhood rather than starting with weaknesses and gaps.
- Data driven: accurate information informs planning, measures progress, and supports modification to strategies if needed.
- Orientation towards action: results are evident before the plan has been complete due to early action and prototyping.

Background

The Connecting Canton—Together, Comprehensive Plan Amendment considered an existing conditions assessment prepared by the Planning Department, and reviewed by members of City Council, the Administration and key department heads.

The existing conditions evaluated included city policies, available capital, neighborhood related municipal data and existing infrastructure to identify the quantity, quality, condition to understand and identify the deficiencies, opportunities and constraints. Additionally the overall land-use of the city was evaluated as well as the following:

- Municipal Wards and Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas (NRSA)
- Neighborhood Association Areas
- Incentive Areas and Zones
- Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Districts
- Environmental Impact Areas

Furthermore, the Plan Amendment considered neighborhood influencers, city-wide, with some data based on census tract reporting. The information considered included, but was not limited to:

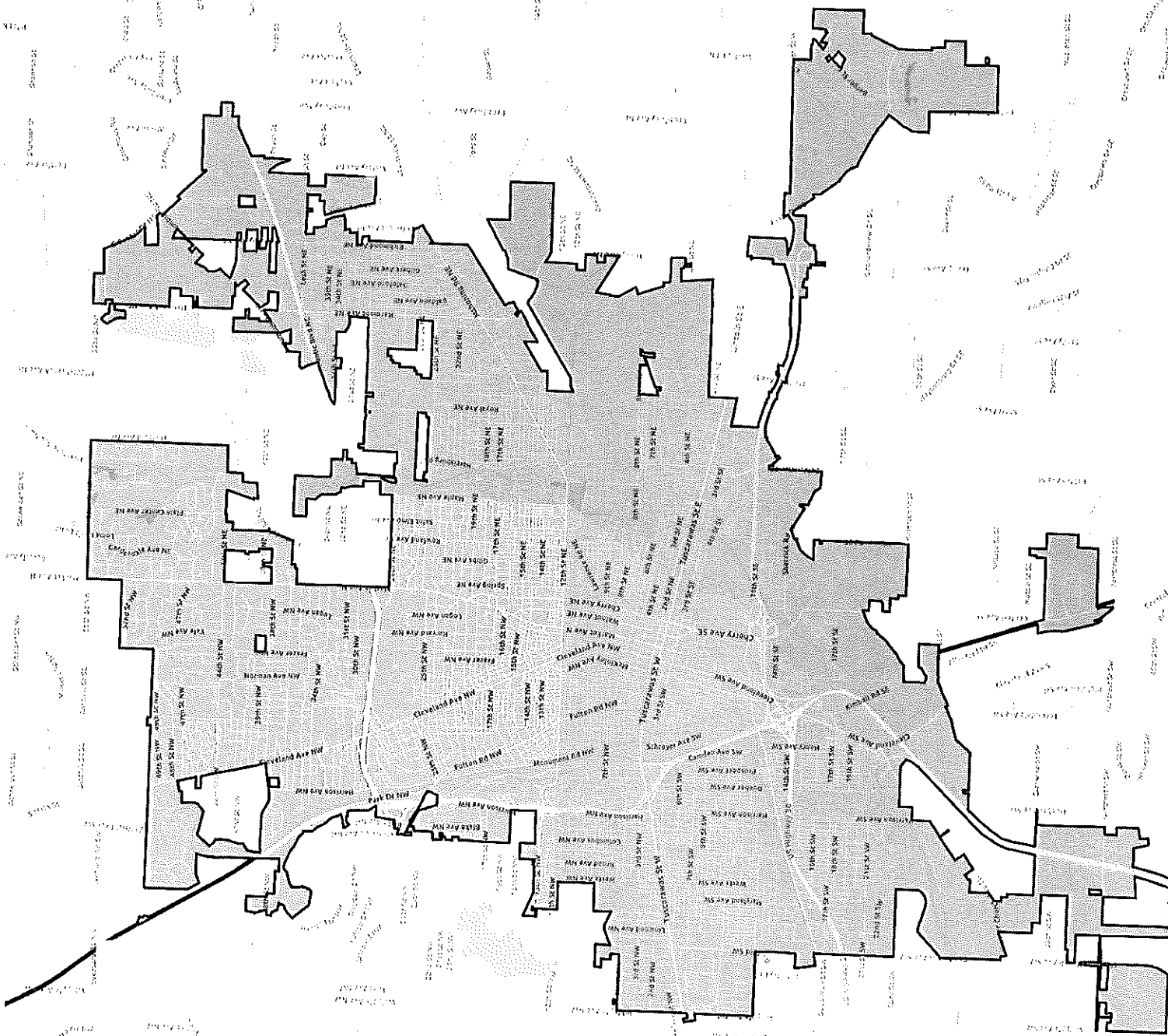
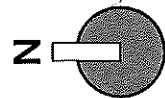
- Population Demographics and Density
- Parcel Data
- Institutions and Assets
- Canton City School District Locations and Walking Radius
- Food Deserts
- Canton Parks and Recreation Areas
- Transportation
- Sidewalk Condition Assessment
- Capital Projects (2021-2024)

Planning Areas

To help guide decision-making for strengthening the city and its neighborhoods the Plan Amendment breaks the city's neighborhoods and Wards down into five (5) sections referred to as Planning Areas. These planning areas have evolved from their origination as first outlined within the current comprehensive plan.

For the purposes of this plan and moving forward they are now referred to as the: Northeast; Northwest; Central; Southwest; and, Southeast planning area geographies as outlined, identified and depicted here within.







- **Northwest Planning Area.** The City of Canton Municipal Boundary to Maple Ave NE, 12th St NW to the City of Canton Municipal Boundary (Census Tracts 7004, 7005, 7006, 7007-1, 7007-2, 7008, 7116, 7115.02, 7117, 7118, 7122.0, 7122.02, 7123)
- **Northeast Planning Area.** The O'Jays Pkwy NE or Maple Ave NE to the City of Canton Municipal Boundary, RR Tracks or Ira Turpin Way NE to City of Canton Municipal Boundary (Census Tracts 7002, 7003, 7004, 7018, 7123, 7124)
- **Central Planning Area.** I-77 to Madison Ave SE or The O'Jays Parkway NE, US-30 to 12th St NW (Census Tracts 7001, 7010, 7015, 7017, 7018, 7023)
- **Southwest Planning Area.** The City of Canton Municipal Boundary to I-77, The City of Canton Municipal Boundary to 12th St NW (Census Tracts 7010, 7011, 7012, 7013, 7015, 7016, 7023, 7025, 7132.01, 7132.02)
- **Southeast Planning Area.** I-77 or Madison Ave SE or The O'Jays Pkwy NE to the City of Canton Municipal Boundary, the City of Canton Municipal Boundary to SR-30 or Ira Turpin Way NE or RR Tracts to the North (Census Tracts 7018, 7021, 7023, 7131, 7132.01)



Planning Areas

Figure 2-1
Planning Areas

Legend

-  City of Canton Boundary
-  Northeast Planning Area
-  Southeast Planning Area
-  Southwest Planning Area
-  Central Planning Area
-  Northwest Planning Area

3.0 Best Practices

City government and strategic planning best practices should be considered in the drafting and implementation of a successful plan.

- Don't be shy to put the City's needs up-front
- Be Bold! Put vision before resources and realize the catalytic power of a plan; it can be a Game-changer!
- Measure performance. Plan for outcomes, rather than arbitrary time frames.
- Don't play "Where's Waldo" with the BIG IDEA's; place them up-front – design around them.
- Build upon the past but create the plan for tomorrow, not yesterday or today.

