

**CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER**  
**JULY 19, 2024**

**IMPORTANT COUNCIL DATES:**

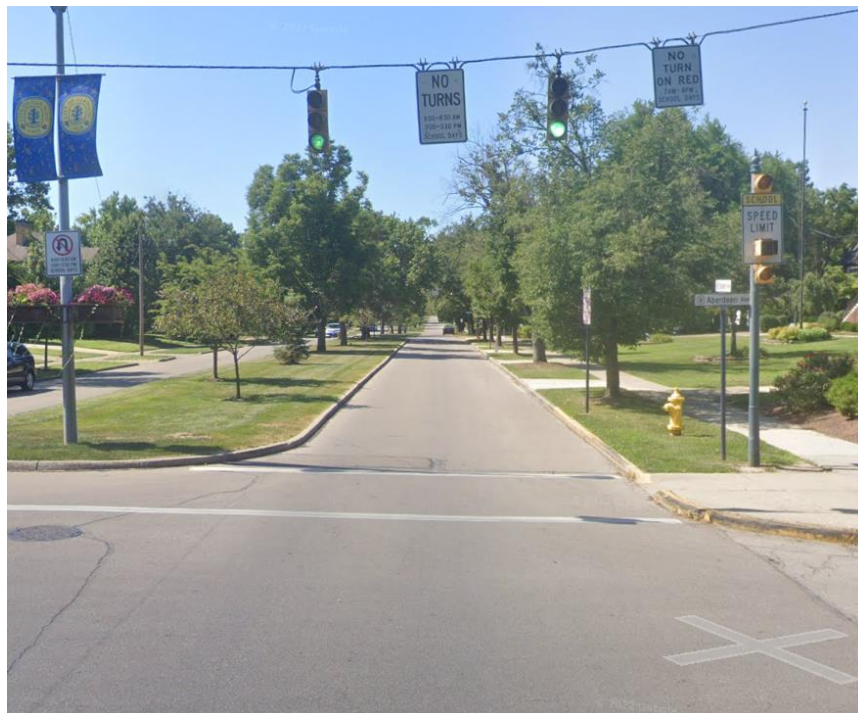
August 5, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)  
August 11, Sunday, 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. – Ice Cream Social (Shafor Park)  
August 18, Sunday – Smith Gardens 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Smith Gardens)  
August 19, Monday, 5 p.m. – Work Session (30 Park)  
September 10, Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. – BRC Meeting (30 Park)  
September 16, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)  
October 7, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)  
October 15, Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. – BRC Meeting (30 Park)  
October 21, Monday, 5 p.m. – Council/Staff Retreat (Smith Gardens)

**BUSINESS UPDATE:**

- July 15 Council Meeting: Enclosed is a *Register* article about the approved legislation to certify costs to the Montgomery County Auditor for removal of noxious weeds and for the 2022 and 2023 sidewalk repair costs.
- Board of Health: The Board of Health meets on Tuesday, July 30. Enclosed is the meeting packet.
- Citizen Committees: Enclosed is a letter that we mailed this week to Dan Gentry who was appointed to the Property Maintenance Board at last Monday's council meeting.
- City Meetings: Enclosed is a *DDN* article announcing our upcoming public meetings.
- Rotary Awards: Below are pictures from the Rotary Club meeting last Friday, July 12... the Civic Leadership Award to Andy Aidt and Community Service Awards to Cindy Stafford and Tracy Martin.



- June Finance Report: Enclosed are the June finance report and Cindy's highlights memo.
- Rotary Hazardous Waste Collection: The quarterly event is tomorrow. We have 48 properties registered for a pick-up. Enclosed is a *Register* article.
- August 7 PC: The PC will meet on August 7 to review an application filed by Russell Total Wealth Management to install a pickleball court at 1 Russell Place.
- August 8 BZA: We have no applications so this meeting is cancelled.
- Mack Hummon Stadium Lights: Enclosed are *DDN* and *Register* articles about the stadium lights being replaced at Mack Hummon. Our Planning Commission approved this application at their July 3 meeting.
- Citizen Police Academy: Enclosed is another *Register* article about this year's CPA.
- Turn Restrictions: Public Safety and Public Works staff met with Frank Eaton from the Oakwood City Schools to discuss a modification to the turn restrictions on all approaches at the intersections of Shafor/Aberdeen and Shafor/Telford in front of Smith Elementary School. In an effort to simplify regulation and reduce clutter, we decided to remove all existing overhead turn restriction signs (some approaches have multiple signs, an example is shown in the photo) and replace them with a single sign to prohibit all turns from 8 am to 4 pm on school days on all approaches. Drivers traveling through these two intersections from 8 am to 4 pm during a school day will only be allowed to proceed straight in their direction of travel. Signs will be in place before school starts and Public Safety will initially provide education and soft enforcement to get the community accustomed to this modification. Enclosed is the sign that will replace the existing signs.



- Obituary: Enclosed is Thomas Routsong's obituary as printed in this week's *Register*. He lived a good, long life!
- MCD: Enclosed is another *DDN* article about the Miami Conservancy District study on assessment options.

- Bee Hive: We encountered a huge bee hive in front of 316 Monterey Avenue this week. It was located inside a silver maple tree scheduled for removal. We hired a local beekeeper to remove the hive from the tree and relocate it. The beekeeper was able to safely complete the job and several thousand bees were saved.



- Middletown Manager: Enclosed is a *DDN* article about the abrupt retirement of the Middletown City Manager.
- Safety Department Report: Enclosed is the June report
- Out of Office: I will be on vacation starting today through Monday, July 26. Carol is in charge.

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!

TRANSMITTALS NOTED WITHIN NEWSLETTER

*Register* articles re: July 15 Council Meeting

7/30 Board of Health Meeting Packet

Citizen Committee Letter

*DDN* article re: City Meetings

June Finance Report

*Register* article re: Rotary Hazardous Waste Collection

August BZA Cancellation Memo

*DDN* & *Register* articles re: Mack Hummon Stadium Lights

*Register* article re: CPA

Turn Restrictions Sign

Obituary

*DDN* article re: MCD

*DDN* article re: Middletown Manager

June Safety Report



# City Council certifies past due property bills to Montgomery County Auditor for collection

Oakwood City Council on Monday certified a number of delinquent charges associated with properties in the city to the Montgomery County Auditor for collection.

Once certified to the auditor, the past due charges – including \$1,679.34 in unpaid charges for the city cutting weeds at six properties, \$21,194.62 for unpaid sidewalk repair or replacement work conducted at 20 properties in 2022, and an additional \$13,493.91 for unpaid sidewalk repair or replacement work at 17 properties in 2023 – will be added to each resident’s property tax bill for collection by Montgomery County.

The properties and amounts certified to the county for collection are:

## 2024 Noxious Weeds Certification

410 Rubicon Rd. ....	\$168.08
358 Lonsdale Ave. ....	\$186.83
436 Irving Ave. ....	\$201.04
674 Garden Rd. ....	\$215.24
252 Monterey Ave. ....	\$357.32
825 Far Hills Ave. ....	\$550.83

## 2022 Sidewalk Certification

201 Maysfield Rd. ....	\$1,722.96
284 W. Schantz Ave. ....	\$680.66
15 W. Thruston Blvd. ....	\$1,131.82
700 Oakwood Ave. ....	\$677.10
709 Oakwood Ave. ....	\$236.45

703 Oakwood Ave. ....	\$265.44
324 Southview Rd. ....	\$1,070.73
201 Southview Rd. ....	\$1,534.25
217 Northview Rd. ....	\$563.28
205 Haver Rd. Rd. ....	\$1,051.40
326 Maysfield Rd. ....	\$1,639.92
501 Maysfield Rd. ....	\$899.64
200 Mayfield Rd. ....	\$733.94
235 W. Thruston Blvd. ....	\$1,960.69
620 Harman Ave. ....	\$227.36
310 Southview Rd. ....	\$1,372.82
1145 Harman Ave. ....	\$913.99
420 Kramer Rd. ....	\$1,699.58
999 Harman Ave. ....	\$1,951.32
120 W. Schantz Ave. ....	\$861.27

## 2023 Sidewalk Certification

2601 Far Hills Ave. ....	\$1,458.48
2415 Fairmont Ave. ....	\$404.81
132 Oak Knoll Dr. ....	\$1,063.87
215 Oak Knoll Dr. ....	\$449.62
2524 Roanoke Ave. ....	\$386.53
100 Dell Park Ave. ....	\$736.23
2412 Hillview Ave. ....	\$744.80
2520-22 Hillview Ave. ....	\$960.89
2408 Roanoke Ave. ....	\$803.67
2536 Hillview Ave. ....	\$411.19
2537 Roanoke Ave. ....	\$329.44
2526 Hillview Ave. ....	\$1,305.36
2533 Roanoke Ave. ....	\$743.33
128 Dell Park Ave. ....	\$435.12
2525 Hillview Ave. ....	\$1,381.01
2600 Fairmont Ave. ....	\$1,093.01
124 Dell Park Ave. ....	\$786.55

MEMORANDUM

TO: BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS  
FROM: NORBERT KLOPSCH  
SUBJECT: JULY 30, 2024 MEETING  
DATE: JULY 17, 2024

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Greetings from City Hall!

We meet at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 30 in the council chamber at the city building. For those wishing to participate via Zoom, below is the access information:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89354562949?pwd=mWOEBClt6lLwN9HPULdfMaZBG5d0LS.1>

Meeting ID: 893 5456 2949  
Passcode: 994194

Enclosed are:

- The meeting agenda.
- Minutes of our November 21, 2023 and March 26, 2024 meeting.

Leisure Services Director Carol Collins and three members of her staff will join us to discuss health and safety matters related to Gardner Pool at the OCC, lawn treatments and our parks and playgrounds.

c: Mayor William Duncan, President  
Dr. Steve Enseleit, Health Commissioner  
Dr. John Ewing, Assistant Health Commissioner/Medical Director  
Matthew Tyler, REHS, Environmental Health Director

BOARD OF HEALTH  
AGENDA  
JULY 30, 2024

- I. CALL TO ORDER
  
- II. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
  - November 21, 2023
  - March 26, 2024
  
- III. REPORT FROM CHAIR
  
- IV. REPORT FROM ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR
  
- V. REPORT FROM HEALTH COMMISSIONER
  
- VI. REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATOR/CITY MANAGER
  - Gardner Pool
  - Lawn Treatments
  - Parks and Playgrounds
  
- VII. OLD BUSINESS
  
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS
  
- IX. ADJOURN

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH, CITY OF OAKWOOD,  
STATE OF OHIO

The meeting was conducted on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 in the council chamber at the Oakwood City Building, 30 Park Avenue, and was also accessible via Zoom.

