



Administrator's Report

The city's mission is to deliver exceptional services that sustain and enhance a vibrant, safe and diverse community.

City Administrator's Report February 18, 2025 prepared for City Council. Kindly forward questions, comments, or suggestions for input to mdohoney@a2gov.org, mpraschan@a2gov.org, or shiqqins@a2gov.org.

SAFETY NOTES

Safety Update *Bird Flu*

Highly pathogenic avian influenza, or bird flu, has been detected in birds in Washtenaw County recently and is suspected to be responsible for wild bird mortality at locations in and around Ann Arbor. The risk to people from bird flu is low, but those who could have contact with potentially infected animals is greater. There are a few things that you can do to protect animals and yourself.

- If you observe unusual bird deaths, such as 6 or more dead wild birds, report it to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR), [Eyes in the Field form](#), or call the DNR Wildlife Disease Laboratory at 517-336-5030.
- If you observe sick or dead wildlife, it is best to avoid contact. Try to prevent domestic animals from interacting with wildlife or their droppings as well.
- If you have to handle a sick or dead animal, protect yourself by with proper PPE as advised by the Michigan [DNR](#).
- Cook poultry products thoroughly and do not consume unpasteurized products.
- Practice good hand hygiene!

For more information, please visit the Michigan DNR [website](#). ***Thank you for making A2 Be Safe!***

SUSTAINABILITY & INNOVATIONS

- **Sustainability & Innovations Corner.** Catch up on the latest from the Ann Arbor Office of Sustainability and Innovations (OSI). For more information, including registration links, visit [OSI online](#). **Calling all food lovers and home cooks: Contribute to the A²ZERO Community Cookbook:** OSI is compiling a community cookbook! Do you enjoy cooking from scratch with local, seasonal ingredients, have creative ways of using up food scraps or have a tasty plant-based recipe you love? Contribute recipes and sustainable food tips by March 1 to the A²ZERO Community Cookbook at osi.a2gov.org/cookbook.
- **Ambassador applications now open:** Join the seventh cohort of A²ZERO Ambassadors to gain increased knowledge, tools, and resources to discuss sustainability broadly and specific actions you and your community can implement to advance carbon neutrality. Learn more and apply by Wednesday, Feb. 19, at osi.a2gov.org/ambassadors.

- **New energy rebates available:** The office of sustainability and innovations is pleased to announce an expansion to our home energy rebate program and our home energy advisor service to provide more money to more residents, with a streamlined process to make the application even easier. To learn more, visit osi.a2gov.org/rebates.
- **Electric lawn care equipment discount program and electric leaf blower rebates:** Designed to help lower the cost of transitioning from gas to electric leaf blowers, in accordance with Ann Arbor’s new leaf blower ordinance, discounts and rebates for electric lawn care equipment will be available March 1 – May 31 of this year, or until funding is expended. For more information, including rebate and discount amount as well as eligibility, visit osi.a2gov.org/leafblowers.
- **Join the Ann Arbor Sustainable Energy Utility waitlist:** The city is currently registering interest in the Ann Arbor Sustainable Energy Utility. If you are interested in enrolling or getting more information as it becomes available, please fill out this form to join the waitlist.
- **University of Michigan Zero Waste Week Policy Panel:** Creating a Circular Future: Thursday, Feb. 20, 6 – 7:30 p.m., Annenberg Auditorium, 735 S. State St., Ann Arbor. Join us for a discussion on zero_ waste policy including Ann Arbor’s circular economy strategy, the effort to overturn Michigan’s ban on local plastic policy and more. We’ll be joined by experts working in the policy space including Missy Stults, Sustainability and Innovations director, City of Ann Arbor, Dr. Lisa Disch, Ann Arbor City Council Ward 1 representative, and Sue Shink, Michigan state senator. Learn more and submit any questions you have ahead of the event online, or email them to umich@zerowaste.org.
- **Sustainability Forum:** Circular Innovation in Ann Arbor’s Food and Beverage Sectors: Wednesday, Feb. 26, 6–7:30 p.m., Ann Arbor District Library Downtown Branch, fourth floor multi-purpose room. Anyone who has been to Ann Arbor knows just how extraordinary its food and beverage scene_is! In addition to providing wonderful products to residents and visitors, many local food and beverage businesses are adopting sustainable practices to reduce their environmental impact. Join us at the downtown branch of the Ann Arbor District Library for the second session of the 2025 Sustainability Forum series to learn about the work Ann Arbor’s office of sustainability is doing to advance sustainability within the local food business community, as well as hear from the local food entrepreneurs who are reducing landfill waste and advancing a more circular, regenerative food system!



