



**City Council
Legislative Session**

Agenda

**May 26, 2026
7:30 PM**

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Mount Vernon City Council
Committee Meeting Schedule
May 26, 2026

| Time | Topic Under Discussion | Committee |
|------------------|---|---|
| 6:05 – 6:15 p.m. | Natural Gas and Electric Power Aggregation | Utilities - Ruckman |
| 6:15 – 6:20 p.m. | Amend Section 919.11 of the Codified Ordinances | Utilities - Ruckman |
| 6:20 – 6:30 p.m. | Ordinance 2026-11 Vehicle Storage | Land Use & Development - Jacklin |
| 6:30 – 6:35 p.m. | Ordinance 2026-16 Reclassifying Exempt Professional Positions | Employee & Comm. Relations - Keener |
| 6:35 – 6:45 p.m. | Update from Knox County Convention & Visitor's Bureau | Employee & Comm. Relations - Keener |
| 6:45 – 7:00 p.m. | Ord. 2026-13 Rezoning 804 Coshocton Ave | Land Use & Development - Jacklin |
| 7:00 – 7:15 p.m. | Updates on Road Construction Projects | Streets & Public Buildings - Severns |

MEETING WILL RECESS UNTIL 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

Invocation: Chaplain Dave Matos, Gentiva Hospice

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Minutes City Council 5/11/2026

RECEIVE PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

RECEIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Employee and Community Relations Committee Minutes 2026-05-11

LIQUOR CONTROL LICENSE

PROCLAMATION

PERSONS SPEAKING ON MATTERS OF CITY CONCERN

RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRD READING

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-44

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A WRITTEN POST-ISSUANCE COMPLIANCE POLICY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF TAX-EXEMPT AND TAX-PREFERRED OBLIGATIONS BY THE CITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Finance & Budget: Mahan, Severns

RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-56

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ACT AS THE PURCHASING AGENT AND GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATOR FOR NATURAL GAS FOR THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO.

Utilities: Ruckman, Miller

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-57

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ACT AS THE PURCHASING AGENT AND GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATOR FOR ELECTRIC POWER FOR THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO.

Utilities: Ruckman, Miller

RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-59

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR THE SMALL CITY PROGRAM GRANT THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets & Public Buildings: Severns, Mahan

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-60

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN TO LEASE THE PROPERTY WITH THE STREET ADDRESS OF 9 ½ EAST HIGH STREET; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets & Public Buildings: Severns, Mahan

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-61

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS.

Finance & Budget: Mahan, Severns

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-62

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE KNOX COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION FOR NORTH NORTON STREET IMPROVEMENTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets & Public Buildings: Severns, Mahan

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-63

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ABOLITION OF THE CLINTON TOWNSHIP WATER & SEWER DISTRICT AND RELATED UTILITY GOVERNANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE MATTERS.

Utilities: Ruckman, Miller

ORDINANCES FOR THIRD READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-11

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON REGARDING VEHICLE STORAGE WITHIN THE CITY.

Land Use & Development: Jacklin, Keener

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-13

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PARCELS #66-07885.000 AND #66-05577.000 FROM R-1 – SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO GB – GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT.

Land Use & Development: Jacklin, Keener

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-16

AN ORDINANCE RECLASSIFYING THE EXEMPT PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS OF CITY INSPECTOR, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, AND PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR.

Employee & Community Relations: Keener, Ruckman

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-17

AN ORDINANCE TO REPLACE SECTION 919.11 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON REGARDING BACKFLOW PROTECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Utilities: Ruckman, Miller

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-20
AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE COMPENSATION, HOURS AND BENEFITS
OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON.
Employee & Community Relations: Keener, Ruckman

REMARKS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

REMARKS FROM COUNCIL

ADJOURN AT THE CALL OF THE PRESIDENT



PRESS RELEASE

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 236 S Main Street
 Mount Vernon, OH 43050

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 20, 2026

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The above listed meeting will be held to discuss the above items; but will not be limited to those listed.
 Mount Vernon News - WMVO - WNZR – City Hall Bulletin Board

**City Council Minutes
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| 6:40 – 6:50 p.m. | W Burgess and N Sandusky Street ODOT grant. PID 125332 KNO North Sandusky Road Improvements | Streets & Public Buildings - Severns |
| 6:50 – 7:00 p.m. | Resolution 2026-45 Purchasing Health Insurance for the City of Mount Vernon | Employee & Comm. Relations - Keener |
| 7:00 – 7:10 p.m. | Ord. 2026-11 Amend Vehicle Storage Ordinances | Land Use & Development - Jacklin |
| 7:10 – 7:15 p.m. | Ord. 2026-13 Rezoning 804 Coshocton Ave | Land Use & Development - Jacklin |

MEETING WILL RECESS UNTIL 7:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

| Present | Absent | Excused |
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| Council President Bruce Hawkins Fourth Ward LeNan Hager At-Large Amber Keener First Ward James Mahan At-Large Mel Severns Second Ward John Ruckman At-Large Dale Miller 3rd Ward Taylor Jacklin | | |

INVOCATION

Invocation: Pastor David Phillips, Cooperdale Church of the Nazarene

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All recited in unison.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Minutes City Council Legislative Session 4/27/2026

Keener made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 27, 2026 City Council Meeting. Severns seconded. Accepted by unanimous voice vote.

RECEIVE PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

RECEIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Utilities Committee Minutes 2026-4-13a
- Utilities Committee Minutes 2026-4-13b
- Finance and Budget Committee Minutes 2026-04-27a
- Finance and Budget Committee Minutes 2026-04-27b
- Streets & Public Buildings Committee Minutes 2026-4-27

Accepted without comment.

LIQUOR CONTROL LICENSE

Liquor Control License Transfer

From: RHF Group LLC
400 Vernonview Dr.
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

To: Puff Club LLC/Bullocks Smoke Shop
400 Vernonview Dr.
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Liquor Control License Transfer

From: Werner Family Ventures LLC
908 S Main Street
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

To: Sammy's Group LLC/Fast Lane
908 S Main Street
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Residents have until May 23 to reach out to the City Clerk with any questions.

PROCLAMATION

PERSONS SPEAKING ON MATTERS OF CITY CONCERN

RESOLUTIONS FOR THIRD READING

RESOLUTIONS FOR SECOND READING

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-44

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A WRITTEN POST-ISSUANCE COMPLIANCE
POLICY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF TAX-EXEMPT AND
TAX-PREFERRED OBLIGATIONS BY THE CITY.**

Finance & Budget: Mahan, Severns

Mahan gave Resolution 2026-44 its second reading, noting that it would need an emergency clause when up for adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-45
 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE
 DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AND ENTER INTO AN
 AGREEMENT WITH MEDICAL MUTUAL FOR THE PROVISION OF 2026 -
 2027 MEDICAL HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE; AND DECLARING AN
 EMERGENCY.

Employee & Community Relations: Keener, Ruckman

Amber Keener made a motion to suspend the rules and take RESOLUTION 2026-45 to its third and final reading. John Ruckman seconded. Keener explained that the reason for the suspension is that the City's Health Insurance renews on June 1 for employees. Rules suspended by unanimous roll call vote. Amber Keener made a motion to adopt. John Ruckman seconded. Adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Motion to Adopt |
| RESULT: | Adopted [7 TO 0] |
| MOVER: | At-Large Amber Keener |
| SECONDER: | Second Ward John Ruckman |
| AYES: | LeNan Hager, Amber Keener, James Mahan, Mel Severns, John Ruckman, Dale Miller, Taylor Jacklin |
| NAYS: | None |

RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-53
 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO
 DISPOSE OF VEHICLES IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT NOT NEEDED FOR
 PUBLIC USE BY THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON; AND DECLARING AN
 EMERGENCY.

Finance & Budget: Mahan, Severns

James Mahan made a motion to suspend the rules and take RESOLUTION 2026-53 to its third and final reading. Mel Severns seconded. Mahan explained that the Fire Department vehicle is ready to sell, and doing so will bring revenue into the City. Rules suspended by unanimous roll call vote. James Mahan made a motion to adopt. Mel Severns seconded. Adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Motion to Adopt |
| RESULT: | Adopted [7 TO 0] |
| MOVER: | First Ward James Mahan |
| SECONDER: | At-Large Mel Severns |
| AYES: | LeNan Hager, Amber Keener, James Mahan, Mel Severns, John Ruckman, Dale Miller, Taylor Jacklin |
| NAYS: | None |

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-55
 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE
 DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT AN OFFICE OF JOBS & COMMERCE ECONOMIC
 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF KNO NORTH
 SANDUSKY ROAD IMPROVEMENTS (PID 125332).

Streets & Public Buildings: Severns, Mahan

Mel Severns made a motion to suspend the rules and take RESOLUTION 2026-55 to its third and final reading. James Mahan seconded. Severns noted that there is an opportunity to accept a \$180,000 grant, but the deadline is soon. Rules suspended by unanimous roll call vote. Mel Severns made a motion to adopt. James Mahan seconded. Adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Motion to Adopt |
| RESULT: | Adopted [7 TO 0] |
| MOVER: | At-Large Mel Severns |
| SECONDER: | First Ward James Mahan |
| AYES: | LeNan Hager, Amber Keener, James Mahan, Mel Severns, John Ruckman, Dale Miller, Taylor Jacklin |
| NAYS: | None |

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-56

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ACT AS THE PURCHASING AGENT AND GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATOR FOR NATURAL GAS FOR THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO.

Utilities: Ruckman, Miller

Ruckman gave Resolution 2026-56 its first reading, and requested a 10-minute committee meeting on May 26 to discuss both Resolution 2026-56 and 2026-57.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-57

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ACT AS THE PURCHASING AGENT AND GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATOR FOR ELECTRIC POWER FOR THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO.

