

VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING



May 12, 2026

AGENDA

(Held at Oakwood Community Center)

- 1. Call meeting to order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Roll Call

Council President	Eloise Hardin	Mayor	Erica L Nikolic
President Pro Tem	Norman Bliss	Law	J Climer/J Montello
Ward 1 Council	Taunya Scruggs	Finance	Vacant
Ward 2 Council	Yvonne Evans-Warren	Service	Tom Haba
Ward 3 Council	Paggie Matlock	Fire	Dave Tapp
Ward 4 Council	Mary Davis	Building	Roland Walker
Ward 5 Council	Malcom Sims, Jr	Engineer	Matt Jones
		Recreation	Karen Gaither

Dedication of Gary V Gottschalk plaque

Oath of Office – Carol Jackson & Nina Curry – Clerk and Asst. Clerk of Council

Any documents that has the former Mayor and former Clerk should be corrected going forward.

- 4. Minutes
 - a. February 13, 2026 Special
 - b. February 13, 2026 Budget

5. Correspondence – Clerks Office

- 6. Departmental Reports

MAYOR – ERICA NIKOLIC	FIRE-DAVE TAPP
LAW-J CLIMER/J MONTELLO	BUILDING-ROLAND WALKER
FINANCE-VACANT	SERVICE-TOM HABA
POLICE-MARK GARRATT	ENGINEER-MATT JONES
RECREATION-KAREN GAITHER	

7. Ward Reports & Committee Reports

8. **Open Floor comments from Village Residents** (comments in general – please state your name, address, and the subject you wish to discuss for the record. Please limit your comments to five (5) minutes. Thank you. Please sign in to speak.)

Executive Session (if warranted)

9. **Legislation**

10. Adjournment

**VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD
WORK SESSION
May 12, 2026**

1. Call meeting to order
 2. Discussion by Mayor and Department Heads of Matters to be brought to the attention of Council if present.
 3. Questions of Mayor and Department Heads concerning Legislation or potential Legislation to be considered at future Council meetings.
 4. Discussion of items of draft Legislation or potential Legislation to be considered at future Council meetings.
 5. Executive session to review negotiations with public employees concerning the terms and conditions of their employment.
 6. Matters Deemed Appropriate.
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2024-WS-43 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH CEP RENEWABLES OH, LLC FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE VILLAGE AS A SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT WITH ATTENDANT RECREATIONAL USES

2024-WS-45 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CREtell9igent AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

2026-WS-10 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE APPOINTING TANYA JOSEPH AS INTERIM ASSISTANT CLERK OF VILLAGE COUNCIL AND SETTING FORTH THE DUTIES FOR SUCH POSITION

2026-WS-18 AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RAYMOND McDANIEL AS FINANCE DIRECTOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Intro:
Mayor
Bliss

2026-WS-19 A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION FOR THE 2026 CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY PLANNING SERVICES PROGRAM (CPSP) MASTER PLAN GRANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Intro:
Mayor
Bliss

2026-XX A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE ENGINEER TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT FOR FUNDING UNDER THE 2026 SPECIAL MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG) AND AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF CONTRACTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELEVANT THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Please verify proper assigned number for 2026-XX Resolution

7. Adjournment

Reminder to set date(s) for:	Hardin
Council Education Courses	Hardin
Clerk of Council	Hardin
Municipal complex	Hardin
Disaster Recovery Plan	Hardin
Human Resources	Hardin
Five Year Plan	Hardin
Recreation Budget & Events	Scruggs
Group Photo Discussion	Hardin

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-WS-43

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH CEP RENEWABLES OH, LLC FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF CERTAIN PROPERTY IN THE VILLAGE AS A SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT WITH ATTENDANT RECREATIONAL USES

WHEREAS, the Village of Oakwood and CEP Renewables OH, LLC ("CEP") deem it advantageous to each of them to enter into a Development Agreement for the redevelopment of certain property generally known as the former Silver Oak Landfill and more fully described as Permanent Parcel Nos. 795-41-005, 795-42-001 and 795-43-001 for purposes of a solar energy project with attendant recreational uses; and,

WHEREAS, Oakwood and CEP have agreed in principle to the terms of said Agreement as set forth in the document attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and marked Exhibit 1.