COUNCIL PRIORITIES/INITIATIVES

- **Police Monthly Report.** The January 2025 AAPD Monthly Comparison Report – Monthly Pedestrian Crash Report (PDF) is attached.
- **Transportation Commission Monthly Report.** The February 2025 Transportation Commission Project Report is available via <https://a2gov.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=7140564&GUID=A6ADC706-5C16-48D9-84F1-B10C87065BD3>

PREVIEWS

February 18 Council Meeting will feature the following items of interest:

Consent Agenda (15). There are 15 items on the consent agenda.

Public Hearings (3). Public hearings are listed below and listed under second reading.

- A Public Hearing and Resolution to Approve the Robertson Homes Annexation, 6.3 Acres, 255, 315, 371 Scio Church Road, 2180 Ann Arbor-Saline Road (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 8 Yeas and 0 Nays)
- A Public Hearing and Resolution to Vacate Cornwell Place (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 8 Yeas, 0 Nays; 8 Votes Required); Release Utility Easements (8 Votes Required); Release Duct Bank Agreements, and Approve a Utilities Transfer Agreement with the University of Michigan

Ordinances – First Reading (1).

- An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 55 (Zoning), Rezoning of 1.15 Acres from TWP (Township) to PUD (Planned Unit Development District), Hickory Way III PUD Zoning and Supplemental Regulations, 1146 South Maple Road (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 8 Yeas and 0 Nays)

Ordinances – Second Reading (1).

- A Public Hearing and An Ordinance to Amend Section 1:195 (Public Market Advisory Commission) to Chapter 8 (Organization of Boards and Commissions) of Title I (Administration) of the Ann Arbor City Code

OTHER

New Economic Development Director. The City of Ann Arbor is introducing its first [economic development director](#), Joe Giant. Joe comes to Ann Arbor from the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, and will join the city leadership team Monday, March 17.

New City Flag for Sale. A new city flag is now flying outside of city buildings, and you can also "fly" the new flag! Two sizes are available for (in-person-only) purchase — a “parade” size for \$10 and a 4-foot- by 6-foot flag for \$65 — in the city clerk's office, second floor at Larcom City Hall. A FREE laptop sticker can also be picked up from the front counter of the city clerk's office.

City Launches A2 Engage Online Hub. The City of Ann Arbor is launching [Engage Ann Arbor \(EA2\)](#), a dynamic online hub designed to significantly improve how the city shares information and gathers input on projects and programs. More than a year in development, and in partnership with Social Pinpoint, this innovative platform marks a step forward in digital public engagement and transparency.

About Engage Ann Arbor (EA2)

[Engage Ann Arbor \(EA2\)](#) is a comprehensive online platform that provides residents with detailed, interactive insights into city projects and initiatives by leveraging tools such as data visualization, mapping and surveys. The city had been using similar tools in the past, and EA2 brings them all together, in one place, to enhance how the city communicates and collaborates with the community.

Features of EA2:

- Survey tools: Efficiently share your opinions and feedback on city initiatives.
- Data integration: Access a wide range of datasets relevant to ongoing projects.
- Engagement tools: Participate in discussions and stay informed about current and upcoming projects.
- Interactive maps: Explore project locations and affected areas with ease.

The features on the hub will be used based on the needs of the project, therefore not all projects will need the use of each.

The City of Ann Arbor is excited to expand EA2's reach, empowering residents with a new way to play an active role in projects and planning. EA2 will complement, not replace, the other ways the city interacts with the community, ultimately helping to ensure everyone can participate and be heard, effectively and as conveniently as possible.

Barton Dam Embankment Work and Public Access Restrictions to Begin in March 2025. Barton Dam construction work will begin in Ann Arbor in early March 2025. The dam is adjacent to Barton Pond, Barton Nature Area, Bird Hills Nature Area and trails to and along the Huron River.