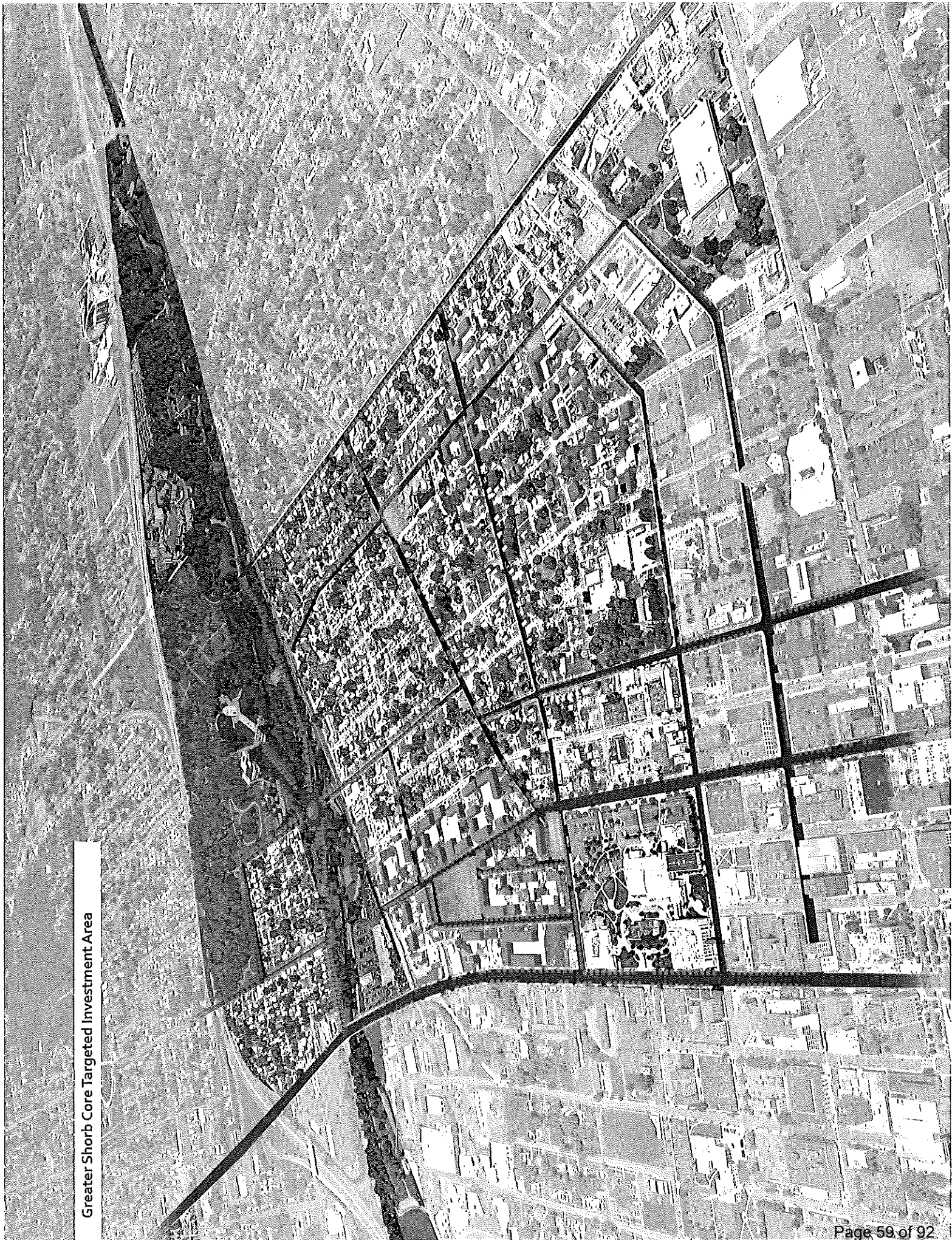
Benchmarking

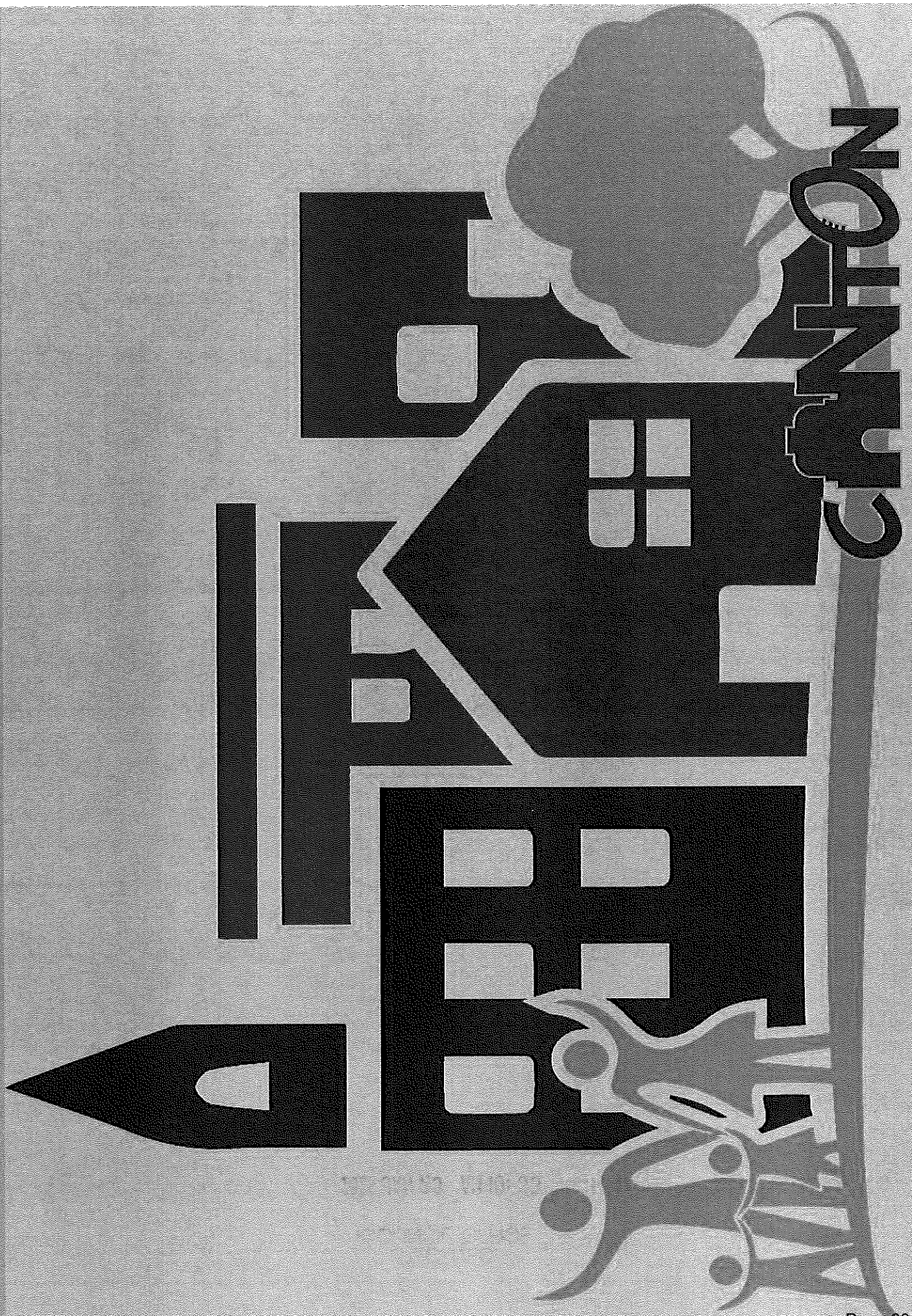
The Connecting Canton – Together, Comprehensive Plan Amendment is also part of a broader city-wide planning initiative that incorporates the recommendations from various studies prepared over the past few years. The Planning Department has engaged with professional consultants and authored numerous plans, studies and guidelines that have been adopted by City Council. These resource documents provide strategies to improve neighborhoods, encourage private investment and support talent retention and attraction in our community. Additionally, these documents represent valuable information that builds upon past planning efforts and include, but are not limited to the following:

- Canton Neighborhood Development Plan and Redevelopment Strategy
- Re-imagining the Public Realm
- Re-imagining Court Avenue
- Parks Improvement Plan
- Canton Memorial Civic Center Facility Condition and Needs Assessments
- The Mayor's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative
- Green and Complete Streets
- Safe Routes to School
- Consolidated Plan / 2024 Action Plan

Basic Understanding

The overarching purpose of these studies is to provide equity and to reinvigorate our City and its neighborhoods, capitalizing on their position within the community, leveraging its potential through the various assets, and engendering a sense of connectedness, caring and pride in the uniqueness and connectivity of the neighborhood. These studies establish a framework to redefine the most at-risk, and/or tipping neighborhoods, changing them from areas of our city characterized by underinvestment, distress, blight, crime, and a negative reputation, into a vibrant, healthy, livable, and connected areas that draws the community and instills a sense of ownership and pride. These studies identify potential development concepts and strategies that will promote economic development, re-establish compact urban land-use patterns, improve quality of life, promote healthy living, address safety hazards, and diversify transportation choices for residents and businesses. Recommendations have been developed that integrate the Mayor's vision and the cities guiding principles and core values, as identified by the Director of Planning, project teams and stakeholders.





Planning Framework

The Connecting Canton – Together, Comprehensive Plan Amendment is more than a vision for Canton's Future. It's a "kit of tools" for use in implementing the plan, this year, next year and each year of the life of the plan until it is Updated.

Mayor Sherer's vision for Canton is a platform of Safety, Neighborhoods and Development - and to listen to resident concerns "to determine how we can move our city forward." This is the focus of the administration and the intent of this Plan.

4.0

Citywide Vision

Mayor's Office | Department of Planning

We are committed to improving the quality of life in Canton by strengthening our neighborhoods and making our city a desirable destination in which to live, work, and play - explore and stay in well-connected communities for current and future generations to come.

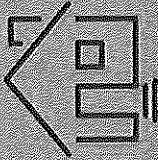
We envision a thriving Canton, resilient in the face of diversity - competitive, right-sized and diverse. All while embracing the posture as the Hall of Fame City; one that is vibrant, safe and sustainable for current and future generations to come.

Connecting Canton - Together!

This is an Amendment to the existing Comprehensive Plan and an introduction to the Mayor's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative that will target "Neighborhood Priority Investment Areas" or those planning area geographies in the city prioritized for targeted allocation in public funds and services; that are either experiencing transformative change, at a tipping point or on the fringe - just outside and ring the cities "Core Targeted Investment Zones." The Plan will utilize a framework of strategic programs, tools and approaches designed to provide safety, restore value and create opportunity within the cities five (5) planning areas. However, this effort will be more than just the dispensation of City resources; the initiative will also require the strategic alignment and deployment of various resources from multiple partners. By working with select partners who share the value proposition of "equitable community development", we can ensure that we have the greatest impact on each of the select geographies. The strategies within this document represent the toolkit of strategies and actions / projects that will be utilized to facilitate neighborhood transformation.

Active Design Features Transforming How We Live

Diverse and Affordable
Housing Options



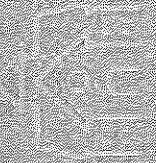
A Safe Place for All Ages and Ability



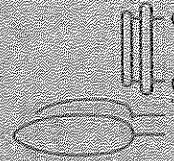
Well Connected
Transit, Walkable Streets and
Networked Spaces



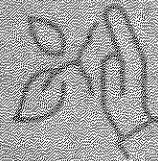
Schools, Centers and Churches at
the Heart of our Neighborhoods



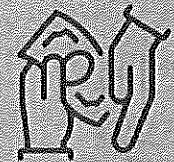
Great Parks and Open Green Space
in the Right Places



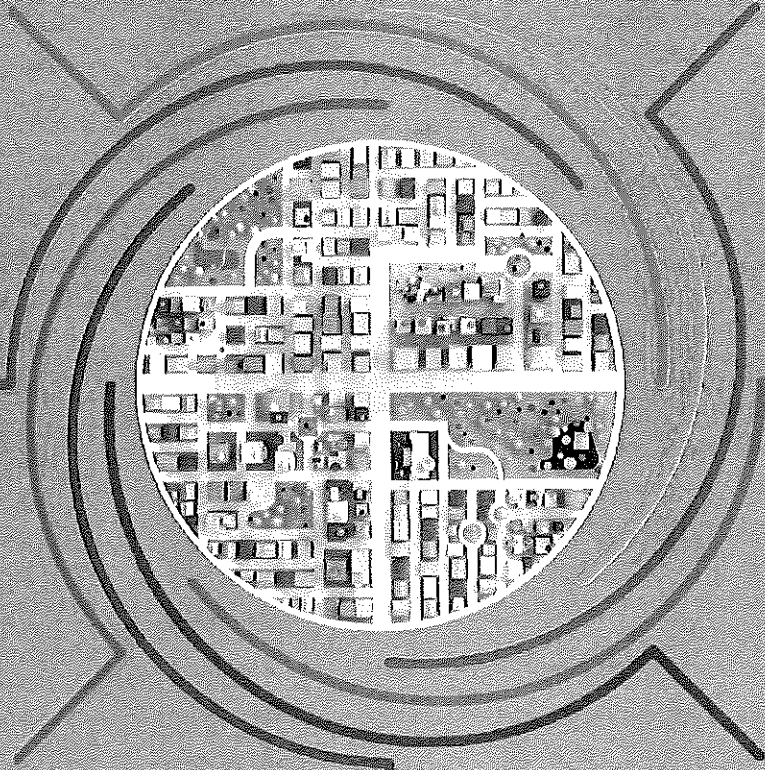
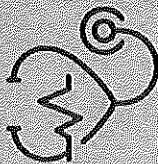
Access to Healthy Local Foods



Keeping Jobs, Talent and
Money Local



Community Health and
Service Facilities



4.0 Planning Framework

Identified as a top priority by the Mayor, The Connecting Canton – Together, Comprehensive Plan Amendment provides policies, guidelines and a foundation for city departments, private developers and community groups. The plan provides a comprehensive, on-point approach that will ensure a consistent level of alignment, quality and effectiveness; as well as serving as a comprehensive reference for the City and the Mayor's administration.