Utilities: Ruckman, Miller

Ruckman gave Resolution 2026-57 its first reading.

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-58

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Finance & Budget: Mahan, Severns

James Mahan made a motion to suspend the rules and take RESOLUTION 2026-58 to its third and final reading. Mel Severns seconded. Mahan noted that the reason for the suspension is that money is tied up, without being allocated, and needs to be released. Brinkman noted that there are about \$4 million in unappropriated funds for water that can be used for improvements. Miller asked if there was a way to decrease the frequency of financial pieces of legislation that needed to be passed on the first reading. Rules suspended by unanimous roll call vote. James Mahan made a motion to adopt. Mel Severns seconded. Adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Motion to Adopt |
| RESULT: | Adopted [7 TO 0] |
| MOVER: | First Ward James Mahan |
| SECONDER: | At-Large Mel Severns |
| AYES: | LeNan Hager, Amber Keener, James Mahan, Mel Severns, John Ruckman, Dale Miller, Taylor Jacklin |
| NAYS: | None |

ORDINANCES FOR THIRD READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-11

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON REGARDING VEHICLE

STORAGE WITHIN THE CITY.

Land Use & Development: Jacklin, Keener

Jacklin made a motion to postpone Ordinance 2026-11 to May 26. Keener seconded. Postponed by unanimous roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1102 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Land Use & Development: Jacklin, Keener

Law Director Broeren noted that the ordinance places the setting of fees under the Control Board rather than Council, which has been the standard practice with other similar fee structures.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Motion to Adopt |
| RESULT: | Adopted [7 TO 0] |
| MOVER: | 3rd Ward Taylor Jacklin |
| SECONDER: | At-Large Amber Keener |
| AYES: | LeNan Hager, Amber Keener, James Mahan, Mel Severns, John Ruckman, Dale Miller, Taylor Jacklin |
| NAYS: | None |

ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-13

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PARCELS #66-07885.000 AND #66-05577.000 FROM R-1 – SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO GB – GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT.

Land Use & Development: Jacklin,

Jacklin gave Ordinance 2026-13 its second reading. There will be a Public Hearing for this Ordinance on May 26.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-15

AN ORDINANCE TO ACCEPT THE VACATION OF AN UNDEVELOPED, PLATTED ALLEY IN THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, KNOX COUNTY, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Streets & Public Buildings: Severns, Mahan

Mel Severns made a motion to suspend the rules and take to its third and final reading. James Mahan seconded. Severns noted that the reason for the suspension is that no Public Hearing is required for the vacation. Rules suspended by unanimous roll call vote. Mel Severns made a motion to adopt. James Mahan seconded. Adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Motion to Adopt |
| RESULT: | Adopted [7 TO 0] |
| MOVER: | At-Large Mel Severns |
| SECONDER: | First Ward James Mahan |
| AYES: | LeNan Hager, Amber Keener, James Mahan, Mel Severns, John Ruckman, Dale Miller, Taylor Jacklin |
| NAYS: | None |

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-16
AN ORDINANCE RECLASSIFYING THE EXEMPT PROFESSIONAL
POSITIONS OF CITY INSPECTOR, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, AND
PUBLIC UTILITIES DIRECTOR.

Employee & Community Relations: Keener, Ruckman

Keener gave Ordinance 2026-16 its first reading and requested a 5-minute committee meeting on May 26.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-17
AN ORDINANCE TO REPLACE SECTION 919.11 OF THE CODIFIED
ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON REGARDING
BACKFLOW PROTECTION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Utilities: Ruckman, Miller

Ruckman gave Ordinance 2026-17 its first reading and requested a 5-minute committee meeting on May 26.

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-18
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT OF
BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON
POLICE DEPARTMENT WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE CERTIFIED UNIT
KNOWN AS POLICE SERGEANTS AND LIEUTENANTS, POLICE OFFICERS
AND POLICE RECORDS CLERK; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee & Community Relations: Keener, Ruckman

Keener made a motion to suspend the rules and take to its third and final reading. John Ruckman seconded. Keener noted that this piece is tied to Resolution 2026-45, which was just adopted, and relates to health insurance. Rules suspended by unanimous roll call vote.

Keener made a motion to adopt. John Ruckman seconded. Salyers noted that this piece and Ordinance 2026-19 are agreements between the City and union entities within the City to provide services. Changes include payment in lieu of benefits as an option for employees to opt in to, and utilization a consulting service called EMS to help employees navigate the medical care landscape.

Adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Motion to Adopt |
| RESULT: | Adopted [7 TO 0] |
| MOVER: | Amber Keener |
| SECONDER: | Second Ward John Ruckman |
| AYES: | LeNan Hager, James Mahan, Mel Severns, John Ruckman, Dale Miller, Taylor Jacklin |
| NAYS: | None |

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-19
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT OF
BARGAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON FIRE
DEPARTMENT WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE CERTIFIED UNIT KNOWN AS
THE MOUNT VERNON FIREFIGHTERS AND PARAMEDICS, I.A.F.F. LOCAL
3712; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Employee & Community Relations: Keener, Ruckman

Amber Keener made a motion to suspend the rules and take to its third and final reading. John Ruckman seconded. Keener noted that this is a sister piece to Ordinance 2026-18, but concerning firefighters rather than police. Rules suspended by unanimous roll call vote. Amber Keener made a motion to adopt. John Ruckman seconded. Adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

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| ROLL CALL VOTE | Motion to Adopt |
| RESULT: | Adopted [7 TO 0] |
| MOVER: | At-Large Amber Keener |
| SECONDER: | Second Ward John Ruckman |
| AYES: | LeNan Hager, Amber Keener, James Mahan, Mel Severns, John Ruckman, Dale Miller, Taylor Jacklin |
| NAYS: | None |

REMARKS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

Mayor Starr noted that Route 13 construction is underway. There will be more construction periods coming, but he will work to inform the public in a timely manner on those. S Main St bridge will need maintenance, which is an ODOT project that will be coming in the next month or so. Memorial Day is coming up. It is a day of remembrance and reflection. Mrs. Hager is the parade chair. There will be a service at Moundview Cemetery at 7:30 a.m. on Memorial Day, as well. Spring Clean went well. Twelve 30-foot bins were hauled away. Woodlands opening was a highlight.

Salyers noted that Kids-to-Parks Day is coming up this Saturday, May 16. There will be hot dogs. Green Machine at Thayer Rd. will be giving compost away the next two Saturdays.

Law Director Broeren Noted that one way to cut down the amount of financial matters that come before Council would be to increase the Auditor's maximum allotment to transfer within line accounts.

REMARKS FROM COUNCIL

Jacklin noted that Memorial Day is coming up. He mentioned that more of his friends who are veterans died from suicide after returning from the service than during service. He encouraged residents to reach out to those in their lives who are veterans, especially if they struggle around this time of year. Kevin Henthorn is a good resource for veterans.

Miller noted the Kids-to-Park Day will have fishing and archery.

Hager noted that the Shade Tree Commission accepted two awards from Tree City: a Growth award and Tree City Committee for Thirty Years award. The repair café is this Saturday, May 16.

Severnas noted that residents can call their waste haulers to arrange pickup of large items. Defining E-Bikes is a conversation that will need to occur. Some of them move very quickly and pose a safety concern.

Mahan congratulated all recent graduates at COTC, MVNU, and Kenyon, wishing them well.

Hawkins noted that the Woodlands Park has been something he has worked on for twenty-seven years to make a reality. It includes scores of acres. He also echoed the reminder that Memorial Day is a time of remembrance and reflection, not a party.

ADJOURN AT THE CALL OF THE PRESIDENT

Keener made a motion to adjourn. Hager seconded. Adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Bruce E. Hawkins, President of Council

Zac Sherman, Clerk of Council



2026-2027

Employee & Community Relations Committee Meeting Minutes May 11, 2026 – 6:49 p.m. to 6:58 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Bruce Hawkins, President
James Mahan, First Ward
John Ruckman, Second Ward
Taylor Jacklin, Third Ward
LeNan Hager, Fourth Ward
Amber Keener, At-Large
Dale Miller, At-Large
Mel Severns, At-Large

COUNCIL ABSENT:

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Matt Starr, Mayor
Tanner Salyers, Safety-Service Director
Rob Broeran, Law Director
David Stuller, Treasurer
Dan Brinkman, Auditor
Brian Ball, City Engineer
Aaron Reinhart, Public Utilities Director
Scott Zimmerman, City Inspector
Cheryl Splain, Knox Pages
Zachary Sherman, Clerk

Resolution 2026-45 Purchasing Health Insurance

Salyers explained that the renewal of health insurance happens annually. Changes to the plan this year include changing the City's Dental Carrier, based on feedback from employees, as well as eliminating the sick time bank and replacing it with long-term and short-term disability options. This renewal will be for a seventeen-month cycle, which will allow subsequent renewals to align with the annual fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Amber Keener, Chair
Employee & Community Relations
Mount Vernon City Council
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2026-2027

Streets & Public Buildings Committee Meeting Minutes May 11, 2026 – 6:40 p.m. to 6:49 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT:

Bruce Hawkins, President
James Mahan, First Ward
John Ruckman, Second Ward
Taylor Jacklin, Third Ward
LeNan Hager, Fourth Ward
Amber Keener, At-Large
Dale Miller, At-Large
Mel Severns, At-Large

COUNCIL ABSENT:

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Matt Starr, Mayor
Tanner Salyers, Safety-Service Director
Rob Broeran, Law Director
David Stuller, Treasurer
Dan Brinkman, Auditor
Brian Ball, City Engineer
Aaron Reinhart, Public Utilities Director
Scott Zimmerman, City Inspector
Cheryl Splain, Knox Pages
Zachary Sherman, Clerk

Resolution 2026-55 Acceptance of Grant

Engineer Ball explained that Resolution 2026-55 was to accept a grant from ODOT for various improvements related to N. Sandusky Street. These will allow heavy equipment vehicles to travel and maneuver on a surface that is appropriate for them. These vehicles are already traveling the route with the introduction of Commerce Park, and such traffic is estimated to only increase. The \$188,000 grant to assist with that must be accepted quickly. The City has one year to use those funds.

