

Councilman Kevin Conwell | Fall 2023

WARD 9 NEWS

The Drumbeat of the Community

What you should know about Issue 38

“PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING”

- The proposed charter amendment **would place millions of dollars of budget decisions in the hands of inexperienced, unaccountable, and unelected people** - risking safety and services.
- This charter amendment would **cut a \$14 million hole into to the city’s budget** and it will have a **negative impact on our safety and our services.**
- It is an **inequitable process** and favors residents who are better off financially or have more free time to participate in community meetings and votes.
- There’s **no way to know if non-Clevelanders will be involved** in deciding how crucial dollars are spent, and people as young as 13-years-old will be decision makers.

Participatory Budgeting could lead to any of the following:

Less Police Hires

No Waste Collection Staff

Fire and EMS Staff Reduction

Elimination of the Department of Public Health

Reduction in snow removal for winter streets

Elimination of Recreation and Aging Services

Vote NO on Issue 38 this November

A Word from Kevin Conwell

I am asking residents to vote against Issue 38, which would give \$14 million a year to an unelected group of people who don’t know how they will use it. We know it will blow a hole in the city’s General Fund. **Reallocating \$14 million could lead to massive layoffs and have a devastating impact on the city.**

Taking \$14 million ways could:

- ▶ Prevent hiring of about 140 police officers when our department is short-staffed
- ▶ Eliminate all the staff from the Division of Recreation and the entire Department of Aging
- ▶ Eliminate roughly half of the EMS staff
- ▶ Nearly eliminate the entire Division of Waste collection staff

I believe this Issue 38 will have devastating impacts on public safety and city services. That’s why all members of Council are against it. **If you want to put the \$14 million in context, this is more than what the city spends on repaving and repairing streets.** November 7th is election day. Plan now on whether you are going to vote absentee (by mail), early in person or on election day.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

November 7, 2023 General Election Information

Voting Before Election Day

Vote-by-Mail

All voters can vote from home. Avoid the lines, take your time to research what is on your ballot, and vote from the comfort of your home:

1. Submit a ballot application to vote from home. You can print or request a ballot application online at www.443vote.us or by calling 216-443-VOTE (8683).
2. We will mail your ballot to you with a return envelope.
3. Vote and return your signed ballot envelope before Election Day.

** Use the **Track Your Vote-by-Mail Ballot tool** on our website to track your ballot throughout the process!*

STAY UP TO DATE:
www.443vote.us

Vote-by-Mail ballots must be postmarked on or before November 6th. Hand delivered ballots may be dropped off at the Board of Elections until 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.

Voting Location Changes: Your voting location may have been changed for the November 7, 2023 General Election. Voters are encouraged to confirm their voting location when making their voting plans. Confirm your voting location at www.443vote.us or by calling 216-443-VOTE (8683).

New Rules for Early In-Person Voting: Photo identification is required when Early In-Person Voting. The identification requirements for Early In-Person Voting are now the same as when voting on Election Day.

Voting at the Board of Elections

We are located at 2925 Euclid Avenue in Cleveland. Voting dates and hours below:

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| Tuesday | October 31 | 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. |
| Weekdays* | November 1-3 | 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. |
| Saturday | November 4 | 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. |
| Sunday | November 5 | 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. |

Weekdays denotes Monday through Friday

Dates, Deadlines and New Rules for Voting

New Rule: the deadline to submit Vote-by-Mail ballot applications has changed. **Vote-by-Mail ballot applications must be received by the Board of Elections on or before October 31st.**

Voting On Election Day

Voting hours: Your polling location will be open on Election Day from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

What ID should I bring?

Acceptable forms of unexpired photo ID include:

- An Ohio Driver License
- An Ohio State ID Card
- An Ohio Interim ID form issued by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles
- A U.S. passport or passport card
- A U.S. Military ID card, Ohio National Guard ID card, or U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs ID card (that includes the voter’s name and photograph)

The Davis Housing Complex Ribbon Cutting



The Davis, another anchor to the growing E. 105th corridor, is nearly complete and a ribbon cutting to officially open the housing complex is expected later this fall.

“The Davis” housing complex at 10700 Churchill Ave, is named after the former Harry E. Davis School where it was constructed, and will offer **52 market rate one- to three-bedroom units**.

Councilman Kevin Conwell believes The Davis is going to benefit older residents in the area who may be looking to downsize their homes and for residents who work in University Circle.

A **University Hospital resource center**, designed to help fight against health inequity, will be located on the site. There will be telehealth services, a food pantry, programs for pregnant mothers and senior citizens, as well as a playground. The University Hospitals resource center will include a workout facility, on-site nurses.

The **\$12 million project** is collaboration with the City of Cleveland, the Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority, the Cleveland Metropolitan School District, and University Hospitals to develop a 2,500-square-foot Community Outreach Center, which will focus on health education and workforce training, and include a business and fitness center.