Approach

Strong cities are made up of strong neighborhoods. Strong neighborhoods are found where caring and proud residents live in a community that encourages self determination and the belief that anything is possible through partnerships and a shared purpose. Canton recognizes that the most direct path toward developing and maintaining more livable neighborhoods is to pursue a strategy toward greater neighborhood-level involvement and empowerment. This strategy represents a significant shift in thinking toward a more complete and realistic view of neighborhood development. The City has always had proud and caring residents, but what has been lacking until recently is communication and an environment that empowers neighborhoods to take a greater role in revitalization and development activities.

In this section, considerable information and detail is provided concerning necessary strategies, actions / projects. To help introduce some larger and more far reaching elements of this Plan, the following list of ideas is presented.

- The City is going to refocus attention to the neighborhoods. We want neighborhood groups voices to be heard through dialogue and "Town Hall" meetings; and we want to challenge them to set neighborhood priorities, realistic expectations and build a consensus on major issues.

- The City will work with neighborhood organizations and stakeholders to get things done. Local non-profits, foundations and institutions are invited to continue joining in this effort.

Desired Future Results

- Canton will increase the percentage of homeownership. We want Canton to be a "City of Homeowners." "While not all people want to own a home, many do, and strong neighborhoods are generally made up of people who have a financial stake in where they live.
- Neighborhoods will be safe, clean, and attractive, offering healthy places to raise a family and grow old in.
- Neighborhoods will have increasing property values and will be recognized as excellent places for household investment through a variety of housing products.
- Neighborhoods will have a greater variety of transportation alternatives available for residents and visitors, including transit and trail systems.
- Neighborhoods surrounding downtown Canton will complement a thriving urban center.
- Downtown will be known as a thriving center of employment, shopping, culture, entertainment, and history.

Guiding Principles

As stated in the introductory material, the purpose of this Plan is to define a long-term vision for the future of the Canton's Neighborhoods. Long-term vision means not only defining what leaders want Canton to be like in the future, but most importantly how to get there.

The Plan should emphasize place-based solutions that connects citizens to housing, employment, and other key services. While place-based strategies offer meaningful solutions, they can overlook needs of

vulnerable populations such as seniors, low-income residents, and disabled citizens. A people-based approach is a holistic plan for addressing the needs of its residents, beyond the hard infrastructure. The plan will identify opportunities to bridge the gap between transit opportunities and vulnerable groups as well as addressing the disconnectedness among some of our the neighborhoods.

Furthermore, the City has embraced a policy making "Complete and Green Streets" the standard for City transportation initiatives, creating a green network; specifically, the plan will identify opportunities for Best Management Practices (BMP) and Low Impact Development (LID), as well as other opportunities to enhance environmental sustainability, decrease personal vehicle use and reduced energy consumption; thereby positively impacting climate change.

The planning/urban design principles for the plan include the following key elements:

- **Iconic, Memorable, and Vibrant Place.**
Designed to give neighborhoods a recognizable image and provide a means of orientation and understanding; as well as maintaining authenticity while cultivating a unique sense of place to attract people to live, work, and play.
- **Support Public.**
Designed to provide opportunities for diverse experiences and encourage people to spend time engaging in social and recreational activities that will expand usable public space by reallocating underutilized roadway areas.
- **Convenient Connections.**
Designed to facilitate safe, accessible, and convenient connections among major destinations such as transit centers and land use and activity centers. Improve non-motorized linkages by creating a connected network for those who live, work, and play in the City.

- **Mixed-use Development.**

Designed to promote mixed-use residential neighborhoods that improve the business climate, and enliven streets and public spaces by carefully blending a variety of uses that support their identity and reinforce the idea of creating walkable 20-minute neighborhoods.

- **Vibrant Places for Commerce.**

Designed to reintegrate the "street-wall" and strengthen the identity of the area as a district by enhancing the operations and functionality; and managed as an attractive destination that encourages residents and visitors to walk and use local commercial areas, rather than travel to regional counterparts.

- **Transit-Oriented-Development.**

Designed to access multi-modal transportation options along with identifying opportunities for the implementation of Transit-Oriented-Development (TOD) hubs of connectivity to major employment centers within the neighborhood and the greater city.

- **Modal Choice and Accessibility.**

Designed for ease of use and access to destinations for all populations, particularly those with impairments. Improve transportation options to major employment centers and providing increased access for surrounding neighborhood residents to strategic destinations.

- **Attractive, Contextual, and Placemaking.**

Designed to create an engaging visual impression that appeals to the senses, and fosters a sense of ownership and civic pride that is reflected by the inviting physical appearance and level of activity.

- **Cost Effectiveness.**

Developed considering up-front capital costs and full life-cycle costs and benefits that meet future needs.

Considerations

The City of Canton has many diverse neighborhood areas. Historically, Canton has not fully embraced the concept that it is a "city of neighborhoods," although the City has worked diligently at directing resources to meet the needs of residents, businesses and existing neighborhood organizations when requested. More current approach recognizes that the best way to maintain residential property values and achieve safe, clean, and attractive neighborhoods is to work closely with residents and businesses who are actively involved in the neighborhoods and with neighborhood-based organizations. Due to the size of the City of Canton and the diversity of neighborhoods, the participation of local neighborhood groups in the planning and delivery of programs will enhance the understanding of local needs and conditions by City Council members and the Mayor's Administration.

To help focus attention to the longer term outcomes to be developed as part of this plan, the following very brief, summary of neighborhood strategies is presented.

- Create strategic partnerships with active and effective neighborhood organizations who can participate in the planning, marketing, and delivery of new or available programs that will enhance their neighborhoods.
- Approach each neighborhood based on an understanding of the area's uniqueness and respect for the prioritized issues of the residents. This neighborhood individuality could be expressed in neighborhood and signage, lighting, street paving, landscape enhancements, etc.
- Organize, evaluate issues, build a consensus on neighborhood needs and priorities, identify actions / projects, attract resources, and form relationships with development partners for implementation.

Methodology

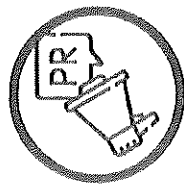
Development of, understanding and embracing a comprehensive vision for this plan will help the Mayor's Administration make future policy, action / project choices that remain in line with this plan.

The planning concepts and recommendations developed in this plan draw from the inventory and analysis and a number of past planning efforts, which remain relevant today. As well as, through a process of engagement of hundreds of Cantonians in community "Town Hall" workshops, neighborhood meetings and focused city department groups.

Through the course of the development of this plan, eighteen (18) major themes become the focus for recommendations in the Neighborhood Nodes and Catalytic Priority Action areas outlined in Section 5 - Tactical Plan. These themes represent the toolkit of strategies and actions / projects. Often, multiple themes, or scenarios will be applied to specific geographies to facilitate the desired neighborhood transformation outcome. The themes to be considered include:

- Communication
- Safety
- Tools and Programs
- Urban Design and Zoning
- Land-use and Re-utilization
- Capital Improvements
- Technology
- Public Infrastructure
- Transportation
- Code Enforcement
- Targeted Demolition
- New Housing Construction
- Critical Home Repair
- Healthy Neighborhoods
- Sustainability and Green Space
- Public Art
- Economic Development
- Youth Engagement

Implementation Toolkit - Major Themes



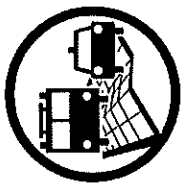
Communication

This initiative will involve and engage the community, leaders, workforce, businesses, etc. Specifically, communication is a major emphasis, therefore public outreach is a critical component to the plans success; as it insures the community is given the opportunity to participate in the process and provide feedback and direction.

Public outreach through engagement is an effort to communicate effectively, clearly, and regularly with the general public around a decision, action, or approach. This engagement is only as effective as the public communication to get people informed, interested and motivated to participate.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Hire a Director of Communications
- Expand the Mayors Neighborhood Commission
- Implement focused planning area "Town Hall" public meetings
- Develop a meaningful public outreach platform
 - Online Surveys
 - Social Media and Website Development
 - Print Media Articles
 - Targeted Mailers
- Develop a clear and concise residence guide, providing 1 stop information of city services, programs, and contact information
- Prepare an annual community magazine/news-letter



Safety

This initiative seeks to improve community / police relations, through outreach and interaction to help the community address persistent challenges.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Embrace Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED)
 - Develop a readily available CPTED Manual for effective crime prevention techniques and strategies
- Neighborhood expansion of Wi-fiber network of security cameras
- Implement neighborhood and downtown police outposts
- Develop a junk vehicle parking solution
- Expand the Police and Parks, "We Believe in Canton" initiative
- Formalize the cities Emergency Preparedness Action Plan
- Prepare an actionable brief - Traffic Calming in residential Neighborhoods
- Strategically place speed monitoring devices and tables at problem areas within neighborhoods and cut through locations
- Establish a downtown police substation

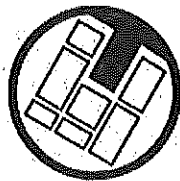


Tools and Programs

This initiative utilizes scenario planning as a process to support decision-making navigate the uncertainty of the future in the short and long-term horizon. The plan looks to provide new approaches, tools and programs that address community needs, help create wealth, make investments more equitable and provide opportunity for new and existing residents. The initiative will test new approaches to addressing community needs.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Engage with the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy in the Legacy City Program
- Re-establish the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Commission
- Map the pedestrian urban form / overlay districts (Target Investment Zone (TIZ) districts) that have been developed to include design guidelines that incorporate form-based principals to encourage fully integrated, pedestrian oriented traditional neighborhood design standards
- Obtain Heritage Ohio Main Street Community designation
- Develop and promote new economic development and neighborhood support programs
- Collaborate with SMHA on the US Dept. Of Housing and Urban Development in the preparation of the Choice Neighborhoods Program
- Acquire Placer AI subscription



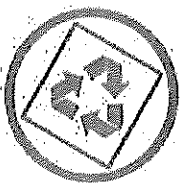
Urban Design and Zoning

This initiative seeks to create a homogeneous aesthetic nodes through urban design that promotes density, walk-ability, and ensures that there exists mixes of uses within walking distance of each resident.

