

ORDINANCE NO 2026-23

INTRODUCED BY City Council

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO MAKE
PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND
OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF
OAKWOOD, OHIO FOR THE YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, it is provided by State Law that a permanent appropriation Ordinance be approved by Council no later than March 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore necessary to enact permanent appropriations for the year 2026 in accordance with the Charter of the Village of Oakwood and the laws of the State of Ohio:

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

SECTION 1. In order to provide for current expenses and other expenditures of the Village of Oakwood, Ohio, during the year 2026 the following sums be, and they are hereby set aside and appropriated as set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and expressly made a part hereof by reference.

SECTION 2. The Director of Finance be and is hereby authorized to draw warrants for payments for any of the appropriations as the same are delineated in Exhibit "A", upon receiving proper certificates and vouchers therefore, approved by the Board, Officers or Officer or persons authorized to approve the same, or an Ordinance or Resolution of Council to make the expenditures, provided that no warrants shall be drawn or paid for salaries, or wages, except by persons employed by authority of and in accordance with laws or Ordinances. All revenues from ticket sales or other event charges dealing with Senior Citizen Events, Recreation Department programs or similar Village sponsored events for which a charge is levied to participate in same, are to be placed to the credit of Fund from which the event or program charge emanated and Council hereby appropriates these revenues to the credit of such Fund(s). In no event shall the net expenditures (i.e., expenditures minus revenues) exceed the stated appropriation amount for any such Fund(s) as the same is established and authorized by Village Council.

SECTION 3. The Clerk of Council be and hereby is authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the Chief Financial officer of Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

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 need to maintain funding for current operations, therefore, provided it receives two-thirds(%) 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: March 24, 2026

Eloise Hardin
Eloise Hardin, Council President

Jeanne Drayton
Evan Garrett, Asst. Clerk of Council

Presented to the Mayor MARCH 25, 2026

Approved: _____

Erica J. Nikolic
Mayor, Erica Nikolic

POSTING CERTIFICATE

JEANNE DRAYTON

I, ~~Evan Garrett~~, Asst. Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2026-~~23~~ was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the 24 day of March, 2026.

Jeanne Drayton
Evan Garrett, Asst. Clerk of Council

JEANNE DRAYTON

I, ~~Evan Garrett~~, Asst. Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2026-~~23~~ was duly posted on the 24 day of March, 2026, and will remain posted in accordance with the Oakwood Village Charter.

Jeanne Drayton
Evan Garrett, Asst. Clerk of Council

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-24

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILPERSON SCRUGGS

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW RENTAL FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE OAKWOOD COMMUNITY PARK AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the fee schedule for rentals of the Oakwood Community Park have not been updated for a number of years; and,

WHEREAS, Council finds that the present schedule of rental fees is not in line with fees charged by other communities for similar facilities in the area and results in the inability of the Village to recoup its costs for renting the facility;

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

SECTION 1. That the fees for rental of the Oakwood Community Park are hereby amended as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. All previous legislation inconsistent with this Ordinance be and hereby is repealed from and after the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. 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 numerous requests to rent the Oakwood Community Park are pending and it is necessary to establish the new rental fee schedule at the earliest possible date in order to accommodate those requests, therefore, provided it receives two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) 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: March 24, 2026

Eloise Hardin
Eloise Hardin, President of Council

Dionna Hammett
Dionna Hammett Asst Clerk of Council

Presented to the Mayor MARCH 25, 2026

Approved: _____

Erica J. Nikolic
Mayor, Erica Nikolic

I, Dionna Hammett, Asst. Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Second Amended Ordinance No. 2026 - 24 was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the 24 day of March, 2026.

D. Hammett
Dionna Hammett, Asst. Clerk of Council

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, Dionna Hammett, Asst. Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the Second Amended Ordinance No. 2026 - was duly posted on the 24 day of March, 2026, and will remain posted for a period of fifteen (15) days thereafter in the Council Chambers in the locations and manner provided in the Village Charter.