Respectfully submitted,

Mel Severns, Chair
Streets & Public Buildings Committee
Mount Vernon City Council
MS/zs



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled

RESOLUTION 2026-44

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM
Finance & Budget
Mahan, Severns
Category: Resolution
Prepared By:
Zac Sherman, City Clerk
Doc ID: 2026-172

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A WRITTEN POST-ISSUANCE COMPLIANCE POLICY
IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF TAX-EXEMPT AND TAX-PREFERRED
OBLIGATIONS BY THE CITY; **AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.****

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio (the “City”) has previously issued, or intends to issue in the future, bonds and other obligations for the purpose of financing and refinancing various capital improvements in the City (collectively, the “Obligations”); and

WHEREAS, some of the Obligations were issued, or will be issued as, tax-exempt and tax-preferred obligations under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the issuance of the Obligations, it is advised that the City have a formal written policy outlining the policies and procedures necessary to promote compliance with federal income tax and securities laws, as well as the requirements set forth in the documents for each issue of Obligations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City desires to formally approve a written policy outlining such policies and procedures;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1: That Council hereby approves a written post-issuance compliance policy (the “Policy”) in connection with the issuance of the Obligations of the City. On behalf of the Council, the Fiscal Officer (the “Auditor”) is hereby authorized to execute the Policy, which Policy shall be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A. The Auditor is also hereby authorized to execute any other documents necessary in connection with the Policy. The Auditor’s execution of such documents shall be conclusive evidence of the City’s approval of such documents.

SECTION 2: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of the Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of the Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

SECTION 3: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason that this is required as part of the City’s issuance of bonds in May 2026 for construction of the

new police department, this Resolution shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____, 2026
Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026
Matthew T. Starr, Mayor

CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO
POST-ISSUANCE COMPLIANCE POLICY

Purpose:

The City of Mount Vernon, Ohio (the “Issuer”) uses bonds as one means of financing capital projects in support of its mission. This Post-Issuance Compliance Policy (the “Policy”) outlines the policies and procedures to promote compliance with federal income tax and securities laws, as well as the requirements set forth in the bond documents for each bond issue. The Policy is to strictly follow the U.S. Constitution and federal laws, the Ohio Constitution and state laws, and all applicable federal and state regulations. For purposes of this policy, the terms “bonds” or “bond issue” means any obligation of the Issuer incurred for the purpose of borrowing money, including, without limitation, bonds, notes and certificates of participation in capital leases.

I. Outside Counsel. The Fiscal Officer of the Issuer (the “Auditor”) may, upon obtaining any necessary approvals, engage an attorney or firm of attorneys of national reputation on the subject of the federal tax and securities law of public finance to serve as “Outside Counsel” for the purpose of assisting the Issuer in the pursuit of its duties under this Policy. Outside Counsel may be bond counsel for the Issuer. Any such engagement shall be evidenced by the execution of an engagement letter or other written agreement between Issuer and such Outside Counsel.

II. Securities Law Matters – Continuing Disclosure

A. Continuing Disclosure Working Group. The Auditor (the “Disclosure Officer”) shall have primary responsibility for preparing the annual financial information and operating data (an “Annual Filing”) to be filed with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (“MSRB”) via its Electronic Municipal Market Access (“EMMA”) system pursuant to operative continuing disclosure undertakings (the “Continuing Disclosure Undertakings”) entered into by the Issuer pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 (the “Rule”) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Such Disclosure Officer, together with any Outside Counsel retained by the Issuer, shall constitute the “Continuing Disclosure Working Group.”

B. Annual Financial Information and Operating Data.

1. **Assembling Current Information.** The Disclosure Officer or the Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall compile, maintain and update a list of all financial information and operating data required to be filed with the MSRB pursuant to each of the Continuing Disclosure Undertakings, and shall establish a schedule for producing the data (and the Annual Filing document) that will afford sufficient time for final review by the Continuing Disclosure Working Group and approval in accordance with this Policy.

2. **Review for Process, Accuracy, and Completeness.** The members of the Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall review the Annual Filing

drafts to determine whether, based on information known or reported to them, (a) this Policy was followed, (b) the material facts in the Annual Filing appear to be consistent with those facts known to the members of the Continuing Disclosure Working Group, (c) the Annual Filing contains all information required by the Continuing Disclosure Undertakings, and (d) the Annual Filing omits any material fact that is necessary to be included to prevent the Annual Filing from being misleading to investors. The Disclosure Officer or the Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall take such action as may be necessary, based on feedback from the Continuing Disclosure Working Group, to enable the Continuing Disclosure Working Group to conclude that this Policy was followed and that the Annual Filing is accurate and complete in all material respects.

3. **Final Approval.** The Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall approve the final draft of the Annual Filing.
4. **Posting.** The Disclosure Officer or the Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall file each Annual Filing with the MSRB through EMMA by the deadline established by the Continuing Disclosure Undertakings. The Disclosure Officer or the Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall exercise reasonable care to ensure that each Annual Filing is filed in the format and with the identifying information required by the Continuing Disclosure Undertakings, including applicable CUSIP numbers, in accordance with the rules and requirements of the EMMA system.
5. **Documentation of Procedures.** The Disclosure Officer shall compile and retain a file of the actions taken to prepare, check, and approve the Annual Filing, including the sources of the information included the comments and actions of the Continuing Disclosure Working Group.

C. **Event Notices**

1. **Identification of Reportable Events.** The Disclosure Officer shall maintain a list of events of which the Issuer is required to provide notice to the MSRB pursuant to the Continuing Disclosure Undertakings. The Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall (a) identify the officers and employees of the Issuer who are most likely to first obtain knowledge of the occurrence of such events and (b) request in writing that they notify the Disclosure Officer immediately after learning of any such event, regardless of materiality, and repeat such request in a quarterly reminder.
2. **Identification of Financial Obligations; Materiality**
 - a. The Disclosure Officer shall undertake to identify any financial obligations, as defined in the Rule, to which the Issuer is a party and under the terms of which a default, event of acceleration,

termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events could reflect financial difficulties on the part of the Issuer.

- b. The Disclosure Officer shall prepare a summary sheet with respect to the financial obligations, as defined in the Rule, to which the Issuer is a party in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** for the purpose of evaluating, together with the Continuing Disclosure Working Group, (i) whether the incurrence of any such financial obligation must be disclosed under the terms of any Continuing Disclosure Undertaking, or (ii) whether the agreement or amendment to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of any such financial obligation affects the security holders of the Issuer's securities and must be disclosed under the terms of any Continuing Disclosure Undertaking.
 - c. The Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall establish procedures for assessing the materiality of any financial obligation (including the materiality of any agreement or amendment to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of any such financial obligation) as well as whether a default, an acceleration or termination event, modification of terms or similar events under a financial obligation reflects financial difficulties.
3. **Preparation of Event Notice.** The Disclosure Officer shall assess the materiality of any reportable event with the assistance of Outside Counsel (reportable under the Continuing Disclosure Undertakings) and, if notice of the event (each an "Event Notice") must be given (or if no materiality standard applies to that particular event), prepare or cause to be prepared an Event Notice giving notice of the event, and review the draft Event Notice with the Continuing Disclosure Working Group.
 4. **Review and Approval of Event Notice.** The Disclosure Officer shall not file an Event Notice until it is approved by the Continuing Disclosure Working Group unless the Event Notice (a) only gives notice of a rating change, bond call, or defeasance or (b) such approval has not been received by the applicable filing deadline under the Rule and the Continuing Disclosure Undertakings.
 5. **Posting.** The Disclosure Officer or the Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall file or cause to be filed each Event Notice with the MSRB through EMMA by the deadline established by the Rule and the Continuing Disclosure Undertakings or, if the facts cannot be correctly and fairly described by the deadline, then as soon as possible thereafter. The Disclosure Officer or the Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall exercise reasonable care to file each Event Notice in the format and with the identifying information required by the Continuing Disclosure

Undertakings, including CUSIP numbers, in accordance with the rules and requirements of the MSRB's EMMA system.

6. **Documentation of Procedures.** The Disclosure Officer or the Continuing Disclosure Working Group shall compile and retain a file of the actions taken to report each event and prepare, check, and approve each Event Notice, including the approvals of the Continuing Disclosure Working Group, if obtained.

