

OUR MISSION

To provide a responsive, dedicated and accountable government committed to the provision of superior services to facilitate a quality lifestyle for the residents in a clean and ecologically sustainable environment.

THE CITY OF PEPPER PIKE...

...part of the Chagrin Valley residential area, is known for its small-town charm and for the caliber of its lifestyle. Pepper Pike is recognized for its well-maintained homes—on a minimum of one acre lots, two prestigious golf clubs: The Country Club and the Pepper Pike Club, and its school district, recognized as one of the best in the country.

The City has maintained a Moody's bond rating of Aa1— and is only one of three communities in the entire State, and the only community under 10,000 population, to receive such a high rating. This speaks to the City's financial strength. Pepper Pike has been an innovative leader in regional sharing while maintaining its unique high quality services.

We hope this information sheet will give you more insight into our distinguished city. On behalf of the City of Pepper Pike, we look forward to having you as one of our residents.

Richard M. Bain, Mayor

BUILDING DEPARTMENT:

- Issues permits for new construction, additions, pools and fences.
- Plans for building additions, decks, pools, and fences must be reviewed by the Architectural Board that consists of three professional architects.
- Maintains records of house plans on microfilm (since 1970) and maintains plat books for the City.
- Retains list of various contractors, landscapers, and snow plowers licensed to work in Pepper Pike.
- Preserves the City's housing standards by strictly adhering to an exacting and critical list of inspections for new homes and for any additions.
- Systematically checks all existing homes to ascertain they, are being maintained in accordance with the high standards of quality for which Pepper Pike is known.

CITY ENGINEER:

The City Engineer is responsible for:

- Reviewing development plans, grading, and drainage plans for proposed new houses.
- Guiding the City in the development and upkeep of its infrastructure.
- Overseeing municipal improvement projects and working with other governmental agencies on the City's behalf.
- Preparing grant applications in an attempt to bring State and Federal funds to the City.
- Meeting with residents concerning engineering problems.
- Consulting with builders and developers concerning the availability of existing utilities and resources.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT:

- Maintaining accurate accounting of all receipts and expenditures for the City.
- Prudently investing available funds to maintain absolute safety of principal and at the same time maximizing investment returns.
- Prepare annual budgets for the Police, Fire, Service, and administrative departments of the City.
- Prepare monthly and annual financial reports reflecting all monetary activities.
- Current property tax rates are:
 - Orange School District — 79.34 mills Current income tax rate is 1% with a 50% tax credit on income taxes paid to other communities (credit limit – 1%).

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

- Around the clock advanced life support paramedic service with two fully equipped paramedic rescue squads.
- Rapid response to emergencies — averaging five minutes.
- Dedicated staff of full and part-time personnel on duty around the clock, all of whom are State Certified Paramedics.
- Fire insurance rating of 5
- Digital recording of all phone and radio traffic.
- Well organized and effective interdepartmental mutual aid system, including Tech Rescue Team, Rapid Intervention Team, Underwater Dive/Recovery Team, Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS), and Interdivisional MABAS System with Lake, Geauga, Summit and Cuyahoga Counties.
- Effective public elementary education program.

LEGAL DEPARTMENT:

The City's Law Director, Mr. Stephen Byron, attends the Planning & Zoning Commission and all Council meetings. The City's Prosecutor is Mr. Jonathan Greenberg.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

- Consists of 15 full-time officers with a response time averaging between two to three minutes on high priority calls.
- Each patrol car is equipped with an automated external defibrillator.
- CodeRed emergency communication system.
- Operates under the belief that enforcing the law and treating people with respect are not mutually exclusive.
- Patrols every street at least once every eight hours.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT:

- Back door rubbish pickup and active recycling program.
- Prompt and efficient snow removal.
- Personal response to requests for service from residents.
- Mailbox installation in the amount of \$125.00 for Step II design mailbox.
- Active road repair and storm sewer maintenance programs.
- Sign maintenance.
- Landscape and maintain all City properties.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Richard M. Bain
Bob Freed
Tony Gentile
L. James Juliano
Jim LeMay
Richard Leskovek
Manohar Daga
Scott Newell

Population: 6,040. Area Size: 7.5 square miles. Accessibility: 13 miles from downtown Cleveland.

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