

NEWS RELEASE From Mayor Dean DePiero

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PARMA ANNOUNCES SUMMERTIME STREET RESURFACING PROJECTS

(PARMA) – Street resurfacing and repair projects by the City of Parma will top the \$2 million mark by the time dust settles at the end of summer. Nine streets, one in each of the city's nine wards, will be completely resurfaced. Crack sealing and other repairs is scheduled for nearly 40 other streets across the city.

"The cost of doing business at this time of the year is at a premium when it comes to paying for asphalt, cement and contracting work," said Parma Mayor Dean DePiero. "There is no getting around it. We budget the best we can to keep our streets safe and in the best possible condition for our residents."

Streets scheduled for paving include Harrow Drive between Amherst Drive and Fernhill Avenue, Arden Avenue from Ridge Road to Pearl Road, Woodway Avenue from State Road to Tuxedo Avenue, North Avenue between Broadview Road and the Brooklyn city border, Antoinette Drive between Ely Vista Drive and Thoreau Drive, Daytona Drive including Hopehaven Drive between David Avenue and Biscayne Boulevard, Bobko Boulevard between Malibu Drive, Laurent Drive including Day Drive to Regency Drive and Winthrop Drive from State Road to West 29th Street.

"Drivers in the area will see a whole lot of repair work going on this summer," said Parma Service Director Brian Higgins. "We're in the same boat as every other community in Ohio by doing as much as our budget allows until the work is done and the weather turns cold. It's labor intensive, that's for sure."

In addition, there are several Parma road projects being done in partnership with the Cuyahoga County Engineer's Department. Those include portions of Sprague Road, Stumph Road and Broadview Road, the shared cost of which is in excess of one million dollars.

"The tradeoff is our taxpayers are getting their money's worth," said Mayor DePiero. "These are the costly but basic city services our residents deserve and have come to expect."