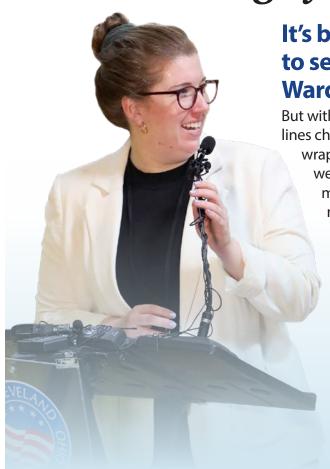


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A message from Councilwoman Maurer



It's been the honor of my life to serve Cleveland and serve Ward 12 for the past 4 years.

But with my term coming to a close and the ward lines changing, the goal of this newsletter is to wrap things up. I want to share the successes

we've had the past 4 years in Ward 12 and make sure everybody knows who their next councilperson will be.

I continue to believe what I did my first day in office: that Clevelanders deserve the very best city government possible. While I'm saddened at these changes to the Ward lines, I hope this document is part of my work to give Cleveland the very best government it deserves.

On the page inside you'll see the real, physical improvements we've made in Ward 12 over the last 4 years or what we've set aside money for in the years ahead. While we couldn't name them all, as of this writing we have 4,606

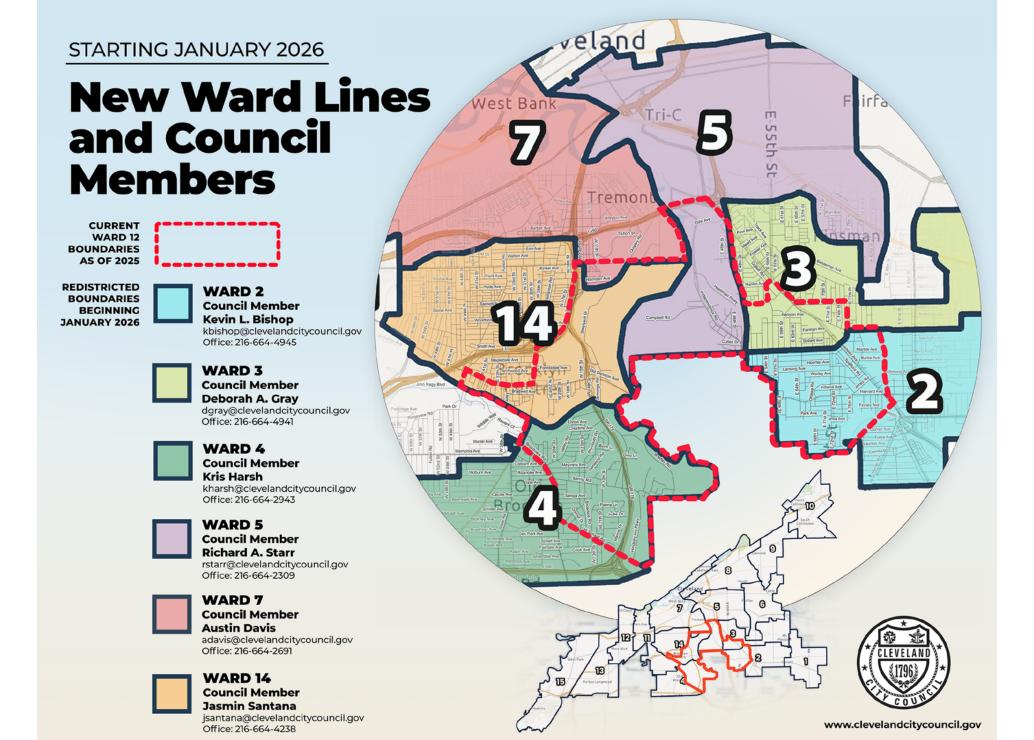
constituent concerns we've handled during our time in office across every corner of the ward.

I'm also proud of the city-wide policy work I've pushed forward, from making sure kids are not poisoned by lead to making sure our streets are lit better at night. There's much more work to do to make our city what I believe it can be. But I'm honored to have played my small part.

For Ward 12-ers, I suggest you use the map below to identify who your next councilperson will be. During the Council Redistricting Process, Ward 12 was split into 6 different pieces and it will be served by 6 different council people come January 2026.

I may not be returning to City Council in 2026, but my passion for this city hasn't dimmed at all. I'm sure you'll find me in the years ahead at summer concerts at Ben Franklin Community Garden, enjoying a walk in Calgary Park, or at a community meeting on Fleet Avenue.

