



## December City Council Updates

A newsletter updating you on what's happening in Noblesville



### Brief Council Recap & Update

We've had two meetings since my last update. Here's a brief recap from both:

- The Council approved the benefit and compensation agreements between the City and the [Fire and Police Departments](#) for the upcoming year.
- Speaking of public safety, the Council also approved [an ordinance which assists the Police Department as they hire new officers from other departments](#). We also approved a transfer which will fund [specialty-made EMS suits](#) for the Fire Department. These suits will reduce the Department's

reliance on PPE and were purchased in conjunction with another municipality, lowering the overall cost per suit to the taxpayer.

- The Council also heard a proposal for a mixed-use development (Boden Road Crossing) near Hamilton Town Center. I shared a bit more detail on this proposal last month, but have included an article on this below too.

**Looking ahead, the Council will also consider an agreement for the residential and retail project proposed near the White River.** I've included more on this and a map for context below.

Before I get to the tidbits from the Mayor's press release, here are a few answers to questions I have fielded myself from neighbors of ours:

- **Will the public still have access to the White River?** Yes — the public will absolutely have access to the riverwalk!
- **What effect will this have on the cemetery?** For those of you who are not aware, the City's cemetery is located near this project. The Council and Administration have recently made an increased investment in the cemetery and I'm committed to ensuring this historic gem of our City is brought into the fold respectfully and appropriately should this project move forward.

From the press release:

- The development would be on the east side of the White River in the 3.4-acre area that currently houses the Hamilton County Employee Parking Lot and McMillan's Auto Care.
- The large majority of project funding is from private capital, along with specified tax increment that is generated by the new development. City taxpayers and property tax funds are not pledged or at risk with the project.
- It would be four stories and would include residential and retail.
- Rent in the apartments would range from \$850 to \$2,000 per unit.
- The project plan and economic development agreement will be presented to the Noblesville Common Council at an

upcoming public meeting.

- The development team plans on breaking ground on the project in late spring or early summer 2021, if approved.

More on the project, including proposed renderings, can be found at Inside Indiana Business [here](#).



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## **Recap: Santa Visited Noblesville!**

In a year where so many of our normal traditions have been restricted, I'm grateful that the City was able to make a version of our Christmas parade work. Santa visited neighborhoods all over Noblesville in the past few weeks and I tagged along with him on the Purple Route through Old Town last Friday. It was heartwarming to see so many people (kids and adults alike!) light up when Santa came around the corner.



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## **Reminder: Holidays at the Hill**

A full Christmas experience is alive & COVID-friendly in Noblesville! Seminary Park is decked out with historic lights and Federal Hill Commons has an immersive experience with new Christmas lights, ice skating, and more! Holidays at the Hill will be up and running through January 3rd.



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## Noblesville òIn the Newsó

Over the past month Noblesville has been in the news! This was hands-down my favorite story of the month:

### [IndyStar: The Deer Creek name is back in Noblesville, but this time it's not a concert venue](#)

“The Hamilton Southeastern Board of School Trustees voted 7 to 0 on Wednesday to name the district's newest school Deer Creek Elementary, a nod to the former name of — [or in many cases, what people still call](#) — the nearby Ruoff Music Center.

The new [school, located at Bolden Road and 156th Street in Noblesville](#), will be about a mile away from the music center

and is being built to ease overcrowding at other elementary schools in HSE Schools.

The idea of naming the school Deer Creek was suggested by school board president Michelle Fullhart at the board's Nov. 11 meeting during a discussion about naming for what had been referred to as "the new elementary school in Wayne Township."

Here are a few other stories that you may have missed along the way:

- Fox59: [Santa and Mrs. Claus pay a trip to Noblesville](#)
- IndyStar: [Townhouse, duplexes, retail development planned across from Ruoff Music Center](#)
- The Times: [Erika's, Courtney's Kitchen among comings and goings](#)

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From my family to yours, I wish you all a very Merry Christmas. Thanks for following along this year and letting me know when something was of particular interest to you. I look forward to more of that in 2021.

As always, if there's anything I can do or question I can answer for you, don't hesitate to reach out.



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