

HURON

THE LIGHT

Fall 2026

SOUTH MAIN STREET STREETScape



On September 21, South Main St. from US 6 south to Bogart Rd. closed for approximately two months. The goal is not only to increase vehicle and pedestrian flow but also to expand pedestrian spaces and opportunities for businesses to enhance their visibility.

Project scope: repaving, adding a multi-use path, decorative lighting, way-finding signage and landscaping

TRAFFIC FLOW DURING CONSTRUCTION

- S. Main St. from US 6 to Bogart will be closed.
- Business traffic will be maintained.
- NORTH & SOUTH bound traffic will be diverted to Bogart by way of Williams or Center Streets.

PARKING DURING CONSTRUCTION

- No Parking on Main Street during the construction
- Parking will be maintained on Standard, Williams, and Huron Sts.
- Private Lots with access from Standard, Williams, & Huron Sts. will be maintained.

As the southern gateway into Huron, the plan not only places emphasis on appropriate safety enhancements, but also further focuses on suitable land uses and overall aesthetic upgrades to visually enhance the South Main Street corridor.

City of Huron Announces Temporary Moratorium On New Short-Term Rental Registrations

Public Work Sessions Scheduled

During the August 11, 2026, Huron City Council meeting, city leadership voted in favor of enacting a temporary moratorium on new short-term rental registrations. The suspension of registrations will provide the Council and Administration with the opportunity to evaluate Huron's current short-term rental regulations, examine how transient rentals are affecting residential neighborhoods, and determine what additional safeguards or legislation may appropriate moving forward.

The moratorium as written suspends the acceptance and approval of new applications for transient rental certificates for properties that are not currently registered or authorized to operate as a short-term rental. "As of August 11, 2026, anyone who's previously rented out transient rental properties in Huron and done so legally can continue to operate as normal," stated Stu Hamilton, City Manager. "With the moratorium in place there will not be any new transient rental licenses issued until the completion of our review process."

The moratorium is temporary and not intended to prohibit short-term rentals permanently. The temporary pause enables Council and the Administration to review the current transient rental code (Chapter 1369 of the Codified Ordinances) and to investigate ongoing quality-of-life issues related to transient rentals.

As written the regulations were established to protect the peace, health, safety and wellness of residents and guests, preserve the character and tranquility of residential neighborhoods, protect property values, preserve housing opportunities for permanent residents, in addition, the chapter outlines the responsibilities associated with operating a transient rental property.

"Huron is both a year-round community and a popular lakefront destination, and maintaining a healthy balance between the two is important," stated Mayor Monty Tapp. "This temporary pause gives us the opportunity to carefully review our current regulations, listen to the community and determine what changes need to be made, if any. Our goal is to develop an approach that respects property owners, preserves the character and quality of life of our residential neighborhoods, and supports Huron's visitor economy."

While undertaking this comprehensive review, City Council will host a two-phase work session. The first public work session, scheduled for **Tuesday, October 27th at 5:00 PM in Council Chambers**, will include research findings and allow residents to constructively share their thoughts and concerns. During the second session a draft of the proposed legislation will be discussed prior to its presentation to Council for consideration.

***Can't attend the Public Work Session?
Consider emailing your thoughts and/or concerns
to members of Council and the City Manager***

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Transient Rental Work Sessions

Work Session #1 - Tues., October 27th @ 5:00 PM in Council Chambers, Huron City Hall

Work Session #2 - to be determined



US 6 Connectivity Corridor Construction

Announces Upcoming Detours and Delays

The significant, multi-year US 6 Connectivity Corridor project is underway with the 2026 construction preparing for the major work coming in the Spring of 2027. As road work continues, residents, businesses, and motorists should expect changing traffic patterns, construction equipment in the area, periodic access impacts and other inconveniences associated with a project this size. Several years of construction will require patience and flexibility. While the construction period is lengthy, the improvements represent an important investment in the area's infrastructure and its long-term future.

With that said, beginning Monday, September 21, 2026, there will be ramp closures at the Rye Beach Road entrance ramp to SR 2 west and the SR 2 east exit ramp to Rye Beach Road (Exit 142). Both of these ramps are scheduled to be closed September 21 through December 19, to construct the legs of the future roundabouts and to reconstruct the entrance ramps.

The Rye Beach Road entrance ramp to SR 2 westbound detour route will be Rye Beach Road to SR 2 east to SR 13 (Exit 145) and then reenter onto SR 2 westbound.