Due to the construction project, public access within these areas will be restricted, including: North of the pedestrian bridge on the west side the railroad crossing; the right embankment including the canoe portage on Barton Pond; the spillway; and the left embankment. In addition, there will be no public on-site access to Barton Pond. The parking lot at Barton Nature Area will be available; however, the public is advised that the access drive, pathways and adjacent yard will be shared by construction operations and construction traffic. The pedestrian bridge over the Huron River and the city canoe launch downstream of the pedestrian bridge will be accessible. While there will be barricades and signage posted, the public using the Barton Nature Area is urged to remain cautious in the parking lot, pathway and other areas west of the Huron River. A map indicating restricted areas as well as areas that will be maintained for public access can be found on the city [dams and hydros webpage](#). There is also potential for noise from equipment situated between the railroad tracks and the dam, as dewatering equipment must remain running 24 hours, seven days per week during key excavation work.

Visitors to this area are asked to comply with the safety restrictions, barricades and posted signage on site. The city is also taking this opportunity to issue a reminder that crossing railroad tracks beyond designated, posted access points is extremely hazardous and is against the law.

This work at Barton Dam is anticipated to be completed by June 2027 and will include stabilizing a berm on the downstream slope of the right embankment to address seepage and stability concerns. "These planned improvements are necessary to ensure the operational reliability of this key infrastructure component and are required for Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) compliance," explained Ann Arbor Water Treatment Services Manager Molly Maciejewski. This project is included in the city's Capital Improvements Plan and will receive funding in the amount of \$2 million from the American Rescue Plan Act ([Resolution Enactment #R-24-280](#)). Additional work will include improving site access and other dam maintenance as required by FERC.

Updates, as available, will be posted on the [City of Ann Arbor Facebook](#) page, [NextDoor](#) (for city residents) and on the [city website](#). The city thanks all for their patience during this construction project.

A2 Snow Match Program Pairs Volunteers with Neighbors in Need. Need assistance with managing snow and ice from sidewalks? Or, do you want to give back and make a difference in your community? The City of Ann Arbor has solutions for both! The city is helping residents prepare for winter weather, and the responsibilities that come with the ice and snow, with the launch of the 2024–25 [A2 Snow Match program](#). Residents can sign up now for this season's A2 Snow Match — either as a volunteer or a recipient — to be paired with a nearby neighbor to assist, or to be assisted, with sidewalk snow removal.

Police and Fire Departments Schedule May 17 Open House. Save the date to meet our local first responders, including police K-9 officers, get up close with police and fire vehicles, watch demonstrations and so much more

at the annual City of Ann Arbor Fire and Police Open House! The event takes place along Fifth Avenue, in front of fire station No. 1, 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Saturday, May 17.



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FROM: Ann Arbor Police Department
SUBJECT: Monthly Comparison Report
DATE: February 11, 2025

AAPD Offense Monthly Comparison Report (preliminary and advisory) Part A – January 2025