There will be telehealth services, a food pantry, programs for pregnant mothers and senior citizens. The apartment homes and townhomes will be affordable to residents at or below 60 percent of area median income

Additionally, because of The Davis’ proximity to University Circle, it gives residents the ability to visit the cultural, health, educational and civic assets of University Circle.

Visit www.nrpgroup.com/communities/the-davis to view the housing layouts and details.



Department of Public Works
DIVISION OF WASTE

Upcoming Holiday and Bulk Week Collections

www.clevelandohio.gov

B Bulk Week **H** One Day Delayed Collection **H** Holiday with Regular Pickup

NOVEMBER

| S | M | T | W | T | F | S |
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| | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
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Nov. 23rd - Thanksgiving Day
Thursday collection on Friday
Friday collection on Saturday

DECEMBER

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Dec. 25th - Christmas Holiday
(Observed)
1 day delay all week

For more information on set out services for large volumes and general waste pick up questions, call 216-664-371.



DIVISION OF WASTE COLLECTION

Set Out Guidelines

- WEEKLY WASTE**
 - ▶ Please contain all waste in the carts provided by the city:
 - Use black/gray city issued cart for household trash and bagged yard waste.
 - NO trash should be placed outside of the black/gray cart.
 - ▶ Place carts out no earlier than noon the day before your regular pick up day.
Remove carts by noon the following day.
- BULK DISPOSAL**
 - ▶ You may set out a limit of 3 bulk items.
 - Such as tables and chairs, mattresses and box springs, couches, furniture.
 - All mattresses, box springs, leather and cloth furniture must be wrapped in plastic.
 - The city does not accept construction material.
 - Boxes and bags are not bulk items.
 - ▶ You may set out up to 4 tires (passenger tires only). Tires must be off the rim.
Please call 216-664-3711 to schedule a 4 tire pick up.
- YARD WASTE**
 - ▶ Branches must be cut and bundled. (Each bundle cannot exceed 3 ft. in length and 2 ft. in diameter.)
 - All leaves and grass clippings must be contained, up to 20 bags per week.

New Senior Apartments Planned for Glenville

Ground breaking for the new Garrett Square Senior Apartments is expected this fall. The new construction will include a 49-unit building for seniors 55 and older on Superior Avenue in Cleveland.

In partnership with Famicos Foundation, the **\$8 million Garret Square project will capitalize on redevelopment efforts underway in the Glenville neighborhood of Cleveland and its close proximity to E. 124th and Superior Avenue.** The apartments will be for those 55 and older who have incomes between 30% and 60% of the area’s median income which is less than \$27,000 in Glenville.

At Garrett Square Senior Apartments, residents will be connected to supportive and community-based services through an experienced service coordinator. In addition, the project’s team has partnered with St.



Martin De Porres Family Center to provide additional health, wellness, and socialization activities, according to a Famicos project summary.

“This is another great new project that will help seniors who want to stay in the neighborhood, but want to downsize to something affordable, move into new construction,” said Councilman Kevin Conwell.

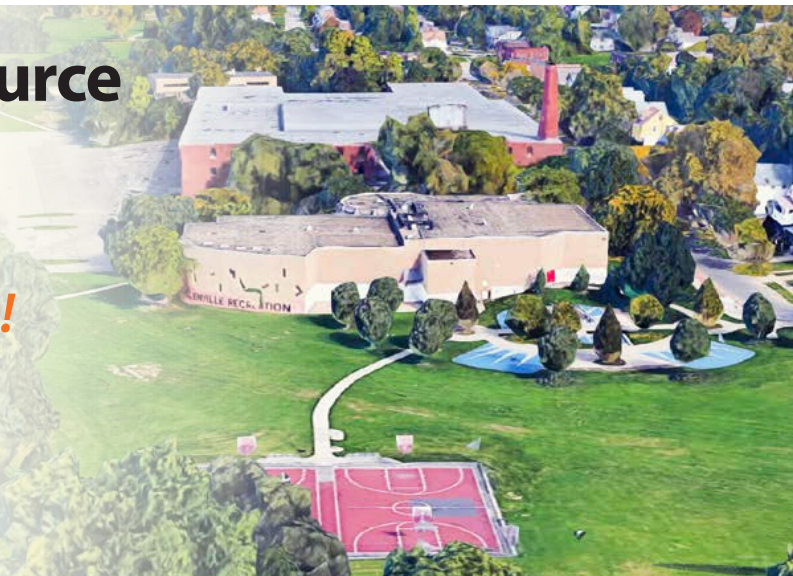
On-site amenities include a fitness center with senior-specific equipment, a community room with kitchenette, laundry facilities, plus enhanced site and building security.

GLENVILLE Neighborhood Resource “JAMES HUBBARD” & Recreation Center



VISIT or CALL for a complete listing of FALL 2023 ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS!

