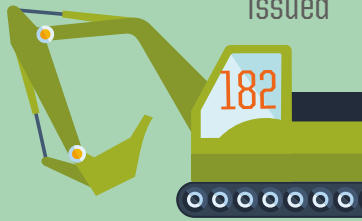


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commercial permits issued



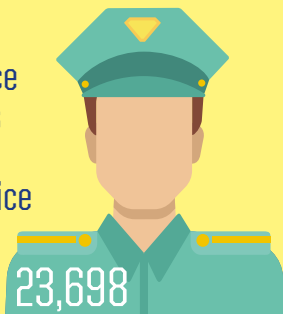
residential permits issued



projects reviewed



police calls for service



number of Citizens Police Academy graduates



Snow accumulation

14.5 inches

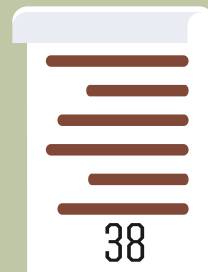
number of parks & rec programs



parks & rec participants



ordinances



resolutions



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# City of Powell ANNUAL REPORT 2022



**Letter from the City Manager Andrew White & Mayor Dan Swartwout**

What an exciting year we've had at the City of Powell! Our community has much to celebrate and be proud of over the past several months. Many of our current projects and future plans are commencing thanks to the income tax restructuring adopted in May 2021. These fiscal changes went into effect Jan. 1, 2022, and are ushering the community forward towards Powell 2.0.

**Priority 1: Capital Infrastructure**

Residents overwhelmingly supported the income tax restructuring plan in 2021 which allowed the City to invest funds in public safety, infrastructure and our businesses. The new tax law also raised the credit for taxes paid to another municipality from those that live in Powell but work in another city to 100 percent. The restructuring additionally increased the effective income tax rate for individuals working in Powell to 2 percent, in line with most Central Ohio municipalities.

The City approved a new Capital Improvement Program (CIP) funding policy, which allocated 25 percent of the prior year's municipal tax revenue to the CIP fund. Thanks to the new policy, the adopted 2022-2026 CIP allocates more than \$18M to capital projects over the next five years.

This revenue will support the city's top-rated safety services and amenities, and allow the Keep Powell Moving plan to continue its infrastructure improvements, developing roadway connections and improving bike paths throughout the City. For the past two years, the City has made its largest investment in street and path maintenance in history, making it easier for residents to travel across our community.

**Priority 2: Operational Efficiency**

In 2022, City Council approved the addition of several new staff members to the City's administration in 2023. This will allow Powell to continue offering the events and amenities residents have come to know and expect. The Parks and Recreation Department hosted record numbers of residents with a wide variety of programs and presentations for all ages, and will continue to add programming to meet an ever-growing demand.

The city also experienced many events this year that enhance the quality of life in Powell - including the 25th anniversary of the Powell Festival! Residents continue to reinforce that quality, community-building events are one of the reasons they enjoy calling Powell home.

We continue to refine processes and procedures to ensure all interactions with the City, from public service to police, run smoothly.

**Priority 3: Public Safety**

As a result of the income tax restructuring, the Powell Police Department enjoyed a nearly 11 percent budgetary increase and continues to work hard to keeping residents safe. The Police Department has been an accredited police agency since 2002 through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA).

Most recently, the Police Department went through the CALEA assessment process and was awarded with the Advanced Accreditation for Law Enforcement with Excellence.

Being an accredited police agency assists in strengthening crime prevention, formalizing essential management procedures, establishing fair personnel practices, improving service delivery, solidifying interagency cooperation, and increasing community confidence in the agency.

**Priority 4: Economic and Community Development**

Our City Administration is evaluating the need for continued development downtown, through the review of qualifications for the potential redevelopment of the area around Village Green Park. As traffic has become less of an issue, many residents now want any future efforts to revitalize downtown to focus on preserving the area's small-town charm and adding pedestrian-friendly features.

City Council continues to understand the wishes of the community as we continue working on the city's five-year Capital Improvement Plan and establish goals and priorities for the future. These capital improvements range from updated parks and their included amenities, to clearer wayfinding on our streets and paths.

**You're at Home in Powell. Welcome Home.**



**Andrew D. White**  
City Manager



**Daniel Swartwout**  
Mayor, 2021-2023

# ATTEND in 2023

**A Summer Night to Remember**  
Friday, July 21

**National Night Out: Community Bike Ride**  
Tuesday, August 1

**Passport to Powell: Cultural Diversity**  
Friday, August 18

**Police & Fire Night**  
Friday, September 15

**Candy by the Carload**  
Sunday, October 22

**Powell Fall Festival**  
Saturday, October 28

**Veterans Day Ceremony**  
Friday, November 10

**Holidays in Powell**  
Saturday, December 2

**Scan here for parks & recreation programming**



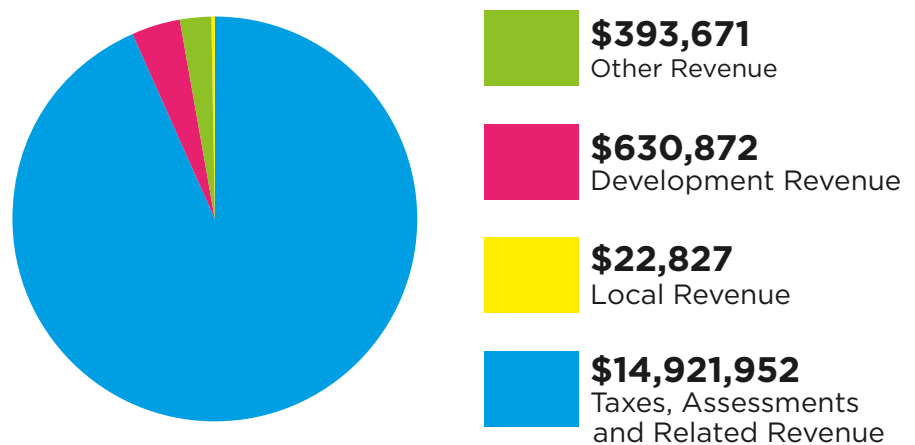
**2022-2023 Powell City Council**

**Top Row (L-R):** Jon Bennehoof, Brian Lorenz, Vice Mayor Tom Counts, Ferzan Ahmed  
**Bottom Row (L-R):** Christina Drummond, Mayor Daniel Swartwout, Heather Karr

## 2022 FINANCIALS

**2022 General Fund Revenues**

Revenue Total: **\$15,969,322**



**2022 General Fund Expenses**

Expense Total: **\$10,739,712**

