

ORDINANCE NO.: 2026 – 72

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

AN ORDINANCE TO SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD THE QUESTION OF AMENDING SECTION 7.09 OF THE VILLAGE CHARTER CONCERNING MEETINGS OF COUNCIL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Oakwood, pursuant to the authority vested in it by Section 12.01 of the Oakwood Village Charter, has considered a proposed amendment to Section 7.09 of the said Charter concerning meetings of council of the Village; and

WHEREAS, Section 12.01 of the Village Charter and the Ohio Constitution require that Council submit to the electors any proposed alterations, revisions or amendments to the Charter at the next regular election or at a special election on a date designated by Council after submission by Council of the proposed Charter Amendment;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Ordained by the Council of the Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: There shall be submitted to the electors of the Village of Oakwood, Ohio, on the date of the regular election to be held on the 3rd day of November, 2026, the question of whether Section 7.09 of the Charter of the Village of Oakwood.

Section 2: The ballot of said election shall at the top thereof be entitled:

"Proposed Charter Amendment a majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage" and the question to be submitted on said ballot shall be in words as follows:

"Shall Section 7.09 of the Charter of the Village of Oakwood be amended to expand how written notice for special meetings may be delivered to include email? Section 7.09, which presently reads as follows:

Sec. 7.09. - Meetings. In each calendar month, the Council shall hold at least two regular meetings, excepting in July and August, when it shall hold at least one regular meeting. The time of regular meetings shall be prescribed by ordinance. The Mayor or any three members of the Council may call special meetings upon at least twelve hours written notice to each member, served personally on each member, or left at his usual place of residence. Such notice shall state the subject or subjects to be considered at the meeting and no other subject shall be there considered. The notice shall be signed by the Clerk, or his deputy, who shall see that it is properly served. All meetings of Council called for the purpose of transacting public business, where a majority of the members elected are present, shall be open to the public unless a private executive session is called pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code.

will be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 7.09. Meetings. In each calendar month, the Council shall hold at least two regular meetings, excepting in July and August, when it shall hold at least one regular meeting. The time of regular meetings shall be prescribed by ordinance. The Mayor or any three members of the Council may call special meetings upon at least twelve hours written notice to each member, sent by email, served personally on each member, or left at their ~~his~~-usual place of residence. Such notice shall state the subject or subjects to be considered at the meeting and no other subject shall be there considered. The notice shall be signed by the Clerk, or the Clerk's ~~his~~ deputy, who shall see that it is properly served. All meetings of Council called for the purpose of transacting public business, where a majority of the members elected are present, shall be open to the public unless a private executive session is called pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code.

YES - For Passage

NO - Against Passage"

Section 3: The Clerk of Council is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the Board of Elections of Cuyahoga County and cause notice of the foregoing proposed Charter amendment to be given in accordance with general law.

Section 4: To pay the cost of publishing said notice, there be and is hereby appropriated from the General Fund such sums of money as may be required.

Section 5: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Oakwood and for the reason that it is necessary to submit the proposed Charter Amendment to the Board of Elections in time for placement upon the ballot for the regular election to be held on November 3, 2026 and, therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: August 20, 2026

Eloise Hardin

Eloise Hardin, President of Council

Carol Jackson

Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council

Presented to the
Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

Mayor, Erica Nikolic

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. 2026-72 duly and regularly passed by this Council at the meeting held on the 20th day of August 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. 2026-72 was duly posted on the 31st day of August, 2026, and will remain posted in accordance with the Oakwood Village Charter.

Carol Jackson
Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council

DATED: August 31, 2026

I, Carol Jackson, Clerk of **Council**, Village of Oakwood, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, do hereby certify this to be a true and exact copy of Ord. No. 2026-72 passed by Oakwood Village **Council** on the 1st reading on the 20th day of August, 2026 by a vote of 6 out of 6 Councilpersons present. Certified this 31st day of August, 2026

Carol Jackson 8-31-2026
Carol Jackson, Clerk of Council Date