Attending in person were:

Dr. David Denka, D.O., Chair  
Dr. Elizabeth Hardy, Ph.D., Member

Norbert Klopsch, Administrator/City Manager  
Matt Tyler, REHS, Environmental Health Director

Attending via remote teleconference were Dr. Elizabeth Maimon, DVM, M.P.H., Member and Mrs. Diane Scott, R.N., Member.

Excused absent were Dr. Steve Enseleit, M.D., Health Commissioner; Dr. Bill Coyne, D.D.S., Vice Chair and Mayor Bill Duncan, President.

Dr. Denka called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led a discussion on the following agenda items:

Minutes of Previous Meetings: Dr. Denka asked that the minutes of the September 26, 2023 meeting be reviewed. There being no requested edits, a motion to approve was made by Dr. Hardy and seconded by Dr. Maimon. Upon viva voce vote, the motion passed and the minutes were approved.

Report from Chair: No report.

Report from Environmental Health Director: No report.

Report from Board Administrator/City Manager: Mr. Klopsch commented on holiday decorations in Oakwood. He shared that residents may decorate their private property, but decorations cannot be placed in the public right-of-way. He discussed locations where decorations are being placed in the public right-of-way and shared how the city is addressing it.

Old Business:

- Dr. Hardy acknowledged the placement of a speed sign on the lower portion of the E. Schantz Avenue hill and stated that it has helped to reduce vehicle speeds. She thanked the Oakwood Public Safety Department for taking this proactive action.

New Business:

- Resolution 23-1 Fees for Food Establishment and Service Operations, Second Reading: The Board conducted a second reading of this resolution. Motion to approve by Dr. Hardy; second by Mrs. Scott. Upon viva voce vote, resolution passed.

There being no other business, at 5:44 p.m. Dr. Denka adjourned the meeting.

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Chair

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Secretary

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Commissioner of Health

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH, CITY OF OAKWOOD,  
STATE OF OHIO

The meeting was conducted on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 in the council chamber at the Oakwood City Building, 30 Park Avenue, and was accessible via Zoom.

Attending in person were:

Dr. Bill Coyne, D.D.S., Vice Chair

Dr. Elizabeth Maimon, DVM, M.P.H., Member

Dr. Steve Enseleit, M.D., Health Commissioner

Norbert Klopsch, Administrator/City Manager

Matt Tyler, REHS, Environmental Health Director

Robert Jacques, Law Director

Attending via remote teleconference was Mrs. Diane Scott, R.N., Member.

Excused absent were Dr. David Denka, D.O., Chair; Dr. Elizabeth Hardy, Ph.D., Member; and Mayor Bill Duncan, President.

Dr. Coyne called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led a discussion on the following agenda items:

Annual Organization Meeting: Dr. Coyne noted that this was the annual organization meeting and the Board needed to elect a chair and vice chair for 2024. Motion by Dr. Coyne to nominate Dr. Denka as chair and Dr. Coyne as vice chair; second by Dr. Maimon. Upon viva voce vote, motion passed.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Dr. Coyne asked that the minutes of the January 23, 2024 meeting be reviewed. There being no requested edits, motion to approve by Dr. Maimon; second by Mrs. Scott. Upon viva voce vote, motion passed and the minutes were approved.

Report from Chair: No report.

Report from Environmental Health Director: Matt Tyler, REHS, Environmental Health Director, commented on the following items:

- Update on Food Licensing: The annual food service license deadline in Montgomery County was on March 1. The annual pool application deadline is April 30.
- Update on Measles: Montgomery County has had three confirmed cases of measles. There are several suspected cases where quarantine is warranted until measles is ruled out via laboratory testing.

Dr. Coyne inquired about the two tiers of mobile food license categories.

Mr. Tyler noted that the mobile food license categories moved from a single category to two categories, High Risk and Low Risk.

Report from Health Commissioner: No report.

Report from Board Administrator/City Manager:

Opioid Crisis/Legal Settlements: Mr. Klopsch asked Mr. Jacques to comment on ongoing litigation involving the national prescription opioid epidemic. This is complex, multi-district litigation occurring nationwide, and there are several defendants including opioid distributors and manufacturers. Oakwood joined a consortium known as "OneOhio" to participate in a statewide settlement of litigation against several opioid distributors. Oakwood receives Local Government settlement payments of about \$6,000 annually for the next 18 years from one case and around \$4,300 for the next six years from another. The money is restricted for use in abating the opioid epidemic.



Mr. Klopsch noted that Oakwood is a member of a Council of Governments (COG) along with Springboro, Miamisburg, West Carrollton, Moraine, Centerville, Kettering, and Germantown. There has been discussion about the communities pooling resources and using the money to benefit all eight communities.

- **Water System Backflow Devices:** Mr. Klopsch explained that each year letters are sent to around 350 Oakwood property owners informing them of the requirement to have backflow devices recertified by a licensed plumber. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires the installation of backflow devices on water services that pose a potential hazard to the public water system. This helps to minimize health risks and ensure the safety of drinking water by preventing water from flowing backward into the public water supply.
- **Water Pressure:** Mr. Klopsch explained that Public Works staff occasionally receive inquiries about the water pressure. He gave an overview of how the Oakwood water system was constructed and how the varying ground elevations around the city impact the water pressure. Mr. Klopsch explained how pressure reducing valves are used to adjust water pressure in certain locations where desired. He displayed a map of Oakwood showing the differences in base elevation and pounds per square inch (psi) water pressure in several locations around Oakwood.
- **April 8 Solar Eclipse:** Mr. Klopsch noted that the solar eclipse will cross the Dayton area around 3:08 p.m. and last approximately two minutes, and forty-three seconds. Ohio Governor Mike DeWine declared a state of emergency to assure everyone is well-prepared for the solar eclipse event.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

- **Septic Systems:** Mr. Jacques commented on two Oakwood properties still operating on private septic systems. A recent visit to both properties by Public Works staff confirmed that the systems are being maintained. If there are issues with the septic systems in the future, the city, through the Board of Health, may order the properties to connect to the public sanitary sewer system.
- **Temporary Outdoor Restroom Facilities:** Mr. Jacques reviewed a proposed Zoning Code amendment addressing temporary outdoor restroom facilities, also known as Porta Johns.

Mr. Klopsch mentioned that the May 28, 2024 Board of Health meeting may be cancelled if there is no pressing business.

There being no other business, at 6:10 p.m. Dr. Coyne adjourned the meeting.

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Chair

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Secretary

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Commissioner of Health



# City of Oakwood

Government Administration

Mayor

July 16, 2024

Dan Gentry  
1809 Coolidge Drive  
Oakwood, OH 45419

Dear Dan:

At the July 15 public meeting, Oakwood City Council appointed you to the Property Maintenance Board. It is because of the dedication of our citizen volunteers that we are able to provide high quality and cost-effective services to the community. We look forward to your contributions as a member of this committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill".

William D. Duncan  
Mayor

WDD:ls

c: Members of City Council  
Norbert Klopsch, City Manager  
Ethan Kroger, Planning & Zoning Manager

## OAKWOOD

### City sets public meeting schedule

**Oakwood City Council:**

The next meeting is on Monday, July 15 at 30 Park Ave. The work session and executive sessions for personnel matters and property matters begin at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room, and the regular session begins at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers.

**Board of Health:** The next meeting is 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 30 in council chambers. Board of Health meetings are generally held once every two months.

**Records Commission:** The next meeting is 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 16 in the conference room at 30 Park Ave. Records Commission meetings are held in January and July.

**Planning Commission:** The next meeting is 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7 in council chambers.

For additional information, contact Lori Stacel, Clerk of Council, at 937-298-0600.

# Financial Reports



**thru the Month of June  
Fiscal Year 2024**

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances  
for the period ended June 30, 2024  
GENERAL CITY SERVICES FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
<b>General Fund</b>												
101	General	8,745,359	129,771	8,875,130	8,508,097	17,383,227	7,693,104	9,690,123	835,922	8,854,201	814,993	108,842
<b>Major Operating Funds</b>												
220	Street Maintenance and Repair	500,000	94,664	594,664	862,277	1,456,941	760,312	696,629	196,628	500,001	101,965	1
228	Leisure Activity	500,000	12,188	512,188	732,769	1,244,957	494,474	750,483	212,526	537,957	238,295	37,957
230	Health	200,000	15	200,015	188,152	388,167	107,508	280,659	14,347	266,312	80,644	66,312
510	Sidewalk, Curb & Apron	200,000	-	200,000	101,099	301,099	236	300,863	404	300,459	100,863	100,459
308	Equipment Replacement	1,171,736	450,778	1,622,514	699,828	2,322,342	335,851	1,986,491	634,596	1,351,895	363,977	180,159
309	Capital Improvement	993,848	322,354	1,316,202	950,000	2,266,202	297,756	1,968,446	192,615	1,775,831	652,244	781,983
707	Service Center	100,000	4,976	104,976	619,585	724,561	337,652	386,909	286,909	100,000	281,933	-
<b>Other Funds</b>												
208	Bullock Endowment Trust	51,709	-	51,709	672	52,381	-	52,381	-	52,381	672	672
209	MLK Community Recognition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
210	Special Improvement District Assessment	-	-	-	56,139	56,139	56,139	-	-	-	-	-
211	Smith Memorial Gardens	400,000	1,127	401,127	70,222	471,349	50,200	421,149	16,039	405,110	20,022	5,110
212	Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment	41,743	-	41,743	925	42,668	-	42,668	-	42,668	925	925
213	Enforcement and Education	9,875	-	9,875	-	9,875	-	9,875	-	9,875	-	-
214	Law Enforcement	18,272	-	18,272	-	18,272	6,090	12,182	910	11,272	(6,090)	(7,000)
215	Drug Law Enforcement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
216	Police Pension	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
217	Court Clerk Computerization	43,659	-	43,659	3,600	47,259	3,212	44,047	2,042	42,005	388	(1,654)
218	Court Computerization	35,328	-	35,328	1,521	36,849	1,942	34,907	358	34,549	(421)	(779)
219	Court Special Projects	49,816	-	49,816	2,776	52,592	20,618	31,974	2,156	29,818	(17,842)	(19,998)
221	OneOhio Fund	20,783	-	20,783	1,404	22,187	-	22,187	-	22,187	1,404	1,404
224	State Highway Improvement	163,170	19,219	182,389	23,353	205,742	6,697	199,045	31,372	167,673	16,656	4,503
240	Public Safety Endowment	169,434	2,785	172,219	2,237	174,456	40	174,416	4,710	169,706	2,197	272
250	Special Projects	4,642,839	-	4,642,839	60,283	4,703,122	-	4,703,122	-	4,703,122	60,283	60,283
310	Issue 2 Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
311	Public Facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
312	Local Coronavirus Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
313	Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	-	451,163	451,163	-	451,163	451,163	-	-	-	(451,163)	-
414	Bond Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
508	Electric Street Lighting	138,212	18,000	156,212	167,865	324,077	81,202	242,875	85,401	157,474	86,663	19,262
706	Self-Funding Insurance Trust	25,000	-	25,000	5,561	30,561	4,729	25,832	832	25,000	832	-
810	Fire Insurance Trust	-	-	-	31,255	31,255	31,255	-	-	-	-	-
811	Contractors Permit Fee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>18,220,783</b>	<b>1,507,040</b>	<b>19,727,823</b>	<b>13,089,620</b>	<b>32,817,443</b>	<b>10,740,180</b>	<b>22,077,263</b>	<b>2,517,767</b>	<b>19,559,496</b>	<b>2,349,440</b>	<b>1,338,713</b>

