

# **Westlake Community Improvement Corporation (C.I.C.)**

**County of Cuyahoga  
City of Westlake  
27700 Hilliard Boulevard  
Westlake, Ohio 44145**

Michael Killeen, President  
Dennis M. Clough, Vice President & Treasurer  
Executive Director & Secretary  
Robert Patton, Trustee

Donald Bennett, Trustee  
James Connole, Trustee Robert M. Parry,  
Kenneth Brady, Trustee

## **YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008**

### **Year in Review**

**In 2008 the Westlake Community Improvement Corporation (C.I.C.) had no inducements or issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds.**

**The Planning Department administers two tax abatement programs (CRA and EZ) for business and industrial expansion and retention. Currently there are nine companies participating in the program with eleven agreements in effect. The companies receiving abatement approved by the city include: Bay Corporation, Sweet Pea/ Inspection Engineering (formerly granted to Controlco), XIM Corporation (HCMH partners), Hyland Software (2 agreements), Industrial Electric Wire and Cable, LaCenter (OCPF No.1LLC and formerly Jubilee Catering), Q-Panel Lab Products (High Oaks Ltd.), Struer's Inc (Premcar), Viking Sewing Machine (VWS Inc) CRA program, Capstone (VWS Inc) EZ program.**

**In 2008 there was little Industrial activity in the city in terms of construction. Only one industrial building expansion was made for Cleveland Door totaling 1,536 sf. No industrial buildings were proposed in 2008, however, a number of commercial and office buildings started or completed construction during the year including: two large mixed-use buildings in Crocker Park (BW & ENW) with 50,547 sf of retail and 98 apartment units on the upper two floors; Medical Resources Group office building 10,761 sf, Fidelity Office building 7,200 sf, Clemens West Office 14,678 sf, ENA Spa West 6,940 sf and Key Bank on Columbia Road 4,282 sf.**

**The 2008, the city published its eighth issue of the Westlake Magazine that is used as a marketing tool for attracting new businesses and providing information about activities and businesses in the city. Last year's issue contained articles on: Westlake's senior housing industry, technology education in Westlake Schools and expansions at the St John West Shore Hospital. Copies of the magazine were distributed to every household and business in the city as well as provided to real estate offices and hotels throughout the city.**

**In 2008, the city expanded its economic development activity with the creation and filling the position of Economic Development Manager within the Department of Planning and Economic Development. The addition of staff will expand the department's ability to network with existing companies, provide greater assistance to existing and potential companies and expand promotion and marketing efforts of the city. Also in 2008, the city adopted a new zoning section 1216.05 (Ordinance 2008-36) establishing the "Dover Village Overlay Regulations" which was drafted based on the Commercial Design Guidelines study completed under the direction of the Design Review District Subcommittee of the Westlake Community Improvement Corporation in 2005.**

**Trustees and Officers:**

The following trustees and officers of the Corporation for the year ending December 31, 2008 were:

<b>NAME:</b>	<b>POSITION:</b>	<b>AFFILIATION:</b>
Mr. Donald Bennett	Vice President	Bennett Builders
Mr. Dennis M. Clough	Mayor	City of Westlake
Mr. Michael Killeen	President of Council	City of Westlake
Mr. Kenneth Brady	Councilman	City of Westlake
Mr. Robert Patton (retired)	Director of Inspections	City of Westlake
Mr. Robert Parry	Director of Planning	City of Westlake
Mr. James Connole	Councilman	City of Westlake

The Officers of the Corporation elected at the 2008 Annual Meeting: Michael Killeen, President; Dennis Clough, Vice President & Treasurer; and Robert Parry, Executive Director & Secretary.

**Financial Statement:**

Attached is the Financial Statement of the year ended December 31, 2008.

Questions may be addressed by contacting the Mayor of the City of Westlake, Ohio at City Hall, 27700 Hilliard Boulevard, Westlake, Ohio 44145.

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Michael Killeen, President

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Date

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Robert Parry, Secretary

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Date:

February 19, 2009