#### CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER APRIL 28, 2023

Monday Council Meeting/Work Session: Our meeting next Monday begins at 6 p.m. in the second-floor training room. Our 7:30 p.m. regular session will take place in the council chamber and will be conducted in-person and via Zoom. The agenda is as follows:

#### PRE-COUNCIL WORK SESSION

#### **COUNCIL MEETING**

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  - An Ordinance to levy special assessments for the 2024 Street Lighting, Mr. Stephens
  - An Ordinance adopting the 2024 tax budget, Vice Mayor Byington
  - An Ordinance to provide a supplemental appropriation for the Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project, traffic signal study engineering costs and a replacement scooter, Vice Mayor Byington
  - An Ordinance authorizing the acquisition of four storm sewer easements, Vice Mayor Byington
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#### Status Reports:

• Proclamation recognizing May as "National Tennis Month." Bill will read the enclosed proclamation.

Visitors: None scheduled.

#### Legislation:

- An Ordinance to levy special assessments for the 2024 Street Lighting. This is the second reading of our standard annual ordinance to levy special assessments for our 2024 street lighting program.
- An Ordinance adopting the 2024 tax budget. This is the second reading of our annual ordinance adopting the following year's tax budget.
- An Ordinance to provide a supplemental appropriation for the Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project, traffic signal study engineering costs and a replacement scooter. This is the first reading of an ordinance to make funds available for expenditures that were not included in the 2023 budget. We recommend waiving the second reading.
- An Ordinance authorizing the acquisition of four storm sewer easements. This is an emergency ordinance that allows the city to acquire four (4) easements to proceed with the 2023 Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project.

Enclosed are suggested "Introductions for Legislation".

<u>An Oakwood Moment</u>: Leigh will present the "An Oakwood Moment" during the regular session on Monday. It will highlight Oakwood in bloom. Carol Collins and Brian Caldwell will attend the council meeting. I would like to say a few words about their efforts that lead to us being a Tree City USA year after year.

#### IMPORTANT COUNCIL DATES:

May 1, Monday, 6 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)

May 15, Monday, 5 p.m. – Work Session (OCC)

May 16, Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. – BRC Meeting (30 Park)

May 20, Saturday – "That Day in May"

June 5, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)

June 26, Monday, 5 p.m. – Work Session (30 Park)

July 17, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)

August 7, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Regular Session (30 Park)

August 13, Sunday, 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. – Ice Cream Social (Shafor Park)

August 21, Monday, 5 p.m. – Work Session (30 Park)

#### BUSINESS UPDATE:

#### **CITY MANAGER**

- Monday Work Session: Enclosed is our agenda for the 6 p.m. work session. We will meet in the second-floor training room. We will begin with an executive session. Jim Foster will join us.
- ➤ <u>MVRPC Spring Dinner</u>: Steve and I attended the annual event last night. As always, it was very well attended... and well done.
- ➤ Energy Aggregation: Enclosed is another *DDN* article about local jurisdictions placing aggregation choices on the May ballot.
- ➤ <u>OIC</u>: Enclosed is a *DDN* article about the OIC's ongoing efforts to study and promote inclusiveness. Nick Blizzard wrote the article based on Judy Cook's report to Council at our April 3 meeting, as well as a brief interview with OIC Chair Madeline Iseli.
- ➤ Wright at Home: Enclosed is a *Register* article about the April 23 Wright at Home event.
- Family Tradition: Enclosed is a neat *Register* article about the involvement of Kevin Jones and his late father, Bob, with the Oakwood Schools Foundation.
- First Suburbs: Steve, Leigh, Judy Cook (member emeritus) and I attended the First Suburbs meeting on Wednesday evening. It was a three hour strategic planning session, and was well done. There were about 25 attendees... and Oakwood had the largest number! Enclosed are the meeting agenda and survey information that was gathered and assembled by the facilitator prior to the meeting.
- ➤ <u>BRC</u>: I met for an hour on Monday with Raya Whalen, Jim Vaughn and Jeanne Boozell for the new member orientation. We had a lively conversation. I believe that all three will be actively engaged.

➤ <u>Dr. Norm Fogel</u>: Enclosed is an obituary for Dr. Fogel. Norm was a very bright and kind man... and was very generous in donating his time to the work of our city.

#### **FINANCE**

➤ <u>2022 Audit</u>: The state auditors completed all of the on-site field work here at the city building and we anticipate a clean audit.

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

- ➤ <u>Social Media Threats</u>: Enclosed are *DDN* and *Register* articles about the threatening social media posts by Oakwood High School students.
- ➤ <u>Vacation</u>: Chief Hill is on vacation next week. In his absence, Captain Mike Tanner serves as our Public Information Officer. Captain Tanner is prepared to respond to media inquiries that we anticipate receiving in regard to the 5-Points intersection.

#### **LEISURE SERVICES**

- Tree City USA: Enclosed is a press release distributed yesterday.
- ➤ <u>aDOORable Door</u>: Below are the "doors" in the front of the OCC and Smith Gardens. Kudos to Carol for her handiwork!!! ③





#### **ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS**

- Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction: Enclosed is the contractor recommendation, along with the bid tabulation. We are proceeding with Kinnison Excavating, Inc. Lori Stacel, Doug Spitler and Chris Kuzma are working together to build a user friendly information center on our city website that will provide the public with easily accessible weekly construction updates. I will show you a very preliminary draft of it in work session on Monday.
- Recycling Discussion: Doug did a very nice job as a member of the discussion panel at the recycling program held at Wright Library last Saturday. I will comment on this in work session on Monday.
- Traffic Signal System Study: We had good meetings this week with: 1) the Far Hills crossing guards; 2) our engineering consultants; and 3) the owners of 415 Far Hills. I will provide an overview of these meetings in work session on Monday. Tentative dates for the three open house events are:

Wed, June 14, 6-8 p.m. Thu, June 29, 6-8 p.m. Tue, July 11, 6-8 p.m.

#### **LAW**

➤ No Report.

#### PERSONNEL & PROPERTIES

Historic Markers: Debra Edwards informed us that she spoke with Alex Heckman at the Wright at Home event last Sunday and was told that Dayton History supports placement of a Hawthorn Hill historic marker. We are providing the boulder below for this marker. The boulder has been sitting near the water tower for many years. I believe that it once had a bronze plaque affixed to it with words about Fairridge Park. The Hawthorn Hill marker will be placed near the driveway apron off of Harman Avenue. The Kramer Pleasure Gardens and Four Mile Tavern markers were manufactured this week. The Schantz Park Historic District marker should be completed around the middle of May.



HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!

#### **ENCLOSURE LIST**

#### **TENTATIVE AGENDAS FOR MONDAY**

#### TRANSMITTALS NOTED WITHIN NEWSLETTER

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Legislation

Introductions to Legislation

Proclamation

DDN Article re: Energy Aggregation

DDN Article re: OIC

Register Article re: Wright at Home Register Article re: Family Tradition

First Suburbs Agenda & Survey Information

Dr. Norm Fogel Obituary

DDN & Register Articles re: Social Media Threats

Tree City USA Press Release

Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Bid Tab & Contractor Recommendation

#### CITY OF OAKWOOD COUNCIL AGENDA MAY 1, 2023

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NEXT REGULAR SESSION SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 5, 2023

#### PRE/POST COUNCIL WORK SESSION AGENDA MAY 1, 2023

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PROPERTY AND PERSONNEL MATTERS

#### • STATUS REPORTS

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#### • STAFF REPORT – FINANCE DEPARTMENT

#### AN OAKWOOD MOMENT

#### • COUNCIL COMMITTEES

- o Court Liaison, Mrs. Hilton
- o Finance, Vice Mayor Byington
- o Law & Minutes, Mrs. Hilton
- o Planning & Zoning, Vice Mayor Byington
- o Public Properties, Mrs. Turben
- o Public Utilities/Waterworks/Sewer, Mrs. Turben
  - Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project
  - Styrofoam Recycling
  - Recycling in Oakwood Earth Day Events
- o Safety & Traffic, Mr. Stephens
- o Streets & Alleys, Mr. Stephens
- o Community Relations/Promotion/Appointments, Mayor Duncan

#### REGIONAL AGENCIES

- o MVCC, Mr. Stephens
- o MVRPC, Vice Mayor Byington
- Mayors & Managers, Mayor Duncan
- o First Suburbs, Vice Mayor Byington
  - April 26 Strategic Planning Session
- o Oakwood Inclusion Coalition, Mr. Klopsch

#### BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

- o Planning Commission, Vice Mayor Byington
- o Beautification Committee, Mr. Stephens
- o Sister City Association, Mrs. Hilton
- o Historical Society, Mrs. Turben
  - Historic Markers
- o Board of Health, Mayor Duncan

#### • MISCELLANEOUS

## MINUTES OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION APRIL 3, 2023

The Council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, met in a work session on Monday, April 3, 2023 in the second-floor meeting room at the city building, 30 Park Avenue. The Mayor of the City, William Duncan, presided.

Council members in attendance were Mayor William Duncan, Vice Mayor Steve Byington, Councilmember Rob Stephens, Councilmember Anne Hilton and Councilmember Leigh Turben. Staff in attendance were City Manager Norbert Klopsch and City Attorney Rob Jacques.

Mayor Duncan called the work session to order at 6:30 p.m. and reviewed the agenda for the regular session this evening. Thereafter, he led a discussion on the following agenda items:

- STATUS REPORTS: Council discussed the following status reports that are scheduled for the regular session this evening:
  - Oakwood Public Safety Department: Mayor Duncan shared that he will comment on the services of our Oakwood Public Safety Department, and some recent events.
  - PSO Swear-in: Mayor Duncan mentioned that he will administer the Oath of Office to Public Safety Officer Joe Dues. Chief Hill will introduce him.
  - O Citizen Committee Appointments: Mayor Duncan noted that he will call for a vote at the regular session this evening to make several reappointments and appointments.
  - o Proclamation recognizing April as "Fair Housing Month:" Mayor Duncan shared that he will read the proclamation.
  - o Proclamation recognizing the week of April 23 as "Arbor Week:" Mayor Duncan shared that he will read the proclamation.

#### VISITORS:

- Oakwood Inclusion Coalition 2022 Annual Report: Mayor Duncan mentioned that Judy Cook, former mayor and vice chair of the OIC, will report on the organization's activities over the last year at the regular session this evening.
- Pinwheels for National Child Abuse Awareness: Mayor Duncan noted that Oakwood resident Terri Jones, a volunteer with CARE House, will say a few words about the work of CARE House and the 2023 pinwheel project.
- LEGISLATION: Council discussed the following items of legislation scheduled for the regular session this evening:
  - o An Ordinance to Proceed with the 2024 Street Lighting Program, Mr. Stephens
  - o An Ordinance to levy special assessments for the 2024 Street Lighting, Mr. Stephens
  - o An Ordinance to Proceed with the 2023 Sidewalk Repair Program, Mr. Stephens
  - o An Ordinance adopting the 2024 tax budget, Vice Mayor Byington
  - o A Resolution to approve an opioid settlement agreement, Vice Mayor Byington
- STAFF REPORT: Mr. Klopsch noted that Engineering and Public Works Director Doug Spitler will deliver a PowerPoint presentation at the regular session this evening.
- AN OAKWOOD MOMENT: Mr. Stephens shared that he will present the "Oakwood Moment" at the regular session highlighting Oakwood Rotary.

#### • MISCELLANEOUS

- o Citizen Committee Appointments: Council discussed the final appointments to be made at the regular session this evening.
- April 17 Work Session Agenda: Mr. Klopsch commented on the agenda items for the April 17 work session and noted that it will include an executive session for property and personnel matters.

At 7:00 p.m., Mayor Duncan asked for a motion to go into executive session for property matters. Motion by Vice Mayor Byington; second by Mr. Stephens. Upon a viva voce vote, motion approved.

At 7:20 p.m., Mayor Duncan concluded the executive session and Council moved to regular session.

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#### CITY OF OAKWOOD STATE OF OHIO APRIL 3, 2023

The Council of the city of Oakwood, State of Ohio, met in a work session at 6:30 p.m. in the second-floor training room of the city of Oakwood, 30 Park Avenue, Oakwood, Ohio, 45419. Council then met in a regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers of the city of Oakwood.

The meeting was streamed live from the Oakwood city website, telecast live on Cable Access Channel 6 and was available via remote teleconferencing utilizing the Zoom platform.

The Mayor, Mr. William Duncan, presided, and the Clerk, Ms. Lori Stacel, recorded. Mayor Duncan asked all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon call of the roll, the following members of Council responded to their names:

Officers of the City present were the following:

Mr. Norbert S. Klopsch, City Manager Mr. Robert F. Jacques, City Attorney Chief Alan Hill, Public Safety Director

Mr. Douglas Spitler, Engineering and Public Works Director

Ms. Lori Stacel, Clerk of Council

The following in-person visitors registered:

Brian Barr, Oakwood Register
Public Safety Officer Joe Dues & Family
Mike and Marissa Ford, 124 Acorn Drive
Judy Cook, Oakwood Inclusion Coalition
Daniel Turben, Oakwood Inclusion Coalition
Healy Jackson, Oakwood Inclusion Coalition
Kristi Hale, Oakwood Inclusion Coalition
Roger Crum, Oakwood Inclusion Coalition
Terri Jones, CARE House
Libby Nicholson, CARE House

There were no Zoom visitors in attendance.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Byington and seconded by Mr. Stephens that the absence of Mrs. Hilton be excused. Upon a viva voce vote on the question of the motion, same passed unanimously and it was so ordered.