See you all soon,



12 Wins for Ward 12



Commercial Corridors

I was thrilled to secure \$1 million in commercial corridor funds for Ward 12. These historic corridors are the backbone of our neighborhoods, but too many of the storefronts are vacant and un-used. This investment helps small businesses open, expand, and thrive in spaces that matter to our community. We've already completed funding to businesses like Philomena Bakery and Ziggy's, with more to come in 2026. Fir Ave



Over the last four years, I've stretched the city's limited repaving dollars as far as possible, using every cent of our annual budget plus extra ARPA and council funds. Although there's a long way to go, I'm proud of repaving 35 segments of streets with residential resurfacing dollars and also getting roads like Spring

Rd, Grant Ave, Buhrer Rd and Highview Ave re-done in partnership with the county and utility companies.



about a specific project, our office has hosted or attended 100s of community meetings across Ward 12 in the last 4 years. We counted at least 520 but there may be more we missed! These meetings are critical in rebuilding the trust between residents and City Hall and making sure we meet every corner of Ward 12 where they are at.



Tucked away in Brooklyn Centre surrounded by gorgeous heritage trees, Calgary Park was a bit of a

forgotten park. With a full investment of \$1.2 million

we were able to fully renovate this park, bringing in state-of-the-art play equipment and a new walking trail for residents. I was particularly proud of the community collaboration around the park planning and look forward to seeing the neighbors steward and support this park for years to come.



OB Street Fest

In collaboration with Old Brooklyn CDC, my office sponsored and launched OB Street Fest in 2024 to celebrate everything Old Boroklyn. Both years, the event has been a huge hit with thousands of visitors enjoying food, vendors, and music in the heart of the Broadview corridor. My hope is that even with the transition in ward lines that this wonderful event continues under the next councilperson



Ran Micro-Plan

Our office paired the Calgary Park planning process with a micro-plan for area of Brooklyn Centre around the park. In

collaboration with the Cleveland Urban Design Collaborative, we put together a set of recommendation for how to Aetna keep improving the area, including adding additional trail connections, making Brooklyn Centre better connected to Old Brooklyn, and helping residents in the surrounding areas



HBR-MCC Micro-Plan

Some neighborhoods need big plans, but other neighborhoods need micro-plans. The collection of streets at the northwest corner of Ward 12 includes the Holmden-Burhrer-Rowley-Mentor-Castle-

Clark Block Club. HBR-MCC is a unique area right above the Steelmill with critical assets like Clark Fields and the Christmas Story House. The Ward 12 office co-sponsored funding for a specific HBR-MCC Micro-Plan that will be developed in 2026.



Harmody Park

We worked hard to secure long-needed investments in Harmody Park. This past May we gathered as a community to

re-dedicate the park along with

Mr. Richard Harmody's family as well as share critical updates:

\$50,000 in Treadway Creek

Trail upgrades, investments

in new tennis courts, and a

years. My office has been

\$350,000 "down payment" on a

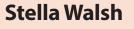
brand new park in the coming

coordinating with Friends of

Harmody Park to decide how

that initial money will be spent.

My office has also secured critical funding to improve Warsaw Park in the heart of Slavic Village. We are close to finalizing the funding source for a new play structure, which will be confirmed in early 2026, and my office has also set aside a \$350,000 "down payment" on a full park rehab to be spent in coordination with Slavic Village Development, the Trust for Public Lands, and the Friends of Warsaw Park.



A constant focus of mine these past 4 years has been in bringing improvements to Ward 12's only Rec

Center – Stella Walsh. Stella Walsh is a critical community hub but also needed some TLC after decades of operations. We worked to re-open the brand new gym for kids to use and also invested in a full weight room along with ADA-accessible equipment. A new

play structure and even a new oven for afterschool food programs rounds out this suite of investments. But we're not stopping there. With our advocacy, Stella Walsh got on the list for priority investments in the Parks and Rec Master Plan, and I hope we continue to see more improvements to the building.



Broadway Master Plan

Slavic Village needed a master plan and an incredible opportunity arose when GCRTA proposed transit-oriented development plan for a bus rapid transit line down Broadway. I believe this collaboration will bear fruit for Slavic Village

for a long time to come on issues like land use, neighborhood planning, and goal-setting. This collaborative effort will ensuring that future investments strengthen connections, support residents, and create a more vibrant, walkable Slavic Village.



Forest City Park

Small but mighty Forest City Park also saw an upgrade in these past four years. We finalized the plan for the new park and saw construction through to a community opening this past summer. The park features a new play structure, a pavilion, grills, and chess tables for entertainment for kids and adults of all ages.

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