The aesthetic appeal of a neighborhood has social, economic, and environmental implications on a community; and drives perceptions of safety and is a determinant for economic investment decisions. The plan will ensure that urban design and built form are established in a way that will attract residents, businesses and investors to the neighborhood through the creation of aesthetically pleasing physical developments.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Prepare 'Planning to Grow' - a housing stabilization plan
- Prepare 'Streets as Connectors; Cul-de-sac Shorb' - a walkable car-free node
- Improve the "Urban Forest" tree canopy area
- Promote the Public Realm reinvestment Program
- Prepare a Walnut / Cherry Ave. NE targeted neighborhood revitalization strategy
- Implement subsequent phase of the City Interchange Aesthetic and Gateway Strategy



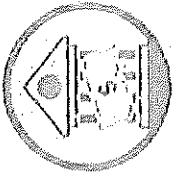
Land-use and Re-utilization

This initiative will evaluate the current land-use and make recommendations for revisions to the zoning designations in order to better position an asset area for opportunity.

Furthermore, the plan will target vacant parcels that are underutilized and are poorly maintained for re-purposing into vibrant spaces. These lots will be cleaned, greened, and stabilized to further change the market perception in focused investment areas. Once cleaned, these lots will create opportunity for productive reuse that will include housing, green-space, agriculture, and other uses that will provide desired community benefit.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Prepare 'Vacant Land-use Pattern Book' - a strategy for city owned vacant real property
- Submit for grant assistance within the Community Disaster Resilience Zone
- Land Assemblage - Compile blocks of properties to package for residential / commercial redevelopment
- Expand east-side Nimishillen Creek - Middle Branch Greenway Area parcel acquisition and flood zone expansion area
- Coordinate with County to reduce Land Bank sheriff sales in focused investment areas and targeted geographies (establish an acquisition fund)
- Develop City-wide database of vacant/tax delinquent property



Capital Improvements

This initiative through capital investment aims to improve major built assets, as well as the functionality and look of the streetscape by increasing street and sidewalk resurfacing, improving tree canopy, implementing district gateway signage and district branding.

The plan will focus on a roadway plan within each of the focused investment areas. In addition to the roadway plan, providing quality water service and public utilities as an economic tool for annexation, development and neighborhood revitalization will be established and embraced.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Provide streetscape appurtenances and furnishings at the Shorb Market and Connection Center and other public support centers
- Advance the greenway corridors and cityscape improvements citywide
- Support the implementation of the Downtown Canton SID branding, wayfinding and visual communication initiative
- Revise and advance the Re-imagining Court Avenue Initiative
- Advance the Re-imagining of the Canton Memorial Civic Center
- Develop a 'Roof Strategy' for Centennial Plaza's Pavilion

Implementation Toolkit - Major Themes



Technology

This initiative looks to ensure Canton is a "21st-century city." Along with maintaining an infrastructure that includes road and utility improvements, providing digital access to every resident will be important for any City seeking to provide quality of life for its residents. The plan will work with local organizations to ensure that access to wireless and broadband connectivity happens. Ensuring that new investments and capital improvements are completed in a manner that provides digital accessibility to all residents will be an important component of the initiative.

Upgrading the municipality's digital infrastructure network will provide targeted economic development that will entice the private sector to locate within the focused investment areas. The city realizes the potential of providing a state-of-the-art infrastructure network and would like to see the City's Innovation District which is a very high-capacity fiber network, become a vehicle for delivering economic growth.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Expansion of in-ground and aerial fiber backbone throughout the city
- Downtown Redevelopment / Innovation District high-speed fiber Internet implementation
- Investigate the Smart City approach and applicability



Public Infrastructure

This initiative will continue to strive to right-size the city and make recommendations for roadway configuration changes that will advance the plan's goal of enhancing safe and efficient multi-modal infrastructure. Engineering and the Planning Department will partner to evaluate usefulness and conditions of streets, alleys and traffic signals in each of the Planning Areas in an effort to right-size the city and to ensure that the neighborhood is accessible and that street conditions complement new investment

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Develop an assessment to evaluate (grade) cartway and sidewalk conditions into an editable and actionable database.
- Initiate Ally Paving Initiative (100% in 4 years)
- Prepare a Road Diet
- Promote the Sidewalk Restoration Program through CDBG Home Funding
- Roll-out a renewed Sidewalk - Curb Replacement Program
 - Reimplement the Senior Sidewalk Program
 - Support downtown economic development with commercial sidewalk enhancement program
 - Support historic residential neighborhoods with a Brick Sidewalk Restoration / Replacement Program
 - Utilize Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Strategies for a block-by-block sidewalk improvement strategy



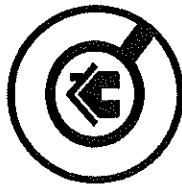
Transportation

This initiative recognizes that transportation is a determining factor to economic mobility. Research has found that economic mobility varies by geography, and poor transportation connections are a factor preventing some citizens from gaining access to the middle class. This lack of access limits labor mobility and can be an impediment to local economic growth. With the re-imagining of the physical / social infrastructure of our streets - policy and design for mobility justice and connectivity is paramount. Which is why multi-modal transportation applications will be important for creating healthy and connected places.

Working collaboratively with SARTA, the plan will ensure that reliable, safe and affordable transportation options are available to every resident no matter their age, income, or ability level. And that disconnected neighborhoods within the city have improved access and are connected to employment centers.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Expand bike and pedestrian infrastructure along key corridors and residential streets
- Prepare a Transit Evaluation to include possible route and service modifications, enhanced transit waiting areas and better stop placement providing greater connectivity
- Adopt Canton EV Road Map recommendations
- Evaluate the Canton Streetcar proposal
- Improve SARTA transit waiting environments

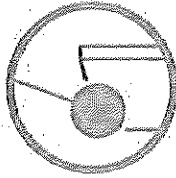


Code enforcement

This initiative believes targeted code enforcement plays a major role in ensuring that all commercial and residential structures within the city are zoned, constructed and maintained in accordance with the provisions of the governing building code.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Continue to implement an expanded targeted code enforcement
- Remove the problem - reduce long-term and absent landlords; prosecute non-compliant violators
- Update zoning code related to residential housing - minimum lot size / garage requirements
- Encourage the understanding of Chapter 34 of the building code for existing downtown structure's renovation

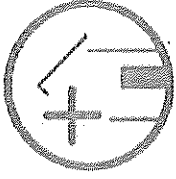


Targeted Demolition

This initiative sets the stage for investment and has made abandoned property elimination a priority. The City and County through scaled and highly targeted acquisition and demolition efforts, coupled with stewardship agreements between owners and the city, thousands of vacant lots and distressed houses can become community assets through concerted, disciplined cleaning and greening effort. Resulting in available land that can be leveraged for new housing construction, green space expansion and neighborhood beautification.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Establish a significantly funded Demolition Assistance Program
- Identify, map and acquire vacant / abandoned, certified tax-delinquent parcels citywide - utilize the Stark County Targeted Acquisition Assistance Program (TAAP)
- Assemble large-tract developable parcels to support transformative projects in housing and small business creation
- Establish a functioning Land Reutilization Program that moves city-owned parcels to adjacent property owners or developers efficiently and economically



New Housing Construction

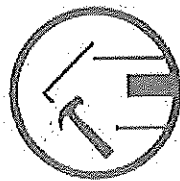
This initiative looks to provide new infill scattered site housing development on vacant parcels throughout the city. New single and multifamily infill homes will add to the residential fabric of the planning areas and begin the process of improving market confidence. Various housing product types and both market rate and affordable housing product will be constructed on city-assembled vacant land in these areas.

Additionally, the plan will focus on the stabilization of existing homes will also encourage new housing construction. Given the quality of the housing stock, opportunities to capitalize on existing homes will provide provisions for new and existing residents at various income levels with housing choice and help to maintain the character of our residential neighborhoods. The ability to move up and down the economic spectrum and remain in a community facilitates economic diversity.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Prepare a neighborhood focused Housing Study
- Investigate Welcome Home Ohio opportunities
- Focus on vacant home rehabilitation and the support of Canton for All People in-fill housing, Habitat for Humanity Renewal Project efforts
- Establish a preferred lender list to advance homeownership and build the middle class
- Focus on in-fill housing within the Greater Shorb Targeted Investment Area
- Lobby for OHFA LIHTC and Historic tax credits
- Collaborate with Habitat for Humanity
- Incentivize the inclusion of garages with all new housing construction

Implementation Toolkit - Major Themes

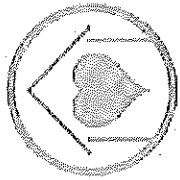


Critical Home Repair

This initiative recognizes that ensuring existing residents who own homes benefit from the public and private investments in new construction. Vulnerable populations such as our senior population will be targeted for specific programming resources; especially toward the rehabilitation of homes. Therefore, a focus on critical home repair for existing residents in the focused investment areas is a priority.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Promote the Housing Development and Beautification Program
- Investigate Inflation Reduction Act opportunities
- Support code violation compliance by promoting Community Building Partnerships Healthy Neighborhoods exterior renovation grants and housing counseling



Healthy Neighborhoods

This initiative believes in having: safe places to live, without hazards or pollution; safe ways to be active; and, easy access to fresh, affordable and nutritious food. When our neighborhoods are healthy, their residents have the building blocks for healthy lives.

There is a growing understanding in community development and with health care professions that chronic illness and poor health outcomes are a result of not only poor lifestyle choices and genetics, rather they have a direct correlation to social, economic, and environmental factors. Creating the conditions in neighborhoods for healthier lifestyle choices is not simply limited to access to health care alone.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Implement TOD principles as a tool to reduce poor health outcomes
- Prepare a Health Impact Assessment in the Greater Shorb Neighborhood
- Complete 'Promoting Healthy, Together' - an active living development template
 - Well planned networks of walking and cycle routes
 - Streets with safe and convenient access
 - Accessible open space
 - Conveniently located transit stops
- Roll out Ohio EPA / Republic Community Fund voucher program
- The Green Box - establish a cleanup trailer that can be deployed city wide to eliminate blight through sponsored clean up day activities



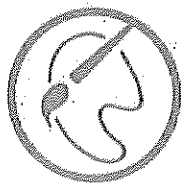
Sustainability and Green Space

This initiative will offer recommendations for better integration of green space and sustainability into the overall fabric of the neighborhoods. Health starts where you live, work, and play! Neighborhood conditions and access to amenities that lead to a healthy lifestyle are critically important for the long-term health prospects of residents. Access to parks and open space are important components to promote population health. A recent report by the Trust for Public Land provides strong evidence that people exercise more when they have access to parks. Regular physical activity can reduce risk of disease such as heart disease, colon cancer, and diabetes.