Vice Mayor Byington advised Council he had read the meeting minutes of the March 6, 2023 regular session, work session and executive session, and March 27, 2023 work session and executive session. Vice Mayor Byington reported he found the minutes correct and complete. Therefore, it was moved by Vice Mayor Byington and seconded by Mrs. Turben that the minutes of the sessions of Council aforementioned be approved as written and the reading thereof at this session be dispensed with. Upon a viva voce vote on the question of the motion, same passed unanimously and it was so ordered.

#### STATUS REPORTS

<u>Oakwood Public Safety Department</u> – Mayor Duncan recognized the fine services provided by the Oakwood Public Safety Department.

Recently, there was a 9-1-1 cardiac emergency medic call where a quick response time and advanced medical training and equipment helped to save the patient's life. A month before this medic call, the patient was diagnosed as being cancer free after a six year battle with cancer. The patient recently celebrated his 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Also recently, during an overnight traffic stop on a vehicle without a registration, an Oakwood Public Safety Officer observed several pieces of open and unopened mail in the vehicle. After further investigation, a U.S.P.S. mailbox key was discovered in a cell phone case. As of last week, the subject is facing felony charges.

Lieutenant Damian Baggett recently graduated from the Police Executive Leadership College (PELC). PELC is a three month leadership development program consisting of: 105 class hours;

20+ leadership topics; 20 required readings; four research papers; three team projects; two speeches; and one capstone presentation. Chief Hill and Captain Tanner attended the graduation ceremony which was held in Columbus. Congratulations to Lieutenant Baggett.

<u>PSO Swear-In</u> – Mayor Duncan recognized new Public Safety Officer William "Joe" Dues and his family. He then administered the Oath of Office. Chief Hill welcomed and introduced PSO Dues.

<u>Citizen Committee Appointments</u> – Mayor Duncan presented the following list of reappointments and new appointments to various citizen committees:

The reappointment of Nina Anglin to the Personnel Appeals Board; Chuck Ellis (Precinct B), Tim Judge (Precinct C) and Judy Steiger (Precinct F) to the Property Maintenance Board and the appointment of Dr. Elizabeth Hardy to the Board of Health; Abby Riedel and Phil Wittmer to the Personnel Appeals Board; and Katy Tribble (Precinct H) and Scott Fischer (Precinct H) to the Property Maintenance Board.

It was moved by Mayor Duncan and seconded by Mrs. Turben that the aforementioned appointments be confirmed. Upon a viva voce vote on the question of the motion, same passed unanimously and it was so ordered.

<u>Proclamation</u> – Mayor Duncan read a proclamation designating the month of April as "Fair Housing Month."

<u>Proclamation</u> – Mayor Duncan read a proclamation designating the week of April 23 as "Arbor Week."

#### **VISITORS**

Oakwood Inclusion Coalition 2022 Annual Report – Judy Cook, former mayor and vice chair of the Oakwood Inclusion Coalition (OIC,) reported on the organization's activities over the last year. The OIC's annual report focuses on the following topics: administrative matters; engaging community participation; achieving community impact; realizing the OIC mission to study, promote and celebrate diversity; operating with solid financial standing; and expressing appreciation for local stakeholders and resources.

The OIC is a citizen-led organization that continues to work closely with the City, the Schools and Wright Library. The OIC Leadership Team expanded its team size in 2022 by adding four new members.

One of the most important tasks of the OIC has been to engage community participation. The OIC has participated in regional community building events, and Oakwood events and traditions. The OIC remains committed to non-partisanship, community connections and constructive collaborations.

The Oakwood Inclusion Coalition obtained a 501(c)(3) non-profit designation for the organization in May 2021, and has established a fund at The Dayton Foundation. At the end of the 2022 calendar year, the OIC has a balance of \$16,576,17.

Mrs. Cook thanked the City, School and Library liaisons and respective governing boards for their guidance and support. She also acknowledged the support of the *Oakwood Register* in promoting OIC events and activities.

Mayor Duncan thanked the OIC for its efforts, and thanked Mrs. Cook for the update. He noted that the City, Schools and Library act as a three legged stool in that the stool is only as strong as the three legs together.

<u>Pinwheels for National Child Abuse Awareness</u> – Oakwood resident Terri Jones with CARE House shared information about the work of CARE House and the 2023 pinwheel project.

Mrs. Jones shared that she and her family have lived in Oakwood for over forty years. She is attending the council meeting, along with Libby Nicolson, the Director of CARE House, to discuss the pinwheel project and to advocate for victims of child abuse and neglect. Mrs. Jones quickly learned when she worked as an Emergency Room nurse at Dayton Children's Medical Center that the presence of neglect is in all types of neighborhoods. The mission of CARE House is to prevent child abuse and neglect for all kids in the community. The first step in preventing child abuse and neglect is having awareness of the problem. Prevention is the second step, starting with education and ending with every child being safe and protected. Each year, starting in April, CARE House plants Pinwheel gardens to help raise awareness. Pinwheels are a reminder of the role we all play in children's lives. CARE House joined the city of Oakwood and other community partners to

display pinwheels along Far Hills Avenue, at Oakwood Schools, at Wright Memorial Public Library, and at the Oakwood Community Center.

Mrs. Jones mentioned that CARE House received many favorable comments about the very visible pinwheel displays in Oakwood, particularly along Far Hills Avenue, and thanked the city for embracing the project.

Mayor Duncan inquired about the number of child abuse cases during COVID-19.

Libby Nicholson, Director of CARE House, explained that the reported number of child abuse cases did not increase due to COVID-19, but the severity of the abuse did increase. It is important that we continue to provide services to support children and families in our community. Mrs. Nicholson thanked Oakwood for their support in adopting the pinwheel campaign.

Mayor Duncan thanked Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Nicholson for sharing information about CARE House.

#### **LEGISLATION**

#### AN ORDINANCE

BY MR. STEPHENS NO 4972
AN ORDINANCE DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN STREETS BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI IN THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, OHIO, BY LIGHTING THE SAME WITH ELECTRICITY.

A copy of the ordinance, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Mr. Stephens explained that this is an annual ordinance that is the second step of the 2024 street lighting program. It is the ordinance that authorizes the city to proceed with the project. It was introduced with a first reading at the March 6, 2023 Council meeting.

Thereupon, it was moved by Mr. Stephens and seconded by Vice Mayor Byington that the ordinance be passed.

Upon call of the roll on the question of the motion, the following vote was recorded:

MR. WILLIAM D. DUNCAN	YEA
MR. STEVEN BYINGTON	YEA
MR. ROBERT P. STEPHENS	YEA
MRS. LEIGH TURBEN	YEA

There being four (4) yea votes and no (0) nay votes thereon, said ordinance was declared duly passed and it was so ordered.

#### AN ORDINANCE

BY MR. STEPHENS NO 4974
AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN STREETS BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI IN THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, OHIO, BY LIGHTING THE SAME WITH ELECTRICITY.

A copy of the ordinance, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Mr. Stephens explained that this is the third and final step of the 2024 street light program. It allows for the costs of street lighting to be certified to the Montgomery County Auditor for assessment.

This was a first reading of the ordinance, so Mr. Stephens made no motion.

#### AN ORDINANCE

BY MR. STEPHENS NO 4973
AN ORDINANCE DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE REPAIRING OF SIDEWALKS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO ON CERTAIN STREETS BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI, IN THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, OHIO, AND PROVIDING THAT ABUTTING PROPERTY OWNERS REPAIR THE SAME.

A copy of the ordinance, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Mr. Stephens explained that this is an annual ordinance that is the second step of the 2023 Sidewalk, Curb and Driveway Apron Project. Again, this year's program area covers all city streets west of Far Hills that were not repaired as part of last year's program. It was introduced with a first reading at the March 6, 2023 Council meeting.

Thereupon, it was moved by Mr. Stephens and seconded by Mrs. Turben that the ordinance be passed.

Upon call of the roll on the question of the motion, the following vote was recorded:

MR. WILLIAM D. DUNCAN	YEA
MR. STEVEN BYINGTON	YEA
MR. ROBERT P. STEPHENS	YEA
MRS. LEIGH TURBEN	YEA

There being four (4) yea votes and no (0) nay votes thereon, said ordinance was declared duly passed and it was so ordered.

#### AN ORDINANCE

BY VICE MAYOR BYINGTON NO 4975 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2024 TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 2024.

A copy of the ordinance, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Vice Mayor Byington explained that to comply with Section 6.01 of the City Charter, this is an annual housekeeping ordinance to estimate the city's revenues and expenses for calendar year 2024.

This was a first reading of the ordinance, so Vice Mayor Byington made no motion.

# A RESOLUTION BY VICE MAYOR BYINGTON NO 1907 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE CITY OF OAKWOOD'S ACCEPTANCE OF AND PARTICIPATION IN PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH ONGOING NATIONAL OPIOID LITIGATION.

A copy of the resolution, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Vice Mayor Byington explained that Ohio is included in ongoing litigation involving the national prescription opioid epidemic. This is complex, multi-district litigation occurring nationwide, and there are many defendants including opioid distributors and manufacturers.

In 2021 Oakwood signed a document known as the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"). In doing so, Oakwood joined with political subdivisions throughout the state to agree on a mechanism for distributing any opioid settlements that may be reached.

In 2021 state-level settlements were reached with several opioid distributors, including AmeriSource Bergen, McKesson, and Cardinal Health. Those settlements are being distributed to local governments according to the terms of the OneOhio MOU.

In late 2022 state-level settlements were reached with several pharmacies, including CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart, as well as two opioid manufacturers, Teva and Allergan. The resolution being introduced tonight will allow Oakwood to opt in to the local government portion of these settlements, which would then be distributed under the framework already established by the OneOhio MOU. These are structured settlements that will be distributed over a period of six (6) years. The money is restricted for use in abating the opioid epidemic.

Thereupon, it was moved by Vice Mayor Byington and seconded by Mr. Stephens that the resolution be passed.

Upon call of the roll on the question of the motion, the following vote was recorded:

There being four (4) yea votes and no (0) nay votes thereon, said resolution was declared duly passed and it was so ordered.

#### STAFF REPORT

<u>Public Works Department Presentation</u>: Mr. Doug Spitler, Engineering and Public Works Director, referenced a PowerPoint presentation and updated Council on various Public Works projects and operations.

Mr. Spitler displayed a map depicting the asphalt street resurfacing project. The work will take place on E. Schantz Avenue between Far Hills Avenue and Lookout Drive; Lookout Drive; Acacia Drive; E. Thruston Boulevard between Woods Road & Acorn Drive; Hathaway Road between Patterson Road and north end; the alley between Rubicon Road and Oakwood Avenue; and the alley between Ridgewood Avenue and E. Schantz Avenue. The total estimated cost for the project is \$596,353.

The 2023 Sidewalk, Curb and Driveway Apron Repair Project will take place in the southwest quadrant of the City, including all areas of Oakwood west of Far Hills Avenue and south of Park Road. The project received three bids and was awarded to Adleta Construction at an estimated cost of \$229,000.

A series of stormwater inlets will be repaired along the east and west sides of Far Hills Avenue, and numerous sections of concrete roadway curbing will be replaced, mostly between East Drive and Patterson Road. This project is being completed in advance of the 2024 Far Hills Avenue resurfacing. The project received two bids and was awarded to Adleta Construction at an estimated cost of \$297,000.

The storm sewer system will be replaced crossing Far Hills Avenue at Greenmount Boulevard; on Dellwood Avenue from Far Hills to East Schantz; Forrer Boulevard from Far Hills to East Schantz; and along a section of Devereux Drive north of Forrer Road. The project is anticipated to begin in late spring or early summer. The bid opening for this project will be on April 11, 2023.

A new pole barn type building was constructed at the Public Works Center to store various equipment and vehicles.

CenterPoint (formerly Vectren) began the Oakwood gas line replacement project in 2010. The project is scheduled to be completed this year. At the end of 2023, all of the underground gas distribution pipes and home service lines in Oakwood will have been renewed. Mr. Spitler presented the 2023 CenterPoint project maps.

There are several large equipment purchases pending to include: Sidewalk Tractor: \$20,500; Ventrac Tractor: \$39,100; Front End Loader: \$83,955; Backhoe: \$102,500; Back-up Packer: \$115,000; V-Box Salt Spreader (3): \$97,290; Leaf Vacuum: \$110,000; and Sewer Line Camera: \$110,800

The Public Works Department provides a broad range of municipal services including: weekly trash/recyclables collection; yard debris and special pickups; and leaf disposal/leaf mulch. Mulch deliveries will take place on five Saturdays from April 8 to May 6. On the same five Saturdays, residents can obtain free mulch from the Foell Public Works Center at 210 Shafor Boulevard between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. There are also several self-service options available such as: the next Styrofoam recycling event is scheduled for Saturday, April 22; drop-off containers for recycling cardboard, yard debris, and co-mingled materials at a 24/7 Recycling Facility; the Foell Public Works Center at 210 Shafor Boulevard is open from 8 a.m. until 12 noon on the first Saturday of each month for Oakwood citizens to drop off refuse items; and refuse dumpsters are available for disposal of a mixture of debris from "do-it-yourself" homeowner projects.

