

ORDINANCE 2025-63

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGETARY GUIDELINES FOR A MAYOR SERVING A 90-TO-120-DAY TERM IN ACCORDANCE WITH OAKWOOD VILLAGE CHARTER SECTION 8.03 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, in the November 2024 general election electors passed a Charter Amendment to Section 8.03 for a special election for the office of Mayor to be held not less than 90 days or more than 120 days following the death, resignation, recall, or removal of the Mayor; and,

WHEREAS, a Mayor sworn in following the death, resignation, recall, or removal of the Mayor will serve no more than 120 days; and,

WHEREAS, Council is required to pass legislation approving permanent appropriations annually by March 31 and once passed additional expenditures not included in budget line items in the permanent appropriations require budget amendments; and,

WHEREAS, Oakwood Village Charter Section 7.17 states that Council shall have the power and authority to provide by ordinance for the exercise of any fiscal power of the Municipality; and,

WHEREAS, in the best interest of the residents of the Village of Oakwood and given the maximum 120-day term of a Mayor following death, resignation, recall, or removal of the Mayor, Council shall implement budgetary controls to ensure financial stability and continuity while safeguarding fiscal resources to the best of its ability during the 90-to-120-day term.

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

SECTION 1. No new business shall be conducted that commits the village to a contract, capital expenses, or services during and beyond the Mayor's 90-to-120-day term.

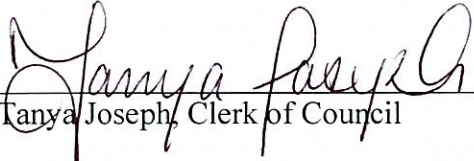
SECTION 2. During the 90-to-120-day term of the current Mayor, the Mayor and Administration shall operate within the confines of the approved budget.

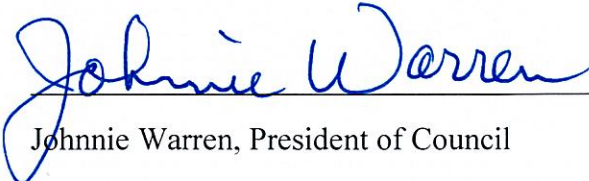
SECTION 3. Prior to expensing, the Mayor and the Administration shall consult and seek written approval from Council for any additional unforeseen expenses not listed or included in the approved permanent appropriations arising during the 90-to-120-day term.

SECTION 4. All credit card purchases shall adhere to the approved credit card ordinance. Any unauthorized payments or credit card purchases by an official or employee could be in violation and subject to findings for financial recovery.

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 the same that relates to the daily operation of a municipal department and the ability of the village to provide uninterrupted services to the citizens of the Village, therefore, provided it receives the two-thirds 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.

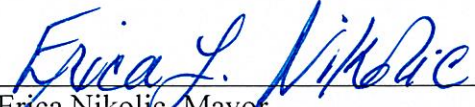
PASSED: 9.23.25


Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council



Johnnie Warren, President of Council

Presented to the Mayor: 9.23.25

Approved: 9.23.25

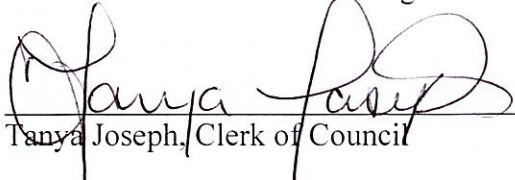

Erica Nikolic, Mayor

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. 2025-63 was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on 23rd day of Sept, 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. 2025-63 was duly posted on the 24th day of Sept, 2025, and will remain posted in accordance with the Oakwood Village Charter.


Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council

DATED: 9.24.25