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Westland Senior Center Air Handling System Set to be Updated to Fight Virus

October 9, 2020 - On Monday, October 5, the Westland City Council awarded a bid for a state-of-the-art heating, cooling, ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HCVAC) Pathogen Mitigation project which will eliminate airborne viruses at the Westland Senior Center, located at 1119 Newburgh Rd. This technology has been used in hospitals for many years to address swine flu, SARS, MERS and other infectious diseases.

The Council accepted the administration's recommendation to award the contract to the lowest responsive vendor, Climate Technology Mechanical LC, with the total amount not to exceed \$72,174. The project will be funded through the City's annual Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocation.

"In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is vitally important we invest in improvements to increase safety measures, particularly for our seniors, who are the most vulnerable to suffering severe effects from contracting the disease," commented Mayor Wild.

In discussion with city contractors, the project is expected to be completed by January 1, 2021.

For more information, please call (734) 467-3200.

Westland, Michigan is the state's 10th largest municipality, with a population of over 84,000.

Westland has been recognized as one of 24/7 Wall Street's America's Best 50 Cities to Live, offering residents and visitors an ideal blend of single – family affordable homes, apartments and condominiums,

great schools, and access to numerous outdoor activities. Public safety is delivered by full-service, professional law enforcement and firefighting personnel.

Westland is well known as a premier destination for shopping and dining in Wayne County with hundreds of shops and restaurants anchored by the Westland shopping Center, one of the countries original four regional malls.

The City is served by two public school districts; Wayne-Westland Community Schools serving 12,000 youth was recently named one of the best schools in Michigan by WXYZ-TV and is the proud recipient of 14 Golden Apple and two Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School Awards. Livonia Public Schools, educating nearly 15,000 students, is proud of their MEAP/MME scores that exceed State averages and the district has also earned Golden Apple and Michigan Blue Ribbon Exemplary School awards.

The City provides competitive incentives for those who are interested in investing in Westland, making it one of the hottest investment markets in the region. Westland's Fast-Track to Business Team, which consists of key decision makers who work diligently to "cut the red tape" and expedite the approval process for new business development.