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**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024  
GENERAL CITY SERVICES FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
<b>General Fund</b>											
101	General	13,317,456	8,508,097	64	(4,809,359)	-	-	-	13,317,456	8,508,097	64
<b>Major Operating Funds</b>											
220	Street Maintenance and Repair	622,500	288,872	46	(333,628)	938,337	573,405	61	1,560,837	862,277	55
228	Leisure Activity	565,750	398,547	70	(167,203)	793,802	334,222	42	1,359,552	732,769	54
230	Health	159,874	145,639	91	(14,235)	60,164	42,513	71	220,038	188,152	86
510	Sidewalk, Curb & Apron	85,000	101,099	119	16,099	116,700	-	-	201,700	101,099	50
308	Equipment Replacement	-	74,828	-	74,828	625,000	625,000	100	625,000	699,828	112
309	Capital Improvement	1,206,400	-	-	(1,206,400)	950,000	950,000	100	2,156,400	950,000	44
707	Service Center	330,125	236,145	72	(93,980)	491,590	383,440	78	821,715	619,585	75
<b>Other Funds</b>											
208	Bullock Endowment Trust	1,000	672	67	(328)	-	-	-	1,000	672	67
209	MLK Community Recognition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
210	Special Improvement District Assessment	117,306	56,139	48	(61,167)	-	-	-	117,306	56,139	48
211	Smith Memorial Gardens	66,300	47,998	72	(18,302)	86,950	22,224	26	153,250	70,222	46
212	Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment	2,600	925	36	(1,675)	-	-	-	2,600	925	36
213	Enforcement and Education	200	-	-	(200)	-	-	-	200	-	-
214	Law Enforcement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
215	Drug Law Enforcement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
216	Police Pension	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
217	Court Clerk Computerization	7,000	3,600	51	(3,400)	-	-	-	7,000	3,600	51
218	Court Computerization	3,000	1,521	51	(1,479)	-	-	-	3,000	1,521	51
219	Court Special Projects	5,500	2,776	50	(2,724)	-	-	-	5,500	2,776	50
221	OneOhio Fund	13,400	1,404	10	(11,996)	-	-	-	13,400	1,404	10
224	State Highway Improvement	47,400	23,353	49	(24,047)	-	-	-	47,400	23,353	49
240	Public Safety Endowment	3,000	2,237	75	(763)	-	-	-	3,000	2,237	75
250	Special Projects	100,000	60,283	60	(39,717)	-	-	-	100,000	60,283	60
310	Issue 2 Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
311	Public Facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
312	Local Coronavirus Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
313	Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
414	Bond Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
508	Electric Street Lighting	130,000	131,217	101	1,217	42,400	36,648	86	172,400	167,865	97
706	Self-Funding Insurance Trust	-	-	-	-	17,500	5,561	32	17,500	5,561	32
810	Fire Insurance Trust	-	31,255	-	31,255	-	-	-	-	31,255	-
811	Contractors Permit Fee	2,000	-	-	(2,000)	-	-	-	2,000	-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>16,785,811</b>	<b>10,116,607</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>(6,669,204)</b>	<b>4,122,443</b>	<b>2,973,013</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>20,908,254</b>	<b>13,089,620</b>	<b>63</b>



**Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024**

**GENERAL CITY SERVICES FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
<b>General Fund</b>													
101	General	10,724,010	4,847,227	45	835,922	5,683,149	53	4,357,501	2,845,877	65	15,081,511	8,529,026	57
<b>Major Operating Funds</b>													
220	Street Maintenance and Repair	1,448,579	600,974	41	196,628	797,602	55	206,922	159,338	77	1,655,501	956,940	58
228	Leisure Activity	1,367,730	490,848	36	212,526	703,374	51	4,010	3,626	90	1,371,740	707,000	52
230	Health	213,707	103,882	49	14,347	118,229	55	4,010	3,626	90	217,717	121,855	56
510	Sidewalk, Curb & Apron	201,700	236	-	404	640	-	-	-	-	201,700	640	-
308	Equipment Replacement	1,245,278	335,851	27	634,596	970,447	78	-	-	-	1,245,278	970,447	78
309	Capital Improvement	3,002,254	297,756	10	192,615	490,371	16	-	-	-	3,002,254	490,371	16
707	Service Center	826,691	337,652	41	286,909	624,561	76	-	-	-	826,691	624,561	76
<b>Other Funds</b>													
208	Bullock Endowment Trust	500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500	-	-
209	MLK Community Recognition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
210	Special Improvement District Assessment	117,306	56,139	48	-	56,139	48	-	-	-	117,306	56,139	48
211	Smith Memorial Gardens	154,377	50,200	33	16,039	66,239	43	-	-	-	154,377	66,239	43
212	Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	-
213	Enforcement and Education	1,500	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500	-	-
214	Law Enforcement	10,500	6,090	58	910	7,000	67	-	-	-	10,500	7,000	67
215	Drug Law Enforcement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
216	Police Pension	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
217	Court Clerk Computerization	8,500	3,212	38	2,042	5,254	62	-	-	-	8,500	5,254	62
218	Court Computerization	9,500	1,942	20	358	2,300	24	-	-	-	9,500	2,300	24
219	Court Special Projects	28,500	20,618	72	2,156	22,774	80	-	-	-	28,500	22,774	80
221	OneOhio Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
224	State Highway Improvement	66,819	6,697	10	31,372	38,069	57	-	-	-	66,819	38,069	57
240	Public Safety Endowment	33,285	40	-	4,710	4,750	14	-	-	-	33,285	4,750	14
250	Special Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
310	Issue 2 Projects	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
311	Public Facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
312	Local Coronavirus Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
313	Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	451,163	451,163	100	-	451,163	100	-	-	-	451,163	451,163	100
414	Bond Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
508	Electric Street Lighting	190,400	81,202	43	85,401	166,603	88	-	-	-	190,400	166,603	88
706	Self-Funding Insurance Trust	17,500	4,729	27	832	5,561	32	-	-	-	17,500	5,561	32
810	Fire Insurance Trust	31,255	31,255	100	-	31,255	100	-	-	-	31,255	31,255	100
811	Contractors Permit Fee	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>20,154,554</b>	<b>7,727,713</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>2,517,767</b>	<b>10,245,480</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>4,572,443</b>	<b>3,012,467</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>24,726,997</b>	<b>13,257,947</b>	<b>54</b>

(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of June 30, 2024:

\$ 10,357

CHART NE3

# GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS

## 5-YEAR HISTORY

YTD at June 30, 2024

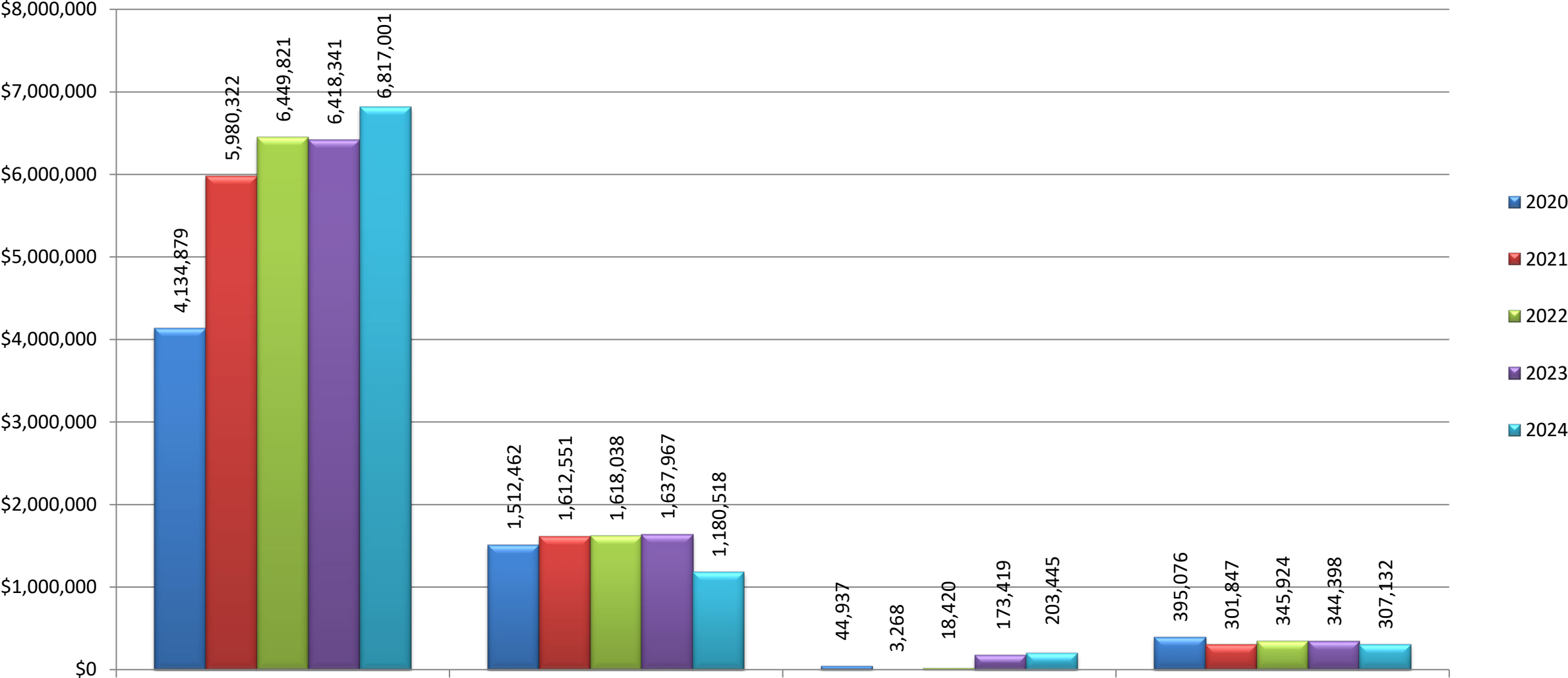
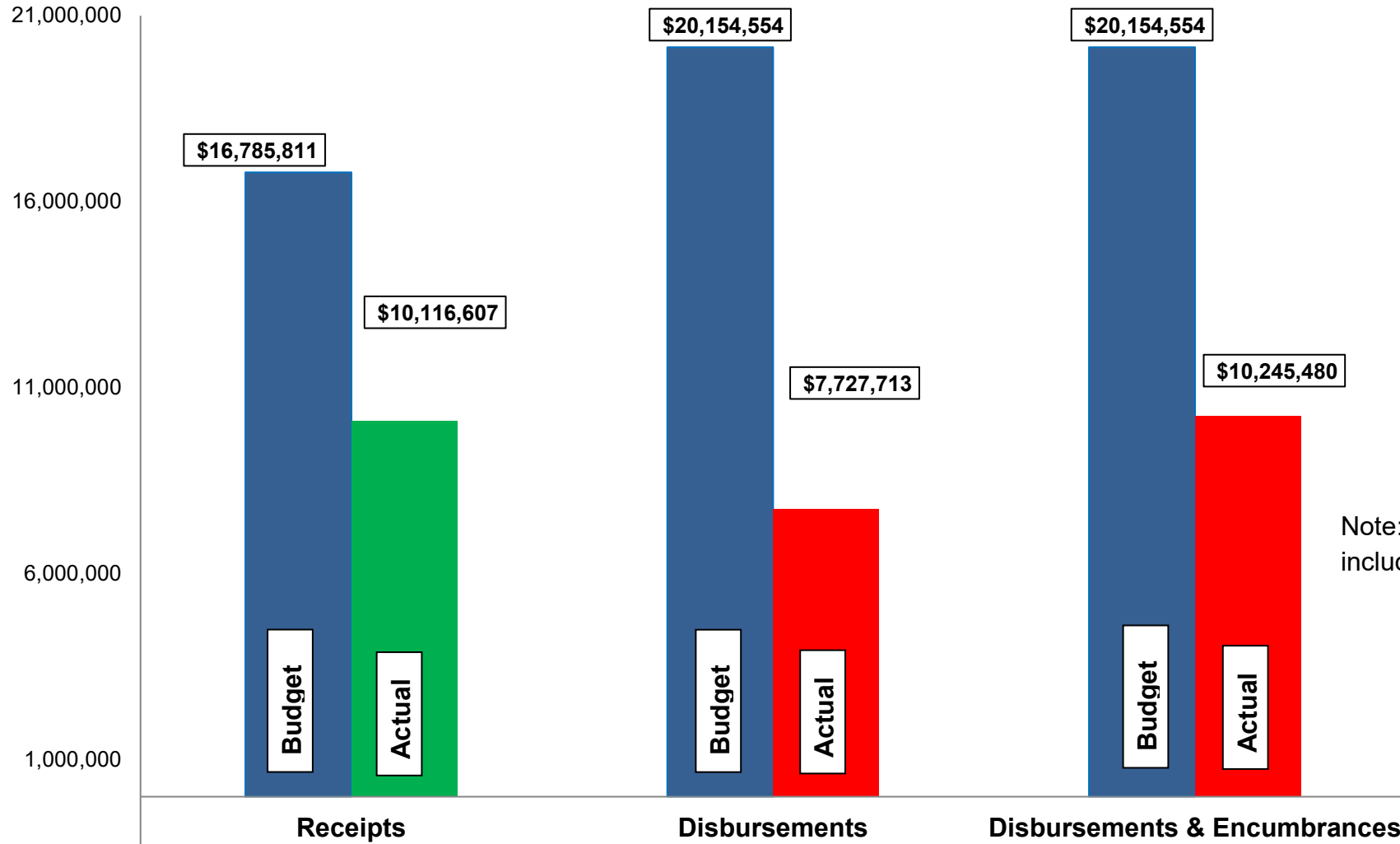