Mr. Spitler displayed a chart showing a breakdown of the solid waste stream last year. There was a total of 7,121 tons of material handled in 2022, and about 50% was recycled.

Mr. Spitler displayed a line graph showing refuse collection trends over the past six years. The line graph showed a substantial increase in collection beginning in March of 2020. This increase follows COVID-19, suggesting that many property owners disposed of more household debris during the pandemic.

Mr. Spitler displayed a line graph showing cardboard collection trends over the past ten years. The line graph showed a consistent increase in cardboard collection each year. In 2022, the city delivered cardboard to Rumpke and received market-based revenue of \$13,214.

The next Oakwood Rotary hazardous waste pick-up event is on Saturday, April 22. Citizens desiring a pick up should call (937) 296-5155 before noon on Friday, April 21 and leave their name and address.

From December 2022 to March 2023, the Public Works Department responded to five winter weather events. The department used 741 tons of salt totaling \$62,229 through the winter season.

Mr. Spitler shared several personnel changes that have occurred. Vere Mason retired in December 2022; The Public Works Department welcomed Todd White, General Service Worker on November 7, 2022; Cade Wallace, General Service Worker on November 14, 2022; Joshua Deyak, General Service Worker on March 6, 2023; Cameron Daniel, General Service Worker on March 20, 2023; and Jaycob Burns, Water & Sewer Technician on March 27, 2023.

Mrs. Turben asked when the city's next document shred event will occur.

Mr. Spitler explained that this year's event date has not yet been confirmed. The shred event is scheduled in the fall, typically in September.

Mayor Duncan shared that as a member of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) he has learned that the Montgomery County Solid Waste District is considered a state-of-the-art facility and Oakwood is recognized as a leader in recycling. He thanked Mr. Spitler and the Public Works Department for their efforts.

#### AN OAKWOOD MOMENT

Mr. Stephens highlighted the Oakwood Rotary Club.

<u>CITY MANAGER REPORT</u> – Mr. Klopsch thanked Mr. Spitler for his thorough report.

#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mrs. Turben shared that the "Wright at Home" event is scheduled for Sunday, April 23. Additional information on the event is available on The Oakwood Historical Society's website.

Mr. Stephens welcomed PSO Dues. He reported that as Chairman of the Miami Valley Communications Council (MVCC) Board, Executive Director Jay Weiskircher's contract was extended to 2025. MVCC has been integral in supporting its eight member cities. He closed his comments by thanking Mr. Spitler and the Public Works Department for their fine work.

Vice Mayor Byington reminded everyone that The Friends of Smith Gardens "Perennial Sale" will be held on Friday, April 21 and Saturday, April 22 at the Oakwood Community Center.

Mayor Duncan shared that 53 years ago, he and his wife had their first date watching the Harlem Globetrotters at the University of Dayton Arena. They were married three years later and will be celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in December.

The public meeting concluded at 8:44 p.m.

	MAYOR	
ATTEST:		
CLERK OF COUNCIL		

## MINUTES OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION APRIL 17, 2023

The Council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio met in a work session on Monday, April 17, 2023 in the second-floor meeting room at the city building, 30 Park Avenue. The Mayor of the City, William Duncan, presided.

Council members in attendance were Mayor William Duncan, Vice Mayor Steve Byington via remote teleconference, Councilmember Rob Stephens, Councilmember Anne Hilton and Councilmember Leigh Turben. Staff in attendance were City Manager Norbert Klopsch and City Attorney Rob Jacques. Also attending for a portion of the meeting were Public Safety Director Alan Hill and Personnel and Properties Director Jennifer Wilder.

Mayor Duncan called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. and invited Chief Hill to provide an update on scooters, bicycles and pedestrian safety and Council's Parking Permit Policy.

Chief Hill reported on the efforts underway with Oakwood Junior High Principal Tim Badenhop to promote the safe use of scooters and bikes around the city. Councilmember Stephens commented on a video being produced by Jr. High students for use in educating fellow students on the safe operation of bikes and scooters within pedestrian walkways.

Chief Hill reviewed Council's policy addressing 2-hour restricted parking zones on streets in Oakwood and commented on recent parking complaints along East Drive.

Chief Hill departed the meeting at 6:10 p.m., at which time Council moved to executive session for property and personnel matters.

At 7:18 p.m., Council ended the executive session and resumed the work session. Mrs. Wilder departed the meeting.

Mayor Duncan then led a discussion on the following items:

#### • COUNCIL COMMITTEES

- o Finance, Vice Mayor Byington
  - 2024 Budget: Mr. Klopsch shared the timeline for preparing the 2024 budget and commented on proposed 2024 capital projects.
- o Public Utilities/Waterworks/Sewer, Mrs. Turben
  - Water and Wastewater Services: Not discussed.
  - PFAS in Drinking Water: Mr. Klopsch commented on a letter that the Dayton Water Department sent recently to all of their customers regarding proposed federal regulations on PFAS chemicals in drinking water.
  - Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project: Mr. Klopsch reported that bids were opened last week for this project and staff is pleased with the results. The low bid was \$1,843,159 and the engineer's estimate was \$1,882,934.35. Staff plans to award the contract to Kinnison Excavating this week.

#### REGIONAL AGENCIES

- o MVCC, Mr. Stephens
  - Energy Purchasing in Ohio/Aggregation: Mr. Jacques shared that MVCC will soon receive proposals for aggregated electricity purchasing. Oakwood will have the option to join the aggregation program, as an opt-in or opt-out participant, any time after the contract is signed. MVCC plans to solicit aggregation proposals for natural gas in late summer or early fall.
- o Oakwood Inclusion Coalition, Mr. Jacques
  - April 4 Annual Meeting: Mr. Jacques reported that he attended the Oakwood Inclusion Coalition (OIC) annual meeting on Tuesday, April 4 at Wright Library.

#### • BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

- o Historical Society, Mrs. Turben
  - Historic Marker Program: Mr. Klopsch reported that discussions are still underway regarding the placement of a historic marker at Hawthorn Hill.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

- Email Issues/Problems: Mr. Klopsch discussed the new password and security guidelines to prevent email account compromises. Council also discussed problems being encountered with email delivery, particularly relating to automatic email forwarding.
- April 22 Earth Day Program: Mr. Klopsch commented on the schedule of the Earth Day Weekend event being held at Wright Library from Friday, April 21 to Monday, April 24. Engineering and Public Works Director Doug Spitler will be participating in a "Recycling Update" panel discussion that is set for 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 22.
- May 2023 National Tennis Month: Mr. Klopsch noted that the May 1 council meeting agenda will include presentation of a proclamation recognizing the month of May as "National Tennis Month."
- o That Day in May Parade: Mr. Klopsch reviewed the timeline for "That Day in May," including details about the parade.

At 7:36 p.m., Mayor Duncan concluded the work session and adjourned the meeting.

ATTEST:	Mayor
Clerk of Council	

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Mayor William D. Duncan

PASSED BY COUNCIL this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

ATTEST:	
Clerk of Council	
To the Clerk: Please publish in summary form below.	
	City Attorney Robert F. Jacques
The Council of the City of Oakwood, Monentitled "LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSM	EGAL NOTICE  tgomery County, Ohio adopted Ordinance No  MENTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN  MINI IN THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, OHIO, BY  CITY."
	Lori Stacel Clerk of Council City of Oakwood
I, Lori Stacel, Clerk of Council of the City foregoing summary of the foregoing Ordi	FION OF PUBLICATION Of Oakwood, State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the nance was duly published in the Oakwood Register, a l City of Oakwood, that said publication occurred on the
	Lori Stacel, Clerk of Council

#### AN ORDINANCE

BY:	NO
	X BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING
Ohio, for fiscal year beginning January 1, 2 and in accordance with Section 6.01 of Artic tax budget sets forth all revenues expected t	d the attached tax budget for the city of Oakwood, 2024, in conformance with the requirements of law cle VI of the Charter of the city of Oakwood, which to be received for such fiscal year; including but not Gees, costs, percentages, penalties, allowances and
WHEREAS, based on preliminary estimate exceed the 2023 operating expenditure appro	s, 2024 operating expenditures are not expected to priations by more than 3%; and
WHEREAS, based on preliminary estimate exceed \$4,744,000;	es, 2024 capital expenditures are not expected to
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAIN OAKWOOD, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:	ED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
	paragraph, shall be and is hereby adopted as the Dhio, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024.
SECTION II. That this ordinance be and remain in force fr	om and after the earliest date allowed by law.
PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CIT	Y OF OAKWOOD, this 1st day of May, 2023.
	Mayor William D. Duncan
ATTEST:	
Clerk of Council	
To the Clerk: Please publish in summary form set forth bel	low.
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	City Attorney Robert F. Jacques
I, Lori Stacel, Clerk of Council of the City of foregoing summary of the foregoing Ordina	ON OF PUBLICATION of Oakwood, State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the new was duly published in the Oakwood Register, a y of Oakwood, that said publication occurred on the
	Clerk of Council

### **Cities/Villages Tax Budget**

Council of the City of Oakwood,

May 1, 2023

To Karl L. Keith, Montgomery County Auditor:

The Council of the City of Oakwood hereby submits its annual Budget for the year commencing January 1st, 2024 for consideration of the Montgomery County Budget Commission pursuant to Section 6.01 of the Oakwood City Charter.

#### Director of Finance

Fund	Estimated Unencumbered Balance January 1st, 2024	Other Sources	Total
GENERAL FUND	8,700,528	11,394,036	20,094,564
MAJOR OPERATING FUNDS			
Street Maintenance and Repair	500,000	1,499,988	1,999,988
Leisure Activity	500,000	1,322,705	1,822,705
Health	163,594	184,940	348,534
Equipment Replacement	1,143,320	1,149,000	2,292,320
Capital Improvement	982,274	2,043,000	3,025,274
Sidewalk, Curb & Apron	200,000	226,700	426,700
Service Center	100,000	769,975	869,975
OTHER FUNDS			
Bullock Endowment Trust	50,652	300	50,952
MLK Community Recognition	0	0	0
Special Improvement District Assessment	0	117,306	117,306
Smith Memorial Gardens	400,000	142,115	542,115
Indigent Drivers Alcohol Treatment	40,748	2,600	43,348
Enforcement and Education	8,575	200	8,775
Law Enforcement	15,272	0	15,272
Drug Law Enforcement	0	0	0
Police Pension	0	0 000	0
Court Clerk Computerization	45,414	8,000	53,414
Court Special Projects	36,625	4,200	40,825
Court Special Projects	51,942	7,000	58,942
Sub-Total, Page 1	12,938,944	18,872,065	31,811,009

## **Cities/Villages Tax Budget**

Fund	Estimated Unencumbered Balance January 1st, 2024	Other Sources	Total
OTHER FINDS (continued)			
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OneOhio	11,500	5,750	17,250
State Highway Improvement	156,252	47,250	203,502
Public Safety Endowment	161,984	1,300	163,284
Special Projects	4,527,598	0	4,527,598
Issue 2 Projects	+,527,530 N	0	+,527,530 N
Public Facilities	0	0	0
Local Coronavirus Relief	0	0	0
Local Fiscal Recovery	0	0	0
Bond Retirement	0	0	0
Electric Street Lighting	100,000	172,400	272,400
Self-Funded Insurance Trust	25,000	17,500	42,500
Fire Insurance Trust	0	0	, 0
Contractor's Permit Fee	0	2,000	2,000
REFUSE			
Refuse	303,248	1,387,100	1,690,348
Refuse Improve/Equip Replacement	53,713	175,000	228,713
ENTERPRISE FUNDS			
Water Operating	515,142	1,134,600	1,649,742
Water Improve/Equip Replacement	112,654	677,000	789,654
Sanitary Sewer Operating	1,057,076	1,883,200	2,940,276
Sanitary Sewer Improve/Equip Replace	318,748	275,000	593,748
Stormwater Operating	322,103	466,600	788,703
Stormwater Improve/Equip Replacement	30,789	250,000	280,789
Sub-Total, Page 2	7,695,807	6,494,700	14,190,507
Grand Total	20,634,751	25,366,765	46,001,516

## Exhibit of Bonds, Notes, and Certificates of Indebtedness Outstanding January 1st of the Coming Year, and Bond Retirement Fund Requirements, for the coming year.

