

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-14

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CHARTER REVIEW
COMMISSION, ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION
THEREFORE, AND CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENTS
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL THERETO AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article XII, Section 12.02 of the Charter of the Village of Oakwood the Mayor and Council must create a Charter Review Commission; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with said Charter provision the Mayor and Council have proposed the establishment of said Charter Review Commission to be composed of nine qualified electors of the Village:

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

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Article XII, Section 12.02 of the Charter of the Village of Oakwood a Charter Review Commission is hereby established and the appointment thereto by the Mayor of Joe Mestnik and Jary Willard both qualified electors of the Village of Oakwood, and the appointment by Councilperson-at-Large Erica Nikolic of Shirley Stevens and Councilperson-at-Large Johnnie A. Warren of Debra Hladky, both qualified electors of the Village of Oakwood, and the appointment by each Ward Councilperson of Andrea Lowe, a qualified elector of Ward One, Yvonne Warren, a qualified elector of Ward Two, Sharyn Macklin, a qualified elector of Ward Three, Michelle Krug a qualified elector of Ward Four and Anthony Moss, a qualified elector of Ward Five, be and the same are hereby confirmed.

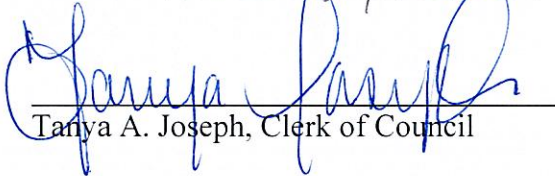
SECTION 2. Upon completion of its work, the Charter Review Commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the Council who shall submit such recommendations to the electors in accordance with the Village Charter and Laws of Ohio.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to Article XII, Section 12.02 of the Village Charter, the Council hereby appoints Tanya Joseph to act as Secretary to the Charter Review Commission. The said Tanya Joseph shall be compensated on the same basis and at the same rate of compensation in effect at the time of her appointment as the secretaries of all other Village Boards and Commissions. The said Secretary shall attend the Charter Review Commission meetings and shall take and prepare the minutes of said meetings so as to insure that a public record is kept of the Commission's proceedings. Each Charter Review Commission member will be compensated on the same basis and at the same rate of compensation at the time of their appointment as the members of all other Village boards and commissions.

SECTION 4. Council hereby appropriates the sum of \$15,000.00 to effectuate the provisions contained in Section 3 hereof and also to fund regular mail notice of its public meetings to the residents of the Village as well as mail notice of any proposed amendments to the Charter as proposed by the Charter Review Commission and the use of Law Department personnel as legal counsel for the Commission. The Finance Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to make the payments specified in the Ordinance in the manner provided herein.

SECTION 5. 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 in order to comply with certain time limits imposed by the Village Charter, it is immediately necessary to establish this Commission, 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: Feb 13th, 2025


Tanya A. Joseph, Clerk of Council


Erica Nikolic, President of Council

Presented to the Mayor 2.21.25

Approved: 2.27.25

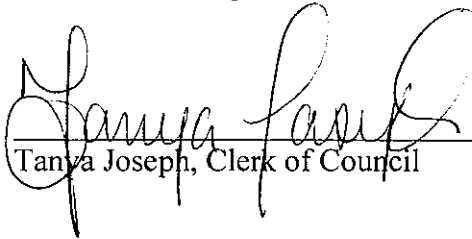

Mayor, Gary V. Gottschalk

I, Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 2025-14 was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the 13th day of Feb, 2025.


Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2025-14 was duly posted on the 27th day of February, 2025, and will remain posted in accordance with the Oakwood Village Charter.



Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council

DATED: 2.27.25