III. Federal Tax Law Compliance

- A. **Tax Compliance Working Group.** The Auditor (the "Tax Compliance Officer") shall have primary responsibility for complying with the requirement of federal tax law with respect to the bonds of the Issuer. Such Tax Compliance Officer, together with any Outside Counsel retained by the Issuer shall constitute the "Tax Compliance Working Group."
- B. **Procedures.** The Tax Compliance Officer shall implement the following procedures in preparing, checking, or issuing the documentation described herein.
 1. **Proper Use of Proceeds.** The Tax Compliance Officer shall ensure that bond proceeds are allocated to expenditures in a manner that is consistent with the purpose for which each bond issue is undertaken, as set forth in any tax compliance certificate or agreement related to each bond issue. The Tax Compliance Officer shall undertake to make final allocations for federal income tax purposes of the bond proceeds within 18 months after a financed facility is placed in service but in no event later than 60 days following the fifth anniversary of the issuance of each bond issue.
 2. **Investment of Bond Proceeds and Rebate.** The Tax Compliance Officer shall ensure that bond proceeds are invested in investments that are permissible under the terms of the Ohio Revised Code, the bond documents, and any applicable federal tax laws. The Tax Compliance Officer shall determine whether it is appropriate to undertake rebate calculations with respect to the investment of proceeds of the bonds shall ensure the timely completion of arbitrage rebate calculations and filings.
 3. **Administration of Direct Pay Bonds.** The Tax Compliance Officer shall ensure the proper administration of each issue of bonds qualifying for the payment by the federal government of a credit equal to a percentage of interest on such bonds or calculated on some other basis, including the timely completion and filing of any forms required by the Internal Revenue Service to maintain or establish the applicable status of the bonds for purposes of federal income taxation.
 4. **Use of Bond-Financed Facilities.** The Tax Compliance Officer shall consult with Outside Counsel before entering into any agreement or other arrangement for the sale, lease, or use of bond-financed property, including,

but not limited to, service, vendor, and management contracts, research agreements, licenses to use bond-financed property, or naming rights agreements. The Tax Compliance Officer or the designee of the Tax Compliance Officer shall review such agreements for compliance with federal tax laws and complete a Private Business Use Contract Review Worksheet (attached as **Exhibit B**) to document that such review has been completed.

5. **Post-Issuance Transactions.** The Tax Compliance Officer shall consult with Outside Counsel for the Issuer before making any modifications or amendments to the bond documents for a bond issue, including, but not limited to, entering or modifying investment agreements; making any change in security for the bonds; engaging in post-issuance credit enhancement transactions (*e.g.*, bond insurance, letter of credit) or hedging transactions (*e.g.*, interest rate swap, cap); terminating or appointing successor trustees; releasing any liens; or reissuing the bonds.
6. **Remedial Action.** In the event that it is determined that any use of bond proceeds or bond-financed facilities is inconsistent with the character of the status for federal income tax purposes of the bonds, the Tax Compliance Officer shall consult with Outside Counsel for the purpose of determining the nature and extent of any remedial action necessary or proper for the Issuer to take with respect to such bonds or bond-financed facilities according to Treasury Regulations Section 1.141-12 or other remedial actions authorized by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue under 1.141.12(h).

C. Recordkeeping. Responsibility for Records Maintenance

1. The Tax Compliance Officer shall be responsible for maintaining records related to bonds of the Issuer.
2. The Tax Compliance Officer shall maintain a central list of records related to each issue of bonds of the Issuer. The list shall identify:
 - a. The name and date of the document related to the issue,
 - b. The person or office responsible for the document, and
 - c. The physical or electronic location of the document.

D. Bond Records to be Maintained

1. The following records shall be maintained for each outstanding bond issue for the term of the outstanding bond issue plus three years:
 - a. Basic records relating to the bond transaction, including the trust indenture, loan, lease, or other financing agreement, the relevant

IRS Form 8038 (including Forms 8038-G, 8038-GC, 8038-B, or 8038-TC, as applicable) with proof of filing, and bond counsel opinion shall be maintained by the Tax Compliance Officer;

- b. Documentation evidencing the expenditure of bond proceeds, such as construction or contractor invoices and receipts for equipment and furnishings, as well as records of any special allocation made for tax purposes shall be maintained by the Tax Compliance Officer;
- c. Documentation evidencing the lease or use of bond-financed property by public and private sources, including, but not limited to, service, vendor, and management contracts, research agreements, licenses to use bond-financed property, or naming rights agreements shall be maintained by the Issuer office executing such agreement for use of bond-financed property; and
- d. Documentation pertaining to investment of bond proceeds, including the yield calculations for each class of investments, actual investment income received from the investment of proceeds, and rebate calculations shall be maintained by the Tax Compliance Officer's Office.

- 2. The Tax Compliance Officer shall maintain the Issuer's audited financial statements for not less than seven years.

IV. Training Requirements, Policy Review and Miscellaneous Matters

A. Training. Within six months of the adoption of this Policy, and on an as-needed basis thereafter, the Auditor as the acting Tax Compliance Officer and Disclosure Officer, in addition with any respective designees, if any, shall undergo training regarding basic federal securities law and tax concepts relating to bonds and records required to be maintained under this Policy.

B. Annual Review. On an annual basis, or sooner if deemed necessary, the Continuing Disclosure Working Group and the Tax Compliance Working Group shall review this policy and assess the Issuer's compliance with this Policy and shall make changes to this Policy as appropriate to ensure compliance with any covenants in the bond documents or the requirements of federal tax and securities laws and any other applicable law.

C. Miscellaneous

- 1. **Internal Use Only.** This Policy is intended for the internal use of the Issuer only and is not intended to establish any duties in favor of or rights of any person other than the Issuer.
- 2. **Waiver of Procedures.** The officers and employees charged by this Policy with performing or refraining from any action may depart from this Policy

when they in good faith determine that such departure is in the best interests of the Issuer and consistent with the duties of the Issuer under applicable laws. If a Disclosure Officer or Tax Compliance Officer is charged by this Policy with taking or refraining from such action, any such departure shall require approval review of Outside Counsel.

CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO
FINANCIAL OBLIGATION SUMMARY SHEET

This form may be used to gather information necessary to evaluate whether a financial obligation is material and must be disclosed to via the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board’s EMMA system. The information requested should be inserted below. In some cases, it may be appropriate to attach a schedule or copy the applicable section from the relevant documents.

The term *financial obligation* means a:

(A) Debt obligation; (B) Derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (C) Guarantee of either of the foregoing.

Such term does not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board consistent with SEC Rule 15c2-12.

Generally speaking, any obligation that is essentially a vehicle to borrow money (*e.g.*, a lease-purchase agreement) should be considered a *financial obligation*.

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| 1. Loan amount and date incurred | |
| 2. Final maturity date of the loan | |
| 3. Debt service schedule, if including principal amortization, interest rate(s), interest calculations (<i>attach separate sheet if necessary</i>) | |
| 4. Legal security and/ source of payment | |
| 5. Interest rate method of calculation, if variable | |
| 6. Use of loan proceeds | |
| 7. Covenants, events of defaults and remedies | |
| 8. Amortization modification provisions, or information about payment acceleration or other non-standard payment considerations | |
| 9. Any other information that an issuer believes to be important to lenders or investors in the obligations of the Issuer | |

CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO
PRIVATE BUSINESS USE CONTRACT REVIEW WORKSHEET

City Department: _____

Contracting Parties: _____

Type/Title of Agreement: _____

Agreement Not Subject to Private Use Limitation

- ___ Relates solely to construction of bond-financed facility
___ Relates to property that was not financed with proceeds of a bond issue
___ Does not relate to use or function of property
___ Includes incidental services only (janitorial, office equipment repair, or similar services)
___ Compensation consists solely of reimbursement of actual and direct expenses incurred by the service provider while providing services under the agreement

Agreement Satisfies Safe Harbors for Management/Service Contracts with Outside Service Providers (See definitions on page B-4)

If the arrangement with an outside service provider is not either an "Eligible Expense Reimbursement Arrangement" or an "Other Permissible Arrangement" (both as described below), then Bond Counsel should be consulted.

Eligible Expense Reimbursement Arrangement

___ To be an Eligible Expense Reimbursement Arrangement, the compensation paid to the outside service provider must consist solely of reasonable overhead and the reimbursement of actual and direct expenses paid by the outside service provider to unrelated parties.

Other Permissible Arrangement

To be an Other Permissible Arrangement, all six of the following elements must be present:

1. Financial Requirements

- _____ Compensation payments to the service provider (including any reimbursement for actual and direct expenses paid by the service provider and related administrative overhead expenses) are reasonable compensation for services rendered during the term of the contract; and
- _____ The outside service provider does not share in the net profits of the managed facility; and
- _____ The outside service provider is not forced to share net losses from the operation of the managed facility.

2. Term of the Contract

- _____ The term of the contract is no longer than the lesser of (i) 30 years, or (ii) 80% of the weighted economic life of the managed property, which term is retested as of the date of any material modification of the contract.

3. Control of the Managed Property

- _____ The approval of the City is required for each of the following:
 - _____ the annual budget of the managed property;
 - _____ capital expenditures with respect to the managed property;
 - _____ any disposition of the managed property or any portion thereof;
 - _____ rates charged for use of managed property (or methodology for setting such rates); and
 - _____ the general nature and type of use of the managed property (for example, the type of services).

4. Risk of Loss

- _____ The City bears the risk of loss upon damage or destruction of the managed property.

5. Tax Position of Outside Service Provider

- _____ The outside service provider expressly agrees that it is not entitled to and will not take any tax position that is inconsistent with being an outside service provider to the City with respect to the managed property.

6. Rights of the City

_____ The outside service provider does not have any role or relationship with the City that might limit the ability of the City to exercise its rights under the contract.

Agreement Requires Further Review by Bond Counsel

_____ Ownership (including agreement that transfers title at end of the term)

_____ Lease, license, or any other agreement which creates exclusive or priority rights to use any portion of a bond-financed property or which creates an economic benefit for the third-party user

_____ Agreement with governmental entity or 501(c)(3) organization

_____ Research agreement

_____ Management or service contract falling outside safe harbors listed above (provide explanation)

Reviewer: _____

Date: _____

Definitions:

Net Profits:

Net profits under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). IRS Rev. Proc. 97-13 expressly provides that compensation agreements based on the following are not considered to be compensation based on a share of net profits:

- (a) a percentage of gross revenues (or adjusted gross revenues) of a facility or a percentage of expenses from a facility, but not both;
- (b) a Capitation Fee; or
- (c) a Per Unit Fee is generally not considered to be based on a share of net profits.
- (d) a productivity reward equal to a stated dollar amount based on increases or decreases in gross revenues (or adjusted gross revenues), or reductions in total expenses (but not both increases in gross revenues (or adjusted gross revenues) and reductions in total expenses) in any annual period during the term of the contract

Periodic Fixed Fee:

A stated dollar amount for services rendered during a specific period of time. The stated dollar amount may automatically increase according to a specified, objective, external standard that is not linked to the output or efficiency of the facility (e.g., the Consumer Price Index). Capitation fees and per-unit fees are not periodic fixed fees.