Purpose of Bonds and Notes	Authority for Levy Outside 10 mill Limit	Date of Issue	Date Due	Rate of Interest	Amount Outstanding	Amount Required for Principal & Interest	Amount Required from Sources other than Property Tax	Total Required from General Property Taxes
INSIDE 10 MILL LIMIT:	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX
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TOTAL	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX				
OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMIT:	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	xxxxx
TOTAL	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX				

#### **SCHEDULE A**

SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FROM GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMISSION AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES

Fund (Include only those funds which are requesting general property tax revenue)	Amount Approved By Budget Commission Inside 10M. Limitation	Amount To Be Derived From Levies Outside 10 M. Limitation	County Auditor's Estima	te of Tax Rate to be Levied
	Column I	Column II	Inside 10 M. Limit Column III	Outside 10 M. Limit Column IV
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS				
GENERAL FUND	1,267,660	1,550,806		
PROPRIETARY FUNDS				
FIDUCIARY FUNDS				
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TOTAL ALL FUNDS	1,267,660	1,550,806		

## SCHEDULE B LEVIES OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES

FUND	Maximum Rate Authorized to be Levied	County Auditor's Estimate of Yield of Levy
GENERAL FUND:		
Current Expense Levy authorized by voters on 11 / 2 / 21.	2.72	
not to exceed 5 years. Auth. under Sect. 5705.19 ,R.C.		472,040
Current Expense Levy authorized by voters on 11 / 6 / 18.		
not to exceed 5 years. Auth. under Sect. 5705.19 ,R.C.	3.75	1,078,766
Current Expense Levy authorized by voters on/		
not to exceedyears. Auth. under Sect,R.C.		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMITATION		1,550,806
Fund, Levy Authorized by voters//,		
SPECIAL LEVIES FUNDS:		
not to exceedyears. Auth.under SectR.C.		
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not to exceedyears. Auth.under SectR.C.		
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#### AN ORDINANCE

BY:	NO

TO AMEND SECTION I, 2023 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 4967, AND ANY EXISTING SUPPLEMENTS THERETO, TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF:

- 1. AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$985,000 TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STORMWATER IMPROVEMENT / EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND FOR THE FAR HILLS STORM SEWER RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT; AND
- 2. AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$50,000 TO BE EXPENDED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE CONTINUATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL STUDY;
- 3. AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$25,000 TO BE EXPENDED FROM THE REFUSE IMPROVEMENT / EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF A REFUSE SCOOTER; AND
- 4. ADDITIONAL TRANSFERS RELATED TO THESE EXPENDITURES;

FOR THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023.

WHEREAS, the city is preparing to commence the 2023 Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project (the "sewer project"), a critically important improvement to the city's stormwater infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the city applied for grant funding through the Ohio Public Works Commission in connection with the sewer project, but the application was denied; and

WHEREAS, the sewer project was included in the 2023 budget but did not include a transfer from the General Fund to the Stormwater Improvement/Equipment Replacement Fund because the grant application was still pending during the budgeting process; and

WHEREAS, the city has previously engaged the services of a traffic engineering consultant to conduct a significant study of the 17 signalized traffic intersections throughout Oakwood, with the goal of creating a multi-year plan for major capital improvements to this critically important public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, as the study has progressed, the city manager has recommended an expanded scope of work to include additional areas of study as well as modeling and animation that will be necessary to engage and educate the public in a series of public meetings to be held later this year; and

WHEREAS, this additional scope of work is a new recommendation that was not included in the 2023 budget; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the city recently received insurance proceeds related to a refuse collection scooter that was damaged in a 2022 accident, but the replacement thereof was not included in the 2023 budget because the insurance claim had not yet been resolved and paid; and

WHEREAS, this supplemental appropriation will authorize an additional transfer of \$985,000 from the General Fund to the Stormwater Improvement / Equipment Replacement Fund for the 2023 Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project; an additional \$50,000 to be transferred from the General Fund to, and expended from, the Capital Improvement Fund for the continuation of the traffic signal study; an additional \$25,000 to be expended from the Refuse Improvement/Equipment Replacement Fund for a replacement refuse scooter; and an additional transfer of \$23,900 from the General Fund to the Refuse Improvement/Equipment Replacement Fund in relation to this expenditure;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, STATE OF OHIO. THAT:

#### SECTION I.

To provide for the current expenses and other expenditures of the said city of Oakwood during the period commencing January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023, the following revised sums shall be and they are hereby set aside and appropriated as follows, with added material in **bold** type and deleted material in **strike-through** type:

<u>Fund</u>		Appropriation
101 General Fund	\$5,041,990	\$6,100,890
206 Refuse Improvement / Equipment Fund	\$ 55,000	\$ 80,000
309 Capital Improvement Fund	<del>\$1,436,600</del>	\$1,486,600

#### **SECTION** II.

The Director of Finance is hereby authorized to draw warrants for payments from any of the foregoing appropriations upon receiving proper certificates and vouchers therefore, approved by this ordinance of Council to make the expenditures; provided that no warrants shall be drawn or paid for salaries or wages except to persons employed by authority of and in accordance with law or ordinance.

#### SECTION III.

This ordinance, as an appropriation to meet current expenses of the City, takes effect immediately upon its passage as provided by Section 3.04 of the City Charter.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, this 1st day of May, 2023.

	Mayor William D. Duncan
ATTEST:	
CLERK OF COUNCIL	-
TO THE CLERK:	
Please publish the foregoing Ordinance in th	e summary form set forth below.
	City Attorney Robert F. Jacques

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_ of the Council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio was passed on the 1st day of May, 2023. Said ordinance was enacted to make a supplemental appropriation for current expenses of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, for the period ending December 31, 2023.

LORI STACEL CLERK OF COUNCIL

#### CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

I, Lori Stacel, Clerk of Council of the	e city of Oakwood, State of Ohio, hereby certify that
the foregoing Ordinance was duly published	ed in summary form in The Oakwood Register, a
newspaper of general circulation in said city	of Oakwood, and that said publication occurred on
the following date:	
	Lori Stacel, Clerk of Council

#### AN ORDINANCE

BY	NO	

AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF FOUR (4) EASEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2023 FAR HILLS STORM SEWER RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Council has budgeted and appropriated funds in connection with a critically important infrastructure project known as the 2023 Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project; and

WHEREAS, design work for the project has been underway since late 2022 and construction on the project is scheduled to commence in late spring or early summer 2023; and

WHEREAS, in connection with said project, the City must acquire four (4) separate easements, the legal descriptions of which are attached hereto as Exhibit A, and the general descriptions of which are as follows:

- A permanent easement upon the real property owned by David E. Cail and Sandra J. Cail, known as 7 Dellwood Drive, Oakwood, Ohio 45419, having a total area of 710 square feet, more or less;
- A permanent easement upon the real property owned by Nicholas Pierce and Megan M. Pierce, known as 9 Dellwood Drive, Oakwood, Ohio 45419, having a total area of 1,059 square feet, more or less;
- A permanent easement upon the real property owned by Bruce L. Henninger, known as 1400 Devereux Drive, Oakwood, Ohio 45419, having a total area of 3,646 square feet, more or less;
- A temporary construction easement upon the real property owned by Tami H. Kirby and Joseph L. Kirby, known as 1410 Devereux Drive, Oakwood, Ohio 45419, having a total area of 502 square feet, more or less; and

WHEREAS, City staff has engaged in discussions with the above-listed property owners for the acquisition of the necessary easements, and have negotiated the following purchase prices: \$5,500 for the permanent easement upon 7 Dellwood Drive; \$11,000 for the permanent easement upon 9 Dellwood Drive; \$30,000 for the permanent easement upon 1400 Devereux Drive; and \$850 for the temporary construction easement upon 1410 Devereux Drive, for a total easement acquisition cost of \$47,350; and

WHEREAS, based on independent appraisals and the timeline for this project, Council finds that these are reasonable acquisition costs for the necessary easements, and are within the amounts budgeted and appropriated for this project; and

WHEREAS, Council further finds that acquiring these easements will benefit the public health, safety, and welfare, and wishes to authorize the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, THAT:

#### SECTION I:

The foregoing recitals are incorporated as if fully restated herein.

#### SECTION II:

The City Manager is hereby authorized to finalize written agreements for the acquisition of the four (4) easements described herein, and to acquire the same at the purchase prices set forth herein.

#### **SECTION III:**

Upon finalization of each easement and payment to the affected property owner(s), the City Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to file each easement with the appropriate Montgomery County offices, and to prepare and/or file such documents as may be necessary to finalize the

transactions contemplated by this Ordinance, and to take such other acts as may be necessary or desirable to accomplish these purposes.

#### **SECTION IV:**

It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in compliance with all legal requirements including §121.22, Ohio Revised Code.

#### **SECTION V:**

It is hereby declared that this ordinance is an emergency measure to take effect immediately, on the basis that it is necessary to acquire these easements quickly to ensure that the 2023 Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project remains on schedule, and for the further reason that doing so will protect the public health, safety, and/or welfare.

PASSED BY	THE COUNCIL OF , 2023.	THE CITY	OF OAKWOOD	this day of
		Mayor Wil	liam D. Duncan	
ATTEST:				
Clerk of Council	Į			
TO THE CLERI Please publish th	K: ne foregoing ordinance ir	the summary	form set forth below	v.
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		Lori Stacel Clerk of Co	•	
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		Lori Stacel	, Clerk of Council	

# Exhibit "A" - ( LEGAL DESCRIPTION STORM SEWER EASEMENT DAVID E. CAIL SANDRA J. CAIL

Situated in Section 31, Town 2, Range 7 MRs, City of Oakwood, Montgomery County, Ohio and being a Storm Sewer Easement, over and through Lot 1602 of the of the consecutive numbers of lots on the Revised Plat of the City of Oakwood, Ohio and as conveyed to David E. Cail and Sandra J. Cail, described in DMF 86-617 B09 (all references to recorded documents made herein are to those of the Montgomery County Recorder's Office in Dayton, Ohio), and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the north right of way line for Dellwood Avenue, being the southeast corner of Lot 1602 and the southwest corner of Lot 1603;

Thence with said north right of way line, North 84°55'43" West 4.71 feet;

Thence leaving said north right of way line, through said Lot 1602 along a new line, North 05°20'27" East 138.74 feet;

Thence continuing along said new line, North 36°52'51" West 9.46 feet to a point in the north line of said Lot 1602, being in the south line of the part of Lot 2775 conveyed to the Board of Education of the Oakwood City School District, described in D.B. 487, Page 241;

Thence with the common line between Lot 1602 and said part of Lot 2775 South 84°54'53" East 11.07 feet to the northeast corner of said Lot 1602, being the northwest corner of said Lot 1603;

Thence with the common line between said Lots 1602 and 1603, South 05°20'27" West 145.78 feet to the point of beginning;

Containing 710 square feet, more or less.

Prepared by

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LJB Inc.		
Ву:		
	neyer, Ohio PS No. 8548	Date

#### Exhibit "A" - Z LEGAL DESCRIPTION STORM SEWER EASEMENT NICHOLAS PIERCE MEGAN M. PIERCE

Situated in Section 31, Town 2, Range 7 MRs, City of Oakwood, Montgomery County, Ohio and being a Storm Sewer Easement, over and through Lot 1603 of the of the consecutive numbers of lots on the Revised Plat of the City of Oakwood, Ohio and as conveyed to Nicholas Pierce and Megan M. Pierce, described in IR Deed 2017-006588 (all references to recorded documents made herein are to those of the Montgomery County Recorder's Office in Dayton, Ohio), and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the north right of way line for Dellwood Avenue, being the southwest corner of Lot 1603 and the southeast corner of Lot 1602;

Thence with the common line between said Lots 1602 and 1603, North 05°20'27" East 145.78 feet to the northwest corner of Lot 1603, being the northeast corner of Lot 1602 and in the south line of the part of Lot 2775 conveyed to the Board of Education of the Oakwood City School District, described in D.B. 487, Page 241;

Thence with the common line between said Lot 1603 and said part of Lot 2775 South 84°54'53" East 5.07 feet;

Thence through said Lot 1603 along a new line, South 36°52'51" East 3.30 feet;

Thence continuing along said new line, South 05°20'27" West 143.31 feet to a point in the north right of way line of Dellwood Avenue;

Thence with said north right of way line, North 84°55'43" West 7.29 feet to the point of beginning;

Containing 1059 square feet, more or less.

Prepared by:		
LJB Inc.		
By:	8548	Date

## Exhibit "A" – 3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION STORM SEWER EASEMENT BRUCE L. HENNINGER

Situated in Section 31, Town 2, Range 7 MRs, City of Oakwood, Montgomery County, Ohio and being a Storm Sewer Easement, over and through Lot 3343 of the of the consecutive numbers of lots on the Revised Plat of the City of Oakwood, Ohio and as conveyed to Bruce L. Henninger, described in IR Deed 2005-050037 (all references to recorded documents made herein are to those of the Montgomery County Recorder's Office in Dayton, Ohio), and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the east right of way line for Devereux Avenue, being the southwest corner of Lot 3343 and the northwest corner of Lot 3344;

Thence with said east right of way line along an arc deflecting 0°49'39" to the left 20.19 feet, having a radius of 1397.76 and a chord bearing North 05°33'36" East 20.19 feet;

Thence through said Lot 3343, on a new line, North 87°47'09" East 180.56 feet to a point in the east line of said lot, being in the west line of Lot 3353;

Thence with the common line between said Lots 3343 and 3353, South 04°37'49" East 20.02 feet to the southeast corner of said Lot 3343, being the northeast corner of Lot 3344;

Thence with the common line between said Lots 3343 and 3344 South 87°47'09" West 184.14 feet to the point of beginning;

Containing 3,646 square feet, more or less.