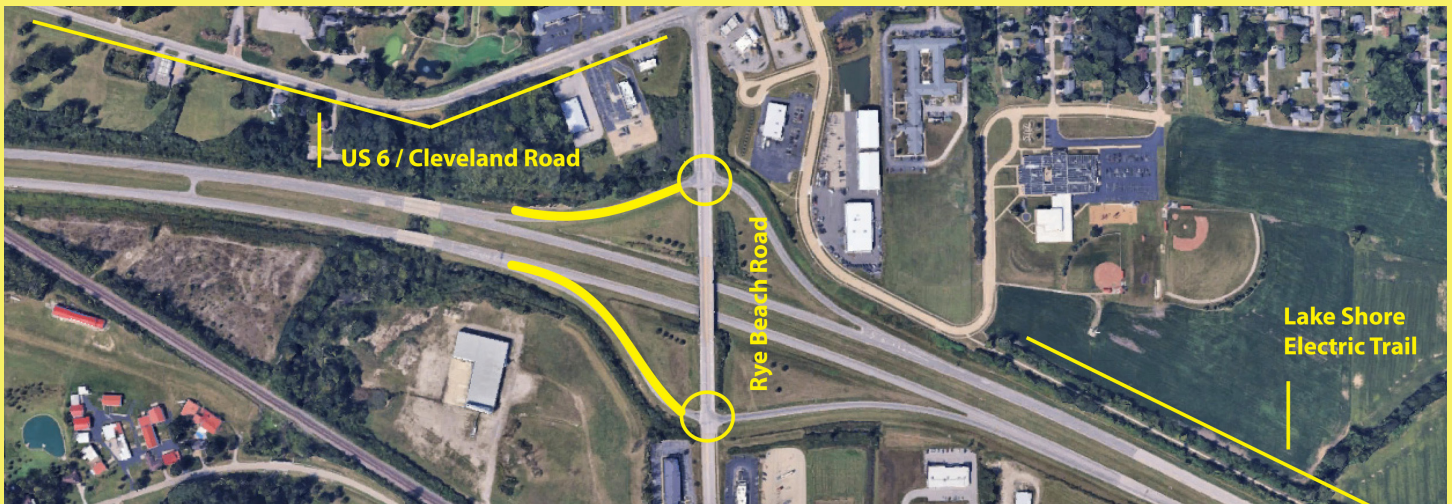
The SR 2 eastbound exit ramp to Rye Beach Road (Exit 142) detour route will be to continue along SR 2 east to SR 13 (Exit 145), re-enter onto SR 2 west and then exit at Rye Beach Road (Exit 142).

U.S. 6 (Cleveland Road) will remain open during construction for the 2026 construction season. Traffic may be impacted minimally with short-term lane closures likely to occur. Traffic will be maintained by flaggers and/or temporary traffic signals, along with possibly shifting traffic to one side in order to build on the other.

2027 Anticipated Full Intersection Closures

- **U.S. 6/Perkins Ave - March to May, 2027:** to tie in the work completed in 2026 to fully construct the new roundabout.
- **Both SR 2 eastbound and westbound exit ramp to Rye Beach Road - March to May, 2027:** to construct the two entrance/exit ramp roundabouts at this location.
- **U.S. 6/Camp Road - April to June, 2027:** to construct the intersection's roundabout.
- **Rye Beach Road - tentatively sometime in 2028:** to construct that intersection's roundabout.

Overall, the project has an estimated end construction date of June 2029. All work is weather dependent and is subject to change.



US 6 Connectivity Corridor Project Recap

To recap the US 6 Connectivity Corridor Project, the scope of the project includes the installation of five modern roundabouts: U.S. 6 & Cleveland Road (Perkins Ave), U.S. 6 and Cleveland Rd. (Camp Rd.), U.S. 6 & Cleveland Rd. (Rye Beach Rd.), U.S. 6 & SR 2 interchange ramps. Project details also include a center two-way left-turn lane through the stretch between Camp Road and Rye Beach Road and an extension of the Sandusky Bay Pathway, while also adding a new multi-use path along US 6 and Rye Beach Road to connect Sandusky and Huron. The Sandusky Bay Pathway segment was built in 2024 while work on the extension along US 6 multi-use path began April 2026 and is scheduled to be finished in October 2027.

The estimated \$30.84 million project is funded through federal RAISE and TRAC grants, plus contributions from the

City of Sandusky, Erie County, City of Huron, Erie Shores and Islands, ERPC, and Cedar Fair Entertainment.