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

SECTION 1. The Mayor be and is hereby authorized to enter into a Development Agreement with CEP substantially in the form attached hereto and expressly made a part hereof by reference and marked Exhibit 1.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____
Erica Nikolic, President of Council

Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council

Presented to the
Mayor _____

Approved: _____

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. 2024 - was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2024.

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. 2024 - was duly posted on the _____ day of _____, 2024, 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.

Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council

DATED: _____

Exhibit 1

DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

THIS DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is executed as of this ____ day of _____, 2024 ("Effective Date") by and between the Village of Oakwood, an Ohio municipal corporation and political subdivision ("Village"), and CEP Renewables OH, LLC, a New Jersey limited liability company with an address of 331 Newman Springs Road, Building 1, 4th Floor, Red Bank, NJ 07701, or any of its assignees ("CEP"). Village and CEP are referred to individually each as a "Party" and, collectively, as the "Parties."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, CEP has executed an agreement to acquire the property known as approximately 46.54 acres of vacant land in Oakwood Village, Ohio, whose Cuyahoga County tax parcel numbers are 795-41-005, 795-42-001 and 795-43-001 (hereinafter the "Property"), from the Cuyahoga Land Bank ("Land Bank") pursuant to a Purchase and Sale Agreement with an effective date of _____, 2024 ("Purchase Contract"); and

WHEREAS, as a condition of the sale of the Property, the Land Bank may seek evidence that the local community in which the Property is situated has reviewed and approves of the development plan that CEP put forth as part of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, one or more environmental covenants, including but not limited to the environmental covenant recorded as AFN 201507220442 in the Cuyahoga County Records ("Environmental Covenants"), place restrictions on the use of the Property for commercial or industrial purposes; and

WHEREAS, as evidence that the community has reviewed and approves CEP's development plan for an approximately 7 MW-dc, 5.5 MW-ac solar power generation facility at the Property, including, without limitation, the right to construct a ballasted solar photovoltaic system, together with all appurtenant facilities, including but not limited to cables, conduits, transformers, concrete pads, poles, wiring, meters and electric lines and equipment, and to convert the solar energy into electrical energy and to collect, store, sell and transmit the electrical energy so converted, together with any and all necessary and permitted activities related thereto (collectively, the "Solar Energy Project"), and as evidence that the community approves of the use of the Property for Solar Energy Project purposes, CEP and Village have executed this Development Agreement wherein CEP shall set forth and represent to Village the development representations which CEP made to the Land Bank.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the Purchase Contract, and other good and valuable consideration received by CEP, CEP hereby agrees as follows:

1. No Preemption. Unless otherwise provided for specifically herein, this Agreement shall not be deemed to waive, preempt or make unnecessary any applicable municipal or governmental process, including but not limited to zoning, variances, brownfield and economic incentives, assessments or fees and that the CEP and/or any Property user will be required to submit and partic-

ipate in any appropriate process as provided in Village's ordinances, rules and/or regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Village agrees to use its best efforts, subject to Council approval and limitations on the use of public funds to support ballot measures as well as other legal restrictions, to support and advocate for any necessary land use, zoning and regulatory approvals as are necessary for CEP to construct and operate the Solar Energy Project on the Property.

2. Zoning and Land Use. The development activities at the Property shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable portions of Village's zoning ordinances, as may necessarily be amended or varied from in order for CEP to construct and operate the Solar Energy Project. Village agrees, subject to Council approval and limitations on the use of public funds to support ballot measures as well as other legal restrictions, to assist CEP in the amendment of any zoning ordinances, or CEP's pursuit of variances therefrom, necessary for CEP to construct and operate the Solar Energy Project. Village agrees to assist CEP in the amendment of Environmental Covenants necessary for CEP to construct and operate the Solar Energy Project.

3. Intended Use. CEP intends to use commercially reasonable efforts to design, install, maintain and operate the Solar Energy Project. CEP also agrees to coordinate with the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District and Village to plant flora and construct and maintain a trail, with educational kiosks, connecting the parking lot off Solon Road with the Solon Club Apartments and extending to connect to the trail off Hawthorne Parkway consistent with the conceptual renderings and descriptions attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A". The actual location and design of the trail will be finalized prior to closing.

4. Capital Expenditure. CEP has budgeted approximately \$12 million to \$14 million for capital improvements to design, procure, and construct the Solar Energy Project.