Prepared by:		
LJB Inc.		
By:	<del>-</del>	Date

# Exhibit "A" - 4 LEGAL DESCRIPTION TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT TAMI H. KIRBY JOSEPH L. KIRBY

Situated in Section 31, Town 2, Range 7 MRs, City of Oakwood, Montgomery County, Ohio and being a Storm Sewer Easement, over and through Lot 3344 of the of the consecutive numbers of lots on the Revised Plat of the City of Oakwood, Ohio and as conveyed to Tami H. Kirby and Joseph L. Kirby, described in IR Deed 2019-054475 (all references to recorded documents made herein are to those of the Montgomery County Recorder's Office in Dayton, Ohio), and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the northeast corner of Lot 3344, being the southeast corner of Lot 3343 and in the west line of Lot 3353;

Thence with the common line between said Lots 3344 and 3353, South 04°37'49" East 10.01 feet;

Thence through said Lot 3344, on a new line, South 87°47'09" West 50.43 feet;

Thence continuing along said new line, North 02°12'51" West 10.00 feet to a point in the north line of said Lot 3344, being in the south line of said Lot 3343;

Thence with the common line between said Lots 3344 and 3343 North 87°47'09" East 50.00 feet to the point of beginning;

Containing 502 square feet, more or less.

Prepared by:

LJB Inc.		
Ву:	Ismeyer Ohio PS No. 8548	Date

## Introductions for Legislation 5/1/2023 Council Meeting

#### Mr. Stephens

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN STREETS BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI IN THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, OHIO, BY LIGHTING THE SAME WITH ELECTRICITY.

This is the third and final step of our 2024 street lighting program. It allows for the costs of street lighting to be certified to the Montgomery County Auditor for assessment.

<u>Motion:</u> This is the second reading of this ordinance, and I move that Council adopt it tonight.

#### **Vice Mayor Byington**

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 2024 TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 2024.

To comply with Section 6.01 of the City Charter, this is our annual housekeeping ordinance to estimate the city's revenues and expenses for calendar year 2024.

<u>Motion:</u> This is the second reading of this ordinance, and I move that Council adopt it tonight.

#### **Vice Mayor Byington**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION I, 2023 ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 4967, AND ANY EXISTING SUPPLEMENTS THERETO, TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF:

- 1. AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$985,000 TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STORMWATER IMPROVEMENT / EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND FOR THE FAR HILLS STORM SEWER RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT; AND
- 2. AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$50,000 TO BE EXPENDED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR COSTS RELATED TO THE CONTINUATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL STUDY;

- 3. AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$25,000 TO BE EXPENDED FROM THE REFUSE IMPROVEMENT / EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF A REFUSE SCOOTER; AND
- 4. ADDITIONAL TRANSFERS RELATED TO THESE EXPENDITURES;

FOR THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023.

This is a supplemental appropriation ordinance to transfer funds needed for the Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project, and to make funds available for two expenditures that were not included in the 2023 budget.

The transfer for the Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project is needed to provide money that was not received through a grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission. The city applied for the grant in August 2022 and received word in December 2022 that the grant application was denied.

The \$50,000 is to pay additional engineering costs that have arisen as part of an ongoing study being conducted of the city's 17 signalized traffic intersections. As the study progresses, we will be providing information to the citizens of Oakwood and general public and seeking feedback on traffic control options, particularly at the intersection of Far Hills Avenue, Oakwood Avenue and Thruston Boulevard, commonly known as 5-Points. The City Manager has recommended an increased study of 5-Points, including modeling, video animation, and other materials for 5-Points to facilitate public meetings, and this ordinance appropriates the additional funding for this increased scope of work.

The \$25,000 is to provide money to replace one of our refuse collection scooters that was damaged beyond repairs in an accident last year. We did not include the replacement in this year's budget because the 2022 insurance claim was still being processed. We have now received an insurance settlement and need to appropriate those funds to pay for the replacement scooter.

This ordinance authorizes a transfer for \$985,000 from the General Fund to the Stormwater Improvement/Equipment Replacement Fund for the Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project. It also authorizes an additional \$50,000 to be expended from the Capital Improvement Fund for the continuation of the traffic signal study, and an additional \$25,000 to be expended from the Refuse Improvement/Equipment Replacement Fund for the replacement refuse scooter. It also authorizes transfers from the General Fund to each of these funds to facilitate the appropriation.

Motion: I move that Council waive the second reading and adopt this ordinance tonight.

#### **Vice Mayor Byington**

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF FOUR (4) EASEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE 2023 FAR HILLS STORM SEWER RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

In the coming months, the city will begin the 2023 Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project. This is a critically important infrastructure upgrade that affects stormwater drainage in the areas of Dellwood Avenue, Greenmount Boulevard, Forrer Boulevard, Far Hills Avenue, and Devereux Drive.

In order to complete the project, the city needs to acquire four (4) easements. Three of these are permanent easements where new storm sewer pipes will be installed. One is a temporary construction easement that will be used for material storage and equipment staging during construction.

The easements are roughly located as follows:

- Two (2) permanent easements along the property line between the homes located at 7 and 9 Dellwood Avenue, resulting in a 719 square foot easement upon 7 Dellwood and a 1,059 square foot easement upon 9 Dellwood Avenue;
- One (1) permanent easement, 20' in width, running along the southern property line and the full depth of the property at 1400 Devereux Drive, consisting of 3,646 square feet; and
- One (1) temporary construction easement at the northeast corner of 1410 Devereux Drive, consisting of 502 square feet.

Each easement was valued by an independent appraiser, and appraisals were provided to each affected property owner. The City Attorney and Staff Engineer engaged in negotiations with the affected property owners and have reached tentative agreement as to the purchase price for each easement. The total acquisition cost is \$47,350, allocated as follows:

- 1. \$5,500 to David E. Cail and Sandra J. Cail, 7 Dellwood Avenue, Oakwood OH 45419;
- 2. \$11,000 to Nicholas Pierce and Megan M. Pierce, 9 Dellwood Avenue, Oakwood OH 45419.
- 3. \$30,000 to Bruce L. Henninger, 1400 Devereux Drive, Oakwood OH 45419; and
- 4. \$850 to Tami H. Kirby and Joseph L. Kirby, 1410 Devereux Drive, Oakwood OH 45419.

This ordinance will authorize the City Manager to finalize the acquisition of these easements at the negotiated purchase prices. I am introducing it as an emergency measure to ensure that the project remains on schedule for a late spring or early summer start.

<u>Motion</u>: I move that Council adopt this ordinance tonight as an emergency measure, for the reasons stated in the ordinance.

## CITY OF OAKWOOD PROCLAMATION

### RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MAY AS NATIONAL TENNIS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, On May 21, 1881, the USTA, originally known as the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, was founded in New York City, New York, to create rules and standards for the emerging game of lawn tennis; and

WHEREAS, The USTA is the nonprofit, national governing body for tennis in the United States, and leads the promotion and growth of the sport at every level of play, from beginners to professionals at the US Open; and

**WHEREAS**, The USTA is the largest tennis organization in the world, with over 550,000 members from every corner of the country; and

**WHEREAS**, The USTA proudly partners with local tennis programs to showcase the important health, social, and educational benefits of tennis, and make the sport available to everyone, regardless of age, environment, condition, or ability, through its USTA Adaptive grants; and

**WHEREAS**, the latest research by the Physical Activity Council shows that more than 23.6 million Americans played tennis in 2022, an unprecedented 33 percent increase in participation over 2019 and the highest number of players since the PAC study began in 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, by increasing the accessibility of tennis for citizens of the City of Oakwood of all ages and ability, the USTA and Oakwood's USTA affiliate, the Virginia Hollinger Memorial Tennis Center, which has served as a community resource for 75 years, have contributed to making our community happier and healthier; and

**WHEREAS**, USTA has declared the month of May as National Tennis Month to encourage players, organizations, facilities, retailers, tennis manufacturers and more to promote local programs and activities, at parks and facilities to showcase tennis and spread the word about the sport and its benefits, and to help players and non-players alike find courts and play opportunities in their communities;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, under the power vested in me, I, William D. Duncan, Mayor of the City of Oakwood, do hereby proclaim May 2023, as National Tennis Month and hereby urge the citizens of Oakwood to become aware of and support National Tennis Month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the city of Oakwood, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2023.

William D. Duncan Mayor of Oakwood

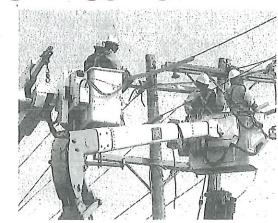
# Several more cities' voters deciding on electric, gas aggregation May 2

By Almee Hancock Staff Writer

In the May 2 election, voters in several local cities will decide on ballot initiatives to authorize electric and/or natural gas aggregation programs in their communities.

Voters in Brookville, Union, and Cedarville will consider authorizing both electric and gas aggregation, while Huber Heights and Troy voters will make

Aggregation continued on B2



Electric
aggregation,
which allows
cities to
negotiate lower
prices for a
large group, is
on the ballot
this spring in
Brookville, Union
and Cedarville as
people fight high
energy prices.
FILE PHOTO BY GREG
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#### Aggregation

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a decision on natural gas

aggregation.

The stated purpose of utility aggregation is to give a community's residents better gas and electric rates through the power of collective negotiations.

The price of electricity has risen nationwide, and inflation, natural gas cost increases, supply chain problems and other issues — like growing post-pandemic demand for power — are complicating factors, officials have said.

Last year, AES Ohio's "standard offer" electricity price went from 4.805 cents to 10.91 cents per kilowatt-hour (kWh). A kilowatt-hour is how much energy you need to run a 1,000-watt appliance for an hour. A 100-watt bulb takes 10 hours to use a kilowatt-hour of energy. A 2,000-watt appliance takes 30 minutes.

As of April 1, 2023, CenterPoint Energy's standard choice offer for natural gas is 31 cents per ccf. Natural gas use is measured in cubic feet and is billed in units of 100 cubic feet (1 ccf).

Ohio consumers can choose their electricity or natural gas suppliers — where their energy comes from. Under aggregation, a community entity negotiates with suppliers on behalf of eligible households, non-profits and small businesses to save money on bills by grouping together.

Huber Heights has offered electric aggregation since 2017. Residents are automatically enrolled in the program but may choose to opt-out.

If voters approve the natural gas aggregation ballot measure in May, the city will develop a plan of governance and operations and hold two public hearings before filing an aggregation application with the Public Utilities Commission

of Ohio (PUCO).

"Once completed, the city will go out to bid to see if market rates provide better options than Center-Point's default gas rates," said Sarah Williams, community engagement specialist for Huber Heights.

Williams said this process takes several months and the earliest a program could be up and running is this fall.

The proposed gas aggregation program would also be opt-out.

Governmental aggregation programs allow municipalities to choose energy suppliers, but the delivery of the energy is determined by who owns the hardware.

Locally, for residents currently serviced by AES and CenterPoint, these two companies would still be responsible for the delivery of electricity and natural gas – and maintenance of wires, poles, and pipelines – regardless of who supplies the energy.

Union is partnering with the Miami Valley Communications Council in its proposed aggregation effort, which will allow the city to collaborate with other MVCC communities to gain additional buying power.

Troy plans to negotiate a three-year natural gas supply rate as part of the MVCC if its ballot measure is approved. Troy residents are currently eligible to participate in an electric aggregation program through Energy Harbor.

Brookville is also considering collaboration with MVCC if the aggregation measures are approved, according to City Manager Sonia Keaton.

If approved, the proposed aggregation programs in Union, Brookville, Troy, and Cedarville will automatically enroll residents unless they opt-out. Each city will notify its residents regarding opt-out procedures.

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# Oakwood inclusion group expands area outreach, membership, fundraising

**By Nick Blizzard** Staff Writer

The Oakwood Inclusion Coalition is broadening its regional outreach, taking part in more Dayton-area events and increasing its membership.

Recently completing its second full year, the group has expanded programs and involvement, grown its membership by more than 40% and stepped up fundraising efforts, officials said.

The OIC formed to "study, promote, and celebrate an inclusive, equitable, diverse and welcoming environment" for peo-

ple who live, work or go through Oakwood, documents show. Its creation came after a 2019 report – which Oakwood city government officials said was "seriously flawed" – focused on its safety department's treatment of minorities.

The population of the largely residential suburb of about 9,500 bordering Dayton is more than 92% white, according to 2020 U.S. Census data.

The coalition is "trying to be as inclusive and diverse as we can possibly be in every dimension,"

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#### Oakwood

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said Chair Madeline Iseli.

It wants to bring "people together in ways that there's something for everyone that will engage them and their interests, but also expand their experiences in connecting with people," she added. "We're also looking to

"We're also looking to engage, for example, younger folks — kids and youth and students — as well as the more seasoned among us in our communities," Iseli said.

Among the nearly 20 activities listed in its annual report since April 1, 2022, five of them include area education institutions, including Sinclair Community College

and the University of Dayton.

Requests to be on the OIC's mailing list total more than 425, many of whom live in Oakwood, she said.

The charitable citizen-led group endorsed by both the city and the school district has had "several homegrown initiatives" in the past 12 months, said Vice Chair Judy Cook.

Among them, according to its annual report:

■ Co-hosted with Wright Memorial Public Library a month-long exhibition produced by Sinclair students that focused on "mapping" equity."

■ Hosted a forum on refugee resettlement services in the region.

■ Purchased signs that —

in English, Spanish and Mandarin – promoted to Far Hills Avenue travelers the site of Oakwood's Farmers Market.