The US 6 Connectivity Corridor is a major Ohio Department of Transportation project taking place in Erie County. The massive project officially kicked off construction this past summer and is anticipated to be completed in the summer of 2029. The Connectivity Corridor runs along US 6 from Cedar Point Drive in Sandusky through the SR 2 interchange with Rye Beach Road in Huron. The goal of the project is to increase the efficiency and operation of the U.S. 6 corridor for current and future traffic demands, enhance safety at high crash locations while addressing areas of poor roadway geometry, and improve multi-modal connectivity.



Fire Hydrant Flushing

The City of Huron began the routine flushing of the fire hydrants on September 8th.

Fire hydrant flushing is performed annually to improve conditions of the pipes and to ensure the fire hydrants are working properly. The flushing process moves water through the water mains at a high velocity to loosen any deposits within the system. Customers may experience reduced pressure and temporary discoloration during this process.

The City is divided into 5 zones for the flushing process. This process often takes several weeks to complete. Each zone takes approximately 7-10 days, providing there are no other issues (ie: a water main break) happening at the same time.

Zone 1 – Huron Water Filtration Plant west along the north side of Cleveland Road through the Rye Beach neighborhood.

Zone 2 – Huron Water Filtration Plant west to Rye Beach on the southern side of Cleveland Road to the northside of the US 6 bypass

Zone 3 – Huron Water Filtration Plant east to the Huron River, through the Old Plat neighborhood and south into the Oklahoma neighborhood to Bogart Road then west to Rye Beach Road.

Zone 4 – Both east and west sides of Main Street south of Bogart Road to Route 2.

Zone 5 – East of the Huron River along the lakeshore and south to the City limits.

The City of Huron takes its responsibility as the owner/operator of the water system very seriously, including the responsibility to conduct routine maintenance on the water distribution system.

Regular updates will be provided to notify customers of which zone and neighborhood staff will be working in.

For any questions or concerns, please contact the Water Filtration Department at 419-433-9502.



Leaf Pick-Up Program

The City of Huron's Leaf Pick-Up Program will return this year offering two (2) methods for leaf pick-up.

- **Method 1 – BAGGED Curbside Leaf Pick-Up:**

All city residents receiving services from Republic have access to unlimited weekly yard waste collection. This includes fall leaf pick-up. Residents may bag their leaves and place at the curb for weekly pick-up. The leaves may be placed in cans (marked "Yard Waste") or in paper yard waste bags. Leaves do not need to be separated from other acceptable yard waste materials when bagged for curbside pick-up.

- **Method 2 – AUTOMATED Curbside Leaf Pick-Up:**

Residents are permitted to place leaf piles at the curb to be picked up by the City's Street Department. The Automated Leaf Pick-Up Program will begin on Monday, October 26th. Leaf collection will take place on a rotating basis beginning on the east side of the City and working its way west. The intention is to make at least two trips through the city as weather permits. The final collection date will be Friday December 4th.

When utilizing Method 2, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- **LEAF PILES MUST BE PLACED WITHIN 6 FT. OF THE CURB.**

- **Pick-up is for LEAVES ONLY** (absolutely - no sticks or other yard waste materials are permitted).

- **DO NOT PLACE LEAVES IN THE STREET** or behind parked vehicles.

- Piles of leaves that fail to meet these guidelines will be painted with an **X** and **WILL NOT** be collected.

If you have any questions about the program or the process, please contact the City of Huron, Street Department at (419) 433-9504.





Grant Funding & Community Partnerships Give Park Shelters New Life

The Huron Boat Basin shelters received some much-needed attention thanks to a combination of grant funding and support from the Huron Lion's Club.

The collaborative effort has helped the City repair and improve the two existing shelters that have served generations of residents and visitors for family reunions, birthday parties, picnics, community gatherings and countless summer afternoons.

Rather than replacing these familiar community amenities, the project focused on preserving and extending the life of the existing structures, addressing repairs and improvements needed after years of use and exposure to Lake Erie weather.

Funding for the work was made possible through two local grant opportunities: an Erie MetroParks 2026 Local Park Capital Improvement Grant of \$9,425 was awarded the City for new roofs for the shelters, and an Erie County Solid Waste Management District Recycled Materials Grant of \$9,606 was awarded the City for six new commercial grade picnic tables manufactured from recycled high-density polyethylene plastic.

In addition to the grant opportunities for the roof and the picnic tables, the Huron Lion's Club generously provided new siding and the labor to re-side the exterior of both shelters.

"We are incredibly grateful to our Huron Lions Club, Erie MetroParks and Erie County Solid Waste District for their generous support in helping us upgrade our public picnic shelters. These improvements provide welcoming, safe, and enjoyable spaces for residents and visitors to gather, celebrate, and create lasting memories. Their investment in our community demonstrates the power of partnership and shared commitment to making Huron's parks better for everyone," stated Doug Steinwart, Director of Huron Parks & Recreation.