Capitation Fee:

A fixed periodic amount for each person for whom the service provider assumes the responsibility to provide all needed services for a specified period so long as the quantity and type of services actually provided to covered persons varies substantially. For example, a capitation fee includes a fixed dollar amount payable per month to a medical service provider for each member of a health maintenance organization plan for whom the provider agrees to provide all needed medical services for a specified period. A capitation fee may include a variable component of up to 20% of the total capitation fee designed to protect the service provider against risks such as catastrophic loss.

Per Unit Fee:

A fee based on a unit of services provided specified in the contract or otherwise specifically determined by an independent third party, such as the administrator of the Medicare program. For example, a stated dollar amount for each specified medical procedure performed, car parked, or passenger mile is a per-unit fee. Separate billing arrangements between physicians and hospitals generally are treated as per-unit fee arrangements.



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled

RESOLUTION 2026-56

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM

Utilities

Ruckman, Miller

Category: Resolution

Prepared By:

Zac Sherman, City Clerk

Doc ID: 2026-199

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ACT AS THE PURCHASING AGENT AND GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATOR FOR NATURAL GAS FOR THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO.

WHEREAS, On November 8, 2011, the residents of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio voted in favor of natural gas aggregation to improve purchasing leverage and offer reduced natural gas supply rates to residential and small business consumers; and

WHEREAS, The Knox County Commissioners have offered their services to act on behalf of City of Mount Vernon, Ohio in Knox County as the governmental aggregator; and

WHEREAS, having one centralized aggregator will provide for the most expeditious manner to handle any issues arising in the process of natural gas aggregation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio:

SECTION 1. The Council hereby authorizes the Knox County Commissioners to act as the governmental agent for purchasing and aggregation of natural gas for the residents of City of Mount Vernon, Ohio.

SECTION 2. The Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Knox County Commissioners, 117 East High Street, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050.

SECTION 3. A copy of this resolution shall be provided to OML Service Corporation, c/o Garry E. Hunter, CEO, 175 S. Third Street, Suite 510, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were so adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all formal actions, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance will all legal requirements.

Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled

RESOLUTION 2026-57

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM
Utilities
Ruckman, Miller
Category: Resolution
Prepared By:
Zac Sherman, City Clerk
Doc ID: 2026-200

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ACT AS THE PURCHASING AGENT AND GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATOR FOR ELECTRIC POWER FOR THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO.

WHEREAS, On November 8, 2011, the residents of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio voted in favor of electric aggregation to improve purchasing leverage and offer reduced electrical generation rates to residential and small business consumers; and

WHEREAS, The Knox County Commissioners have offered their services to act on behalf of City of Mount Vernon, Ohio in Knox County as the governmental aggregator; and

WHEREAS, having one centralized aggregator will provide for the most expeditious manner to handle any issues arising in the process of electrical aggregation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio:

SECTION 1. The Council hereby authorizes the Knox County Commissioners to act as the governmental agent for purchasing and aggregation of electric power for the residents of City of Mount Vernon, Ohio.

SECTION 2. The Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Knox County Commissioners, 117 East High Street, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050.

SECTION 3. A copy of this resolution shall be provided to OML Service Corporation, c/o Garry E. Hunter, CEO, 175 S. Third Street, Suite 510, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

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Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled

RESOLUTION 2026-59

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM
Streets & Public Buildings
Severns, Mahan
Category: Resolution
Prepared By:
Zac Sherman, City Clerk
Doc ID: 2026-208

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR THE SMALL CITY PROGRAM GRANT THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, The Ohio Department of Transportation has made available grant funds through the Small City Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Safety-Service Director for the City of Mount Vernon is authorized and directed to apply for the Small City Program grant through the Ohio Department of Transportation.

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason that the deadline for applications to be considered for the grant is June 15, 2026, said Resolution shall therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled

RESOLUTION 2026-60

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM
Streets & Public Buildings
Severns, Mahan
Category: Resolution
Prepared By:
Zac Sherman, City Clerk
Doc ID: 2026-211

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN TO LEASE THE PROPERTY WITH THE STREET ADDRESS OF 9 ½ EAST HIGH STREET; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio owns the property located at the street address of 9 ½ East High Street in the City of Mount Vernon; and

WHEREAS, the property is vacant, when the previous tenant ended its lease for this property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Safety-Service Director for the City of Mount Vernon be and herewith authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Advocates for Children, for lease of the property with the street address of 9 and 9 ½ East High Street in the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio.

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and to allow the tenant to immediately use the property, pay the utilities on the property, and pay rent to the City, and said Resolution shall therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor



RESOLUTION 2026-61

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE AUDITOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Auditor for the City of Mount Vernon be, and he herewith is, authorized and directed to make supplemental appropriations as follows:

1. To account 405.2900.55514 Roads Asphalt – Roads and Bridges Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$425,953.00 (Approved Federal Grant for State Route 13 Project).
2. To account 224.2100.55511 Equipment – Fire Public Safety Fund in the amount of \$25,000.00 (unappropriated funds in Public Safety).
3. To account 407.3600.55514 Facilities – Support for Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$336,069.50 (unappropriated funds in Capitol Improvement Fund-401).
4. To account 101.2500.54211 Utilities -PB &L – General Fund in the amount of \$25,000 (\$18,573.36 in anticipated revenue from COTC and Dave’s Cosmic Sub for Cost Share in Utilities, \$6,426.64 in revenue already received).
5. To account 101.2500.53312 Maintenance & Repairs - PB&L - General Fund in the amount of \$565.00 (reimbursement from Buckeye Power Sales already received).

SECTION 2: That the Auditor for the City of Mount Vernon be, and he herewith is, authorized and directed to transfer funds as follows:

1. From account 101.3600.54452 Infrastructure Improvements – General Fund, to account 101.2500.54211 Utilities - PB&L- General Fund, in the amount of \$120,000.00.

SECTION 3: This Resolution provides for appropriations for the current expenses of the City, and therefore, pursuant to Revised Code Section 731.20 and 731.30, it shall become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor.

Resolution 2026-61

Bruce E. Hawkins, President of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled

RESOLUTION 2026-62

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM
Streets & Public Buildings
Severns, Mahan

Category: Resolution
Prepared By:
Zac Sherman, City Clerk
Doc ID: 2026-213

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE SAFETY-SERVICE DIRECTOR OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH THE KNOX COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION FOR NORTH NORTON STREET IMPROVEMENTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the Safety-Service Director for the City of Mount Vernon be and herewith authorized and directed to enter into a contract with the Knox County Land Reutilization Corporation for North Norton Street Improvements (attached as Exhibit A).

SECTION 2: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and to complete necessary utility and road repairs as soon as possible to allow unrestricted use of the road, and said Resolution shall therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor

JOINT COOPERATION AGREEMENT FOR NORTH NORTON STREET IMPROVEMENTS

This Joint-Cooperation Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into by the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio (“City”) and the Knox County Land Reutilization Corporation, aka the Knox County Land Bank (“Land Bank”), pursuant to City Council Resolution-2026-____. Additionally, reference vacation of N. Norton Street City Council Ordinance 1980-39.

The Land Bank owns real property known as 525 W. Chestnut Street, Lot 27, Mount Vernon, Knox County, Ohio and known as Parcel Number 66-01294.001. The Land Bank desires to enter into a contract with Palmer & Son Excavating, Ltd, an Ohio limited liability company in the amount of \$336,325.00 to complete aqueduct replacement within a portion of the vacated N. Norton Street. The improvement is necessary as the aqueduct replacement will allow traffic to flow out of Heartland Commerce Park and without the improvement, the ground is unstable. The project also includes improvements to City-owned infrastructure which includes water, wastewater and street. A portion of the contract is wholly located within Chestnut Street and shall be assignable to the City. The Project is further depicted and described in the attached **Exhibit A.**

The City of Mount Vernon has an approved budget for this Project to include \$250,000.00 towards the contract cost, plus \$25,000.00 in contingencies. The Land Bank has an approved budget of \$86,325.00 towards the contract cost.

The parties desire to enter into this Agreement to set forth the roles and financial responsibilities for completion of the Project in a mutually beneficial manner. Now therefore, the parties hereby set forth their Agreement as follows:

1. Responsibilities of the Land Bank.

- a. Bidding out the Project and selecting the contractor
- b. Enter into a contract with Palmer & Son Excavating, Ltd., as the contracting party in the amount of \$336,325.00;
- c. Contribute \$86,325.00 towards Contract costs;
- d. Assume financial responsibility for all excess contract matters for non-City owned infrastructure;
- e. Monitor construction that occurs on Land Bank property;
- f. Report issues, if any, immediately to the City’s designee;
- g. Manage the Knox County Board of Commissioners’ plugging of four sanitary laterals under the subject aqueduct;

- h. Coordinate utility relocations, approvals, and communications with these utility providers necessary for the Project, including any required permits or agreements, and be responsible for any costs or delays associated with such coordination within the Heartland Commerce Park;
- i. Provide a disposal area for all required excavation;
- j. Upon completion of the Project, the Land Bank has the sole responsibility to improve the surface upon Land Bank property only (i.e. paving).
- k. Participate in final inspections and agree to approval of completion of the Project.

