

ALLEN PARK SALES RESULTS

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YEAR	# OF HOMES SOLD	AVERAGE SALES PRICE	PRICE CHANGE
2005	330	\$150,392.00	+\$1,660.00
2006	251	\$138,681.00	-\$11,711.00
2007	246	\$127,360.00	-\$11,321.00
2008	310	\$103,691.00	-\$23,669.00
2009	349	\$73,680.00	-\$30,011.00
2010	341	\$69,993.00	-\$3,687.00
2011	376	\$66,187.00	-\$3,806.00
2012	422	\$68,543.00	+\$2,356.00
2013	470	\$80,827.00	+\$12,284.00
2014	450	\$93,405.00	+\$12,578.00
2015	445	\$105,309.00	+\$11,904.00
2016	510	\$114,129.00	+\$8,820.00
2017	483	\$126,390.00	+12,261.00

2017 came and went by so fast. A nice chunk of change clanked into your home equity change jar... \$12,261.00 to be exact. At our current pace, we could finally reach our peak average sales price of \$150,392.00 by 2019. It will have taken us 14 years to get back the equity we lost in the great recession. Looking at the chart, you will notice the amount of sales jumped up once prices started going up...just like the Stock Market! We rarely see foreclosures or short sales any longer, and that is wonderful news!

Roads got repaired and replaced thanks to the Road Millage we voted in a few years ago. I-75 Southbound shut down most of last year, congesting all Downriver Southbound Routes. We purchased a building next to Tim's Coney Island and behind the 24th District Court. Rumor has it we will be moved into the new City Hall by May of this year! Police Department will also be moving into the same building. Philomene Road will be permanently blocked between Allen Road and Roosevelt and used for parking and the police lot. Hampton Inn and Holiday Inn Express are coming along nicely on Southfield just West of the Railroad overpass. A new Wind Tunnel is being built right behind the two new hotels. That is a lot of tax dollars being pumped into our budget. One more rumor I heard from a good source is that a retail strip and a high rise hotel will be built at the location of our former City Hall. No shovels in the dirt yet, so I am keeping my fingers crossed. If you know of anyone thinking of buying or selling in our area, please mention my name. I promise to take good care of them.



You can count on me!

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I met Marie in 2005. She had called to invite me over to her place to tell me her story. We sat in her backyard garden as she showed me photos of when her home had been built back in 1941. I admired the huge Maple and Oak trees in her wide double lot, which she had planted from long ago. She and her husband Harry raised their three lovely daughters in that humble little bungalow. Her pictures and story were published in 2005. Over the years, we kept in touch and would often go out to lunch and drive around Allen Park. She took great care of her garden and was on the Allen Park Garden Walk many times. After living in that house for 76 years, she passed away. I will miss her very much...

You would think that living in your house for 76 years would be a record, but think again. After I wrote the story about



Marie

Harry and Marie, I challenged all Allen Parkers to let me know if they had lived in their home longer. In 2005, Marie had lived in her home for 64 years. Caller after caller gave me their record...65...66...67...until one sunny Summer day Bertha walked into my office. I had often spotted her walking in Allen Park over the years but had never met her. She told me that she had been born in the front bedroom of her parent's home 75 years earlier! She never left home, took care of her parents, and still takes care of the place to this very day. Bertha invited me into her home and it was beautiful. Her home had been perfectly preserved for all those years. Greenfield Village would be proud. Bertha has lived in her bungalow for 88 years now and is still going strong. Way to go Bertha!



Marie and Daughter Linda

One of the best things about this newsletter is that it has brought so many wonderful people and stories into my life. I am Thankful for all of your calls and letters, countless cups of coffee and thousands of invitations to come into your homes over the past thirty years. You have given me the great gift of a wonderful career and I really appreciate it. I look forward to hearing your stories and looking at your old photos in the future. Anyone beat 88 years?

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ALLEN PARK - Pleasant Future



Holiday Inn Express taken March 2018
Should be open this Summer



Hampton Inn taken March 2018
Should be open this Summer.



New City Hall
Under Construction-
March 2018

City Hall Construction
Second View Taken
March 2018.



Sveden House, I would guess back in
the seventies judging by the cars!

Sveden House postcard
showing their famous buffet.