5. Jobs. The project expects to result in part time employment of a maximum of 80 temporary construction jobs. Additionally, the long term operations and maintenance of the facility will result in annual contracting of approximately three part-time individuals for regularly scheduled activities.

6. Term. Except to all matters that relate to zoning approvals, which terms shall remain in effect for applicable periods required by law, this Agreement shall terminate and be of no further force or effect five (5) years from the Effective Date if, despite the best efforts of the parties, necessary approvals and permits for the Solar Energy Project described hereinabove are not granted. Once all approvals have been secured for the Solar Energy Project, including but not limited to interconnection approval, CEP anticipates a construction period of approximately six to 12 months.

7. Effect of Invalidation. If any declaration is held to be invalid by any Court, the invalidity of such provision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions hereof.

8. Stipulation of Consideration. The parties to this Agreement hereby acknowledge and stipulate to the mutual promises contained herein as good and sufficient consideration for this Agreement.

9. Force Majeure. CEP shall not be liable for loss, damage, destruction or delay, nor be deemed to be in default for failure to comply with this Agreement when prevented from compliance or fulfillment of any obligation by causes beyond its reasonable control including but not limited to acts of war (declared or undeclared), acts of God, fire, strike, labor difficulties, acts or omissions of any governmental authority, compliance with government regulations, insurrection or riot, embargo, delay or shortages in transportation or inability to obtain necessary labor, materials, or manufacturing facilities from usual sources or from defects or delays in the performance of its suppliers or subcontractors due to any of the foregoing enumerated causes. In the event of delay due to any such cause, the date of performance will be extended by a period equal to the delay plus a reasonable time to resume performance.

10. Assignment by CEP. CEP may freely assign this Agreement to an affiliate or subsidiary of CEP of equal or greater financial, technical and other ability as CEP to carry out the terms of this Agreement.

11. As capacity is free and available for new subscribers, CEP agrees to provide or arrange for electricity discounts of 10% to 15% to CEP subscribers who are residents and/or commercial customers located in the Village as permitted by state and local laws and regulations at the time the Solar Energy Project becomes operational and/or as permitted by subsequent amendments to said laws and regulations.

12. Miscellaneous. This Agreement may be signed in one or more counterparts (or with counterpart signature pages) which, taken together, shall constitute a fully executed Agreement and shall be considered a single document. For purposes of this Agreement, a pdf or electronic copy shall be deemed to be an original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals and/or have caused their corporate seal to be affixed hereto the day and year first above written.

VILLAGE:

VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD, AN OHIO
MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

By: _____

Its: _____

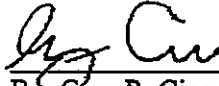
Date: _____

Approved as to legal form:

Law Director/Assistant Law Director

CEP:

CEP RENEWABLES OH, LLC, A NEW
JERSEY LIMITED LIABILITY COM-
PANY



By: Gary R. Cicero
Managing Member

Date: September 4, 2024

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-WS-45

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILPERSON NIKOLIC

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH CREtelligent AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Village Oakwood has received reports of various illnesses suffered by residents in the vicinity of Wright Avenue in the Village; and,

WHEREAS, Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the Village and the health and well-being of its residents, visitors and persons working within the Village to investigate potential environmental sources of said illnesses to determine what if any further steps should be taken;

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

SECTION 1. The Mayor be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with CREtelligent substantially in the form attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A".

SECTION 2. 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 urgent need to determine potential environmental sources of reported illnesses in the vicinity of Wright Avenue in 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: _____

Erica Nikolic, President of Council

Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council

Presented to the
Mayor _____

Approved: _____

Mayor, Gary V. Gottschalk

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Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council

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Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council

DATED: _____

EXHIBIT A



2717 S. Arlington St., Suite C
Akron, OH 44312
E.f.hamilton@cretelligent.com

January 8, 2024

Ed Hren
Engineer
Village of Oakwood
24800 Broadway Ave
Oakwood Village, Ohio 44146

Via email: hren@cvelimited.com

Re: Proposal
Preliminary Assessment
Environmental Conditions
Wright Ave, Oakwood Village

Dear Ed:

CREtelligent (CREt) is pleased to present this proposal for a preliminary assessment of environmental conditions along Wright Ave.