Sustainability measures help to counter the affects of urban heat islands; and they also improve hydrologic conditions and the sequestering carbon.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Complete and adopt a Climate Action and Sustainability Plan for Canton
- Identify opportunities for greenspace improvement and the development of trail connections for pedestrians and cyclist
- Support Friends of Canton Parks and Recreation Parks Improvement Plan implementation
- Implement Weis, Harmon and Garaux Spray Parks, and Crenshaw playground improvements
- Investigate Justice 40 Initiative opportunities
- Investigate US EPA Building Blocks for Sustainable Communities opportunities
- Develop ecologically sustainable districts developing a green network

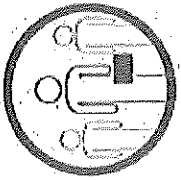


Public Art

This initiative believes that public art is an aspect of neighborhood development that has been used to celebrate history and to tell the story of a community, inspire residents through messaging, and serve as an attraction for visitors. Neighborhoods are continuing to capitalize on its arts and cultural amenities. The plan will ensure that public art serves as an integral part of the investments being made in the target geographies.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Create a city Neighborhood Art Fund or infuse the integration of public art into development through policy - providing an ordinance establishing a percentage of capital investment funds towards public art
- Register and support "Land That I Love" America 250 which may provide grant opportunity's as an America 250-OH community
- Advance the Mural District concept through the promotion of "Mural Fest"
- Establish a renewed banner program
- Implement Art Box and an expanded multi-phased approach into neighborhood corridors

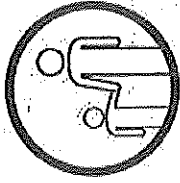


Economic Development

This initiative will aggressively pursue the attraction and development of new businesses and industries city wide; as well as the retention and expansion of those companies already doing business here. In addition to seeking investment, the plan promotes economic programs and wrap-around support services to provide opportunity, build wealth and make good housing stock available for residents.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Establish a complimentary Residential Property Assessed Clean Energy Financing District
- Fund and Aggressively promote:
 - Storefront Reinvestment Program
 - Public Realm Reinvestment Program
 - Housing Development, Beautification and Down Payment Assistance Program
 - Interior Renovation Program
 - Demolition Assistance Program
 - CRA Real property tax abatement
 - Opportunity Zones
 - Future programs such as Landlord Reinvestment Program and Infrastructure Development Program
- Develop a zoning-specific, citywide Vacant Storefront Activation Program
- Small Business Incubator Subsidy
- Accelerate Canton, low-interest loans for catalytic development projects
- Apply annexation as an development tool
- Develop vacant properties legislation
- Establish a Landlord Reinvestment Program



Youth Engagement

This initiative believes that neighborhoods are the incubators for young people to develop and grow. Every neighborhood should have access to opportunities for youth. Although access to opportunity is provided in some communities, others suffer disproportionately from the lack of educational, recreational, and job opportunities for young adults. The consequences of this inequality create many problems for society. Therefore, it is critical that we create opportunities for youth in our neighborhoods by providing them with the choices necessary to be successful.

Strategies, Actions / Projects

- Financially support youth programming at a multi-year (2) funding cycle
- Support city non-profits who's primary mission is education, youth and workforce development such as Tom Tod Ideas, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, Project Rebuild and the Greater Stark County Urban League to name a few
- Integrate youth opportunities through apprenticeships and construction trade opportunities
- Implement "Social Infrastructure" asset building
- Provide expanded mentorship programs and departmental "Big Brother, Big Sister" program
- Establish neighborhood associations in under-served areas to provide a voice for inclusion
- Support the role of the City's community centers as they empower the youth and strengthen our neighborhoods by providing life-enriching programs and amenities
- Focus on "people-first" investment - they are the future of the city

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5.0 Tactical Plan

The Connecting Canton – Together, Comprehensive Plan Amendments an “Asset-based” plan that seeks to build on unique assets; employment centers, schools, parks, amenities and catalytic development projects of each of the cities neighborhoods as the foundation for renewed growth.

Re-imagining place

More and more people are tiring of “sprawl.” They are tired of living in communities with so little character that it is difficult to distinguish one from another. They are tired of living in communities where there is nowhere to walk. Many long for a time when neighborhoods gathered together at town centers – shopping, working, learning, playing, prying and living, as members of a community.

Ironically, developers are now trying to recreate the traditional urban town center in the midst of free-way-dominated suburbs. Although these developments succeeded in some respects, they also testify to the fact that “there’s nothing like the real thing!” Canton has the real thing – architecturally distinctive, walkable, mixed-use “places” that grew organically from roots that tap deep into the lifeblood of the city.

The execution of the Plan is about key opportunities within the focused investment areas, including major corridors, vacant sites and potential nodes for catalytic investment. The execution of the plan is dependent on building momentum, which stems from consensus.

Celebrating Canton’s diversity . . .

Recent statistics show that America’s most prosperous cities are those that attract and retain talented individuals of all races, nationalities and lifestyles. These are cities where diversity is welcomed and celebrated. Canton is a city with a rich history of diversity. The Plan proposes that Canton fully embrace its diversity, cultivate it, nurture it and market it as a key element of its revitalization strategy.

Building Community

Vision

Creating a vision for right-sizing the cities infrastructure and public realm improvements are important in establishing a sustainable future for the City and its neighborhoods moving forward. These community spaces, amenities and streetscapes serve as edges that help to create identity and brand; while thoroughfares stitch important nodes of the City together adding to the vibrancy of “place.”

Public infrastructure designs could be permanently disrupted, or be proposed as flexible spaces for large public gatherings for special occasions, or be conceived as multi-modal complete streets serving new modes of transportation and stormwater management. Additionally, they may receive new applications aimed towards public safety and traffic control.

Together, the solutions will be aspirational but also functional, practical, and economical to match the City’s capital improvement strategies. Ultimately, these applications will create a welcoming neighborhood that residents, visitors, and employers will be attracted to for years to come.

Strategizing Development

The plan calls for a reinvestment approach in focused planning area geographies that will be evaluated on a block-by-block basis to establish the status of the community in terms of land reutilization, infrastructure and the built environment. Following this survey, focused investment areas will be identified for the following repositioning strategies:

Acquire

Identifying additional homes and properties with maintenance violations or tax delinquencies to be acquired.

Retain

Holding property of existing value, especially parcels with occupied homes on one or more sides, until property values rise as a whole in the area and those parcels may be sold off to generate revenue for other neighborhood amenities. This option has a short-term cost in the continued maintenance of the site, but can lead to big payouts in the future if managed correctly.

Resell

Certain properties may be salvaged after acquisition, allowing a new homeowner committed to revitalizing the neighborhood and re-mediating any deferred maintenance issues with the property to invest in the future of Canton. This option should be encouraged wherever possible and may be supported by policies such as a revolving loan fund to expedite new improvements or tax abatements to mitigate these secondary costs of home improvements.

Redevelop

Amassing multiple parcels on a block can provide different opportunities for redevelopment than their previous land use or development pattern. These areas should be transferred under one owner such as the CCIC and potentially merged to one parcel to aide in the permitting process of future redevelopment. A key component of the reposition strategy is to identify new development that will fit the neighborhoods character and needs, addressing a challenge or providing new opportunity.

Focused Investment Areas

The Connecting Canton – Together, Comprehensive Plan Amendment identifies new and innovative solutions to be applied to our neighborhoods Citywide. The plan will provide recommendations regarding neighborhood character, strategic investments, public / private partners and methods in achieving the desired vision that's focused on:

- Diverse and affordable housing options;
- A safe place for all ages and ability;
- Well connected transit, walkable streets and neighborhood spaces;
- Providing Community health service facilities;
- Schools / centers at the heart of our community
- Great parks and open space in the right places;
- Access to local food; and,
- Keeping jobs, talent and money local.

The Plan is a strategy that is built on the idea of "capitalizing on our existing strengths," and one that will target "focused investment areas" or those areas in the city prioritized for targeted allocation in public funds and services; that are either experiencing transformative change, at a tipping point or on the fringe - just outside of the cities Core Targeted Investment Zones.

Build from within and grow out

Downtown Canton is the progressive, urban center of Stark County, providing residents and visitors a unique, convenient, and accessible big city experience. Our comfortable urban environment packs in major arts & culture amenities, event venues, shops and dining, along safe, walkable streets that welcome a diversity of people, attitudes, and opportunities. This creates an atmosphere of collaboration and support—affording us the ability to develop and preserve one-of-a kind experiences.

Downtown Canton is experiencing a rebirth and is ripe with opportunity for entrepreneurial folks to be a part of it. Whoever you are and whatever your dream – whether working from home in an approachable and exciting downtown, to creating a retail storefront, to cohabitating with like-minded creatives, Downtown Canton has the assets and energy to help you realize your goals and live your best life.

One of a Kind: Small town vibe with big city assets

Canton offers the best of both worlds — we've got plenty of arts, historical, and cultural assets that you'd find in much larger cities, but with an compact, close knit easy-going attitude.

A lot of cities claim to have one-of-a-kind experiences, but Downtown Canton and its adjacent neighborhoods truly has several. We are home to the National First Ladies Historic Site, The Palace Theatre, minutes away from the Pro-Football Hall of Fame, and the McKinley Presidential Library and Museum, William McKinley Monument which is set within the signature ribbon of parks and open-space.

With quick highway access to the Cleveland-Akron-Canton region and a major airport offering access to the rest of the world, it's easy to plant your roots in Downtown Canton and its adjacent neighborhoods.

Revised Core Targeted Investment Areas

The foremost goal of the plan is to serve as a guide for investment and set forth the City's vision; to script an implementation plan as an actionable "Road Map" for the City.

The plan does not depart from the concepts of the cities previously adopted Comprehensive Plan, rather it builds upon it and reinforces the philosophy that the our downtown is the cities premier 20-minute neighborhood; one that has yet to reach its full potential.

The City of Canton will have a renewed attention placed on its neighborhoods while recognizing that their success is directly linked to the continued growth of Downtown and the positive evolution within the Greater Shorb neighborhood Area that together form the Core Targeted Investment areas for the city.

