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PARK CENTER COMMONS RIBBON CUTTING

City of Wadsworth Mayor Robin Laubaugh announces a ribbon cutting event to be held on Friday, November 18th at 10:00 a.m., to officially open LaVern Drive, a new road connecting Park Centre Drive with Smokerise Drive.

"This represents a great public / private collaboration between the City of Wadsworth and American Hospitality Group" said Mayor Laubaugh. "We are fortunate to have such a dedicated partner that is continually promoting growth in our city."

To be held in front of the Holiday Inn Express & Suites at 231 Park Centre Drive, the ribbon cutting also recognizes the opening of Park Center Commons, a mixed use development consisting of a mix of commercial and residential zoning. With the majority being C3 Highway Commercial, the development includes lots ranging in size from 1 to 18 acres. The southern portion of the property along Park Center Drive has highway visibility, and all the parcels are located within the City of Wadsworth with full utilities. Lots are available for sale or the developer will build to suit.

"This development benefits the residents by improving traffic flow on the north end, opening this area for new development, and improving the possibility of a connection to Hartman Road" said Director of Public Service Robert Patrick. "The extension and connection of Park Centre and Smokerise Drives allows motorists access from Reimer Road to the businesses at Park Centre Drive, thus alleviating congestion on SR 94, which is our busiest commercial corridor."

The \$1.75 million public improvement project, contracted to Fechko Excavating Inc., included new streets, water, sewer, electric, communications, storm sewer, street lighting and signage, as well as the construction of sidewalks in some areas of the new street.

Information regarding the Park Center Commons development may be found at www.parkcentercommons.com.