ORDINANCE NO. 2022-8

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE LAW DIRECTOR AND FIXING THE COMPENSATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW AND ASSISTANTS TO THE DIRECTOR OF LAW

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Village Charter, the Mayor has the authority to appoint the Director of Law for the Village subject to the confirmation of Council; and

WHEREAS, Council has determined that the Mayor's appointment should be confirmed as he meets all qualifications as set forth in the Village Charter for such position:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio that:

- **SECTION 1**. The Mayor's appointment of James A. Climer as the Director of Law for the Village of Oakwood be and the same is hereby confirmed commencing the effective date of this Ordinance and ending December 31, 2023.
- **SECTION 2.** The Law Director and his firm shall fulfill the duties of the office of Director of Law and the compensation of the Law Director and the members of his firm shall not be subject to the Public Employees Retirement System.
- **SECTION 3.** The compensation of the Director of Law for legal services provided by him and his law firm and for the performance of the duties and functions of his office as set forth in the Charter shall be as follows:
 - (a) One Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$189.00) per hour for attendance at all regular meetings of Council, attendance at various Council work sessions when requested, drafting Resolutions, Ordinances, and legal opinions, and advice and counsel to the Council and Village officials. The sum paid out under this section shall not exceed Seventy-Four Thousand Dollars (\$74,000.00) per year without prior authorization of Council.
 - (b) For representational matters involving plan reviews, rezonings, variances, and so on, said Director of Law shall be paid at the rate of One Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars (\$189.00) per hour payable as services are rendered out of a fund established by the applicant for such plan reviews, rezonings, variances, etc.
 - (c) For representation on all matters for the Village or its officials, including all matters which go before the Common Pleas Court for this County or any other county, and all civil and criminal matters, or for legal representation in any higher court of this State or of the United States, said Director of Law shall be paid at the rate of One Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$189.00) per hour, payable monthly as services are rendered. The total sum paid out in fees under this section shall not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per year without prior authorization of Council. All legal

services provided to any Board or Commission of the Village by the Law Director or his law firm shall be charged against the appropriation for the Board or Commission and not deducted from the amount stated herein.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Village, the reason for the emergency being that the same relates to the daily operation of a municipal department and the ability or provide uninterrupted services to the citizens of the Village, therefore, provided it receives two thirds (2/3) of the vote of all members of Council elected thereto, said Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption by this Council and approval by the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED 3 22 2-02 2 Christine Morgan, Clerk of Council

Johnnie A Warren, President of Council

Presented to the

Mayor

Approved:

Mayor, Gary V. Gottschalk

I, Christine Morgan, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 2022-8 was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the day of 2022.

Christine Morgan, Clerk of Council

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, Christine Morgan, Clerk of Council of the Yand State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance Nday of 2022, and will remain po	Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga No. 2022-8 was duly posted on the South Osted for a period of fifteen (15) days
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thereafter in as provided by the Village Charter.	Man Q
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