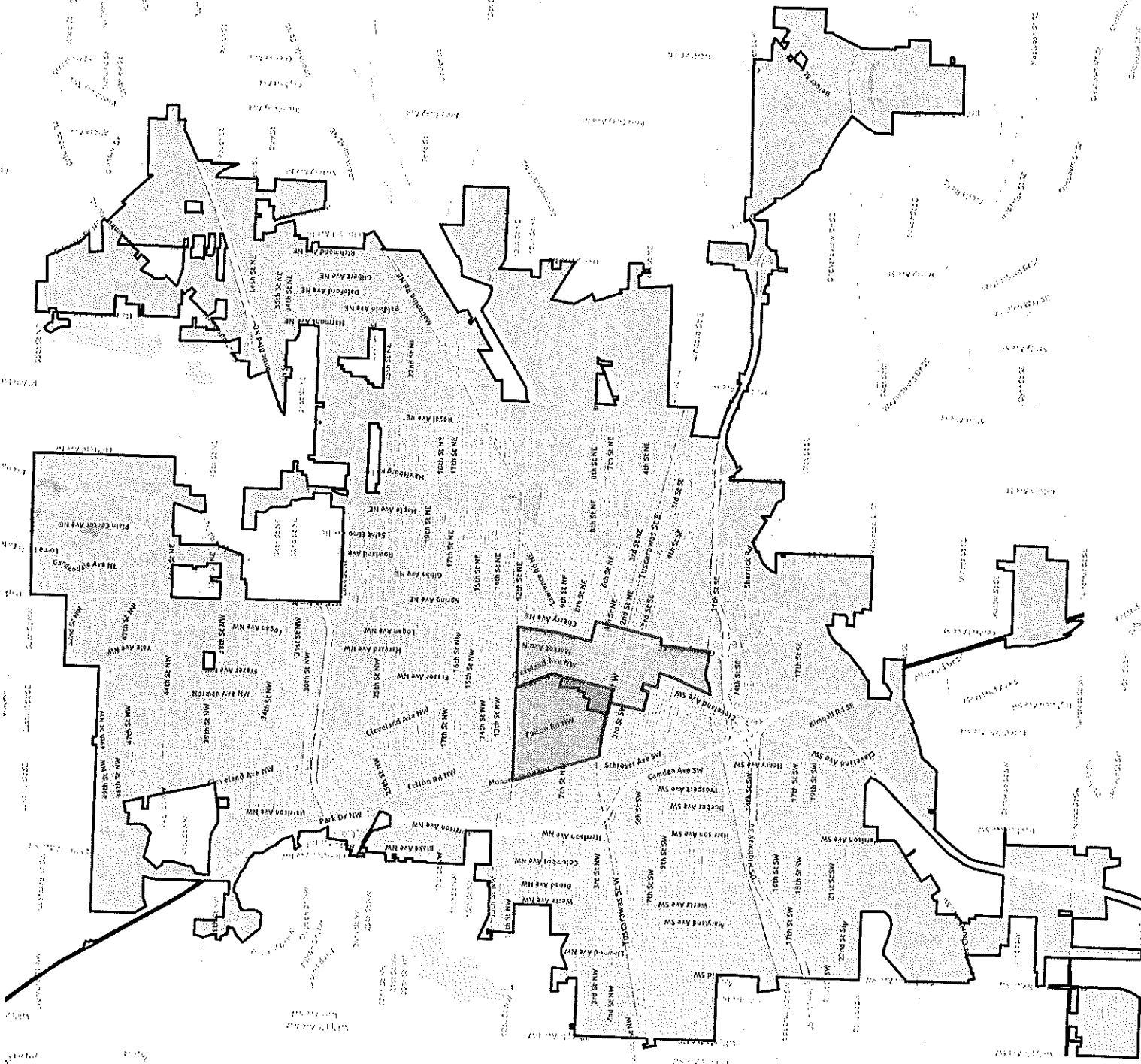
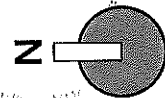
These areas are inter related and are the backbone of Canton's "Golden Triangle." Together, downtown Canton's buildings create a dense, easy- to-navigate district that promotes walkability, multiple uses, and business clustering and that facilitates the growth in the adjacent Shorb area that is transected by three important arterials: Fulton Road, McKinley Avenue and 12th Street NW.

Downtown creates a unique visual identity city and region with a broad mix of uses; including public- and private-sector offices, retail businesses, small industries, arts institutions, entertainment venues, nonprofit organizations, religious institutions, restaurants, sports facilities, public assembly space, and many other uses. It is the city's most walkable district, with the greatest potential of all the city's commercial districts and corridors to be economically self-sustaining. That in-turn spurs on neighborhood growth that ring its perimeter.

In summary, the city's core assets - its Downtown, neighborhood and anchoring-assets, along with the Greater Shorb Neighborhood Area need to be nurtured and protected with continued focus and pride as the heart of the city.

The Core Targeted Investment Areas have been revised as follow:

1. Downtown
2. Greater Shorb Neighborhood Area



Core Targeted Investment Areas

Figure 5-1
Core Targeted
Investment Areas

- Legend
- City of Canton Boundary
 - Greater Shorb Core Targeted Investment Area
 - Downtown Canton Core Targeted Investment Area

Applying the Plan to Challenges

Canton's vacant and problem properties are not evenly distributed. They occur in varying degrees in different parts of the city. The variation is a continuum, from largely vacant with a few occupied homes surrounded by vacant homes or lots, to the other extreme of largely intact neighborhoods with every home occupied and well-maintained. Since the different conditions require different strategies, they can be broken down into three categories:

- Low vacancy / delinquency / distress
- Medium vacancy / delinquency / distress
- High vacancy / delinquency / distress

Residential Land Use

We want Canton to be a "City of Homeowners." While not all people want to own a home, many do, and strong neighborhoods are generally made up of people who have a financial stake in where they live. We are going to develop innovative programs to make this happen.

Additionally, the City will establish and enforce clear standards for maintenance of vacant properties by private owners. This will increase the cost of doing business for those owners who have traditionally not maintained their properties adequately. It will also motivate responsible landlords while serving to penalize toxic speculators. For those who do not wish to meet the standards, it will drive their properties into the public domain.

In a focused, prioritized, and coordinated way, acquire, demolish, and assemble vacant and problem properties. Go after tax-delinquent properties and continue to demolish abandoned / problem properties, it will be improve the overall health of the neighborhood and city as a whole.

Commercial Land Use

Start in the highest priority areas, designate key intersections to receive streetscape and intersection "character improvements" and invest both robustly and for the long term in streetscape enhancements and neighborhood specific signage.

Catalytic Nodes

The City will work with neighborhood organization; as well as local non-profits, foundations, businesses and institutions to improve our neighborhoods and their catalytic nodes.

Catalytic Node specific plans will be developed where a concentration of the eighteen (18) major themes, or the toolkit of recommendations identified within the planning framework are to be applied; along with:

- Taking into account all aspects that create community, providing places for people to not only live, work, and play; but also commute, learn, and visit.
- Creating multifaceted major commercial / transportation corridors along Fulton Rd, Tuscarawas Street, Cleveland and Market Avenue; to facilitate investment in the public realm / streetscape and transit-waiting environment improvements and providing public art installations for interest to enhance the pedestrian experience.
- Balancing residential amenities like grocery stores, parks, and centers with uses that keep workers and visitors engaged in the community.
- Ensuring the existing, somewhat low density nature of the near-downtown neighborhoods is allowed to perpetuate and redevelop in a similar fashion to preserve the Canton way of life.
- Prioritizing a more sustainable future, embracing a forward looking approach to urban sustainability and redevelopment. An "Eco-district" approach is one way to transform neighborhoods into a livable, prosperous and highly resilient mixed-use community.

Neighborhood Priority Action Areas

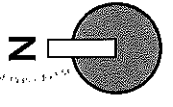
Aligning with the Core Targeted Investment Areas, a renewed attention will be placed on our neighborhoods. These investments are geographically focused and oriented around their unique assets instead of spread thinly in a diffused manner. Furthermore, the focus is with key community neighborhood nodes building upon recently completed, occurring or planned development / investment.

Through consensus the Neighborhood Priority Improvement Areas are identified as follow:

1. Southeast Community Center and Sherrick Road Corridor Area
2. Crenshaw Middle and Youtz School Area
3. Crystal Park Area
4. Hartford School and Tuscarawas St E Area
5. Allen Ave SE Area
6. Aultman Hospital Neighborhood Area
7. J. Babe Stearn Community Center Area
8. Harter Elementary School and Surrounding Harter Heights Neighborhood Area
9. Greater Shorb Neighborhood Area
10. Neighborhood Around Monument Area
11. Walnut / Cherry Revitalization Area
12. Vasser Park Neighborhood Area
13. West Park Neighborhood Area
14. Weis Park Area
15. 44th St NW Corridor
16. HOF Fitness Development Area and the Intersection of Fulton Rd NW, 25th St NW, and Harrison Ave NW

Next Steps

Implementation plans will be prepared that include strategy narratives, illustrations of recommended improvements, land-use changes, pedestrian enhancements and related roadway modifications for these specific geographies. A subsequent Plan Update is recommended.