Save the Date

HURON Winter Fest

SATURDAY, DEC. 5, 2026

1 PM TO 6:30 PM

MAIN ST., HURON



**HOLIDAY PARADE
SANTA & MRS. CLAUS
CARRIAGE RIDES
TRAIN RIDES
HOLIDAY MARKETS
CHARACTERS**

**FACE PAINTING
HOLIDAY MUSIC
HOT COCOA
FIRE PITS
TREE LIGHTING
WINTER FIREWORKS**

Holiday Memories & Cheer Start Here!





Welcome Michael DelGrosso - Zoning Inspector

For many residents and businesses, the Zoning Inspector is often one of the first points of contact when considering a new project, whether it's building an addition, installing a fence or shed, adding signage, opening or expanding a business, or planning a larger development. For Huron, Michael DelGrosso is that guy! The City of Huron is pleased to introduce Mike as the newest member of the team and the City's new Zoning Inspector.

In his new role, Mike is excited to work with residents, property owners, contractors, developers, and businesses to help guide projects through the City's zoning requirements. Mike's primary responsibilities include reviewing zoning permit applications, answering questions about property use and development, conducting site inspections and helping ensure projects are consistent with Huron's zoning regulations and community development goals.

With a technical project management, design, and engineering background, Mike brings years of experience to the position. For several years, he and his wife, Carol, ran a business producing animation, video, product, and architectural design.

Beyond administering the zoning code, the position plays an important role in helping balance new investment and development with the character of Huron's neighborhoods and business districts. In addition, Mike will work closely with other City departments on planning, development, building and property-related matters.

"I'm looking forward to getting to know the community and helping residents and businesses navigate the zoning process," stated Mike. "I'm excited to be part of Huron and to contribute to the community's continued growth and development."

"The Planning & Zoning Department's goal is to make the zoning related processes, permitting, and reporting clear and easy to navigate through both online and in-person options. Staff are available and welcome the opportunity to assist the public with general inquiries, residential and commercial permitting processes, and to provide code enforcement services. The approachability of staff to research and meet with the public is an important part of providing good customer service," stated Christine Gibboney, Planning and Zoning Manager. "As the Zoning Inspector, Mike, will work directly with residents and businesses prior to conducting plan reviews, permit issuance and zoning inspections on improvement projects, and by providing inspections, reporting, and enforcement of various zoning code violations."



Mike stated that he loves working with people, believes in the government and process, and feels his new role is a great way to become acclimated to Huron. Mike's short-term goals are to learn the systems and methodology of the local government structure, meet members of the Huron community, and to help find solutions for any situation brought before the Zoning Inspector.

Born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, Mike attended Ohio State University where he met his wife of 43 years. Together they recently relocated from the Columbus area to primarily be closer to their family. As a former triathlete, Mike loves the outdoors with hiking, biking, and conservation being of top interest. "When my feet are parallel to the earth, I have another day to improve", are words Mike lives by. Future travels around America by bike and by car are something he and his wife look forward to doing.

The City encourages residents and property owners who are considering a project to reach out before work begins. An early conversation with Mike and the Zoning Department can help determine whether a zoning permit or other approval is required and can often make the process easier from the start.

Please join us in welcoming Mike DelGrosso to the City of Huron team!

Have a Zoning Question?

City of Huron - Planning & Zoning Department
417 Main Street
Huron, Ohio 44839
Phone: 419/433-5000, ext. 1303
Email: zoning@huronohio.us





Projects Around Town

New Multi-Modal Crossing Coming to Jim Campbell Boulevard

The City of Huron is pleased to announce that, in partnership with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), a new high-visibility multi-modal crossing will be installed on Jim Campbell Boulevard near Huron High School, creating a safer connection between the school campus, the Lake Shore Electric Trail, and the footbridge over SR2.

The \$163,500 project has entered the beginning phase with Huron City Council passing legislation to accept the design and bid services from OHM Advisors for \$39,500. Upon completion of the final design, the project will go out to bid with construction slated for early summer of 2027.

The enhanced crossing is designed to improve safety for students, families, walkers, runners, and cyclists traveling through the City. Planned improvements include highly visible pavement markings, pedestrian-activated rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs), updated signage, accessible curb ramps, overhead lighting, and sidewalk connections to make crossing the roadway easier and more noticeable for motorists.

Upgrading a pedestrian crossing to a high-visibility multi-modal crossing is part of a broader effort to improve safety and connectivity for people utilizing the interchange and sets up for future multi-use development.

