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Grant Allows City of Parma to Continue Infrastructure Improvements

(PARMA) – The City of Parma and its Contractor, F.P. Allega, are halfway through completion of the 2009 Streetscape Program and the 2009 Sidewalk Program. After taking office in 2004, Parma Mayor Dean DePiero said infrastructure improvements would be a priority, and he did so by designing and implementing these two programs.

“The best part of these projects is that we can do this work for our homeowners and for our businesses, and we don’t have to charge them a penny for the improvement,” said Mayor DePiero. “It’s a win-win for Parma and the folks who live and work here.”

The Streetscape Program aims to improve the appearance of Commercially Zoned areas of the city while the Sidewalk Program’s focus is on improving residential districts.

Both programs also target replacement of failing storm water catch basins, as well as missing sections of curb and driveway aprons. The programs are administered by the Community Services & Economic Development Department, target specific neighborhoods and are paid for by federal Community Development Block Grant funding.

In 2009, 81 residential properties and nine commercial properties will be improved with more than 38,000 square feet of new concrete and 43 new catch basins. The programs will continue into their fifth year in 2010.

Homeowners and businesses interested in having improvements made to their properties are encouraged to call Development Director Erik Tollerup at 216-661-7412.

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