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CITY OF MONTGOMERY AWARDED FOR HAVING THE BEST MUNICIPAL WEB SITE IN THE COUNTRY

(Montgomery, OH)— The City of Montgomery was honored during the National Association of Government Webmasters Annual Conference on September 20th as having the best municipal web site in the country. The coveted award is judged by web professionals from inside and outside of government and is based on a site's Content, Organization, Design, Function, Accessibility, Standards, Interactivity and Team Involvement.

Montgomery received the Pinnacle Award which represents the highest scoring of all entries in the small city category, exhibiting strengths in all eight areas of judging. Only one Pinnacle Award is given each year to cities of similar size to Montgomery. Previous winners in this population category include Charlottesville, VA, Evanston, IL, Round Rock, TX and Greenbrier Co., WV.

“We are extremely proud to have been presented with this award for the best municipal web site in the country,” said Matthew Vanderhorst, Customer Service Director for the City of Montgomery. “It was awarded by our municipal peers and is reflective of the team work and collective talents demonstrated by the Montgomery City employees.”

The National Association of Government Webmasters is a non-profit group formed in 2003 with a membership of nearly 300 cities, counties and townships. More information is available on their web site at www.nagw.org.

“It is truly an honor for our city to have been awarded for the best web site in the country,” stated Cheryl Hilvert, City Manager for Montgomery. “As communication with our residents is a top priority, we use the web site as a key resource to provide practical information that is timely and accurate for our citizens.”

The nationally recognized City of Montgomery web site may be found at www.montgomeryohio.org.