As always, we would like to thank our partners at ODOT for their continued support, without which these types of projects would not be possible.



Lake Shore Electric Trail Connector

The City of Huron has been awarded \$533,000 through the Ohio Department of Transportation's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) to construct a multi-use path along Lake Erie Parkway. The project is in the conceptual phase and will connect the existing Lake Shore Electric Trail to the planned U.S. 6 Connectivity Corridor Path. Adding this connection between the two paths will create a seamless route for pedestrians and cyclists from Huron to Sandusky and include an extension to BGSU Firelands and the Corporate Park area.

The City will work with OHM Advisors on the design and right of way requirements for the connector.

"This project is about more than just a path—it's about connecting people to places and creating opportunities for safe, healthy recreation and transportation throughout our community. By adding this segment, it will enhance and extend the user experience by connecting the two communities."

"As always, the City of Huron is grateful for Ohio Department of Transportation's TAP Grant as a source of funding," said Huron City Manager, Stu Hamilton.

Congratulations!

Celebrating Milestone Work Anniversaries in 2026!

30 YRS

Julie Ortega, Nov.

25 YRS

Jerry Baum, Jan.

20 YRS

William Steuk, July

15 YRS

Brian Clayman, July
Ryan Blainey, July

10 YRS

Kevin Bower, Aug.

5 YRS

Chad Bouck, March
Jason Chaffee, June
Logan Bethard, July
Kegan Lobsinger, July
Michael Clavette, Sept.





Erie County Community Foundation Announces Youth Advisory Council for 2026/2027

Erie County Community Foundation today announced the members of its Youth Advisory Council (YAC) for the 2026-2027 school year. Congratulations to Huron High students, Joseph Cencer (Junior) and Hayden Holmes (Senior) for being selected as members of this year's Council.

The Foundation originally established its Youth Advisory Council in 2000. Comprised of high school students from seven Erie County high schools and EHOVE, students serve on the Council for two years, in their junior and senior years.

The purpose of YAC is to develop community leadership among high school students. This program introduces students to local nonprofit organizations and allows them to make grants as they are introduced to the world of philanthropy.

YAC students visit nonprofit organizations throughout Erie County each month during the school year to learn about organizations and how they serve our community's needs. YAC's mission is to encourage youth leadership and active community involvement in philanthropy, by observing local nonprofit organizations and responding to community needs through grant-making. Since its beginning in 2000, Youth Advisory Council has awarded a total of \$176,902 in grants to 94 Erie County nonprofit projects.

"There is nothing quite like watching our local students step into the shoes of community leaders and philanthropists," said Heidi Schlesselman, Erie County Community Foundation's Program Officer and YAC Advisor. "Through our Youth Advisory Council, fifteen incredible high school representatives from across Erie County aren't just learning about our nonprofit sector—they are actively evaluating community needs and directing vital resources where they matter most. Empowering these young voices with real grant-making power is one of the most exciting parts of what we do; it builds a lifelong commitment to giving back and ensures a brighter, more connected future for Sandusky and all of Erie County."

The YAC program is designed and intended to replicate as much as possible the experience these youth may

someday have as a board member of a charitable organization. Students meet eight times throughout the school year and make site visits to area nonprofit organizations to learn more about community needs and the services provided in Erie County. Every Spring, they accept and review grant proposals, and make recommendations to the Community Foundation's board for funding of about 8-12 projects. The students have developed their own mission statement, grant guidelines, grant application form and grants review process.

The YAC is made possible by the partnership among The Mylander Foundation, Randolph J. and Estelle M. Dorn Foundation, Sandusky Rotary Club Charitable Fund, Inc., and Erie County Community Foundation, as well as participation from all seven high schools in Erie County and EHOVE.



2026/2027 Youth Advisory Council of Erie County Community Foundation

Front Row: Reese Hykes – Perkins Junior, Braelyn Abrams – St. Mary Junior, Sam Riddle – Vermilion Junior, Joey Cencer – Huron Junior, Ishan Chopra – Sandusky Junior, Abbie Bores – EHOVE Junior

Back Row: Rocco Speer – Perkins Senior, Heidi Schlesselman – Erie County Community Foundation Program Officer/YAC Advisor, Lilly Kimball – Margaretta Junior, Kenna Kovalaske – Margaretta Senior, Emmalyn Redinger – St. Mary Senior, Hayden Holmes – Huron Senior, Jefferson Incorvia – EHOVE Senior, Weston Gfell – Edison Senior, Peyton Werner – Edison Junior

Not Pictured: Adam Hendershot – Vermilion Senior

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