The Sinclair exhibition showed how area communities "are still affected by the 1930 practice of red-lining," a discriminatory practice, Cook told city council recently.

The group has also participated in a variety of events, records show. They include the past two annual Martin Luther King Jr. marches in Dayton, a UD-sponsored symposium on equity and discussing Kettering's report on racial equity about survey results in that city.

The coalition had a balance of about \$16,600 at

the end of 2022 with total contributions for that year of \$9,160, its annual report states.

Consensus building this year "has been a challenge" for its leadership team, which has expanded to include about a dozen, Cook said.

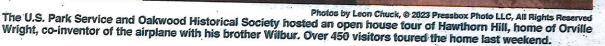
"But as individuals we differ in perspectives on how to prioritize and accomplish our goals," she said. "We have come to realize that the differing viewpoints of our leadership – to a large extent – reflects those of our citizens."

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## Wright at Home opens doors to Hawthorn Hill

Over 400 history lovers joined Dayton History and the Oakwood Historical Society for the return of Wright at Home - a tour of Hawthorn Hill and walking tour of the surrounding neighborhood on Sunday.

Hawthorn Hill never disappoints the beauty, grandeur, history, stories and anecdotes entertained all who attended. The tour commenced at the grand entrance to Hawthorn Hill with an overview and greeting by Alex Heckman of Dayton History that led to an intimate glimpse of the home and Orville Wright's life in Oakwood. This look-back into Oakwood in the early 1900s included a special presentation of old movie reels of the Wright family by Stephen Wright, the great-grand-

nephew of the Wright Brothers, as well as historical displays from the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Park and the Oakwood Historical Society. Refreshments included Orville's favorite Coconut Macaroon cookies and Dayton's own Cheez-it crackers.

A walking tour of Orville Wright's famous neighbors was led by the

Oakwood Historical Society. Even the chilly temperatures did not deter the enthusiasm of the docents or guests as they learned about Joseph Green of Cheez-It Crackers, William Chryst of DELCO, Elmer Biechler from Frigidaire, Harry Schenck of Schenck and Williams Architects, and Charles Seybold of Seybold Machine Company:

Oakwood is rich in history, and Wright at Home is a great example of the innovation, creativity, vision and drive of the city's early residents.

More information on Oakwood history is available online at www. oakwoodhistory.org, or by contacting the Oakwood Historical Society at info@oakwoodhistory.org.

OR 4/24/23

## 'Nicest Guy in Oakwood' carries on family tradition

Volunteers were at the heart of the Oakwood Schools Foundation when it was founded over 40 years ago - and the same remains true to this day.

Founded in 1981, the Oakwood Schools Foundation (OSF) was brought to life by a passionate group of volunteers who led the way, establishing a philanthropic organization for Oakwood Schools to support needs in education "beyond the reach of the School's normal operating budget" as explained in the organization's founding documents. Listed on the first Foundation ledger were the names of 21 volunteer community leaders, five Board of Education members and the superintendent of the time, Dr. Daniel Raisch. Much to Kevin Jones' surprise, his late father, Robert K. Jones, was listed among the original founders.

A consummate community volunteer himself, Kevin Jones is a current Trustee of the Foundation, serving as its Vice Chair, while also providing additional volunteer leadership as the FLOURISH Campaign Chair. FLOURISH, a campaign for the performing and visual arts at Oakwood Schools is the largest campaign in the history of Oakwood. Upon seeing his father's name on the document, Jones immediately said, "Thanks, Dad."

He later said of the discovery, "I always felt very proud of my dad. I had no idea that he was one of the founding fathers back in the day and I was very excited to realize how closely I followed in his footsteps because the Foundation is so important to myself and to my family and our community."

"Like father like son," Amy Martin, Development Chair of the Foundation



**Kevin Jones** 

stated. She felt goosebumps upon seeing the familiar name. Martin was not surprised by the common thread from father to son all these decades later. Kevin has been a dedicated member of the community since he was a boy growing up on the 200 block of Corona, the oldest of the Jones family's six siblings. Kevin went on to graduate from The Ohio State University and has been in the family insurance business for more than thirty years. Today, Kevin Jones leads the Robert K. Jones Insurance Agency in Kettering, the insurance agency founded by his father in 1972. He says going into the family business was a natural fit because, "I like to help people and insurance is a very people-oriented, relationship business".

Kevin often shows gratitude to his fellow volunteers and highlights the efforts of others. He has a particular fondness for telling the histories of those family and community members who came before us—those who built the foundation for the current

Oakwood community. Jones credits his parents, Marianne and Bob Jones, for teaching him these values and providing a loving foundation for himself and his siblings as they grew up in Oakwood - values that continue to live on through him today.

Kevin suggested honoring his. parent's legacy through a group gift from his brothers and sisters to the Flourish Campaign in honor of his loving parents. The gratitude he and his family feel for the upbringing provided by their parents and community is deep and heartfelt and have inspired them to celebrate the past and give to enrich future generations. Since leading this gift as a family, Kevin has shared this concept with other friends and family inspiring additional group family gifts along the way. These gifts will be memorialized throughout the campaign but also will live on in recognition, etched on the walls of the same Junior High and High School that he and his siblings walked not long ago.

Kevin Jones is often referred to as "the nicest guy in Oakwood" due to his focus on people and paying it forward. Kevin is a committed Oakwood Schools alum of the Class of 1982, has led various community organizations over the years in addition to running his family insurance agency, and still finds time to host gatherings for family and friends. Kevin resides in Pointe Oakwood and is an avid UD Flyers fan. He enjoys spending time with his life partner whom he calls his "better half," Kris O'Neill, and her three children and attending his many friends and family members' events and activities.

OR 4/26/23

# First Suburbs Consortium Retreat: Articulating the Strategic Direction of the Consortium Meeting Agenda April 26, 2023 | 5:30 -8:00 PM

Location: Training Room of the Centerville Police Department, 155 West Spring Valley Road

•	Welcome and introductions 5:30 – 5:35 Yvette Page									
•	Overview of the meeting agenda, meeting purpose, and survey results 5:35 – 5:45									
•	Discuss the current state characteristics of the Consortium									
	<ul> <li>past priorities</li> <li>organizational structure</li> <li>members and partners</li> </ul>									
•	Discuss the future state characteristics of the Consortium									
Break and get a boxed "dinner"										
Fir	o organizational structure o members and partners  Discuss the future state characteristics of the Consortium									
•	Probe: Can we establish an ad hoc committee of 5 or less volunteers to draft these									
•	Identify 3-5 strategic opportunities that help close the gap between the current and future states									
•	Wrap up and next steps									

#### First Suburbs Consortium Stakeholder Survey Results

The First Suburbs Consortium is developing a strategic plan and distributed a survey to capture members' ideas for the plan. Ten (10) responses to the questionnaire were used by the Planning Consultant to aggregate responses into themes, wherever possible. The survey results will be used as a catalyst for discussion at the strategic planning meeting.

#### The First Suburbs Consortium is doing these things well

The first survey question's purpose is to identify strengths of the Consortium. The primary strengths of the Consortium are its ability to: focus on relevant issues, create a collaborative environment among its members, operate with continuity, and manage meeting logistics. The detailed comments provided by members follow.

#### Focusing on Relevant Issues

- Addressing issues that pertain to many communities
- Providing speakers on timely topics of general interest
- Sharing common concerns, ideas, and interests
- Providing educational programs that make members more informed on issues/programs that they can use in their home communities
- Engaging in meaningful discussions and projects/programs
- Good topics
- Provide speakers to the community that share positive community resources
- Successful conference on workforce development

#### **Creating a Collaborative Environment**

- Providing an opportunity for building camaraderie among elected officials
- Providing an environment that fosters regional cooperation among communities
- Allows communities to share collaborative ideas together
- Looking for and encouraging new voices with new ideas
- Creating an open and inclusive environment where representatives are encouraged to participate
- Maintaining active involvement of representatives from the member jurisdictions
- Providing a forum for the interchange of best practices between communities

#### Operating with Continuity

- Meeting consistently since its inception almost 20 years ago
- Keeping focus on the mission and purpose of the organization
- Properly and legally operating the Council of Governments
- Developing regional leaders

#### **Managing Meeting Logistics**

- Good structure with leadership who keep things moving during the meeting
- Seems to be good at resource management
- Consistent at holding meetings
- Timely meetings
- Rotate sites each month for members to experience other member cities

#### The three greatest concerns the First Suburb communities are facing

The themes in the responses to the question about the greatest concerns facing Consortium members' communities are: revenue trends and rising costs, housing, economic and workforce development, changing demographics, and aging infrastructure.

#### Revenue trends and Rising Costs

- The Ohio Legislature's continuing effort to change the municipal income tax system, which
  would most certainly result in a decrease in revenues that are needed to pay for essential city
  services.
- Tax revenue
- Property taxes
- Impact of work from home on commercial property values and the property tax in cities
- Lack of revenue to support residential road maintenance
- Inadequate revenue to support a 100% full-time fire department, but not enough part-time firefighters to staff it either
- · Price increases along the supply chain; increased inflation which is stalling development
- Recognizing that many residents are on a fixed income, how do we control costs?

#### **Housing related**

- VineBrook Homes and slumlord large property management/rental companies
- A portion of the population is one step away from homelessness, living in deteriorating mobile homes. Yet it seems we have no power to regulate
- Maintaining an aging housing stock
- Maintaining strong, well-maintained housing and residential neighborhoods
- Keeping up with the general maintenance of the aging housing stock, and addressing the hidden and extensive infrastructure (i.e., electrical and plumbing) replacement needs in most housing units in the city.

#### **Economic and Workforce Development**

- Finding the right mix of businesses that pay a reasonable living wage and apartment development
- Maintaining and attracting desirable businesses to our business districts
- As a Township we are very limited as to what we can offer to new business.
- Disappearing coffee shops, restaurants, library

#### **Changing Demographics**

- Our residents are over age 50—what are their needs and wants as they age in place?
- How to attract younger people into the community.
- Need for senior housing

#### Aging Infrastructure

- Maintaining aging infrastructure and making infrastructure improvements
- The pending cost of public Infrastructure replacements that are anticipated over the next 20-30 years.

#### Other

- Code enforcement
- Best use of vacant parcels
- Perceived quality of schools and their impact on communities and the region
- Traffic congestion
- Continuity of city leadership with term limits

#### The opportunities perceived as best for the First Suburbs Consortium to pursue in its strategic plan

Some survey respondents challenged the assumptions implicit in this survey question's content, which offered a list of response options to the question. The question's response set signals that the mission of the Consortium is to share best practices and host learning sessions. One respondent said, "Strategic planning should not begin with picking topics of general interest. We should begin with more clearly defined statements of mission, vision, and values" [and let that expose the strategic opportunities]. This respondent went on to say, "We need a reason for our existence that is unique and distinctive." Another said, "Lean into our identity as first tier suburbs and work on topics that are particular to that identity." This respondent added, "Strategic opportunities would be cost effective ways to maintain aging infrastructure from suburban development patterns, and how to meet the needs of aging and working citizens."

A third survey respondent suggested an alternative role for the First Suburbs Consortium which could be to "Pool resources to select and provide preferred vendors related to infrastructure, at a discounted rate for the First Suburb communities, much like MVCC has done with citizen services like high-speed internet and utility aggregation."

A fourth survey respondent recommends that the Consortium determine "how to work together to influence legislation giving townships and cities the ability to enforce rental housing rules. Use courts in other jurisdictions to enforce the rules because normal courts are not able to deal with property maintenance issues."

Survey respondents also indicated the best practice and learning topics of interest as follows.

- 7 respondents selected: Share code enforcement best practices
- 7 respondents selected: Host learning sessions on strategies to address aging infrastructure

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  MVCC was formed in 1975 as a council of governments to monitor, regulate, and administer common cable television franchise agreements. MVCC supports cooperative intergovernmental projects that benefit member communities.