Neighborhood Priority Action Areas

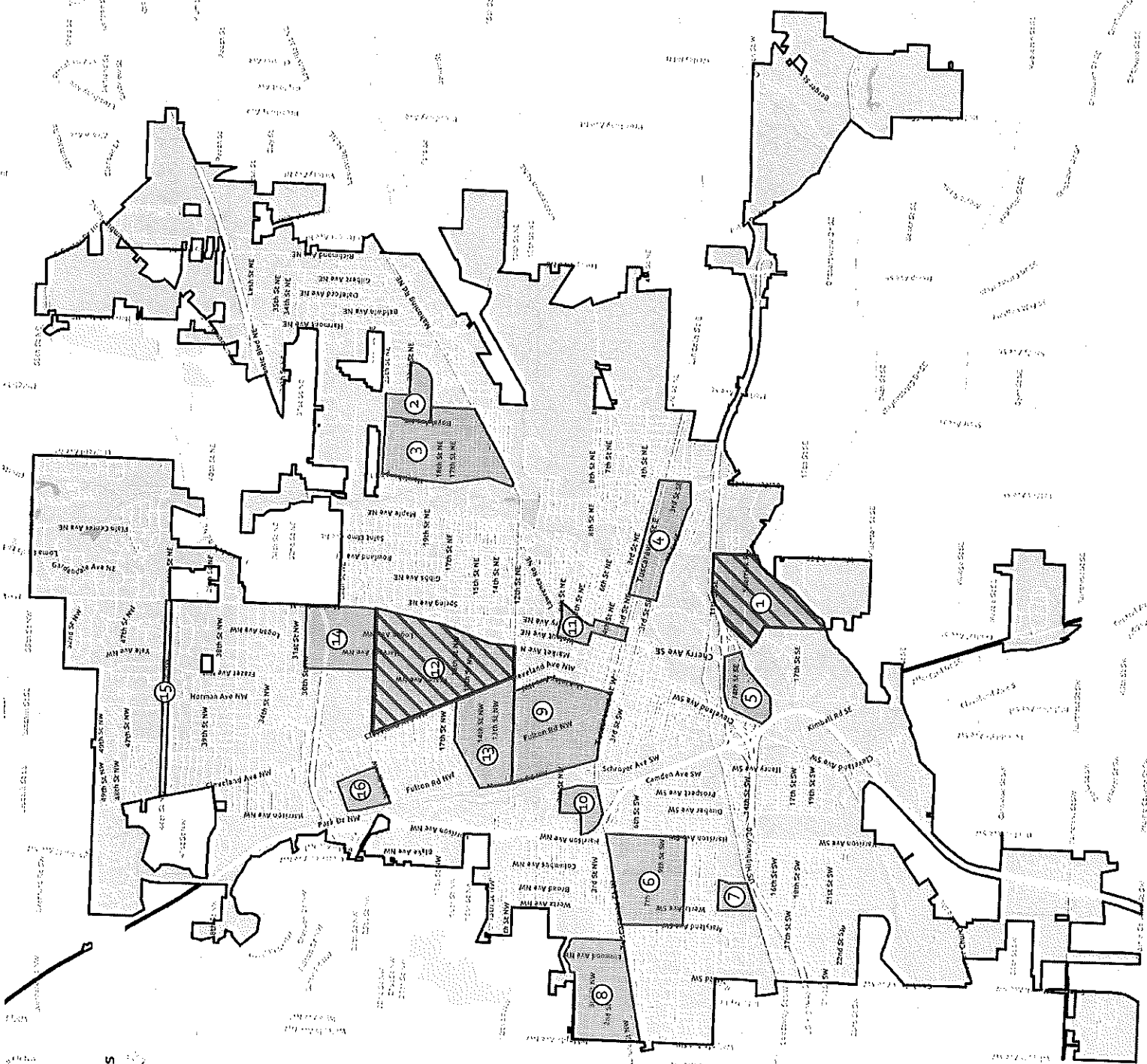


Figure 5-2
Neighborhood Priority
Action Areas

- Legend
- City of Canton Boundary
 - Priority Action Area
 - First Area of Focus for Investment

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Public Engagement

Town Hall workshop - Comprehensive Plan Advisory Commission workshop (May 2022)

In a pre-workshop, on-line survey, attendees were asked the question - "Do you think Canton is heading in a positive direction?" 94.7% of the polled community responded Yes.

Town Hall workshop - Government, Civic/Non-profit and Foundation Stakeholders (March 2023)

During a recent Town Hall meeting, stakeholders were asked what would you like to see addressed in a Comprehensive Plan update. The Following are the results from the "Affinity Mapping" exercise:

- Focus on neighborhoods that border recent investment and downtown
- Include other areas of the city and increase the scope of some of the areas identified in the current comprehensive plan
- Expand the Downtown Core Targeted Investment Area to include the Library, Cultural Center, and Civic Center
- Focus on the "arteries" next
- Focus more attention to Cleveland Ave to make more attractive for people and businesses
- There should be a distribution of resources beyond the core
- Work with neighborhood associations to develop a framework for neighborhood development
- Encourage neighborhood mixed-use development
- Tell the history and stories of our neighborhoods
- Look at downtown from a residential perspective
- Better roads and infrastructure
- Add sidewalks to neighborhoods to increase connectivity and appearance
- Incentive new housing and diversify with more affordable and generational housing stock
- Continue to address and improve the aesthetics of the city
- Educate people changing the "NIMBY" mindset
- Make sure the transit system is considered
- Utilize vacant land, specifically in the Shorb neighborhood
- Take care of vacant lots and alleys to keep the surrounding areas looking nice
- Address spaces with a lens of belonging, "a community living room" and make them more welcoming
- Communication and diversify the voices heard including students and seniors

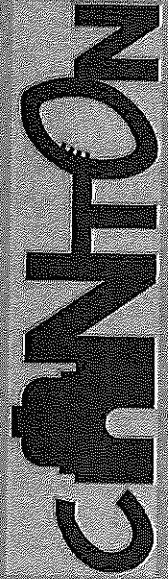
Town Hall workshop and Planning Area/Neighborhood specific outreach (August - November 2024)

Your voice matters! A series of interactive Town Hall workshops and Planning Area, neighborhood specific meetings were scheduled throughout the city that were open to all where the Mayor, the City Administration and Department heads took the opportunity to "Listen, Learn and Lead" from the feedback provided by the community at large.

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January 14, 2025

Canton City Council
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RE: Project Labor Agreement (PLA) Waiver – 10th NW Sidewalk Replacement Project - GP 1454 (CDBG Funds)

Dear Madam President and Honorable Members:

The above-named project is planned for spring of 2025 and involves the installation of new curbs and sidewalks on 10th Street NW from Fulton Ave. to Cleveland Ave. It is a part of the ongoing efforts to revitalize the Shorb neighborhood, and was previously approved by Council as part of the 2024 Community Development Action Plan. As a result, the project will in part utilize CDBG dollars. Due to the inclusion of these funds, we are unable to use a Project Labor Agreement (PLA). As such, please accept this communication as a waiver of the PLA for said project pursuant to Subsection 105.01(b)(5) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

John M. Highman, Jr.
Director of Public Service

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Jason Reese, Law Director
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January 14, 2025

Canton City Council
Council Chambers
Canton, OH 44702

**RE: Request for Legislation – Required Change to Canton Codified Ordinance 961.18
(Authorized Non-Storm Water Discharges into Storm Sewer)**

Dear Madam President and Honorable Members:

Last year the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) conducted an audit of the City's MS4 (Storm Sewer) system as per our permit. The audit went very well. We do however need to update our codified ordinances to reflect a new definition as to when non-storm water may be discharged into the system as per the permit. Other than clarifications, the major change is covering swimming pool discharge from pools that use bromine or saline. We are required to demonstrate that these changes have been made prior to our next annual report which will be submitted this March.

Therefore, I hereby request legislation that does the following:

1. Amends Canton Codified Ordinance Section 961.18 as per the attached Exhibit A.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

John M. Highman, Jr.
Director of Public Service

cc: William V. Sherer II, Mayor
Mark Crouse, Finance Director
Chris Barnes, City Engineer
Jason Reese, Law Director
John Slebodnik, Chief Deputy Auditor

EXHIBIT A

CURRENT WORDING:

961.18 DISCHARGE AND CONNECTION PROHIBITION.

(a) Prohibition of Illicit Discharges. No person shall discharge, or cause to be discharged, any illicit discharge into the MS4. The commencement, conduct or continuance of any illicit discharge to the MS4 is prohibited except as described below:

(1) The following “non-storm water discharges” as listed in the most current Ohio EPA Permit for Authorization For Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems to Discharge Storm Water under The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, or as otherwise amended: waterline flushing, landscape irrigation, diverted stream flows, rising groundwaters, uncontaminated ground water infiltration, uncontaminated pumped ground water, discharges from potable water sources, foundation drains, air conditioning condensate, irrigation water, springs, water from crawl space pumps, footing drains, lawn watering, individual residential car washing, flows from riparian habitats and wetlands, dechlorinated swimming pool discharges, street water wash, discharges or flows from firefighting activities. These discharges are exempt until such time as they are determined by the City to be significant contributors of pollutants to the MS4.

NEEDS UPDATED TO:

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January 15, 2025

Canton City Council
Council Chambers
Canton, OH 44702

**RE: Request for Legislation – Design Services - CSD 2024-38, 12-Inch Maryland Ave.
SW (SAN-07692) Rehabilitation**

Dear Madam President and Honorable Members:

As a result of our ongoing cleaning and televising program, the Collection Systems Department (CSD) has discovered deficiencies in the sanitary sewer system under the Norfolk Southern Railway right-of-way at Maryland Ave. SW between Casper Rd. SW and Navarre Rd. SW. This section of sanitary sewer main (SAN-07692) is a cast iron pipe, 12 inches in diameter, and approximately 160 feet in length. Records indicate this sanitary sewer was constructed in late 1920. The latest video inspection of this sewer main, performed July 25, 2024, showed the camera could not complete the video due to tuberculation deposits around the cast iron pipe. These deposits are several inches thick and obstruct sewer flow. Currently, the proposal is to design and bid a maintenance project to remove the deposits and remediate the pipe. Utilizing the City's Qualification Based Selection process, Burgess & Niple has been selected as the most qualified engineering firm to perform this sewer rehabilitation design at a cost of \$38,300.00. At this time, it is estimated that construction will be around \$100,000.00, but this will be finalized as further assessment and design takes place. The funds for this project have already been appropriated in CSD's 2025 budget.

Therefore, I hereby request legislation that does the following:


1. Authorizes the Mayor and/or Director of Public Service enter into a professional services contract with Burgess & Niple for this Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Design Project in the amount of \$38,300.00.
2. Authorizes the Mayor and or Director of Public Service to advertise, receive bids, and enter into contract for the construction of this project.
3. Alternatively authorizes the Mayor and/or Director of Public Service to enter into all contracts needed for this project utilizing any procurement process authorized by the Ohio Revised Code or Canton Codified Ordinances.
4. Authorizes and directs the Auditor to pay any and all moral obligations for contract change orders that are otherwise approved by the Board of Control pursuant to Canton

Codified Ordinance 105.14 within the established dollar amount thresholds for the above-named project.

5. Authorizes the Auditor to draw warrants upon receipt of vouchers duly approved by the proper departmental authority.
6. Declares this ordinance to be an emergency measure.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



John M. Highman, Jr.
Director of Public Service

cc: William V. Sherer II, Mayor
Mark Crouse, Finance Director
Chris Barnes, City Engineer
Deborah Houdeshell, WRF Superintendent
James DiMarzio, Superintendent of Collection Systems
Andrew Roth, Director of Purchasing
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WILLIAM V. SHERER II, MAYOR

January 21, 2025

Canton City Council
Council Office
Canton, Ohio 44702

RE: Legislation Request – Engineering Project Fund and Organization Code Establishment and Appropriations

Dear Madam President and Honorable Members:

As you know, the Engineering Department typically utilizes multiple funding sources both internally and externally to the City for many of their projects. Whenever outside funds are used to directly pay for a project, we generally create a fund to track the revenues and expenses for the projects. Additionally, we have been trying to tie large capital projects to individual six-digit organization codes within our financial system in order to help the Auditor track the cost of the projects. At the time the temporary budget was passed, we did not have the required fund and organization codes for many of the ongoing projects. As a result, we are making the below requests in order to establish the above-mentioned budgetary tracking mechanisms for the Engineering Department's projects. This request is only moving funds as the actual contracts for these projects have been or will be approved through separate ordinances.