INTRODUCTION

During a recent meeting at your office, we heard concerns from Council President-elect Erica Nikolic regarding possible contamination of soil along Wright Ave associated with nearby industries. This proposal has been prepared to begin gathering data that might be able to help better understand that concerns raised.

SCOPE OF WORK

We have developed a scope of work that includes the following specific services:

INTERVIEWS

We are proposing to interview residents along Wright Ave and other nearby streets to better understand their concerns. During these interviews we will gather basic demographic data (age, gender, etc.). We will ask residents questions about where they have lived and worked now and historically. We will also attempt to gather information about other habits that might affect exposure to environmental contaminants. We will also ask residents to describe any concerns they have related to local environmental conditions. We will also ask residents if they have any health concerns. Response to any and all interview questions will be voluntary.

A questionnaire will be developed and used so that consistent and uniform information is collected. Residents will be requested to complete this, or another, questionnaire prior to the interview. It is likely that we will walk the neighborhood, particular properties of residents who have agreed to interviews prior to in person interviews. That reconnaissance will help guide the interview process.

Interviews will be conducted a location convenient for residents. We would propose a location at the Village Hall or even your office. Audio and/or video recording of the interviews might be conducted.

DESKTOP RESEARCH

After the interviews are completed and results reviewed and compiled, we will continue our research to understand possible sources of environmental contamination in the area. We will use an outside data contractor to compile a list of properties/businesses within a to be determined radius of the affected area. These data will include a list of businesses that have activity that has been reported to state, federal and local environmental authorities. The search area will be developed using an understanding of prevailing winds. We will also perform a visual reconnaissance from public roadways in the area to assess completeness of the data provided by the data vendor.

SAMPLING

CREtelligent is proposing to collect representative soil samples from the neighborhood to begin to develop an understanding of existing conditions. Soil samples will be collected from the near surface and from a depth of approximately 12 inches at each location. The study area will initially focus on properties east and west of Wright Ave between Forbes Road and North Lane. The study area may be adjusted based on the results of interviews and research described above.

This proposal includes costs for collection of two samples from each of 15 locations. Samples will be collected using properly decontaminated tools into laboratory supplied and prepared containers appropriate to the proposed analytical program. Samples will be maintained in an iced cooler under strict chain of custody until delivered to the analytical laboratory.

It is anticipated that samples will be submitted to Summit Environmental in Cuyahoga Falls Ohio. At this time, we are proposing to request samples be analyzed for the following metals via EPA Method 6010D:

- Selenium
- Vanadium
- Arsenic
- Tin
- Barium
- Lead
- Hexavalent Chromium
- Trivalent Chromium
- Copper

This list is subject to change based on the results of our research and interviews. The parameters listed above are, however, typically what one might expect to be discharged to air from the types of industries in the area.

Sampling locations will be restored by placing soil back into the excavation/hole. Topsoil and grass seed will be spread over each location. We are not proposing any ongoing maintenance or watering of samples areas.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING

At the conclusion of the work described above we will prepare a report. The report will include a summary of work completed and detailed review of the results. The report will not name any resident specifically but will refer to interviewees in a generic sense. The report will include photographs, figures and other exhibits as appropriate.

We will also include recommendations. As discussed during our meeting, should our results suggest that there is some widespread impact we would recommend that the results be provided to the County Board of Health and/or the Ohio EPA.

ESTIMATED COST 1

CREt has prepared the following budget for this project, based on the scope of work described herein:

Task	Estimated CREt Cost	Estimated Expenses	Estimated Laboratory Cost	Total Estimated Task Cost
Interviews	\$6,000			\$6,000
Desktop Research	\$1,000	\$500		\$1,500
Soil sampling	\$2,000	\$1,000	\$7,000	\$10,000
Reporting and project management	\$5,000			\$5,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED PROJECT COST				\$22,500.00

This budget includes the following assumptions:

- Interviews will be conducted at a location to be provided by the Village. Two full days have been budgeted for interviews.
- Soil sample locations will be marked in the field. We expect the Village Engineer will provide us a drawing for our report documenting sample locations.
- If, after completing interviews, modifications to the list of laboratory analytes seems appropriate we will prepare a modified scope of work and advise any budgetary impacts prior to proceeding.

All work will be completed in accordance with the attached terms and conditions.