Chart NE4

**Budget, Revenues & Expenditures  
as of June 30, 2024  
GENERAL CITY SERVICES  
(Excludes Internal Transfers)**



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$1,507,041 appropriated from prior year budgets.

**CHART NE5**

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances  
for the period ended June 30, 2024  
REFUSE FUND**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
205	Refuse	433,118	7,207	440,325	708,881	1,149,206	790,270	358,936	146,690	212,246	(81,389)	(220,872)
206	Refuse Equipment Replacement	53,713	445	54,158	90,000	144,158	140,000	4,158	445	3,713	(50,000)	(50,000)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>486,831</b>	<b>7,652</b>	<b>494,483</b>	<b>798,881</b>	<b>1,293,364</b>	<b>930,270</b>	<b>363,094</b>	<b>147,135</b>	<b>215,959</b>	<b>(131,389)</b>	<b>(270,872)</b>

**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
205	Refuse	1,380,600	708,881	51	(671,719)	-	-	-	1,380,600	708,881	51
206	Refuse Equipment Replacement	-	-	-	-	100,000	90,000	90	100,000	90,000	90
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,380,600</b>	<b>708,881</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>(671,719)</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>90,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,480,600</b>	<b>798,881</b>	<b>54</b>

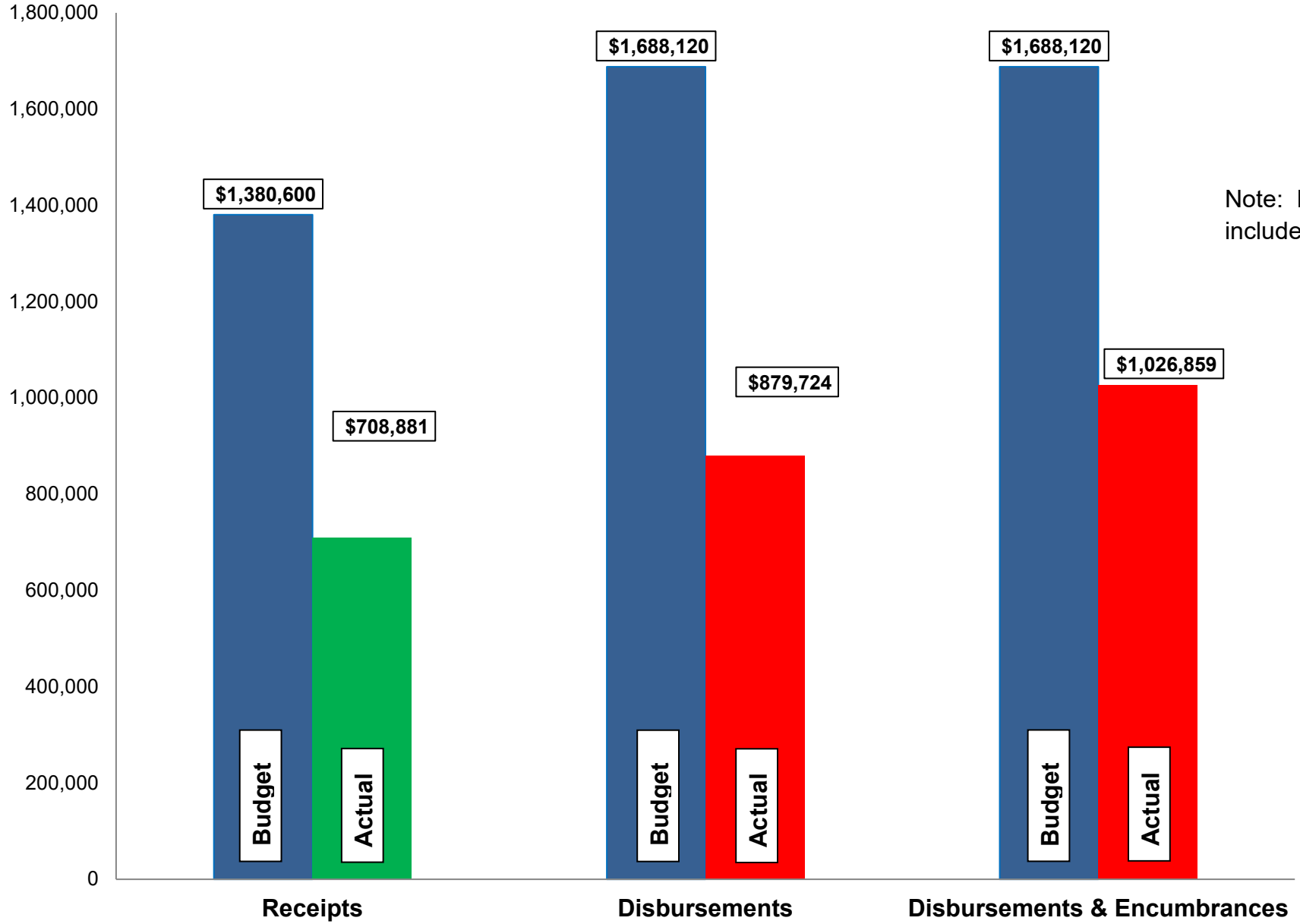
**Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
205	Refuse	1,547,675	739,724	48	146,690	886,414	57	100,000	50,546	51	1,787,813	936,960	52
206	Refuse Equipment Replacement	140,445	140,000	100	445	140,445	100	-	-	-	140,445	140,445	100
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1,688,120</b>	<b>879,724</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>147,135</b>	<b>1,026,859</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>50,546</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,928,258</b>	<b>1,077,405</b>	<b>56</b>

(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of June 30, 2024: \$ -

CHART R1

# Budget, Revenues & Expenditures as of June 30, 2024 REFUSE FUNDS



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$7,652 appropriated from prior year budgets.