Location 680 East 113th St Phone 216-664-2516
www.clevelandohio.gov/city-hall/departments/public-works/divisions/recreation



The Center For Arts-Inspired Learning Celebrates the Power of Arts Education and Honors Councilman Kevin Conwell

In June, the Center for Arts-Inspired Learning (CAL) honored Councilman Kevin Conwell at its fundraiser, Illuminate, at City Hall. The Cleveland arts-education nonprofit recognized Conwell as a local arts champion while raising funds to support outstanding arts-integrated programming for K-12 youth in Northeast Ohio.

The evening included entertainment from local artists, a silent auction, heavy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Attendees were also able to view the "Inspiration Gallery", which highlights the creative works of students and local artists drawing connections to CAL's mission and celebrating the importance of arts education in the region.

"Arts education made such an incredible difference in my life. Having opportunities as a youth to sing, dance, and act paved the way for my career as an artist, but it also gave me the creative tools to be a leader and give back to the community," says CEO and President Sheffia Randall-Nickerson. "It's what is so inspiring about Councilman Conwell. He's also



Above: Councilman Kevin Conwell with his wife County Councilwoman Yvonne Conwell (left) and Center for Arts-Inspired Learning CEO and President Sheffia Randall-Nickerson (right).

an artist and understands the impact that the arts can have on the kids here."

"The arts help build self-discipline in children and teaches the principles of character and transferable life skills like being a good parent and being a good citizen. Children are gaining confidence and self-esteem and learning organizational skills to help them be successful," says Councilman Kevin Conwell, the event's honoree.

"I know being an artist myself, music helped



save my life. While going through my fight with cancer, I practiced every day, and it kept my mind off going through that trouble. The arts helped me have resilience and kept my spirit up."

Conwell's LEGISLATIVE NOTES



- ✓ **Sponsored a resolution urging the Board of Trustees of Cleveland State University College of Law to consider renaming the law school after African-American lawyer Charles Hamilton Houston.** Charles Hamilton Houston was the dean of Howard University Law School and was first special counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); Houston believed that the law could be used to fight racial discrimination and encouraged his students to work for such social purpose; Houston graduated from Amherst College and Harvard Law School, and played a significant role in dismantling Jim Crow laws; and from 1929-1935, during his time as dean of Howard University Law School, Houston influenced nearly one-quarter of all the black lawyers in the United States, including former student Thurgood

Marshall, who became a United States Supreme Court justice. Councilman Conwell has previously sponsored legislation calling on CMSD to rename schools that currently have slave holder names, some of which have been since changed, and called on CSU to rename its John Marshall School of Law which was also renamed.

- ✓ As chair of Council's Health, Human Services & the Arts committee I routinely sponsor legislation that compliments the work of the city's Health Department, including **recently asking Director of Public Health to apply for and accept a grant from the Ohio Commission on Minority Health for the continuation of the Cleveland Office on Minority Health.**
- ✓ **Repavement of E. 123rd Street, with a cost of just under \$1.2 million.**
- ✓ **Established "Playing it Forward" which went on hiatus for a time during the pandemic but is ramping up again. We recently did an instrument drive in mid-October.** There will be future drives for gently used instruments. And all the instruments collected go for free music programs for 3rd through 12th grade students. To find out more about the programs contact the Community Programs Coordinator at Arts-Inspired Learning, Darelle Hill, at darelle@arts-inspiredlearning.org.

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ALCOHOL, DRUG, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES



Life is better with you here.

Did you know that suicide is the second cause of death in Black kids aged 10-14, and the third cause of death in Black teens aged 15-19?

There is hope in help.

withyouhereCLE.org

NEED HELP? DIAL 2-1-1 OR VISIT 211OH.ORG TO CHAT ONLINE

YOUR CONNECTION TO COMMUNITY RESOURCES

When you need help, United Way 211 answers the call. Dial three numbers: 2-1-1, and a compassionate person will help you access community resources, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

UNITED WAY 211 IS A FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL SERVICE



UNITED WAY
GREATER CLEVELAND
COMMUNITY SERVICES

211 CAN PROVIDE GUIDANCE AND INFORMATION ABOUT:

- Housing, food and utility assistance
- Health care and mental health
- Employment services
- Education support
- Legal services
- Veteran's services
- Tax preparation assistance
- ...and much more.

Need a Helping Hand?

Here are some helpful resources:



findhelp

Find resources for **emergency financial, housing, and food assistance** at FindHelp.org – visit their website to find specific emergency assistance programs in your area.



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LIFEGUARD TRAINING & PLACEMENT

Two Upcoming Classes
From September 18th- December 22nd, 2023

| Thurgood Marshall | Cudell |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Tuesdays & Thursdays | Mondays & Wednesdays |
| 5:30pm - 7:30pm | 5:15pm - 7:00pm |
| 8611 Hough Ave | 1910 West Blvd |

High school students ages 15-18 may qualify to be paid \$13.50/hr during training



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Or SCAN





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