D. Hammett
Dionna Hammett, Asst. Clerk of Council

DATED: March 24, 2026

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-25

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR

A PAY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF LAUREN REESE AS EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR AND SETTING FORTH THE DUTIES AND COMPENSATION OF HER POSITION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the position of Executive Assistant to the Mayor is presently vacant; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor has identified Lauren Reese as an appropriate candidate for the position for the duties described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein;

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

SECTION 1. Council hereby authorizes the employment of Lauren Reese as Executive Assistant to the Mayor.

SECTION 2. Lauren Reese shall be responsible for the duties set forth in the job description attached as Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. Lauren Reese, Executive Assistant to the Mayor, shall work full-time forty (40) hours per week and be compensated at a rate of sixty thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$60,000.00) per year.

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 the same that relates to the daily operation of a municipal department and the ability of the Village to provide efficient and 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: March 24, 2026

Eloise Hardin
Eloise Hardin, President of Council

Jeune Drayton
Jeune Drayton, Interim Clerk of Council

ORDINANCE 2026-25

Presented to the

Mayor MARCH 25, 2026

Approved: _____

Erica J. Nikolic
Mayor, Erica Nikolic

I, Jeune Drayton, Interim Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 2026 -25 was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the 24 day of March, 2026.

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Jeune Drayton
Jeune Drayton, Interim Clerk of Council

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, Jeune Drayton, Interim Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2026 -25 was duly posted on the 24 day of March, 2026, and will remain posted for a period of fifteen (15) days thereafter in the Council Chambers and in the locations and manner provided in the Village Charter.

Jeune Drayton
Jeune Drayton, Interim Clerk of Council

RESOLUTION NO. 2026 - 26

INTRODUCED BY Mayor + City Council

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE OFFICIAL INTENT AND REASONABLE EXPECTATION OF THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE BORROWER) TO REIMBURSE ITS SANITARY SEWER FUND 602-5504-52152 FOR THE CT08AB / CT09AB, ALEXANDER ROAD SEPTIC CONVERSION WITH THE PROCEEDS OF TAX EXEMPT DEBT OF THE STATE OF OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Village of Oakwood has previously expended from its Sanitary Sewer Fund certain engineering fees paid to Chagrin Valley Engineering for services related to the Alexander Road Septic Conversion CT08AB / CT09AB; and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Oakwood reasonably expects to receive a reimbursement for the Project named Alexander Road Septic Conversion CT08AB / CT09AB as set forth in Appendix A of the Project Agreement with the proceeds of bonds to be issued by the State of Ohio; and,

WHEREAS, the maximum aggregate principal amount of bonds, other than for costs of issuance, expected to be issued by the State of Ohio for reimbursement to the local subdivision is \$221,000.00,

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

SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Village of Oakwood to reimburse the foregoing funds to its Sanitary Sewer Fund 602-5504-52152.

SECTION 2. The Village of Oakwood finds and determines that all formal actions of this Village concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Village of Oakwood and that all deliberations of this Village and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION 3. This Resolution 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 it is critical to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village and the ability of the Village to provide vital services to its citizens to reimburse its Sanitary Sewer Fund at the earliest possible time, therefore, provided it receives two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of the vote of all members of Council elected thereto, said Resolution 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: March 24, 2026 Eloise Hardin
Eloise Hardin, President of Council

Jeune Drayton
Jeune Drayton, Acting Clerk of Council

Presented to the
Mayor MARCH 25, 2026

Approved: _____
Erica F. Nikolic
Mayor, Erica Nikolic

I, Jeune Drayton, Acting Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2026 -²⁶ was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the 24 day of March, 2026.

Jeune Drayton
Jeune Drayton, Acting Clerk of Council

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, Jeune Drayton, Acting Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Resolution No. 2026 -²⁶ was duly posted on the 24 day of March, 2026, and will remain posted for a period of fifteen (15) days thereafter in the Council Chambers in the locations and manner provided in the Village Charter.

Jeune Drayton
Jeune Drayton, Acting Clerk of Council

DATED: MARCH 25, 2026