CHART R2

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances  
for the period ended June 30, 2024  
WATER FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
602	Waterworks	760,907	84,374	845,281	759,054	1,604,335	934,198	670,137	308,198	361,939	(175,144)	(398,968)
603	Water Improve/Equip Replace	135,248	270,582	405,830	375,000	780,830	60,394	720,436	304,118	416,318	314,606	281,070
<b>Total</b>		<b>896,155</b>	<b>354,956</b>	<b>1,251,111</b>	<b>1,134,054</b>	<b>2,385,165</b>	<b>994,592</b>	<b>1,390,573</b>	<b>612,316</b>	<b>778,257</b>	<b>139,462</b>	<b>(117,898)</b>

**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
602	Waterworks	1,739,400	759,054	44	(980,346)	-	-	-	1,739,400	759,054	44
603	Water Improve/Equip Replace	-	-	-	-	525,000	375,000	71	525,000	375,000	71
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,739,400</b>	<b>759,054</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>(980,346)</b>	<b>525,000</b>	<b>375,000</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2,264,400</b>	<b>1,134,054</b>	<b>50</b>

**Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
602	Waterworks	1,493,450	559,198	37	308,198	867,396	58	525,000	375,000	71	2,111,522	1,242,396	59
603	Water Improve/Equip Replace	901,582	60,394	7	304,118	364,512	40	-	-	-	901,582	364,512	40
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,395,032</b>	<b>619,592</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>612,316</b>	<b>1,231,908</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>525,000</b>	<b>375,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,013,104</b>	<b>1,606,908</b>	<b>53</b>

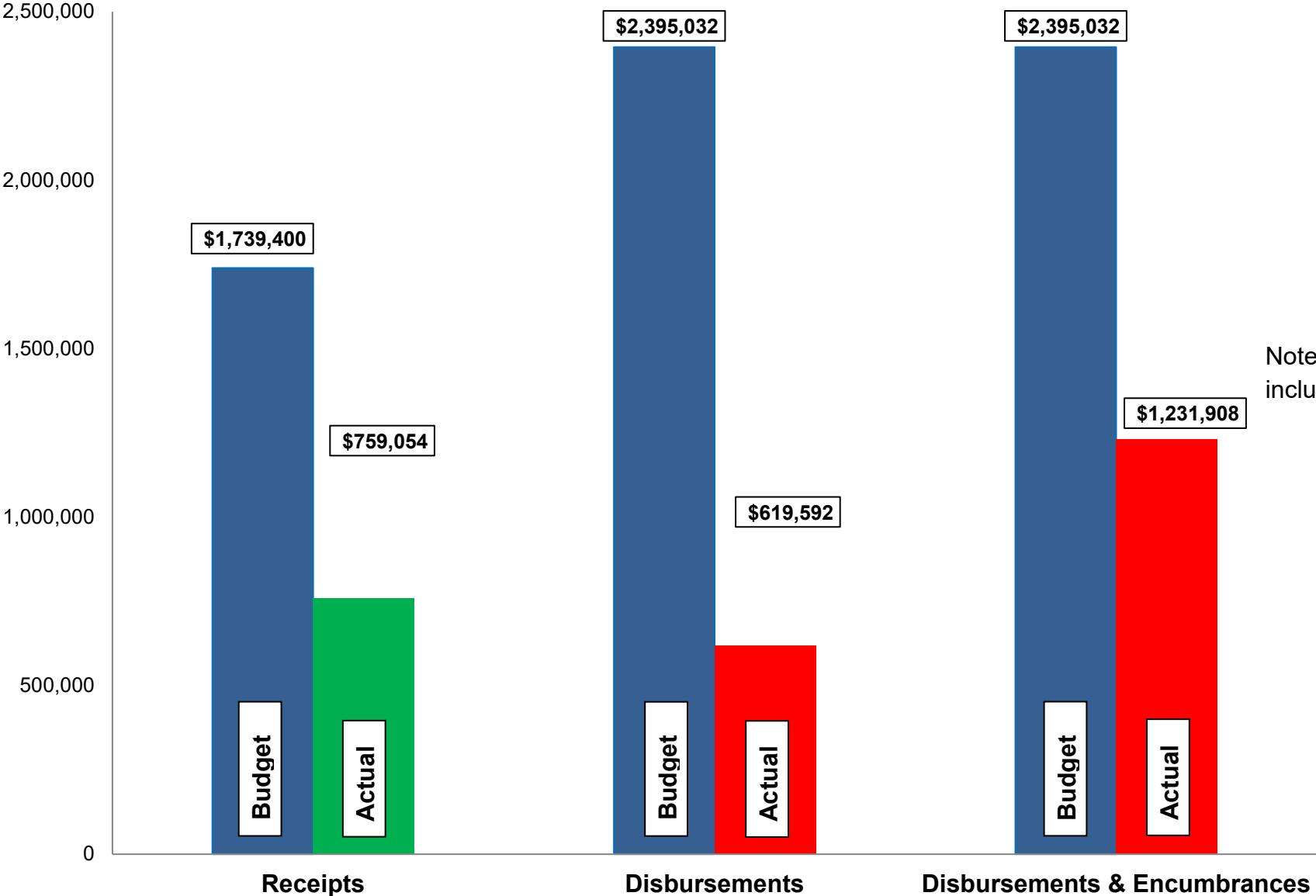
(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of June 30, 2024:

\$ 184

CHART W1



**Budget, Revenues & Expenditures  
as of June 30, 2024  
WATER FUNDS  
(Excludes Internal Transfers)**



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$354,956 appropriated from prior year budgets.

**CHART W2**

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances  
for the period ended June 30, 2024  
SANITARY SEWER FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
607	Sanitary Sewer Disp. and Maint.	1,232,278	379,201	1,611,479	1,114,856	2,726,335	1,261,933	1,464,402	52,929	1,411,473	(147,077)	179,195
608	Sewer Improve/Equip Replace	321,368	40,891	362,259	300,000	662,259	28,211	634,048	60,930	573,118	271,789	251,750
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,553,646</b>	<b>420,092</b>	<b>1,973,738</b>	<b>1,414,856</b>	<b>3,388,594</b>	<b>1,290,144</b>	<b>2,098,450</b>	<b>113,859</b>	<b>1,984,591</b>	<b>124,712</b>	<b>430,945</b>

**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
607	Sanitary Sewer Disp. and Maint.	2,385,700	1,114,856	47	(1,270,844)	-	-	-	2,385,700	1,114,856	47
608	Sewer Improve/Equip Replace	-	-	-	-	300,000	300,000	100	300,000	300,000	100
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,385,700</b>	<b>1,114,856</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>(1,270,844)</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,685,700</b>	<b>1,414,856</b>	<b>53</b>

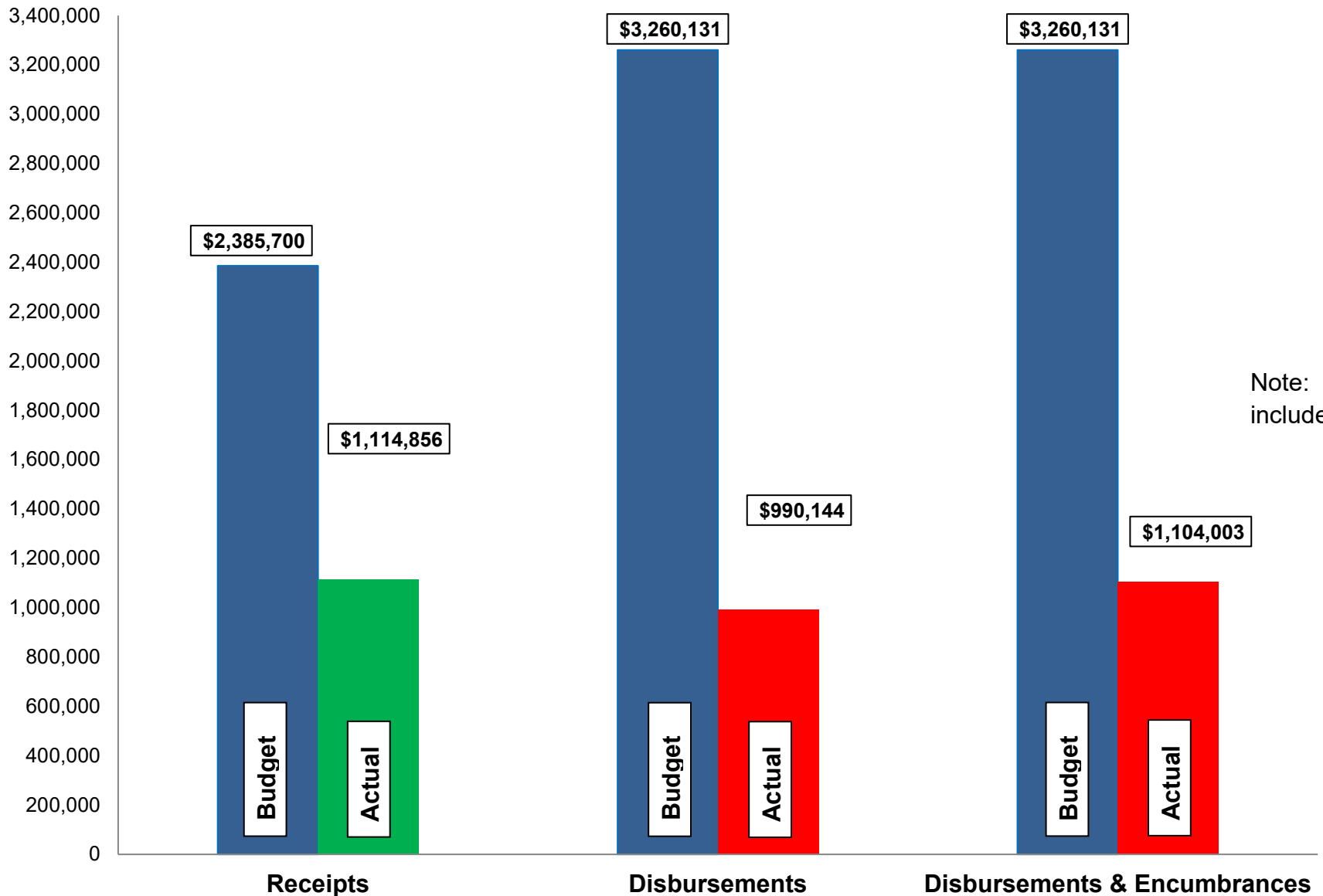
**Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
607	Sanitary Sewer Disp. and Maint.	2,790,540	961,933	34	52,929	1,014,862	36	300,000	300,000	100	3,134,649	1,314,862	42
608	Sewer Improve/Equip Replace	469,591	28,211	6	60,930	89,141	19	-	-	-	469,591	89,141	19
<b>Total</b>		<b>3,260,131</b>	<b>990,144</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>113,859</b>	<b>1,104,003</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3,604,240</b>	<b>1,404,003</b>	<b>39</b>

(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of June 30, 2024: \$ -

CHART S1

**Budget, Revenues & Expenditures  
as of June 30, 2024  
SANITARY SEWER FUNDS  
(Excludes Internal Transfers)**



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$420,092 appropriated from prior year budgets.