2. **Responsibilities of the City.**

- a. Contribute \$250,000.00 toward construction costs associated with the construction proposal dated November 25, 2025 (total project cost \$336,325.00).
- b. Assume financial responsibility for all change orders related to City-owned utilities and/or improvements made upon City owned property and streets, including but not limited to the southern portion of the Project in Chestnut Street in regard to the manhole replacement and unforeseen issues with the water and/or wastewater utilities.
- c. Provide a representative on behalf of the City to physically oversee, monitor and review the Project;
- d. Report issues, if any, immediately to the Land Bank's designee;
- e. Provide design and engineering services.
- f. Provide construction inspection services;
- g. Provide hydro-excavation services for utility locating;
- h. Coordinate utility relocations, approvals, and communications with these utility providers necessary for the project, including any required permits or agreements, and be responsible for any costs or delays associated with such coordination within the City right-of-way;
- i. Conduct smoke testing on all sanitary sewer laterals located within the project limits to identify potential leaks, defects, or connections, and provide documentation of findings to the Land Bank;
- j. Provide final as-built drawings for all project improvements;
- k. Provide the necessary prevailing wage tracking;
- l. maintain, repair and/or replace the City-owned utilities in perpetuity, as desired by the City;
- m. Make final inspection and approve completion of the Project.

3. **Change Orders.** Neither party may enter into a change order without receiving written approval from both parties to proceed. Prior to entering into a change order, the parties shall

agree in writing as to scope, timeline, cost and select the financially responsible party for each change order.

4. **Assignment.** The Land Bank shall have the right to assign portions of the Contract to the City for purposes of warranty claims, contract enforcement, or financial responsibility as it relates to City-owned and/or controlled portions of the Contract.

5. **Designated Contacts.** Each party shall designate a supervisor who shall serve as the primary contact for each party during the Project. The initial contact for the Land Bank shall be Steve Benedict, facility engineer, 740-504-1164. The initial contact for the City shall be _____ . In case of absence of a party's primary contact, each party shall designate a substitute contact to ensure the proper flow of information among the parties during a primary contact's absence.

6. **Miscellaneous.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. Each party was represented by independent Counsel in completion of this Agreement.

SIGNATURES

CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, OHIO

KNOX COUNTY LAND REUTILIZATION CORPORATION

By: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled

RESOLUTION 2026-63

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM

Utilities

Ruckman, Miller

Category: Resolution

Prepared By:

Zac Sherman, City Clerk

Doc ID: 2026-215

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ABOLITION OF THE CLINTON TOWNSHIP
WATER & SEWER DISTRICT AND RELATED UTILITY GOVERNANCE AND
INFRASTRUCTURE MATTERS.**

WHEREAS, the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio provides water and wastewater utility services to residents and businesses located within Clinton Township; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton Township Water & Sewer District was established for the purpose of facilitating and supporting the extension and administration of water and sewer infrastructure and services within Clinton Township; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon City Council recognizes the longstanding financial contributions made by Clinton Township ratepayers through district surcharges and related assessments; and

WHEREAS, Council further recognizes the importance of ensuring equitable utility rates, transparency in utility governance, and the continued investment in infrastructure improvements serving residents of Clinton Township; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that the eventual abolition of the Clinton Township Water & Sewer District, upon satisfaction of all lawful debts and obligations, would promote administrative efficiency and eliminate unnecessary surcharge burdens upon district ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, Council further finds it to be in the best interests of the residents of Clinton Township and the City of Mount Vernon to preserve and dedicate utility-related revenues collected from out-of-city customers toward the continued maintenance, development, and improvement of utility infrastructure serving Clinton Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Knox County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. The Mount Vernon City Council hereby expresses its support for the abolition and dissolution of the Clinton Township Water & Sewer District upon the satisfaction of all lawful financial obligations, debts, encumbrances, contractual commitments, and other liabilities of the district.

SECTION 2. Council supports the elimination in its entirety of all district-specific surcharges imposed upon Clinton Township water and wastewater ratepayers following the lawful abolition of the Clinton Township Water & Sewer District.

SECTION 3. Prior to dissolution of the district, all outstanding loans, bonds, contractual obligations, encumbrances, administrative expenses, and any lawful compensation or reimbursement due to district board members or officers shall be fully satisfied in accordance with applicable Ohio law and governing agreements.

SECTION 4. Upon satisfaction of all debts and obligations associated with the abolition of the district, Council supports the surrender and transfer of any remaining balances, reserves, or surplus funds held by the Clinton Township Water & Sewer District to the Clinton Township Board of Trustees.

Such transferred funds shall be used exclusively for one or more of the following public utility purposes within Clinton Township:

1. Water line improvements and maintenance;
2. Wastewater line improvements and maintenance;
3. Utility infrastructure expansion and development;
4. Cost-share participation for public utility projects; and
5. Programs or initiatives intended to offset or reduce utility tap fees and related connection costs for residents and businesses within Clinton Township.

SECTION 5. Council hereby supports the continued retention of out-of-city water and wastewater charges within the City of Mount Vernon enterprise utility funds, provided that such revenues be utilized for the expressed purpose of supporting utility line development, infrastructure improvement, repair, replacement, maintenance, and operational reliability benefiting customers and ratepayers located within Clinton Township.

SECTION 6. Council encourages continued cooperation between the City of Mount Vernon, the Clinton Township Board of Trustees, the Utilities Commission, and the Clinton Township Water & Sewer District Board to ensure an orderly and lawful transition process that protects utility customers and maintains uninterrupted utility service.

Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor



SCHEDULED

Ordinance 2026-11

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON REGARDING VEHICLE STORAGE WITHIN THE CITY; ~~AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.~~

WHEREAS, the City Council of Mount Vernon finds it necessary to regulate the storage of large equipment to maintain the aesthetic character and safety of residential neighborhoods.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That Section 1302.01 of the Codified Ordinances shall be amended to read as follows (additions are in red, deletions are in ~~striketrough~~):

1302.01 DEFINITIONS.

—(a) As used in Part 13 of the Codified Ordinances:

- (1) "Approved" means approved by the Property Maintenance Enforcement Officer.
- (2) "Basement" means that portion of a building that is partly or completely below grade.
- (3) **"Boat" means any vessel or watercraft, including its transport trailer.**
- (4)~~(3)~~ "Commercial Structure" means a multi-family structure containing four (4) or more residential units, or any other structure intended for a non-residential business purpose.
- (5)~~(4)~~ "Condemn" means to adjudge unfit for occupancy.
- (6)~~(5)~~ "Detached" means a condition where a structural element is physically disconnected from another.
- (7)~~(6)~~ "Deterioration" means a condition where structural elements have weakened, disintegrated, corroded, rusted or decayed and have lost their effectiveness.
- (8) **"Enclosed Utility Trailer" means a utility trailer characterized by a permanent roof and side walls that fully enclose the cargo area.**
- (9)~~(7)~~ "Exterior Property" means the open space on the premises and on adjoining property under the control of the owner of the premises.
- (10)~~(8)~~ "Garbage" means the animal or vegetable waste resulting from the handling, preparation, cooking and consumption of food.

(11)(9) "Guard" means a building component or a system of building components located at or near the open sides of elevated walking surfaces to minimize the possibility of a fall from the walking surface to a lower level.

(12)(10) "Hardware Cloth" means wire screen of such thickness and spacing as to afford reasonable protection against the entrance of rats.

(13)(11) "Health Commissioner" means the person appointed to hold the office in a general health district or city health district pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3709.11 or 3709.14, or the Health Commissioner's designee.

(14)(12) "Hot tub" means any private pool with a capacity of less than 1,000 gallons that is typically operated at a temperature greater than ninety degrees Fahrenheit for recreational or nonmedical uses.

(15)(13) "Imminent Danger" means a condition which could cause serious or life-threatening injury or death at any time.

(16)(14) "Infestation" means the presence of insects, rats, vermin or other pests within or contiguous to a structure or premises.

(15) ~~"Inoperable Motor Vehicle" means any motor vehicle which meets one of the following requirements:~~

~~— A. It does not display a valid license plate and is in either wrecked, partially wrecked, dismantled, partially dismantled or in discarded condition, or is incapable of being driven; or~~

~~— B. It is wrecked, partially wrecked, dismantled, partially dismantled or in discarded condition, or is incapable of being driven and has remained in such condition for a continuous period of ten days.~~

(17) "Inoperable Vehicle" means any motor vehicle or trailer which, for a period of seventy-two (72) consecutive hours or more:

Is not capable of being lawfully and safely operated on public streets;

Is missing essential mechanical parts including, but not limited to, engine, transmission, wheels, steering mechanism, windshield, or battery;

Is disabled due to flat tires, broken windows, or collision damage;

Has not been moved under its own power in the preceding seventy-two (72) hours;

Is otherwise non-functional or incomplete in its construction.

(18) "Improved Surface" means a surface constructed of concrete, pavers, asphalt, gravel,

or other substance as approved by city zoning ordinances.

(19) "Junk Vehicle" means a vehicle that meets the definition in Ohio Revised Code §4513.63 and exhibits extensive damage, neglect, or deterioration, and has no apparent value beyond salvage.

(20) “Motor Vehicle” as defined in Ohio Revised Code §4501.01. Includes, but is not limited to, passenger vehicles, trucks, vans, motorcycles, mopeds, ATVs, RVs, and trailers.

(21)(16) —“Maintenance Ordinances” means any section of Part 13 of the Codified Ordinances.

(22)(17) “Noxious Weeds” means any weed prone to prolific and invasive growth, including, but not limited to thistles, jimson weed, burdock, ragweed and cocklebur.