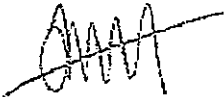
SCHEDULE

We are prepared to begin scheduling interviews immediately upon receipt of authorization to proceed. We will also commence the desktop research task immediately upon receipt of authorization to proceed. Soil sampling will be scheduled once the interviews and research are completed. Soil sampling will require snow and frost-free conditions. The soil sampling will take approximately one week to complete. Once the soil samples are collected, laboratory analysis will require approximately one week. Altogether, it is anticipated that this project will take 6 to 8 weeks to complete, contingent upon weather and other conditions beyond our control.

CREtelligent appreciates the opportunity to propose on this important project. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions or comments.

Regards,

CRETELLIGENT



Fraser K. Hamilton, Sr PG EP
Director, Environmental Consulting

1. The cost to the client shall not exceed the estimated cost without the client's prior written consent.

CREtelligent
General Conditions

1.0 BILLING

1.1 Invoices will be issued with the report, unless the work extends for more than 1 month, in which case invoices will be issued every four weeks. All invoices will be payable upon receipt, unless otherwise agreed.

1.2 Interest of 1 and 1/2% per month (but not exceeding the maximum rate allowable by law) will be payable on any amounts not paid within 15 days. Payments will be applied first to accrued interest and then to the unpaid principal amount of invoices. Any attorney's fees or other costs incurred in collecting any delinquent amount shall be paid by the Client.

1.3 In the event that the Client requests termination or suspension of the work prior to completion of a report, CREtelligent, (the "Company") reserves the right to charge the Client for work completed and charges incurred by the Company as of the date of termination, including a charge to complete such analyses and records as are necessary to place its files in order and, where considered by it necessary to protect its professional reputation, to complete a report on the work performed to date. The Company reserves the right to impose a termination charge to cover the cost thereof in an amount not to exceed 30% of all charges incurred up to the date of termination.

2.0 WARRANTY AND LIABILITY

2.1 Company will provide services in accordance with the specifications prescribed by its Clients, in a manner consistent with the level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the same profession currently practicing in the same locality under similar conditions. The Company hereby disclaims any warranties or representations, either expressed or implied, other than as expressly stated in the Company's proposals, contracts or reports.

2.2 The Company, its employees, subcontractors and agents shall not be liable for indirect or consequential damages, including without limitation loss of use, loss of value and loss of profits.

2.3 In addition to the limitations provided in 2.1 and 2.2, and notwithstanding any other provision herein, the liability of the Company, its employees, subcontractors and agents shall be limited to injury or loss to the extent caused by the negligence of the Company, its subcontractors and/or agents hereunder; and the liability of the Company for injury or loss arising from professional errors shall not exceed the lesser of (a) the total amount billed by the Company for the services rendered to Client, or (b) \$10,000. In no event shall the Company, its subcontractors or agents be liable for injuries or losses pertaining to environmental impairment, pollution, radiation, nuclear reaction or radioactive substances or conditions.

2.4 The Client agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its employees, subcontractors and agents against and from any claim, liability, attorneys' fees or other defense costs incurred because of (i) injury or loss caused by the acts and omissions of the Client, its employees, agents, contractors or subcontractors, and (ii) any third party claim arising from the performance of services hereunder by the Company, its agents or subcontractors with respect to claims that do not arise solely from the negligence or willful misconduct of the Company, its agents or subcontractors.

2.5 In the event that the Client asserts a claim against the Company that causes the Company to incur defense costs, and a court of law or arbitration panel rules in favor of the Company, the Client shall reimburse the Company for all costs, including attorney's fees, incurred by the Company in defending itself against such claim.

3.0 GOVERNING LAW:

These terms and conditions shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California (without regard to its conflicts of law's provisions). The parties hereto hereby agree that venue of any action under these T&Cs shall be exclusively in Sacramento County, California, and that these terms and conditions are performable in part in Sacramento County, California.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-WS-18

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RAYMOND McDANIEL AS FINANCE DIRECTOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of Finance Director given the recent departure of Brian Thompson; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor has appointed Raymond McDaniel to the position of Finance Director of the Village pursuant to Charter Sec. 9.03; and,

WHEREAS, Raymond McDaniel has provided a listing of his credentials as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein; and,

WHEREAS, Council finds that Raymond McDaniel's education and experience meet the qualifications for the office of Finance Director set forth in Charter Sec. 9.06;

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

SECTION 1. The appointment of Raymond McDaniel as Finance Director of the Village be and hereby is confirmed.