**CHART S2**

**Fund Balance Report Reflecting Year-to-Date Receipts and Expenditures, including Prior-Year Obligations and Encumbrances  
for the period ended June 30, 2024  
STORMWATER FUNDS**

#	Fund Name	Beginning Unencumbered Balance	Encumbrances	Beginning Cash Balance	Y-T-D Total Receipts	Available Funds	Y-T-D Total Disbursements	Ending Cash Balance	Encumbrances	Ending Unencumbered Balance	Change in Cash Balance	Change in Unencumbered Balance
615	Stormwater Utility	453,960	14,193	468,153	251,868	720,021	382,588	337,433	41,098	296,335	(130,720)	(157,625)
616	Stormwater Improve/Equip Replace	30,828	1,156,974	1,187,802	250,000	1,437,802	885,407	552,395	543,057	9,338	(635,407)	(21,490)
<b>Total</b>		<b>484,788</b>	<b>1,171,167</b>	<b>1,655,955</b>	<b>501,868</b>	<b>2,157,823</b>	<b>1,267,995</b>	<b>889,828</b>	<b>584,155</b>	<b>305,673</b>	<b>(766,127)</b>	<b>(179,115)</b>

**Current Revenue as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Receipts	YTD Outside Receipts	% of Budget	Net Difference (\$)	Budgeted Transfer Receipts	YTD Transfer Receipts	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Receipts	YTD Total Receipts	% of Budget
615	Stormwater Utility	475,100	251,868	53	(223,232)	-	-	-	475,100	251,868	53
616	Stormwater Improve/Equip Replace	-	-	-	-	250,000	250,000	100	250,000	250,000	100
<b>Total</b>		<b>475,100</b>	<b>251,868</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>(223,232)</b>	<b>250,000</b>	<b>250,000</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>725,100</b>	<b>501,868</b>	<b>69</b>

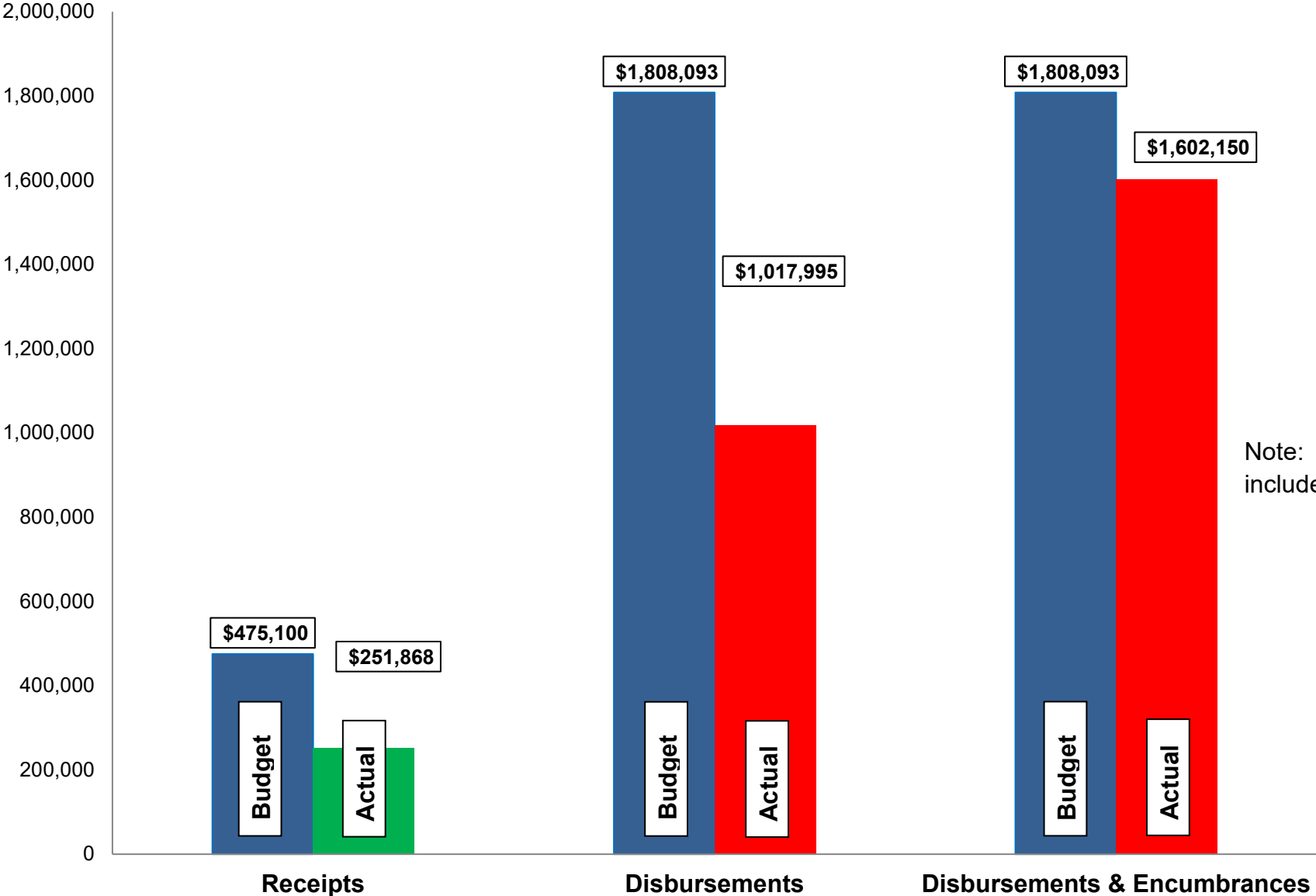
**Current Disbursements, including Encumbrances, as Compared to Annual Estimates  
for the period ended June 30, 2024**

#	Fund Name	Budgeted Outside Disbursements	YTD Outside Disbursements	% of Budget	Encumbrances	YTD Outside Disbursements & Encumbrances	% of Budget	Budgeted Transfer Disbursements	YTD Transfer Disbursements	% of Budget	Budgeted Total Disbursements	YTD Total Disb., Enc. & Tfrs	% of Budget
615	Stormwater Utility	371,119	132,588	36	41,098	173,686	47	250,000	250,000	100	648,925	423,686	65
616	Stormwater Improve/Equip Replace	1,436,974	885,407	62	543,057	1,428,464	99	-	-	-	1,436,974	1,428,464	99
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,808,093 (1)</b>	<b>1,017,995</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>584,155</b>	<b>1,602,150</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>250,000</b>	<b>250,000</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2,085,899</b>	<b>1,852,150</b>	<b>89</b>

(1) Prior years encumbrances closed (money not spent) as of June 30, 2024: \$ -

CHART ST1

**Budget, Revenues & Expenditures  
as of June 30, 2024  
STORMWATER FUNDS  
(Excludes Internal Transfers)**



Note: Disbursements and Disbursements & Encumbrances bars include \$1,171,167 appropriated from prior year budgets.

**CHART ST2**

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Subject: Monthly Financials – June

The following are the items to note when reviewing June's financials:

General City Services:

- Gross Income Tax collections are at 64.68% of the budgeted \$10.80M. April and May are normally our largest collection months. The gross and net 2024 collections are more than YTD June 2023 by 5.92% and 6.21%, respectively.
- Our Real Estate tax collections total \$1,180,518; 67.98% of budget.
- General Fund revenues are 64% of budget and total General City Services revenues are 60% of budget.
- General Fund expenditures, including encumbrances, are 53% of budget and total General City Services expenditures, including encumbrances, are 51% of budget.
- Budgeted disbursements for General City Services include \$18,126,259 in original appropriations plus the following supplemental appropriation:
  - \$40,000 approved February 5, 2024 for the purchase of a power cot for Medic 27.
  - \$31,254.89 approved April 1, 2024 for the release of security for the repair of a residential premise damaged by fire.
  - \$450,000 approved June 3, 2024 for additional concrete street repairs.
  - \$450,000 approved June 3, 2024 transfer from the General Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund for the concrete street repairs.
- No unusual items in the month of June.

Refuse Fund:

- Refuse revenues are approximately 51% of budget. Expenditures, including encumbrances, are approximately 61% of budget.
- Budgeted disbursements for Refuse include \$1,680,468 in original appropriations.
- No unusual items in the month of June.

Enterprise Funds:

- Water revenues are approximately 44% of budget. Expenditures, including encumbrances, are approximately 51% of budget.
- Budgeted disbursements for Water include \$2,040,076 in original appropriations.
- Sewer revenues are approximately 47% of budget. Expenditures, including encumbrances, are approximately 34% of budget. 67% of our 2023 costs were a result of payments to Dayton and Montgomery County for wastewater treatment.
- Budgeted disbursements for Sanitary Sewer include \$2,840,039 in original appropriations.
- Stormwater revenues are approximately 53% of budget. Expenditures, including encumbrances, are approximately 89% of budget.
- Budgeted disbursements for Stormwater include \$636,926 in original appropriations.
- No unusual items in the month of June.

Cindy



## Rotary Club of Oakwood offers residential pick up

Oakwood Rotary volunteers will come to your home on Saturday, July 20, to collect materials that cannot be picked up by weekly trash and recycling routes. Those items include paint cans, stains, thinners, pesticides, and batteries.

Please ensure containers are easily accessible, not leaking, with secure lids. If you have pick-up items, please

call (937) 296-5155 and leave your name and address before 12 noon on Friday, July 19. Items to be collected need to be ready by 9 a.m. on July 20.

Did you know that the Rotary Club of Oakwood is unique in providing this service for the community? No other Miami Valley community is afforded this service. While there is no charge for the pick-up, residents

using the service are encouraged to make a tax-deductible donation to the Oakwood Rotary Club Foundation and leave that with the items in a well-marked envelope or mail a check to P.O. Box 512, Dayton, OH 45409. All donations support Oakwood Rotary's many charitable projects and community events.

THE OAKWOOD REGISTER July 17, 2024

MEMORANDUM

TO: BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEMBERS  
FROM: ETHAN KROGER  
SUBJECT: CANCELLATION OF AUGUST 8 MEETING  
DATE: JULY 17, 2024

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The Board of Zoning Appeals meeting on Thursday, August 8, 2024 has been cancelled due to a lack of agenda items. The next regularly scheduled meeting is at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 12, 2024.

EK:ls

c: Members of City Council  
Norbert Klopsch, City Manager  
Robert Jacques, Law Director

# District installing stadium lights, studying renovations

Elementary schools, each more than 90 years old, a focus.

By **Nick Blizzard**  
Staff Writer

Oakwood plans to install LED lights at its football stadium and analyze costs to upgrade its elementary schools, which are more than 90 years old.

The lights at Mack Hummon Field will be replaced this summer in a move that is “going to be a lot more energy efficient and will actually focus the light down,” having less impact on neighboring homes, Oakwood Superintendent Neil



Oakwood's Smith school, built in 1929, will be part of a study to assess future renovations for the district. FILE

Gupta said.

The district has agreed to pay Veregy Energy Systems no more than \$497,255 for the project at the stadium, which was built in the 1930s, Oakwood records show.

The project, which will involve moving light poles,

is on target to be done by Oakwood High School's first home game against Northridge Aug. 25, Gupta said.

The work required city approval and is being overseen by district Business Manager Frank Eaton, who

“spent a lot of time working with our contractors and trying to make sure everything was taken care of to make this happen,” Gupta said.

The stadium and the 100-year-old high school also will be part of a study focusing renovating our iconic buildings,” primary Harman and Smith schools, Gupta said.

Ruetschle Architects is reassessing the initial scope of the second phase of the district's master plan, said Amanda Brown, Oakwood's community relations director.

That part of the plan was completed in 2018 and is outdated. Oakwood has tenta-

tively scheduled it for 2025-28, Brown said, and no costs have been projected.

The study “give us an opportunity to see where our school facilities are, to start the process of gathering some information,” Gupta said. “There's no commitment level to this information that will be provided back to us.

“It just gives us an opportunity to see where our information is if we decided to pursue and move toward ... a future bond (issue) possibly” in the future, he added.