(23)(18) “Occupancy” means the purpose for which a building or portion thereof is utilized or occupied.

(24)(19) “Occupant” means any individual living or sleeping in a building, or having possession of a space within a building.

(25) “Off-Road Vehicles” includes all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), dirt bikes, snowmobiles, and other vehicles not intended or permitted for use on public roadways.

(26)(20) “Owner” means the person or firm having legal or equitable interest in the property; or recorded in the official records of Knox County as having title to the property, including the guardian of the estate any such person, and the executor or administrator of the estate of such person if ordered to take possession of real estate by a court. In the case of a non-residential leased building where a clause in the lease makes the lessee responsible for maintenance and repairs, the lessee shall be considered to be the owner.

(27)(21) “Permit bond” means funds to protect consumers from harm and that guarantee businesses will adhere to provisions and requirements set forth in the Codified Ordinances and associated rules that are enforced by the City Engineer or his designee relating to the demolition of structures within the City. (Ord. 2020-37. Passed 11-23-20.)

(28)(22) “Person” means an individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership or association.

(29)(23) “Pest Elimination” means the control and elimination of insects, rodents, vermin or other pests by eliminating their harborage places; by removing or making inaccessible materials that serve as their food or water; and by other approved pest elimination methods.

(30)(24) —“Premises” means a lot, plot or parcel of land, easement or public way, including any structures thereon.

(31) “Private Property” means all real property not owned by the City or a public entity.

(32) (25) —“Private swimming pool” means a swimming pool used only by the owner of the pool and his invitees as an additional accessory use at a private residence.

(33)(26) “Private wading pool” means a wading pool used only by the owner of the pool and his invitees.

(34)(27) —“Property Maintenance Enforcement Officer” means the city official who is charged with the administration and enforcement of this ordinance.

(35) “Public Property” Includes all public streets, sidewalks, alleys, rights-of-way, parks, and any land owned or maintained by the City.

(36)(28) "Public way" means any street, alley or similar parcel of land essentially unobstructed from the ground to the sky, which is deeded, dedicated or otherwise permanently appropriated to the public for public use.

(37)(29) "Rat harborage" means any condition which provides shelter or protection for rats, thus favoring their multiplying and continued existence in, under, or outside a structure of any kind.

(38)(30) "Rat inhibitors" means a form of rat-proofing to prevent the ingress of rats into or under buildings or other structures from the exterior, or from one building or structure to another. It consists essentially of the closing of all openings in the exterior walls, ground or first floors, basements and foundations that may be reached by rats from the ground, by climbing or by burrowing. Rat stoppage is performed by use of concrete, sheet metal, hardware cloth or other types of rat-proofing material impervious to rat gnawing and approved by the Health Commissioner.

(39) "Recreational Vehicle (RV)" means any motor vehicle or trailer designed for recreational use, including but not limited to motor homes, travel trailers, fifth wheels, and campers.

(40)(31) "Residential Structure" means all single-family, condominium dwelling units, mobile home units outside of a mobile home park, two-family duplex properties, and three-family triplexes up to a footprint of 6,000 square feet in total or any other accessory structure(s) that are walled or roofed.

(41)(32) "Rodent" means rats, mice, or related species.

(42)(33) "Rubbish" or "Solid Waste" means combustible and noncombustible waste materials, other than "Garbage"; including the residue from the burning of wood, coal, coke and other combustible materials, paper, rags, cartons, boxes, wood, excelsior, rubber, leather, tree branches, yard trimmings, tin cans, metals, mineral matter, glass, crockery and dust and other similar materials.

(43)(34) "Strict Liability Offense" means an offense in which the prosecution in a legal proceeding is not required to prove criminal intent as a part of its case. It is enough to prove that the defendant either did an act which was prohibited, or failed to do an act which the defendant was legally required to do.

(44)(35) "Structure" means anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires location on the ground, or attachment to something having a fixed location on the ground. Structures include, but are not limited to, buildings, mobile homes, walls, fences, and signs.

(45)(36) "Swimming pool" means an artificial improvement, fixture or structure, either permanent or portable, filled or capable of being filled with water to a depth of thirty or more inches at any point therein and used or designed to be used for swimming or recreational bathing.

(46)(37) "Tenant" means a person, corporation, partnership or group, whether or not the legal owner of record, occupying a building or portion thereof as a unit.

(47) “Total Trailers” means the cumulative count of all boat trailers, RV trailers, and utility trailers on a single property.

(48) “Trailer” means any non-motorized device designed to be towed by a motor vehicle, including utility trailers, boat trailers, camper trailers, and equipment haulers.

(49) “Unregistered Vehicle” means any motor vehicle or trailer that: Does not display a current and valid license plate or registration sticker as required under Ohio law; or is not registered with the Ohio BMV or other authorized state agency.

(50)(38) "Unsafe structure" means one that is dangerous to the life, health, property or safety of the public or the occupants of the structure by not providing minimum safeguards to protect or warn occupants in the event of fire, or because such structure contains unsafe equipment or is so damaged, decayed, dilapidated, structurally unsafe or of such faulty construction or unstable foundation, that partial or complete collapse is possible.

(51)(39) "Unsafe equipment" means any boiler, heating equipment, electrical wiring or device, or other equipment on the premises or within the structure which is in such disrepair or condition that such equipment is a hazard to life, health, property or safety of the public or occupants of the premises or structure.

(52) “Utility Trailer” means a non-recreational vehicle designed to be pulled by another, used for transporting goods, equipment, or materials.

(53) "Vehicle" means every device, in, upon, or by which any person or property may be transported or drawn upon a highway. "Vehicle" does not include any motorized wheelchair, any electric personal assistive mobility device, any low-speed micromobility device, any personal delivery device as defined in section [4511.513](#) of the Ohio Revised Code, or any device that is moved by human power.

(54)(40) "Ventilation" means the natural or mechanical process of supplying conditioned or unconditioned air to, or removing such air from any space.

(55)(41) "Vermin" means noxious, mischievous or disgusting animals, including feral cats, raccoons, opossums and skunks.

(56)(42) "Wading pool" means an artificial fixture, improvement or structure, either permanent or portable, filled or capable of being filled with water at any point therein to a depth of twelve or more inches and less than thirty inches and used or designed to be used for wading, swimming or other aquatic recreation.

(57)(43) "Workmanlike" means executed in a skilled manner; generally plumb, level, square, in line, undamaged and without marring adjacent work.

(58)(44) "Yard" means an open space on the same lot, or contiguous lots, with a structure.

(59) “Yard Equipment” Includes riding lawn mowers, lawn tractors, agricultural tractors, and similar motorized landscaping or farming equipment.

(60)(45) "Zoning Officer" has the same meaning as in Section 1155.01.

Section 2. That the title of Chapter 1309 of the Codified Ordinances shall be:

Vehicle, Trailer and Other Motorized Equipment Storage

Section 3. That Section 1309.01 of the Codified Ordinances be replaced with the following:

1309.01 STORAGE OF INOPERABLE OR UNLICENSED MOTOR VEHICLES.

The location or presence of any unlicensed or inoperable motor vehicle on any lot, tract, or parcel of land within the City shall be deemed a public nuisance, and no person or persons shall cause or maintain such public nuisance by abandoning or discarding their unlicensed or inoperable motor vehicle or vehicles on the property of another, or suffering, permitting or allowing the same to be placed, located or maintained upon their own real property unless it is in connection with a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner and licensed as such, when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise.

Section 4. That Section 1309.02 of the Codified Ordinances be replaced with the following:

1309.02 STORAGE OF BOATS, CAMPERS AND TRAILERS.

(a) Storage Location and Limits

- (1) Driveway Storage: Vehicles, boats, campers (RVs), and Enclosed Utility Trailers may be stored on an improved surface, provided they meet the specific requirements in subsection (b) and the size restrictions in subsection (c).
- (2) Utility Trailer Restrictions (in general): Except as provided in subsection (3) below, utility trailers are strictly prohibited from being stored in any front yard or driveway. They must be stored:
 - (A) Within a completely enclosed garage; or
 - (B) In the rear yard, provided they are screened from public view.
- (3) Exception for Enclosed Utility Trailers: An enclosed utility trailer may be stored in a driveway if it is stored in well maintained condition with no visible rust, damage, or structural wear condition as determined by the City Inspector or Property Maintenance Enforcement Officer.
- (4) Temporary Storage of Utility Trailer(s): Non-enclosed utility trailers may be parked in a driveway for up to 72 hours for purposes of use, loading, or maintenance. Moving or repositioning the trailer does not reset this time limit. A minimum of 48 hours must pass between storage events.
- (5) Storage on a Public Way: No person shall park or leave standing any trailer on a public street for more than 72 hours. After 72 hours, the trailer must be moved at least 500 feet off the public way for at least 24 hours before returning.
- (6) Numerical Limit:
 - (A) No more than two (2) total trailers may be stored on any residential lot at one time, regardless of type or location.
 - (B) No more than one (1) such unit shall be permitted to be stored in a driveway at any time.
 - (C) Of the two permitted trailers, only one (1) may be a utility trailer.

- (b) Maintenance and Aesthetic Restrictions
 - (1) Maintenance Requirements:
 - (A) All stored vehicles and trailers must be in good repair, operable, and bear a current, valid license plate and registration.
 - (B) Vehicles must not be used for living, sleeping, or housekeeping purposes while stored.
 - (C) No fixed connections to water, gas, or sanitary sewer are permitted.
 - (2) Visual Standards: stored items must be kept clean. Accumulation of debris under or around the vehicle is prohibited.
- (c) Driveway Placement and Fit
 - (1) Encroachment Prohibited: No unit parked in a driveway shall extend into or over any public right-of-way, including sidewalks or streets.
 - (2) Dimensional Fit: The unit must appropriately fit within the designated improved surface driveway. It shall not be parked on grass or unimproved surfaces.
 - (3) Safety Clearances: Units must be parked in a manner that does not obstruct the view of traffic for vehicles exiting the driveway or traveling on adjacent roadways.