January 2025 Monthly Crime Comparison Report									
Crime Part	Group Description	01/01/2025 TO 02/01/2025	12/01/2024 TO 01/01/2025	Percent Changed	01/01/2024 TO 02/01/2024	Percent Changed	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	Percent Changed
A	AGGRAVATED/FELONIOUS ASSAULT	12	17	-29.41%	15	-20.00%	12	15	-20.00%
A	BURGLARY-ENTRY WITHOUT FORCE (Intent to Commit)	7	10	-30.00%	6	16.67%	7	6	16.67%
A	BURGLARY-FORCED ENTRY	15	12	25.00%	10	50.00%	15	10	50.00%
A	DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	11	24	-54.17%	32	-65.63%	11	32	-65.63%
A	EMBEZZLEMENT	1	1	0.00%	2	-50.00%	1	2	-50.00%
A	EXTORTION	1	2	-50.00%	1	0.00%	1	1	0.00%
A	FORGERY/COUNTERFEITING	3	2	50.00%	3	0.00%	3	3	0.00%
A	FRAUD -CREDIT CARD/AUTOMATIC TELLER MACHINE	10	6	66.67%	4	150.00%	10	4	150.00%
A	FRAUD -FALSE PRETENSE/SWINDLE/CONFIDENCE GAME	29	17	70.59%	24	20.83%	29	24	20.83%
A	FRAUD - IDENTITY THEFT	8	3	166.67%	7	14.29%	8	7	14.29%
A	INTIMIDATION/STALKING	7	1	600.00%	14	-50.00%	7	14	-50.00%
A	LARCENY-OTHER	31	33	-6.06%	24	29.17%	31	24	29.17%
A	LARCENY-THEFT FROM BUILDING	16	16	0.00%	29	-44.83%	16	29	-44.83%
A	LARCENY-THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE	33	39	-15.38%	59	-44.07%	33	59	-44.07%
A	LARCENY-THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE PARTS/ACCESSORIES	10	9	11.11%	9	11.11%	10	9	11.11%
A	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	5	10	-50.00%	11	-54.55%	5	11	-54.55%
A	NONAGGRAVATED ASSAULT	34	41	-17.07%	44	-22.73%	34	44	-22.73%
A	OBSCENITY	2	1	100.00%	0	N/A	2	0	N/A
A	RETAIL FRAUD -THEFT	32	50	-36.00%	43	-25.58%	32	43	-25.58%
A	ROBBERY	6	1	500.00%	4	50.00%	6	4	50.00%
A	SEXUAL CONTACT FORCIBLE -CSC 2ND DEGREE	2	0	N/A	1	100.00%	2	1	100.00%
A	SEXUAL CONTACT FORCIBLE -CSC 4TH DEGREE	1	1	0.00%	3	-66.67%	1	3	-66.67%
A	SEXUAL PENETRATION ORAL/ANAL -CSC 3RD DEGREE	1	0	N/A	3	-66.67%	1	3	-66.67%
A	SEXUAL PENETRATION PENIS/VAGINA -CSC 1ST DEGREE	1	4	-75.00%	2	-50.00%	1	2	-50.00%
A	STOLEN PROPERTY	2	1	100.00%	3	-33.33%	2	3	-33.33%
A	VIOLATION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT	7	5	40.00%	2	250.00%	7	2	250.00%

N/C represents an increase of "0" which is mathematically "Not-Calculable"



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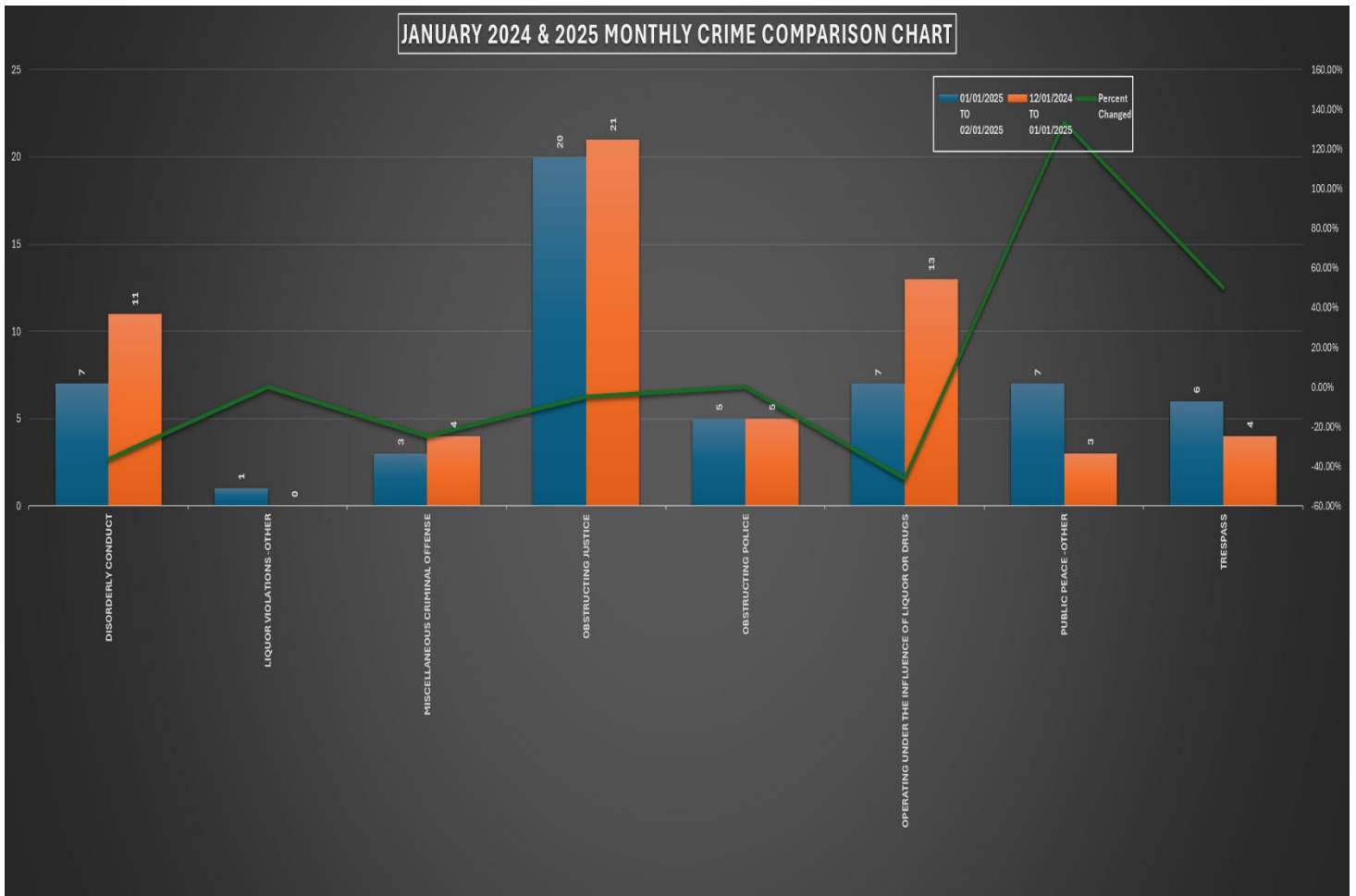
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January 2025 Monthly Crime Comparison Report									
Crime Part	Group Description	01/01/2025 TO 02/01/2025	12/01/2024 TO 01/01/2025	Percent Changed	01/01/2024 TO 02/01/2024	Percent Changed	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	Percent Changed
B	DISORDERLY CONDUCT	7	11	-36.36%	9	-22.22%	7	9	-22.22%
B	LIQUOR VIOLATIONS -OTHER	1	0	N/A	0	N/A	1	0	N/A
B	MISCELLANEOUS CRIMINAL OFFENSE	3	4	-25.00%	3	0.00%	3	3	0.00%
B	OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	20	21	-4.76%	17	17.65%	20	17	17.65%
B	OBSTRUCTING POLICE	5	5	0.00%	4	25.00%	5	4	25.00%
B	OPERATING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF LIQUOR OR DRUGS	7	13	-46.15%	11	-36.36%	7	11	-36.36%
B	PUBLIC PEACE -OTHER	7	3	133.33%	9	-22.22%	7	9	-22.22%
B	TRESPASS	6	4	50.00%	4	50.00%	6	4	50.00%

