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ICP cancels purchase of Liberty Ford land

By SUE REID

Liberty Ford officials confirmed Monday that the pending sale of their Aurora Road site in Solon is off the table, just one month after voters approved new mixed use zoning for that area.

Liberty Ford officials said they were informed by Industrial Commercial Properties that the land deal will not go through. Michael Herrick, son of Liberty Ford founder Jim Herrick, said that ICP had until Monday to complete the due

diligence and whether to proceed to closing the purchase.

The notice of termination of the contract dated Dec. 2 from Walter Haverfield Attorneys at Law to the Liberty Investment Group stated, "The buyer is not satisfied with

the environmental condition of the property and hereby elects to terminate the agreement."

ICP had asked Liberty Ford to help pay for the research involving the condition of the land, and the

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Dr. Syed P. Ashraf, an internal medicine doctor of Solon and co-founder of the Salaam Clinic, administers a medical check to Brian Lyons during the Salaam Clinic's Sunday hours. Free medical care is provided at the clinic, located in the Hough neighborhood in the City of Cleveland.

Solon physicians open free clinic in Hough neighborhood

By SUE REID

Two local doctors are at the helm — and the heart — of a free clinic that they recently opened in the City of Cleveland.

The Salaam Clinic was founded recently in the Hough neighborhood of Cleveland by Dr. Syed P. Ashraf and Dr. Simee Malik, both of Solon, along with Dr. Marina Magrey, an internal medicine specialist at MetroHealth Medical Center and

a resident of Richfield. They began seeing patients about three weeks ago.

The clinic, which includes three exam rooms, serves the uninsured and the underinsured, the doctors explained, and provides free health care.

"The idea has been percolating for about two years," explained Dr. Malik, a pediatrician with Lake Health. "We felt with so many physicians in our community, we were

lacking in free health care."

In fact, the Cleveland Clinic's main campus is nearby the Salaam Clinic as is University Hospitals of

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Solon resident Dr. Simee Malik, one of the founders of the Salaam Clinic, provides free pediatric care to patients in the inner-city of Cleveland and surrounding areas.



Rep. Joyce explores transportation needs with regional leaders

By SUE REID

Transportation concerns for Northeast Ohio communities were discussed during a roundtable last week when U.S. Rep. Dave Joyce met with leaders from across the region at Solon City Hall.

About 20 officials took part in the hour-long discussion, including representatives from the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, Ohio Department of Transportation, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority and Team NEO, as well

as several county engineers from Cuyahoga, Lake and Geauga counties, and Solon Mayor Edward H. Kraus.

In opening the roundtable, NOACA Executive Director Grace Gallucci thanked the congressman

for taking a leadership role when it comes to transportation and infrastructure issues affecting local municipalities.

Rep. Joyce, R-Bainbridge, serves the 14th congressional district of

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