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### **Fairfield County Real Estate Assessment Offices Plan Move to 108 North High Street; DLZ will be the Architects for the Project**

**Lancaster, Ohio** – There are exciting new plans for the county government building at 108 N. High Street. This location formerly housed the Detective Bureau which is now located in its new home at the new Sheriff’s Office and Jail Complex on Lincoln Avenue. In the future, the building at 108 N. High Street will be the location of the County Auditor’s Real Estate Assessment Offices.

The Board of County Commissioners recently contracted with DLZ as the architects for the project. It is the collective desire of county leadership that the historic significance of the building (with original construction beginning in the 1830’s) be maintained and that the infrastructure, mechanical, and electrical systems be improved for modern standards. Early renderings about the design are available.

The initial designs for improvement are underway. The building will eventually house work stations suitable for Real Estate Assessment, Geographical Information System, and Mapping professionals. There will be conference rooms to hold Board of Revision meetings and hearings. Further, there will be upgraded public parking.

Construction is expected to begin in late 2018, once designs and plans are completed. County Auditor Jon Slater is dedicating Real Estate Assessment funds to the project which is estimated to cost about \$2 million.

Jon Slater stated, “The use of Real Estate Assessment funds is appropriate because of the dedicated use of the building. We are excited to improve the facility for the important services conducted for the public.” Once the project is completed, there will be additional office and storage space in the Administrative Courthouse on Main Street.

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