SECTION 2. Raymond McDaniel shall serve in the position of Finance Director full-time to carry out the duties of said office as provided in the Charter and Ordinances of the Village and the laws of the State of Ohio.

SECTION 3. Raymond McDaniel shall be compensated at the rate of Ninety-two thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$92,000.00) per year and shall be afforded all other benefits provided to full-time employees of the Village.

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 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: _____

Eloise Hardin, President of Council

Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council

Presented to the Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

Erica Nikolic, Mayor

I, Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 2026- was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on _____ day of _____, 2026.

Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2026- was duly posted on the _____ day of _____, 2026, and will remain posted in accordance with the Oakwood Village Charter.

Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council

DATED: _____

Resolution NO. 2026-WS.19

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION FOR THE 2026 CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY PLANNING SERVICES PROGRAM (CPSP) MASTER PLAN GRANT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS ,The Cuyahoga County Planning Commission is accepting applications from communities to participate in its 2026 CPSP Master Plan Grant for purposes of developing a master plan for participating communities at reduced costs 50% pr less; and,

WHEREAS, Oakwood does not presently have master development plan, and Council has determined that such a plan would be beneficial in guiding future growth and development in the Village;

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

SECTION 1. that the Council and Administration of the Village support the submission of an application to participate in the 2026 CPSP Master Plan Grant which is more fully described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. 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 the application for the foregoing program is due no later than May 20, 2026 requiring that work to complete the application to be commenced immediately, therefore, provided it receives two-thirds (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: _____

Eloise Hardin, President of Council

Clerk of Council Carol Jackson/Asst Clerk Nina Curry

Clerk of Council Carol Jackson/ Asst Nina Curry

Presented to the Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

Erica Nikolic, Mayor

I, Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council and Nina Curry Asst Clerk of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No.2026- was duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting of held on _____ day of _____, 2026

Clerk of Council Carol Jackson/Asst Nina Curry

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council and Asst Nina Curry of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 2026- was duly posted on the _____ day of _____, 2026, and will remain posted in accordance with the Oakwood Village Charter.

Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council/ Nina Curry, Asst Clerk

DATED: _____

RESOLUTION NO.: 2026-XX
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Erica L. Nikolic
MOTION FOR ADOPTION BY:
CO-SPONSORED BY:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE ENGINEER TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT FOR FUNDING UNDER THE 2026 SPECIAL MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM (CDBG), AND AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF CONTRACTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELEVANT THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County, as an Urban County designated by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”), receives and administers an annual entitlement from the Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) program through the Cuyahoga County Department of Development; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Development carries out various housing and community development activities with Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) funds including funding eligible activities carried out by other units of local government through the County’s Municipal Grant Program, which eligible activities include: a) community master plans; b) housing and commercial demolition; c) infrastructure; d) public safety; e) streetscapes; f) parks and playgrounds; or g) community and senior centers; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Oakwood is a local government eligible to receive CDBG funding for an eligible activity through the Municipal Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Village Engineer have advised Council that CDBG funds may be available through the 2026 Special Municipal Grant CDBG program through the Cuyahoga County Department of Development in an amount not exceeding Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$200,000.00), to fund road improvements in the Village of Oakwood.

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

Section 1. The Mayor and Village Engineer are hereby authorized and directed to make application, sign and file all necessary contracts and documents with the Cuyahoga County Department of Development for CDBG funding through the 2026 Special Municipal Grant CDBG program for the following project:

Blackburn Road and Weber Park Drive Improvements Project

Section 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting on the date indicated below, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its Committees that resulted in such

formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3. This Resolution constitutes an emergency measure necessary for the health, safety and general welfare of the residents of the Village, and to timely submit the grant application, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor, otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law

PASSED: _____

Eloise Hardin, President of Council

_____, Clerk of Council

Presented to the
Mayor _____

Approved: _____

Mayor, Erica L. Nikolic

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

_____, Clerk of Council

POSTING CERTIFICATE

I, _____, Clerk of Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, do hereby certify that Resolution No. 2026 - xx was duly posted on the _____ day of _____, 2026, and will remain posted for a period of fifteen (15) days thereafter in the Council Chambers and in not less than five (5) of the most public places in the municipality as determined by the Council of the said Village.

_____, Clerk of Council

DATED: _____