Therefore, I hereby request legislation that does the following:

1. Authorizes the Auditor to establish and create/rename fund 5443 42-inch Westside Interceptor Rehabilitation, GP 1442 for tracking outside funding project revenues and expenditures amending appropriation Ordinance 247/2024, as amended, with the following supplemental appropriation:

FROM: Unappropriated balance of the 5443 42-inch Westside Interceptor Rehabilitation, GP 1442 fund (\$3,650,000.00)

TO: 5443 202070 42-inch Westside Interceptor Rehabilitation, GP 1442 - Other \$3,650,000.00

2. Authorizes the Auditor to establish and create/rename fund 5444 42-inch Eastside Interceptor Rehabilitation, GP 1441 for tracking outside funding project revenues and expenditures amending appropriation Ordinance 247/2024, as amended, with the following supplemental appropriation:

FROM: Unappropriated balance of the 5444 42-inch Eastside Interceptor Rehabilitation, GP 1441 fund (2,330,000.00)

TO: 5444 202045 42-inch Eastside Interceptor Rehabilitation, GP 1441 - Other \$2,330,000.00

3. Authorizes the Auditor to establish and create/rename fund 5425 Monument Rd Sanitary Sewer Replacement, GP 1364 for tracking outside funding project revenues and expenditures amending appropriation Ordinance 247/2024, as amended, with the following supplemental appropriation:

FROM: Unappropriated balance of the 5425 Monument Rd Sanitary Sewer Replacement, GP 1364 fund (\$1,390,000.00)

TO: 5425 206325 Monument Rd Sanitary Sewer Replacement, GP 1364 - Other \$1,390,000.00

4. Authorizes the Auditor to establish and create/rename fund 5427 Schroyer Avenue Area Sanitary Sewer Replacement, GP 1380 for tracking outside funding project revenues and expenditures amending appropriation Ordinance 247/2024, as amended, with the following supplemental appropriation:

FROM: 5427 Schroyer Avenue Area Sanitary Sewer Replacement, GP 1380 fund (\$894,000.00)

TO: 5427 206327 Schroyer Avenue Area Sanitary Sewer Replacement, GP 1380 \$894,000.00

5. Authorizes the Auditor to establish and create/rename fund 4551 Cleve Ave. NW Streetscape Phase 2 (8th to 12th), GP 1409 for tracking outside funding project revenues and expenditures amending appropriation Ordinance 247/2024, as amended, with the following supplemental appropriation:

FROM: Unappropriated balance of the 4551 Cleve Ave. NW Streetscape Phase 2 (8th to 12th), GP 1409 fund (\$500,000.00)

TO: 4551 202073 Cleve Ave. NW Streetscape Phase 2 (8th to 12th), GP 1409 - Other \$500,000.00

6. Authorizes the Auditor to establish and create/rename fund 4552 Cleveland Ave. SW Reconstruction Phase 2, GP 1476 for tracking outside funding project revenues and expenditures amending appropriation Ordinance 247/2024, as amended, with the following supplemental appropriation:

FROM: Unappropriated balance of the 4552 Cleveland Ave. SW Reconstruction Phase 2, GP 1476 fund (\$500,000.00)

TO: 4552 202083 Cleveland Ave. SW Reconstruction Phase 2, GP 1476 - Other \$500,000.00

7. Authorizes the Auditor to establish and create/rename fund 4553 Belden Ave NE Bridge Rehabilitation, GP 1375 for tracking outside funding project revenues and expenditures amending appropriation Ordinance 247/2024, as amended, with the following supplemental appropriation:

FROM: Unappropriated balance of the 4553 Belden Ave NE Bridge Rehabilitation,
GP 1375 fund (\$460,000.00)

TO: 4553 202001 Engineer Administration - Other \$460,000.00

8. Authorizes the Auditor to establish and create/rename fund 4554 Cleve Ave NW Paving 12th to 55th, GP 1283 for tracking outside funding project revenues and expenditures amending appropriation Ordinance 247/2024, as amended, with the following supplemental appropriation:

FROM: Unappropriated balance of the 4554 Cleve Ave NW Paving 12th to 55th,
GP 1283 fund (\$2,916,778.00)

TO: 4554 202050 Cleve Ave NW Paving 12th to 55th, GP 1283 - Other
\$2,916,778.00

9. Authorizes the Auditor to establish and create/rename fund 4555 East Tusc Streetscape - Phase 2, GP 1422 for tracking outside funding project revenues and expenditures amending appropriation Ordinance 247/2024, as amended, with the following supplemental appropriation:

FROM: Unappropriated balance of the 4555 East Tusc Streetscape - Phase 2, GP
1422 fund (\$1,600,000.00)

TO: 4555 202075 East Tusc Streetscape - Phase 2, GP 1422 - Other
\$1,600,000.00

10. Makes the following supplemental appropriations amending Ordinance 247/2024 as amended:

FROM: Unappropriated Balance of the 2113 Municipal Road fund (\$308,000.00)

TO: 2113 202023 10th St. NE Realignment and Closing at W&LE RR – Other
\$308,000.00

FROM: Unappropriated Balance of the 2113 Municipal Road fund (\$250,000.00)

TO: 2113 202054 The O’Jays Pkwy NE Paving - Other \$250,000.00

FROM:	Unappropriated balance of the 2175 Comprehensive Plan Implement fund	((\$304,000.00))
TO:	2175 202095 11 th St. Improv Proj GP 1144 - Other	\$304,000.00
FROM:	Unappropriated balance of the 2182 Amazon TIF fund	(130,000.00)
TO:	202001 Engineer - Administration - Other	\$130,000.00
FROM:	Unappropriated balance of the 5604 Sanitation Building Project fund	(25,000.00)
TO:	5604 205003 Sign and Paint Building Project - Other	\$25,000.00

11. Makes the following appropriation transfers amending Ordinance 247/2024 as amended:

FROM:	4501 202001 Engineer - Administration	(\$960,000.00)
TO:	4501 202078 13 th St-I-77 Safety Project - Other	\$60,000.00
	4501 202024 7 th St. and The O'Jays Roundabout - Other	\$75,000.00
	4501 202094 Maryland Ave SW Curbs Phase 2 (11 th to 13 th) - Other	\$125,000.00
	4501 202054 The O'Jays Pkwy NE Paving - Other	\$250,000.00
	4501 202069 East Tusc Streetscape Phase 3 - Other	\$50,000.00
	4501 207086 Gross Ave Area Wtr Main Replcmt - Other	\$400,000.00
FROM:	2175 202001 Engineer - Administration	(\$3,027,000.00)
TO:	2175 202097 15 th St NW Streetscape - Other	\$1,000,000.00
	2175 202052 Sherrick Rd SE Area Improvements - Other	\$1,400,000.00
	2175 202090 Elgin Ave NW Streetscape - Other	\$150,000.00
	2175 202050 Cleve Ave NW Paving 12 th to 55 th - Other	\$477,000.00
FROM:	2211 506001 Community Development Admin.	(\$250,000.00)
TO:	2211 202047 10 th St NW Sidewalk GP 1454 - Other	\$250,000.00

FROM:	5413 202010 Engineer - Daily Operations	(\$1,835,000.00)
TO:	5413 202041 18 th St NW Reconstr GP 1353 - Other	\$60,000.00
	5413 202097 15 th St NW Streetscape - Other	\$550,000.00
	5413 202054 The O'Jays Pkwy NE Paving - Other	\$100,000.00
	5413 202089 Orchard View Sanitary Sewer Ext - Other	\$400,000.00
	5413 202090 Elgin Ave NW Streetscape - Other	\$50,000.00
	5413 202091 48 th St NW Sanitary Sewer - Other	\$215,000.00
	5413 202092 Sours/Stearn Sanitary Sewer Replacement - Other	\$460,000.00

6. Authorizes the Auditor to draw warrants upon receipt of vouchers duly approved by the proper departmental authority.

7. Declares this ordinance to be an emergency measure.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



John M. Highman, Jr.
Director of Public Service

cc: William V. Sherer II, Mayor
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January 23, 2025

Canton City Council
Council Office
Canton, OH 44702

RE: Legislation Request – Sanitation Department Capital Purchases

Dear Madam President and Honorable Members:

The Sanitation Department is continuing its capital equipment upgrade process. In 2025 we are looking to purchase the following items requiring Council approval: a 25-yard packer, a passenger van, a pickup truck and a floor scrubber for the new building. In total, we anticipate these items to cost approximately \$600,000.00. A supplemental appropriation will be needed. The pickup truck being replaced is a 2004 model, the packer is a 2013 model, and the van is a 2015. All have exceeded their useful life.

Therefore, I hereby request legislation that does the following:

1. Authorizes the Mayor and/or Director of Public Service to advertise, receive bids, award and enter into any and all contracts necessary for the purchase of a sanitation packer, a passenger van, a pickup truck, and a floor scrubber for the Sanitation Department.
2. Authorizes the Mayor and/or the Director of Public Service to enter into any and all contracts necessary for the purchase of the vehicles referenced in Section 1 above in accordance with any procurement process authorized by either the Ohio Revised Code or Canton Codified Ordinances.
3. Waives the informal resolution requirements of Canton Codified Ordinance 105.09 for supply items and services approved through this ordinance.
4. Makes the following supplemental appropriation amending Ordinance 247/2024 as amended:

FROM: Unappropriated balance of the 5601 Refuse Administration Fund
(\$650,000.00)


TO: 5601 205001 Refuse Administration - Other \$650,000.00

5. Authorizes the Auditor to draw warrants upon receipt of vouchers duly approved by the proper departmental authority.

6. Declares this ordinance to be an emergency measure.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,



John M. Highman, Jr.
Director of Public Service

cc: William V. Sherer II, Mayor
Mark Crouse, Finance Director
Michael Parker, Superintendent of Sanitation
Jason Reese, Law Director
John Slebodnik, Chief Deputy Auditor
Andrew Roth, Director of Purchasing
Keith Parsons, Superintendent of Motor Vehicles