Harman was built in 1908 and Smith in 1929, district records show.

The study will evaluate both buildings, including

their security and infrastructure, according to Ruetschle's plan.

The architect will work with Danis Building Construction “to develop master plan budget options, and refine the final master plan budget,” documents state.

A “discrete renovation scope may be added to address targeted issues” at the high school, the stadium and Lange School.

The district will pay Ruetschle \$49,700 and Danis no more than \$25,000, Oakwood records state.

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# Oakwood Schools will spend almost half a million dollars for new lights at stadium

The Oakwood Lumberjacks will take the field for home games under new stadium lights this fall, but it will come at a cost – the school district will pay just under half a million dollars to retrofit and upgrade the lighting at Mack Hummon Stadium.

The Oakwood Board of Education last week approved a contract valued at \$497,255 with Columbus-based Veregy to replace the lighting at Mack Hummon with LED fixtures and complete other improvements at the stadium. Despite some initial reports, including an article in the *Dayton Daily News*, stating that the light fixtures would be replaced prior to Oakwood's first home game of the 2024 season, district officials now say that is not the case. "The project is not set to complete by August 25th as they reported. That timeline is still being determined with the vendor and our Business Manager Frank Eaton. It will be this season, but the exact timeline is still to be determined," the district clarified.

Oakwood Schools may also be inching closer to asking taxpayers to dig deeper into their wallets as the district last week approved two limited "pre-bond preconstruction" contracts with both Ruetschle Architects Inc. and Danis Building Construction to evaluate security, infrastructure, including mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems at both Smith and Harman elementary schools, as well as an option for a "detailed restoration assessment of Mack Hummon Stadium."

The contracts call for Ruetschle Architects to coordinate with Danis "to develop master plan budget options, and refine the final master plan." The plan also calls for community meetings as part of the process, which is to be completed by Oct. 1, 2024.

Oakwood Schools agreed to pay Ruetschle a lump sum fee of \$49,700 for the work; the stipulated not-to-exceed cost for services rendered by Danis was set at \$25,000.



The Oakwood Schools Master Facilities Plan, which was finalized in October 2018, was three years in the making and included several contentious public meetings between district administrators, school board members and taxpayers as the community and school officials debated whether to keep Oakwood's aging high school and junior high or construct a new campus. Ultimately the district opted to keep its existing structures.

Following the adoption of the Master Facilities Plan, Oakwood voters in May 2019 approved a two-part school levy that included an \$18 million bond issue with an average interest rate of 3.25 percent. Those improvements were part of Phase 1 of the district's Master Facilities Plan, with additional work at Smith and Harman projected to be undertaken in 2025.

Phase 1 of the Master Facilities Plan was projected to cost \$19+ million between 2019 and 2023. Phase 2, which outlined infrastruc-

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ture upgrades at Smith and Harman schools, was initially projected to cost an additional \$25 million between 2025 and 2028. Phase 3 of the Master Facilities Plan called for the district to explore the concept of a new Early Learning Center constructed as a shared community space in Oakwood

in 2030-2033, while Phase 4 called for Oakwood Schools to “investigate major renovations and additions” to the high school and junior high campus in the years 2035 to 2038. Due to the timeline involved and lack of specificity, no projected costs were associated with Phases 3 and 4 when the Master Facilities Plan was adopted.

## City accepting applicants for Citizen Police Academy

The Oakwood Public Safety Department is still accepting applications for the 2024 Citizen Police Academy (CPA), Sept. 4 through Nov. 6. The CPA will consist of a 10-week curriculum educating the participants about the functions of the Oakwood Public Safety Department. Classes will be held from 6:30-8:45 p.m. every Wednesday starting Sept. 4 at the City Building, 30 Park Avenue.

Representatives from the Oakwood Safety Department will instruct a different subject each week with the goal creating greater understanding of

modern policing and its challenges, and an introduction to fire prevention. Topics to be covered include Safety Department Orientation, Patrol Operations, Traffic Enforcement, Use of Force, Evidence Collection, and Fire Prevention and Education.

Applicants must be an Oakwood resident or employed in the city of Oakwood, at least 21 years of age and pass a limited background check. Automatic disqualifying criteria would include any prior felony conviction, sex-related offense, or conviction for a defined misdemeanor crime of

violence.

“The purpose of this program is to create a unique opportunity for citizens to better understand the job of a public safety officer and also serve as a way for Safety Department personnel to hear the needs and expectations of the community,” Chief Alan Hill stated.

Applications can be obtained at the Safety Department or on the city’s website, [www.oakwoodohio.gov](http://www.oakwoodohio.gov). The deadline to register is Aug. 2.

For additional information contact Lieutenant Damian Baggett at (937) 298-2122.



**NO  
TURNS  
8AM – 4PM  
SCHOOL DAYS**

# Thomas H. Routsong

Thomas H. Routsong, age 96, of Oakwood, affectionately known at Routsong Funeral Home as "Mr. R", peacefully passed away on July 12, 2024, surrounded by his family. He was born on December 9, 1927, in Dayton, Ohio, to the late Carl T. and Blanche (Barr) Routsong. Tom's journey through life was marked by a profound commitment to learning and service. His educational path led him through Oakwood High School, class of 1945, and Purdue University in 1950, where he earned his B.S in Mechanical Engineering. That same year he married his lifelong friend and partner, Martha "Marty" Crue, and together they enjoyed 56 years of marriage before her death in 2008. He began his career at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, nurturing his lifelong love of airplanes. Tom was involved in the development of numerous aircraft, and was especially proud to have been part of the team that reverse engineered enemy aircraft at the tail end of World War II. Throughout his life he was passionate about engineering, design, and technology, culminating in his masterpiece, a house of his own design, affectionately known as "The Tree House". Tom joined his father in the funeral business in 1951 and grew the company to three facilities in the Dayton area. Among his proudest accomplishments was the restoration of the historical Benjamin Robbins home in Centerville that became the second funeral home. He was particularly proud of the current location in Kettering, which he designed from the ground up. During his 50 plus year career in the funeral industry he was well known for his kindness and empathy in helping his friends and neighbors. It is a legacy of integrity and a culture of compassion that he bestowed to the next generations. In his free time Tom's interests were vast and varied.

He found joy in traveling with his family, exploring every state in the United States, each Canadian province, and traveling to Europe in later years. A lifelong learner, Tom could often be found reading up on the latest issues of the day, before sending his well worded and poignant essays to the editor of Dayton Daily News. His academic pursuits were a testament to his thirst for knowledge and his love of technology, and in doing so, kept his mind sharp right up until the very end. Everyone knew where to find Tom at the end of a long day, sipping a glass of sweet wine with his friends, fondly known as "wine time". Tom's contributions showcase his commitment to fraternity and community. He was a recipient of the James E. West award from the Miami Valley Boy Scouts of America. As a life member of David's UCC, Tom served as the president of the congregation in 1976. He was also a founding member of the Kettering-Oakwood Exchange Club and Lions Club of Oakwood, where his dedication to community service shone brightly. He was affiliated with the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, Belmont Chapter OES, Far Hills Lodge F&AM (now Dayton Lodge 147), and AASR Valley of Dayton, where he received his honorary 33rd degree in 1982. Tom was a member of the Antioch Shrine, the Arabic Club, and a founding member and past president of the Far Hills High 12 Club, which was the second largest in Ohio at one time. To know Tom Routsong was to know a true gentleman. He was soft spoken but when he did speak, everyone listened. His opinion was always highly regarded. He was a friend that was second to none. He led by example because he was a servant leader. If you knew Tom Routsong you are a better person because of him. He is preceded in death by his parents; and first wife of 56



years, Martha "Marty" Routsong. Tom is survived by his wife, Marylou; daughter, Jane House; son Tommy "TR" (Sinda Jones) Routsong; grandchildren, Samuel (Johanna Hartley) Routsong and Maxwell (Jill Compton) Routsong; stepson, Neil (Trudy) Bierise; grandson, Sean (Margaux) Frazee; nephew, Mark (Gail) Ely; nieces, Marti Ely and Mary (Jim) Pancoast; and many dear friends and extended family. Family will receive friends on Sunday, July 21, from 2-6 p.m., with Masonic Services at 6 p.m. at Routsong Funeral Home, 2100 East Stroop Road in Kettering. A funeral service will be held on Monday, July 22, at 10 a.m. at Routsong Funeral Home in Kettering. A livestream of the service will be available via Routsong's YouTube channel. Burial at David's Cemetery to follow. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Children's Dyslexia Center of Dayton at [www.childrensdyslexiacenters.org/centers/ohio-dayton](http://www.childrensdyslexiacenters.org/centers/ohio-dayton), or to the charity of your choice. The family would like to thank the many caregivers for the exceptional and compassionate care they provided Tom.

# District study of flood assessment methods to look at properties charged, credits

**By Sydney Dawes**  
Staff Writer

The Miami Conservancy District this month expects to launch a study of what properties benefit from its flood protection. In the meantime, updated flood protection charges could appear on residents' 2025 tax bills.

Miami Conservancy District officials during a special meet-

ing in Dayton on Tuesday said the proposed increase to the maintenance assessment – from 2.19% to 3.35% – and a 1% capital assessment will help the conservancy district address maintenance and capital needs of the region's flood protection system.

"The organization has to remain solvent," said board

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member and Hamiltonian Mark Rentschler. “We have to have operating funds in order to execute the routine maintenance and the work that the organization has to perform, frankly, each and every day. Those operating funds require an increase in the rate.”

Some Hamilton property owners, including David Stark of Keep Hamilton Afloat and ArtSpace Hamilton Lofts, say the uptick in rates will have a negative impact on businesses and residents during a time of high property taxes.

He said with the proposed rates, his bill would be 100% higher than his current rate.

“I hear the need to buy time, but that is too much. That is enough to solicit outrage,” Stark said during Tuesday’s meeting. “I want to believe in this. I see in your eyes that we all want a good situation here.”

The updated maintenance and capital assessments were approved by the board of directors but still need to go before the Conservancy Court before they will go into effect next year.

The Conservancy Court consists of a board of county Common Pleas Court judges, and the court will be in session on July 26 in Dayton.

The Conservancy Court in February approved \$34.5 million in capital spending authority for the conservancy district.

The first phase of the



**The Great Miami River. The Miami Conservancy District this month expects to launch a study of what properties benefit from its flood protection.** JIM NOELKER / STAFF

Miami Conservancy District’s benefit assessment study will launch in July and span through December, according to conservancy district officials.

The study will include a look into the feasibility of charging properties across the watershed and additional research regarding credits that could be incorporated into calculations of flood protection charges.

MaryLynn Lodor, Miami Conservancy District general manager, said under Ohio law the conservancy district does not have explicit authority to grant exceptions or abatements for flood protection.