- 5 respondents selected: Identify a means of coordinating code enforcement efforts against property owners who own poorly maintained properties throughout the county or region
- 5 respondents selected: Host sessions on strategies to revitalize commercial areas
- 4 respondents selected: Host learning sessions about rental registration programs, which may establish minimum standards for the maintenance and upkeep of the exterior and interior of homes
- 3 respondents selected: Host learning sessions on what to expect in the housing market
- 2 respondents selected: Host sessions on how to effectively spend government ARPA funds
- 2 respondents selected: Host sessions on work force development, attraction and retention
- 2 respondents selected: Share best practices on maintaining public safety
- 1 respondent selected: Share best practices on rental housing
- 1 respondent selected: Share best practices on quality-of-life issues
- 1 respondent selected: Share best practices on managing/reducing high traffic congestion areas, especially where there is pedestrian traffic as well
- 1 respondent selected: Share best practices on economic development
- 1 respondent selected: Host education sessions to learn more about bank foreclosure registration programs (e.g., banks pay annual fees to a city when registering a foreclosure)

#### I would like to see the First Suburbs Consortium do less of this:

- Meet too frequently
- Month to month, it seems we are pulling topics out of the air to put together a meeting. As a result, the meeting focus is dictated by which speaker is available.
- Doing the same things that we have always done
- Generic information. Learning is good, but we need it to be directly applicable to each of the cities and not just information that is nice to know.
- Become political. The Consortium is not political and I enjoy that about the Consortium.
- Not applicable (4 responses)

## In five years, I hope the First Suburbs Consortium will have accomplished or will have positioned itself to accomplish:

- Fulfillment of a more clearly defined mission
- Hire a part time Executive Director to expand our reach within Montgomery County, the County itself, other regional agencies, other Ohio First Suburb groups and with Ohio's legislative delegation.
- Measurable impacts for each hour we spend in a meeting, there should be a direct benefit.
- Active partnerships and visible contributions to our member communities
  - A joint project that will benefit all the members of the Consortium
  - A joint project that is beneficial to the Dayton region
  - Develop programs to make a positive impact on our residential communities
  - o Collaborative efforts to attract new people and businesses into the region

- Recognize the direct relationship between our residents and the success of our educational systems and develop programs to support this relationship.
- Recruit municipalities that are not members to become members of the Consortium

#### By next year, I would like to be able to say that the Consortium has accomplished

- Development of a strategic plan based on focused mission, vision, and values statements
  - o Raised public awareness about the mission and purpose of the First Suburbs Consortium
- Developed a succession plan to move to part-time paid Executive Director
  - At some point the organization needs to consider succession planning in the event that the executive director is no longer willing or able to serve.
- Worked on a joint project that benefits many suburbs
  - o Identify and carry out a joint goal that has measurable, direct benefits to the members
  - A business plan to accomplish a joint project that benefits all the members of the Consortium
  - o Implemented 2 or 3 initiatives to protect our residential neighborhoods.
- Provided speakers at the monthly meeting that provide insight and potential solutions to our most critical challenges
- Continued to go down the current path. Jack is a great Director!

#### FOGEL, Norman J.

Norman J. Fogel, Ph.D., age 88, of Centerville OH, passed away on Sunday, April 9, 2023. Norman was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on April 9, 1935 to Rosemary and Nathan Fogel. Upon graduating from Lansdowne High School, Norm joined the US Marines, where he proudly served for 3 years. In 1956, he enrolled at Millersville State Teachers College, spending four years in Student Government and graduating



in 1960. Following graduation, he taught social studies for two years at Rittenhouse Junior High before pursuing a master's degree at the University of Delaware. He returned to public school teaching for three years at Upper Merion Junior High, then enrolled in the doctoral program in political science at The Ohio State University. In 1971, Dr. Fogel joined the faculty of the Department of Political Science at the University of Dayton, where he taught for thirty years. During his tenure, he impacted the lives of countless students, many of whom went on to careers in public service. Besides teaching, Dr. Fogel often devised questionnaires for local governments, agencies, and schools seeking to improve their services. From 1985 to 2002, he was also a psychometrician for Cardiovascular Credentialing International. Throughout his life, Norm was a volunteer par excellence. Friends and colleagues alike joked that Norm enjoyed committee work more than anyone they knew. In Oakwood, he served on the Planning Commission (15 years) and the Environmental Committee (14years). Upon moving to Centerville in 2005, Norm completed the Master Gardener program of Montgomery County and served as a board member of the Centerville-Washington Township Historical Society. Among his happiest were the nine years he spent as a Project Coordinator for the Washington Township Fire Department. Norm spearheaded the team that achieved the department's initial success at accreditation. The enduring themes of Norman's life included: total devotion to both sides of his family; education, especially that of his students, his nieces and nephews, and their children; the New Jersey shore, grass (The Lawn Ranger), and the UD Flyers, whom he called The Fly Boys. Norm is preceded in death by his parents Rosemary and Nathan Fogel, his in-laws Carlotta and Dom Pecano and his beloved sister Maxine.

He is survived by Lucette, his loving wife of 53 years. He is also survived by his sister Nathalie Kulesa (Bob) and his brother Larry (Alberta) 5 nieces, 2 nephews, 6 grandnieces, and 3 grandnephews, all of whom treasured Uncle Norm. The family would like to thank the staff of Crossroads Hospice of Dayton for their competent and loving care. Visitation will take place April 29 from 10 am to 11 am at St. Leonard's Church, 8100 Clyo Rd. Centerville. A funeral mass will follow at 11 am. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Norman's name to The Food Bank or the St. Vincent DePaul Society. To share a memory of Norm or leave a special message for his family, please click the "Share Memories" button above.

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#### **OAKWOOD**

## Families say students made racial slurs, threats on social media

District officials say students face 'serious consequences.'

#### By Nick Blizzard

Staff Writer

OAKWOOD – A complaint was filed with police and protection orders were sought after racial slurs and threatening language were used in social media posts by Oakwood High School students, authorities said.

A menacing report was filed with Oakwood police earlier this month involving the posts, which prompted action from school district administrators. Two teen students sought help from the Oakwood Safety Department on April 12, according to the police report.

The first incident involved a father and son telling police about two videos that were posted. One included a rap song believed to be written by an OHS student, the police report states.

That video included a person using a racial slur when referencing Black people. The lyrics indicated that if the person saw another one, "I'm gonna finally pull the trigga," and he threatened violence with a baseball bat, according to the report.

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#### Oakwood

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In another video, the subject had a racial slur written on his thigh. While police were taking the initial complaint, a second one was received "about the same incident," Oakwood police records state.

While on that scene, police said they met with a teen male who also saw the videos. The student said there had been "several incidents where (the offender) used the racial slur" and the teen later told a principal "he didn't feel safe at school," records show.

Both families requested protection orders from the Montgomery County Juvenile Court, according to police records.

Oakwood Public Safety officials did not immediately answer questions Tuesday about whether charges were filed for menacing or any other offense.

Oakwood City Schools provided few details about the incidents in a released statement.

"We will not provide specific information about the posts or the number of students involved," district spokeswoman Traci Hale said in an email Tuesday. "We cannot comment on any disciplinary action where students are involved."

The district's statement said "while (it) is prevented from sharing information regarding any type of student discipline, be assured there are serious consequences for students engaging in this behavior.

"Oakwood schools does not condone or permit racism, intolerance or discrimination in any form," the district said.

"We will respond to any

expressions of racist or bigoted language with the appropriate and necessary actions to correct them."

After being notified of the posts, officials said they met with the students directly involved and their families.

A class meeting was held with other students "to reiterate the district's intolerance for racist language and impress upon them the importance of thinking before acting."

Contact this contributing writer at 937-610-7438 or email Nick.Blizzard@coxinc. com.

## OHS students face disciplinary action over racist, threatening social media posts

An undisclosed number of Oakwood High School students face disciplinary action after students reportedly posted a homemade music video featuring racist song lyrics that specifically referenced minority students in the school.

District officials declined to say how many students were disciplined in connection with the incident, or what punishments the students faced, which reportedly included suspensions and removal from athletic team(s).

"Oakwood Schools administrators are continuing to take action after being alerted to the existence of a series of social media posts created by Oakwood High School students in which racial slurs and threatening language were used," the district said in a statement shared with parents and

staff. "While the district is prevented from sharing information regarding any type of student discipline, be assured there are serious consequences for students engaging in this behavior. Oakwood Schools does not condone or permit racism, intolerance or discrimination in any form.

"We will respond to any expressions of racist or bigoted language with the appropriate and necessary actions to correct them," the statement continued. "In addition to meeting with the students directly involved and their families, a class meeting was held with other students Friday, April 14, to reiterate the district's intolerance for racist language and impress upon them the importance of thinking before acting. This incident is evidence Oakwood Schools and the Oakwood community are

not immune to the issues currently plaguing our society."

The statement sent to parents and staff also included links to four websites - hosted by the On Our Sleeves, The Movement for Children's Mental Health, the American Psychological Association, Kidshealth, and UNICEF - which address discussing racism with children.

OR 4/24/23



#### PRESS RELEASE

The City of Oakwood 30 Park Avenue Oakwood, Ohio 45419

**Subject:** Tree City USA

**Date:** April 27, 2023

#### OAKWOOD, OHIO:

The city of Oakwood was named a Tree City USA for the 41<sup>st</sup> consecutive year. On April 20, Carol Collins, Director of Leisure Services and Brian Caldwell, City Horticulturist, received the award on behalf of the city at a banquet held in Fairfield, Ohio. Attached is a press release from the Arbor Day Foundation with details about the national Tree City USA program and Oakwood's recognition. The city of Oakwood has received the annual Tree City USA award each year since 1982.

"Oakwood has always placed enormous value on trees, both on public land and private property", said City Manager Norbert Klopsch. "Carol and Brian do an outstanding job in implementing our annual tree maintenance programs and the annual Johnny Appleseed Street Tree Planting Program that Carol started in 1976."

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT Carol Collins, Director of Leisure Services (937) 298-0775 collins@oakwoodohio.gov

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Contact: Jasmine Putney Arbor Day Foundation 402-216-9307 jputney@arborday.org

#### Arbor Day Foundation Names Oakwood a 2022 Tree City USA®

LINCOLN, Nebraska (2/28/2023) – Oakwood was named a 2022 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to effective urban forest management.

Oakwood achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: maintaining a tree board or department, having a tree care ordinance, dedicating an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita, and hosting an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

"Tree City USA communities see the positive effects of an urban forest firsthand," said Dan Lambe, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "The trees being planted and cared for by Oakwood are ensuring that generations to come will enjoy to a better quality of life. Additionally, participation in this program brings residents together and creates a sense of civic pride, whether it's through volunteer engagement or public education."

If ever there was a time for trees, now is that time. Communities worldwide are facing issues with air quality, water resources, personal health and well-being, energy use, and extreme heat and flooding. Oakwood is doing its part to address these challenges for residents both now and in the future.

More information on the program is available at arborday.org/TreeCityUSA.

#### **About the Arbor Day Foundation**

Founded in 1972, the Arbor Day Foundation has grown to become the largest nonprofit membership organization dedicated to planting trees, with more than one million members, supporters and valued partners. Since 1972, almost 500 million Arbor Day Foundation trees have been planted in neighborhoods, communities, cities and forests throughout the world. Our vision is to lead toward a world where trees are used to solve issues critical to survival.

As one of the world's largest operating conservation foundations, the Arbor Day Foundation, through its members, partners and programs, educates and engages stakeholders and communities across the globe to involve themselves in its mission of planting, nurturing and celebrating trees. More information is available at <u>arborday.org</u>.



To:

Norb Klopsch, City Manager

From:

Chris Kuzma, Staff Engineer

Date:

April 21, 2023

Subject:

Contract Recommendation - Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project

Attached for your review is a copy of the bid tab for the Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project. I have reviewed Kinnison's Experience Statement and checked their references. Based on my review, I believe that Kinnison Excavating Inc. is qualified to complete the project in accordance with the plans and specification.

Kinnison's bid was in the amount of \$1,843,159. The total amount budgeted for the project is \$2,163,394. \$55,000 of the budget is already encumbered under PO 2023-00408 to line 616-616-54903. I recommend that we now encumber \$2,108,394 assigned to the budget line items as follows:

313-919-54019

\$ 939,792.42

616-616-54903

\$1,168,601.58

This provides \$1,843,159 for the project as bid and \$265,235 for project change orders that may be approved by the city during the course of the project to address unforeseen work required to properly complete the job.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.

CAK Attachment

cc:

Cindy Stafford

K. Douglas Spitler

**Rob Jacques** 

#### City of Oakwood Far Hills Storm Sewer Reconstruction - Bid Tab Bid Opening: Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Home.	Quantit	Engineer's Estimate			Kinnison Excavating Inc		Performance Site Development		Majors Enterprises Inc		Outdoor Enterprise	
Removed Home	Quantity	Price	Extension	Price	Extension	Price	Extension	Price	Extension	Price	Extension	
Removal Items Concrete Pavement Removed - 202e23000 - SY	2,041	\$ 30.00	\$61,230.00	\$25.00	\$51,025,00	\$18.95	\$38,676.95	\$10,00	\$20,410.00	\$15.00	\$30,615.0	
Asphalt Pavement Removed - 202e23000 - SY		\$ 20.00	\$20,720.00	\$15.00	\$15,540.00	\$12.00	\$12,432.00	\$10.00	\$10,360.00	\$20.00	\$20,720.0	
Concrete Driveway Removed - 202e23000 - SY	38		\$760.00	\$20.00	\$760.00	\$30.00	\$1,140.00	\$10.00	\$380.00	\$17.00	\$646.0	
Asphalt Driveway Removed - 202e23001 - SY	531	\$ 20.00	\$10,620.00	\$10.00	\$5,310.00	\$22.00	\$11,682.00	\$10.00	\$5,310.00	\$11.00	\$5,841.0	
Curb Removed - 202e32000 - LF		\$ 10.00	\$4,960.00	\$8.00	\$3,968.00	\$9.00	\$4,464.00	\$10,00	\$4,960,00	\$7.00	\$3,472.0	
Curb & Gutter Removed - 202e32000 - LF	121	\$ 18.00	\$2,178.00	\$10.00	\$1,210.00	\$11.00	\$1,331.00	\$10.00	\$1,210.00	\$7.00	\$847.0	
Rolled Curb & Gutter Removed - 202e32000 - LF	980	\$ 18.00	\$17,640.00	\$5.00	\$4,900.00	\$12.75	\$12,495.00	\$10.00	\$9,800.00	\$7.00	\$6,860.0	
House Demolished - 202e56000 - LS	1	\$ 50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$52,500.00	\$52,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$37,000.00	\$37,000.0	
Shed Demolished - 202e56000 - LS	1	\$ 1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$950.00	\$950.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.0	
Sidewalk Removed - 202e30000 - SY	88		\$1,320.00	\$5.00	\$440.00	\$22.00	\$1,936.00	\$10.00	\$880.00	\$10.00	\$880.0	
Sawcut Existing Pavement - 252e01500 - LF	2,678	\$ 10.00	\$26,780.00	\$3.00	\$8,034.00	\$4.00	\$10,712.00	\$6.00	\$16,068.00	\$7.00	\$18,746.0	
Tree Removed EA	21		\$10,500.00	\$500.00	\$10,500.00	\$1,975.00	\$41,475.00	\$500.00	\$10,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$31,500.0	
Bush Removed EA	17		\$5,950.00	\$100.00	\$1,700.00		\$1,190.00	\$200.00	\$3,400.00	\$400.00	\$6,800.0	
Manhole Removed (9 ft Deep) - 202e58000 - EA	5		\$10,000.00	\$750.00	\$3,750.00	\$1,550.00	\$7,750.00	\$750.00	\$3,750.00	\$1,200.00	\$6,000.0	
Manhole Removed - 202e58000 - EA	6		\$4,200.00	\$500,00	\$3,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$7,200.00	\$750.00	\$4,500.00	\$800.00 \$600.00	\$4,800.0	
Curb & Gutter Inlet Removed (Catch Basin 3) - 202e58100 - EA	11	\$ 500.00 \$ 2,000.00	\$5,500.00	\$350.00 \$350.00	\$3,850.00 \$1,050.00	\$475.00 \$675,00	\$5,225.00 \$2,025.00	\$1,500.00	\$16,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$6,600.0 \$4,500.0	
Curb & Gutter Inlet Removed (I-2) - 202e58200 - EA Storm Sewer Box Removed - 202e35200 - LF	300	\$ 400.00	\$6,000.00 \$120,000.00	\$300.00	\$1,050.00	\$275.00	\$82,500.00	\$1,500.00 \$55.00	\$4,500.00 \$16,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$111,000.0	
Fill and Plug Existing Conduit - Storm Sewer Abandonded in Place - 202e70000 - LF	579		\$12,738.00	\$20.00	\$11,580.00	\$32.00	\$18,528.00	\$45.00	\$26,055.00	\$57.00	\$33,003.0	
Fill and Plug Existing Conduit - Storm Sewer Abandonded in Place - 202e70000 - LF Fill and Plug Existing Conduit - 36" Storm Sewer Abandonded In Place - 202e70000 - LF	224	\$ 22.00	\$12,738.00	\$20.00	\$8,960.00	\$49.00	\$18,528.00	\$45.00	\$26,055.00	\$63.00	\$14,112.0	
36" Storm Sewer Removed - 202e35200 - LF	372		\$29,760.00	\$25.00	\$9,300.00	\$65.00	\$24,180.00	\$45.00	\$16,740.00	\$15.00	\$5,580.0	
Storm Sewer Removed (Dellwood) - 202e35100 - LF	213		\$10,650.00	\$35.00	\$7,455.00	\$39.00	\$8,307,00	\$45.00	\$9,585.00	\$10.00	\$2,130.0	
Storm Sewer Removed (Far Hills) - 202e35100 - LF	126	\$ 25.00	\$3,150,00	\$20.00	\$2,520.00	\$23.75	\$2,992.50	\$45.00	\$5,670.00	\$35.00	\$4,410.0	
Storm Sewer Removed (Forrer) - 202e35100 - LF	165		\$8,085.00	\$20.00	\$3,300.00	\$44.45	\$7,334.25	\$45.00	\$7,425.00	\$10.00	\$1,650.0	
Sanitary Sewer Removed (Devereux, contingent) LF	682		\$34,100.00	\$50.00	\$34,100.00	\$50.00	\$34,100.00	\$50.00	\$34,100.00	\$50.00	\$34,100.0	
Roadway Items	302	, 55,561	401,100,00	400,00	401,100,00	\$55,50	401,100,00	400,00	401,100,00	400,00	40 1,1 30 10	
City Standard Type A Integral Curb (SCD 300-15) (Devereux) - 609e12001 - LF	980	\$ 40.00	\$39,200.00	\$25.00	\$24,500.00	\$28.00	\$27,440.00	\$22.00	\$21,560.00	\$25.00	\$24,500.0	
Type A Integral Curb (SCD 300-15) - 609e12001 - LF	242		\$10,890.00	\$25.00	\$6,050.00	\$33.00	\$7,986.00	\$22.00	\$5,324.00	\$25.00	\$6,050.0	
Type C Integral Curb (SCD 300-15) - 609e12001 - LF		\$ 40.00	\$4,840.00	\$25.00	\$3,025.00	\$36.00	\$4,356.00	\$22.00	\$2,662.00	\$25,00	\$3,025.0	
ODOT Item 452 7" Concrete Pavement - 452e11010 - SY	645		\$48,375.00	\$120,00	\$77,400.00	\$92.00	\$59,340.00	\$115.00	\$74,175.00	\$120.00	\$77,400.0	
ODOT Type 6 Barrier Curb - 609e26000 - LF		\$ 30.00	\$8,550.00	\$55.00	\$15,675.00	\$39.00	\$11,115.00	\$42.00	\$11,970.00	\$60,00	\$17,100.0	
ODOT Item 442, 1.5" Asphalt Pavement Surface Course, 12.5 MM, Type A (449) - 442e22100 - CY	12	\$ 210.00	\$2,520.00	\$1,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$549.00	\$6,588.00	\$300.00	\$3,600.00	\$440.00	\$5,280.0	
ODOT Item 442, 1.75" Asphalt Pavement Intermediate Course, 19 MM, Type A (449) - 442e22400 -	15	\$ 205.00	\$3,075.00	\$750.00	\$11,250.00	\$515.30	\$7,729.50	\$300.00	\$4,500.00	\$440.00	\$6,600.0	
ODOT Item 441 – 1.5" Asphalt Concrete Surface Course, Type 1 (449), PG64-22 - 441e70000 - CY	79	\$ 205.00	\$16,195.00	\$550.00	\$43,450.00	\$127.00	\$10,033.00	\$300.00	\$23,700.00	\$440.00	\$34,760.0	
ODOT Item 441 - 1,75" Asphalt Concrete Intermediate Course, Type 2 (449) - 441e70300 - CY	92	\$ 195.00	\$17,940.00	\$500.00	\$46,000.00	\$125.00	\$11,500.00	\$300.00	\$27,600.00	\$440,00	\$40,480.0	
ODOT Item 442, 1.5" Asphalt Pavement Surface Course, Type 1 (448) - 442e22100 - CY	18		\$3,690.00	\$550.00	\$9,900.00	\$50.00	\$900.00	\$300.00	\$5,400.00	\$440.00	\$7,920.0	
ODOT Item 442, 1.75" Asphalt Pavement Intermediate Course, Type 2 (448) - 442e22400 - CY		\$ 195,00	\$4,095.00	\$500.00	\$10,500.00	\$50.00	\$1,050.00	\$300,00	\$6,300.00	\$440,00	\$9,240.0	
ODOT Item 407, Non-Tracking Tack Coat (0,055 Gal/SY) - 407e20000 - GAL	54		\$162.00	\$20.00	\$1,080.00	\$7.30	\$394.20	\$15.00	\$810.00	\$25,00	\$1,350.0	
ODOT Item 301, Asphalt Concrete Base PG64-22 (449) - 301e56000 - CY	143	\$ 145.00	\$20,735.00	\$450.00	\$64,350.00	\$561.90	\$80,351.70	\$250.00	\$35,750.00	\$520.00	\$74,360.0	
ODOT Item 304, Aggregate Base - 304e20000 - CY	496	\$ 85.00	\$42,160.00	\$60.00	\$29,760.00	\$78.00	\$38,688.00	\$75.00	\$37,200.00	\$80.00	\$39,680.0	
8" Concrete Driveway - 452e12010 - SY	45	\$ 80.00	\$3,600.00	\$150.00	\$6,750.00	\$106.00	\$4,770.00	\$130.00	\$5,850.00	\$135.00	\$6,075.0	
4" Sidewalk - 608e10000 - SF	321	\$ 7.00	\$2,247.00	\$12.00	\$3,852.00	\$10.00	\$3,210.00	\$14.00	\$4,494.00	\$10.00	\$3,210.0	
Trees EA	8	\$ 750.00	\$6,000.00	\$750.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,540.00	\$12,320.00	\$1,250.00	\$10,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$16,000.0	
Disposal (Excess Material) CY		\$ 40.00	\$34,000.00	\$35.00	\$29,750.00	\$26.00	\$22,100.00	\$55.00	\$46,750.00	\$36.00	\$30,600.0	
Maintenance of Traffic LS		\$ 15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$50,000.00		\$141,750.00	\$141,750.00	\$88,000.00	\$88,000.00		\$200,000.0	
Mobilization LS	1	\$ 85,518.50	\$85,518.50	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$71,500.00	\$71,500.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.0	
Drainage Items											WATER STATE OF THE	
Catch Basin 3 - 611e98150 - EA	23		\$69,000.00				\$88,711.00		\$126,500.00		\$86,020.0	
Inlet, No. 2-12 - 611e98740 - EA		\$ 12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$9,525.00	\$9,525.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00		\$11,620.0	
Inlet, No. 2-20 - 611e98780 - EA		\$ 16,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$24,000.00		\$21,500.00	\$20,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$18,800.00	\$37,600.0	
Headwall - 42" Pipe EA		\$ 5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,979.00	\$4,979.00	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.0	
Manhole, No. 3 (6' Storm Manhole - Doghouse) - 611e99570 - EA		\$ 5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$8,995.00	\$8,995.00	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.0	
Manhole, No. 3 (4' Storm Manhole - 5' Deep) - 611e99570 - EA		\$ 4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,275.00	\$3,275.00	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.0	
Manhole, No. 3 (4' Storm Manhole - 4' Deep) - 611e99570 - EA	12		\$36,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$42,000.00	\$2,975.00	\$35,700.00	\$5,500.00	\$66,000.00 \$22,000.00	\$5,000.00 \$6,900.00	\$60,000.0 \$27,600.0	
Manhole, No. 3 (4' Storm Doghouse Manhole) - 611e99570 - EA  Manhole, No. 3 (6' Storm Manhole - 9' Deep) (Far Hills) - 611e99570 - EA	12	\$ 3,000.00 \$ 10,000.00	\$12,000.00 \$120,000.00	\$4,000.00 \$12,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$3,825.00 \$9,275.00	\$15,300.00 \$111.300.00	\$5,500.00 \$12,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$6,750.00	\$27,600.0	
Manhole, No. 3 (6' Storm Manhole - 9' Deep) (Far Hills) - 611e99570 - EA  Manhole, No. 3 (4' Storm Manhole - 7' Deep) - 611e99574 - EA		\$ 5,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$144,000.00 \$7,000.00	\$9,275.00	\$111,300.00 \$7,990.00	\$8,500.00	\$17,000.00	\$6,700.00	\$13,400.0	
Combined Curb Inlet & Manhole - 611e99500 - EA		\$ 9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$7,750.00	\$7,750.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$8,400.00	\$8,400.0	
42" Storm Sewer - 611e19400 - LF		\$ 245.00	\$236,915.00	\$250.00	\$241,750.00	\$336.00	\$324,912.00	\$350.00	\$338,450.00	\$400.00	\$386,800.0	
30" Storm Sewer - 611e13400 - LF	426		\$63,900.00	\$175.00	\$74,550.00	\$188.00	\$80,088.00	\$300.00	\$127,800.00	\$250,00	\$106,500.0	
24" Storm Sewer - 611e10400 - LF	675		\$84,375.00	\$150.00	\$101,250.00	\$167.00	\$112,725.00	\$275.00	\$185,625.00	\$160.00	\$108,000.0	
18" Storm Sewer - 611e07400 - LF	363		\$39,930.00	\$130.00	\$47,190.00	\$101.00	\$36,663.00	\$175.00	\$63,525.00	\$130,00	\$47,190.0	
15" Storm Sewer - 611e05900 - LF	129		\$11,610.00	\$100.00	\$12,900.00	\$99.00	\$12,771.00	\$150.00	\$19,350.00	\$100.00	\$12,900.0	
12" Storm Sewer - 611e44000 - LF	655		\$49,125.00	\$85.00	\$55,675.00	\$95.00	\$62,225.00	\$125.00	\$81,875.00	\$100.00	\$65,500.	
Inlet Protection - 690e76022 - EA	28		\$5,600.00	\$75.00	\$2,100.00	\$130.00	\$3,640.00	\$1,500.00	\$42,000.00	\$350.00	\$9,800.0	
8" Sanitary Sewer LF	682		\$57,970.00	\$100.00	\$68,200.00	\$85.00	\$57,970.00	\$125.00	\$85,250.00	\$80.00	\$54,560.0	
Sanitary Manhole EA	2		\$10,000.00	\$5,500.00	\$11,000.00	\$3,750.00	\$7,500.00	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.0	
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	Base Total		\$ 1,882,934.35		\$1,843,159.00		\$1,938,742.10		\$2,194,203.00		\$2,245,532.0	