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AAPD Monthly Pedestrian Crash Report – January 2025

Report #	Location	Date	Time	Vehicle Movement	Pedestrian In Crosswalk	At Fault Party	Pedestrian Injury
250001032	N University and S Thayer	1/8/2025	11:25 AM	Going Straight	Yes	Motorist	A
250001753	Plymouth and Bishop	1/12/2025	8:34 PM	Going Straight	Yes	Motorist	B
250002069	S Main and E Madison	1/15/2025	8:59 AM	Turning Left	Yes	Motorist	B
250002336	S Main and Hill	1/16/2025	10:59 PM	Going Straight	No	Pedestrian	A
250002340	W Madison and S Main	1/16/2025	11:09 PM	Turning Left	Yes	Motorist	B
250003738	E Hoover and Greene	1/25/2025	9:50 AM	Turning Left	Yes	Motorist	O
250004734	Washtenaw and Pittsfield	1/20/2025	7:00 AM	Turning Right	Yes	Motorist	C

AAPD Monthly Bicyclist Crash Report – January 2025

Report #	Location	Date	Time	Vehicle Movement	Bike Movement	At Fault Party	Bike Injury	Helmet
250000690	Washtenaw and Hill	1/5/2025	9:57 PM	Turning Left	Going Straight	Motorist	B	No
250004575	Washtenaw and Huron Parkway	1/30/2025	7:43 PM	Turning Left	Crossing at Intersection	Motorist	B	Yes

N/A represents the information was "not available" at the time of the report

Injury Legend:
K - Fatal Injury (Any injury which results in death)
A - Suspected Serious Injury (Any injury other than fatal which prevents normal activities and generally requires hospitalization)
B - Suspected Minor Injury (Any minor injury that is evident to others at the scene)
C - Possible Injury (Any possible injury that is reported or claimed)
O - No Injury (No indication of injury)