“I think our approach is to utilize the benefit assessment study that we’re doing to be able to pause every adjustment and pause the methodology and look at how we can broaden the definition of benefits and then potentially identify caps or credits, incentives or abate-

ments in the methodology,” Lodor said. “I think there is a pathway for the Conservancy District to recognize tax credits, refunds or incentives. But we got to start at the beginning. And that is what we are doing with a benefit assessment study.”

Rentschler said he viewed the proposed change to the assessment rates as “a short-term issue.”

“I hope that this is something that is extremely limited,” he said. “What we want to be able to do is complete our mission and maintain our mission in such a way that we keep you safe, that we keep your property safe.”

The proposed increases to flood assessment charges elicited a loud response from Butler County residents in particular. Hamilton business owners have asked the district to consider charging more properties in the region for flood protection to divide the flood assessment responsibility.



The district provides flood protection in Butler, Hamilton, Montgomery, Miami and Warren counties. Less than 50,000 properties are charged flood assessments on their tax bills.

The Miami Conservancy District's board of directors in May approved a pause to the reappraisal of properties that are protected by the region's levee and dam system. The reappraisal of assessments followed the historic rise in property values in Ohio. Montgomery County saw an average increase of 34% in residential property value countywide as a part of the state-mandated triennial update last year. The average increase in Butler County is 37%.

This pause halted plans to implement updated property values when charging properties for flood protection in the form of assessments that appear on property tax bills. The last reappraisal made by the Miami Conservancy District was 12 years ago. Properties will still be charged for flood protection, but the calculation for their assessments will be made using property values

from the last appraisal.

Data obtained by this news organization shows the assessments under the paused readjustment would have left owners of hundreds of properties across the region paying more than \$1,000 a year for flood pro-

tection. This includes dozens of properties that could pay more than \$10,000 per year; one property owner is looking at assessments of roughly \$478,000.

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# Middletown city manager retires in closed-door session



Middletown City Council voted Tuesday to accept the abrupt retirement of City Manager Paul Lolli, effective July 31. Assistant City Manager Nathan Cahall will be interim city manager. NICK GRAHAM / STAFF

Paul Lolli, former fire chief, has been in role for 2 years.

By Michael D. Pitman  
Staff Writer

MIDDLETOWN – Middletown City Council accepted the abrupt retirement of its city manager Tuesday night.

After a lengthy executive session discussing personnel matters, the council voted 4-0 to accept the retirement of Paul Lolli, who was hired as the Middletown city manager two years ago to the month. Lolli's effective retirement

date will be July 31.

Lolli did not offer any comment after the meeting and promptly exited the building.

Council members after the executive session added the Lolli retirement to the agenda and conducted the vote, all without comment.

In a statement issued by the city of Middletown on Wednesday, Lolli said: "As much as I have enjoyed serving the city of Middletown and its residents, it is time for me to move on to a new chapter."

Lolli led the city as it progressed in its revitalization efforts, including oversee-

ing major projects such as the Cliffs Hydrogen Ready Direct Reduced Iron Plant, park improvements, the Renaissance Pointe project, the Paperboard Remediation Project, the Home Improvement Repair Program, focused efforts on code enforcement, a new levy and the purchase of the Central Connections building.

The Journal-News has requested retirement or severance package information for Lolli, but did not receive that information prior to deadline.

Assistant City Manager Nathan Cahall will be the interim city manager while

Middletown City Council launches a nationwide search for a replacement for Lolli.

Lolli had served as interim city manager for four months in early 2022 prior to being named in the permanent job in July 2022. Before leading the Middletown city administration, he served with the city of Middletown Division of Fire for 33 years, the last seven as its fire chief.

Lolli was the third permanent city manager in as many years when he was hired to the post in 2022. Cahall will be the fifth city manager, either interim or permanent, in the past seven years.

**THE OAKWOOD PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT'S  
REPORT TO THE CITY MANAGER**

**JUNE 2024**

Submitted by Chief Alan Hill

**LAW ENFORCEMENT**

**PART 1 CRIMES:** There were seven Part 1 crimes reported during the month of June. These included five thefts, one Burglary, and one Breaking and Entering report.

**TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT:** During the month of June, 128 traffic violations were cited, and 29 parking citations were issued.

**DETECTIVE  
INVESTIGATIONS:**

24-001797	300 Blk Old River Trl	Breaking and Entering	Under Investigation
24-001806	100 Blk Ascent Cir	Burglary	Under Investigation
24-001931	100 Blk Oakwood Ave	Forgery	Under Investigation
24-002037	400 Sugar Camp	Forgery	Cleared By Arrest

**LEADS:** The LEADS validation report this month concerned warrant entries. All entries have been validated and the Safety Department remains in compliance with LEADS protocol.

**TEEN COURT:** There were five cases referred to the Oakwood Teen Court and no cases were referred to the Montgomery County Juvenile Court during the month of June.

**BIKE PATROLS:** There were nineteen bike patrols during the month of June.

## FIRE

FIRE: There were seventeen total fire responses in June, all were to Oakwood. These included eight alarm investigations, three CO alarms, two smell of smoke investigations, two false alarms, one EMS assist, and one arcing electrical line.

APPARATUS: There were no maintenance issues reported during the month of June.

FIRE INSPECTIONS: There was one fire inspection conducted during the month of June.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

TRANSPORTS: There were 33 total calls for emergency medical services in June, including four mutual aid requests from the Dayton Fire Department. Five patients refused medical treatment and/or transportation. All other patients were transported to area hospitals for treatment.

## MISCELLANEOUS

DARE: There were no DARE activities during the month of June.

## TRAINING

Public Safety Officers, Lieutenants, and Command Staff completed a total of 182 hours of police, fire, and EMS training during the month of June.

During the month of June, Safety Department personnel completed EMS online continuing education training presented by 24/7 covering Flood Response.

Fire training consisted of Utilities Shutoffs through the online training portal.

Officers completed a 2-hour on-line legal update presented by TCSU.

Lastly, all officers conducted in-person harassment training through an outside agency.

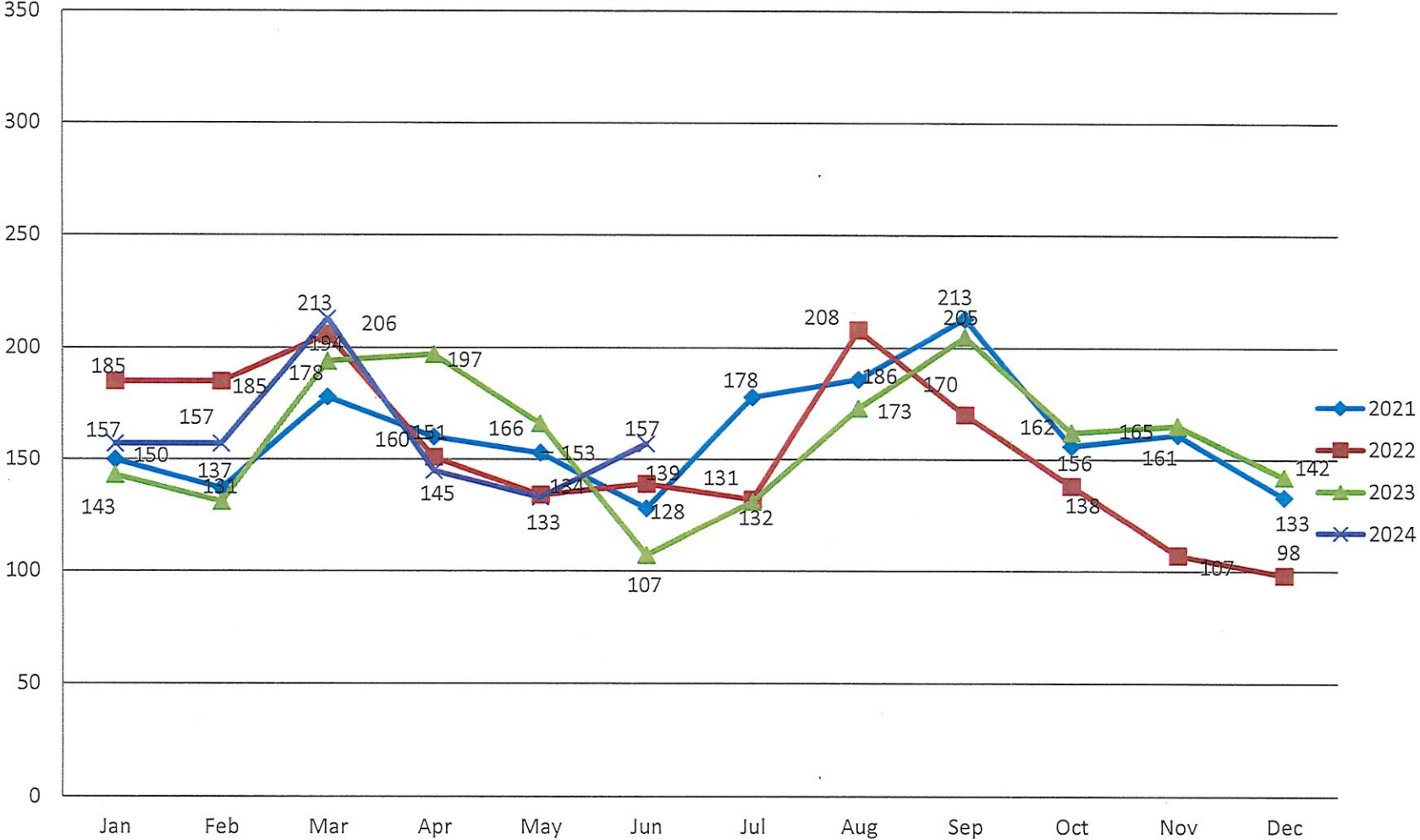


## OFFICER ACTIVITY

	ARRESTS	TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS CITED	OVI	FIELD REPORTS	REPORTS TAKEN	PARKING	WARNINGS	VHC	COMMUNITY MAINTENANCE
Staff	1	7	0	0	13	2	16	8	0
1	4	44	0	2	37	8	42	116	24
2	2	31	0	3	27	12	26	109	12
3	2	46	0	1	37	7	72	104	5

TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS CITED		WARNINGS	
White	60	White	96
Black	46	Black	35
Indian	0	Indian	8
Asian	5	Asian	5
Hispanic	5	Hispanic	2
Middle Eastern	5	Middle Eastern	6
Unoccupied Vehicle/Other/Unknown	7	Unoccupied Vehicle/Other/Unknown	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>156</b>
FIELD INVESTIGATIONS		ARRESTS	
White	5	White	4
Black	1	Black	5
Indian	0	Indian	0
Asian	0	Asian	0
Hispanic	0	Hispanic	0
Middle Eastern	0	Middle Eastern	0
Other/Unknown	0	Other/Unknown	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>

### CITATIONS 2021-2024



# PART 1 CRIMES 2021-2024