Section 5. That Section 1309.04 of the Codified Ordinances be amended to read as follows (additions are in **bold**, deletions are in ~~striketrough~~):

1309.04 ENFORCEMENT AND REMOVAL.

(a) Inoperable or unregistered vehicles or equipment found on public property shall be subject to impoundment forty-eight (48) hours after posting a written notice on the vehicle by the Mount Vernon Code Enforcement Department.

(b) If the vehicle or equipment, **including trailers**, is located on private property in violation of this chapter, the Code Enforcement Officer shall initiate the following notice procedure:

~~—A written notice of violation shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last known address of the property owner as listed on the Knox County Auditor's records, informing them of the violation and providing ten (10) calendar days to correct it.~~

~~—If the certified letter is returned as unclaimed, refused, or undeliverable for any reason, a copy of the same letter shall be hand-delivered by the Mount Vernon Police Department to the property owner's last known address.~~

~~—If personal delivery is not possible, a copy of the notice shall be posted on the premises in a conspicuous location.~~

~~—If the owner fails to comply within ten (10) days, the City may:~~

~~—Issue civil citations for each day the violation continues; and/or~~

~~—Remove the vehicle or equipment at the owner's expense, with costs certified to the County Auditor as a lien against the property.~~

(1) Notice to Remove. Whenever there are reasonable grounds to believe that a violation of the provisions of this section exists, the City Inspector, Property

- Maintenance Enforcement Officer and/or the Chief of Police, or their designees, shall give, or cause to be given, written notice to the registered owner of any vehicle or equipment, including trailers, that is in violation of this section, or to the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the private property upon which such vehicle or equipment, including trailers, is located, or to both the registered owner and the owner or person in lawful possession of such private property, by certified mail with return receipt or by personal service, that such vehicle or equipment, including trailers, violates the provisions of this section and that within ten (10) days, the vehicle is to be removed to a place of lawful storage or to be housed in a building where it will not be visible from the street.**
- (2) Removal by City.** In addition to any other penalty prescribed in this Chapter or Chapter 1399, if the registered owner of any vehicle or equipment, including trailers, which is in violation of this section, or the owner or person in lawful possession or control of the private property upon which the same is located, fails, neglects or refuses to remove or house such vehicle or equipment, including trailers, in accordance with the notice given pursuant to the provisions of subsection (b)(1), the City Inspector, Property Maintenance Enforcement Officer and/or the Chief of Police may remove and dispose of such vehicle or equipment, including trailers, as provided in Chapter 359.
- (3) Right of Entry.** The City Inspector, Property Maintenance Enforcement Officer and/or the Chief of Police, any contracting agent of the City, any employee of such contracting agent, and any authorized officer, employee or agent of the City, are expressly authorized to enter upon private property for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this section. No person shall interfere, hinder or refuse to allow them to enter upon private property for such purpose and to remove any vehicle or equipment, including trailers, pursuant to this section. Any person to whom notice was given pursuant to subsection (b)(1) hereof shall have the right to remove or house such vehicle or equipment, including trailers, at his own expense at any time prior to the arrival of the City Inspector, Property Maintenance Enforcement Officer and/or the Chief of Police or their designees for the purpose of removal.

Section 6. That Section 1309.99 of the Codified Ordinances be amended to read as follows (additions are in **bold**):

1309.99 PENALTIES.

(a) Civil Citations. In instances where a property owner fails to comply with a notice of violation, the City Inspector may levy a fine of up to \$150.00 per day per violation. This penalty is in addition to any other actions that may be taken by the City.

(b) Criminal. In addition to any other penalty specified in this Chapter, any violation or failure to comply with the provisions in this Chapter shall constitute a minor misdemeanor on a first offense. If a person has been convicted of a violation of this Chapter within the past calendar year, each subsequent offense shall constitute a fourth-degree misdemeanor. Each day such violation continues shall be considered a separate offense. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the City from taking such other lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation.

(c) In any instance where the City incurs any expenses or fines, including but not limited to legal costs and fees, because of any person or entity's violation or failure to comply with any provisions and requirements in chapter 1309, the expenses incurred, plus an administrative fee which shall be no more than the expenses incurred shall be recovered from the person or entity.

(d) Any amounts owed to the City of Mount Vernon pursuant to any provision or requirements of chapter 1309, whether for work completed by the City or for assessed penalties or expenses, may be certified by the City Inspector or his designee as a lien against the property with the Knox County Auditor for collection in the same manner as property taxes and assessments.

Section 7. Section 1399.03 of the Codified Ordinances is repealed.

Bruce E. Hawkins, President of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor

*Amended on 4/27/2026 to remove emergency clause.

*Amended extensively on 5/26/2026



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled

ORDINANCE 2026-13

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM
Land Use & Development
Jacklin, Keener

Category: Ordinance
Prepared By: Zac Sherman, City
Clerk

Doc ID: 2026-161

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PARCELS #66-07885.000 AND #66-05577.000 FROM R-1 – SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT TO GB – GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Mount Vernon has received an application for rezoning certain property within the City of Mount Vernon, specifically Parcels #66-07885.000 and #66-05577.000, also known as 804 Coshocton Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Planning Commission for the City of Mount Vernon met on April 9, 2026 and voted 5-0 to approve the zoning change for Parcels #66-07885.000 and #66-05577.000, from R-1 – Single Family Residential District, to GB – General Business District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the City of Mount Vernon hereby amends the zoning classification of Parcels #66-07885.000 and #66-05577.000, also known as 804 Coshocton Avenue. The zoning will be indicated:

| <u>PARCEL NO.</u> | <u>PROPOSED ZONING</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| #66-07885.000, #66-05577.000, | GB – General Business District |

SECTION 2: That the zoning classification be recorded in Title XI of the Planning and Zoning Codes of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Mount Vernon.

Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor



City of Mount Vernon, Ohio

Development Services Manager

40 Public Square

Mount Vernon, OH 43050

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To: City Clerk

April 10, 2026

Municipal Planning Commission

Meeting Date: April 9, 2026

Case Number: 2026-MPC-10

Request for Zoning Amendment on parcels 66-07885.000 and 66-05577.000 from R-1 to GB

An application from O'Reilly Auto Enterprises, LLC and OWN, Inc. on behalf of Genevieve Growdon to amend the zoning district of parcels 66-07885.000 and 66-05577.000 from R-1 to GB was submitted for review by the Municipal Planning Commission for a recommendation to City Council.

A public hearing was held and testimony ensued about the proposed zoning amendment. Following testimony:

Tanner Salyers made a motion to recommend to Council to approve the Zoning Amendment from R-1 to GB. Greg Yashnyk seconded the motion.

The vote resulted in a 5-0 vote in support of the Zoning Amendment from R-1 to GB. (Yes: Starr, Salyers, Hawkins, Ellsworth, Yashnyk)

Per §1103.03 Council shall consider the recommendation of the Municipal Planning Commission for the Application for Zoning Amendment and determine the final approval or denial.

Warm Regards,

Lacie Blankenhorn

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Development Services Manager



City of Mount Vernon, Ohio

Application for Zoning Amendment

| <i>Applicant's Information</i> | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Owner's Name, Address, Phone, and Email Address | | | |
| Agent's Name, Address, Phone, and Email Address | | | |
| <i>Site Information</i> | | | |
| Site Address | Legal Description | | |
| Parcel Number | Deed Volume and Page Number | | |
| <i>Use of Property</i> | | | |
| Present Use 510 - SINGLE FAMILY DWLG OWNER OCCUP | Present Zoning District | | |
| Proposed Use | Proposed Zoning District | | |
| <i>Documents to be Submitted</i> | | | |
| <p>The following documents must also be submitted with this application:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A statement of the reason(s) for the proposed amendment. 2. A vicinity map at a scale approved by the Zoning Enforcement Officer showing property lines, thoroughfares, existing and proposed zoning, and such other items as the Zoning Enforcement Officer may require. 3. A statement on the ways in which the proposed amendment relates to the comprehensive plan. 4. The \$200.00 filing fee as established by ordinance. | | | |
| <p>I hereby certify that the information submitted on this application and on any sketches, drawings or other documents submitted with this application is true and exact.</p> | | | |
| Date: | | By: | |
| <i>Filing Information</i> | | | |
| Filing Date | Fee deposit \$200.00 | Date Paid | Receipt Number |

This form revised 06-03-2024

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN STATEMENT
APPLICATION FOR ZONING AMENDMENT

PARCEL NUMBER: 66-07885.000 & 66-05577.000

OWNER: O'Reilly Auto Enterprises, LLC

ZONED: R-1

PROPOSED ZONING: GB

ADDRESS: 804 COSHOCTON AVE

O'Reilly Auto Parts will provide numerous benefits to the community by supplying automotive parts and accessories that support the transportation needs of residents and local businesses, while also creating permanent employment opportunities and contributing to the City's income and property tax base. Retail establishments of this type provide stable jobs and support ongoing economic activity within the community.

The subject property located at 804 Coshocton Avenue, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050, is situated within an established commercial corridor characterized by existing business and retail uses. The surrounding area reflects a pattern of development consistent with the General Business (GB) district and is adequately served by major streets and supporting infrastructure appropriate for commercial activity. Rezoning the parcel from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) to GB (General Business) will allow the property to be developed in a manner consistent with the existing commercial character of the corridor and in accordance with the City of Mount Vernon Zoning Ordinances.

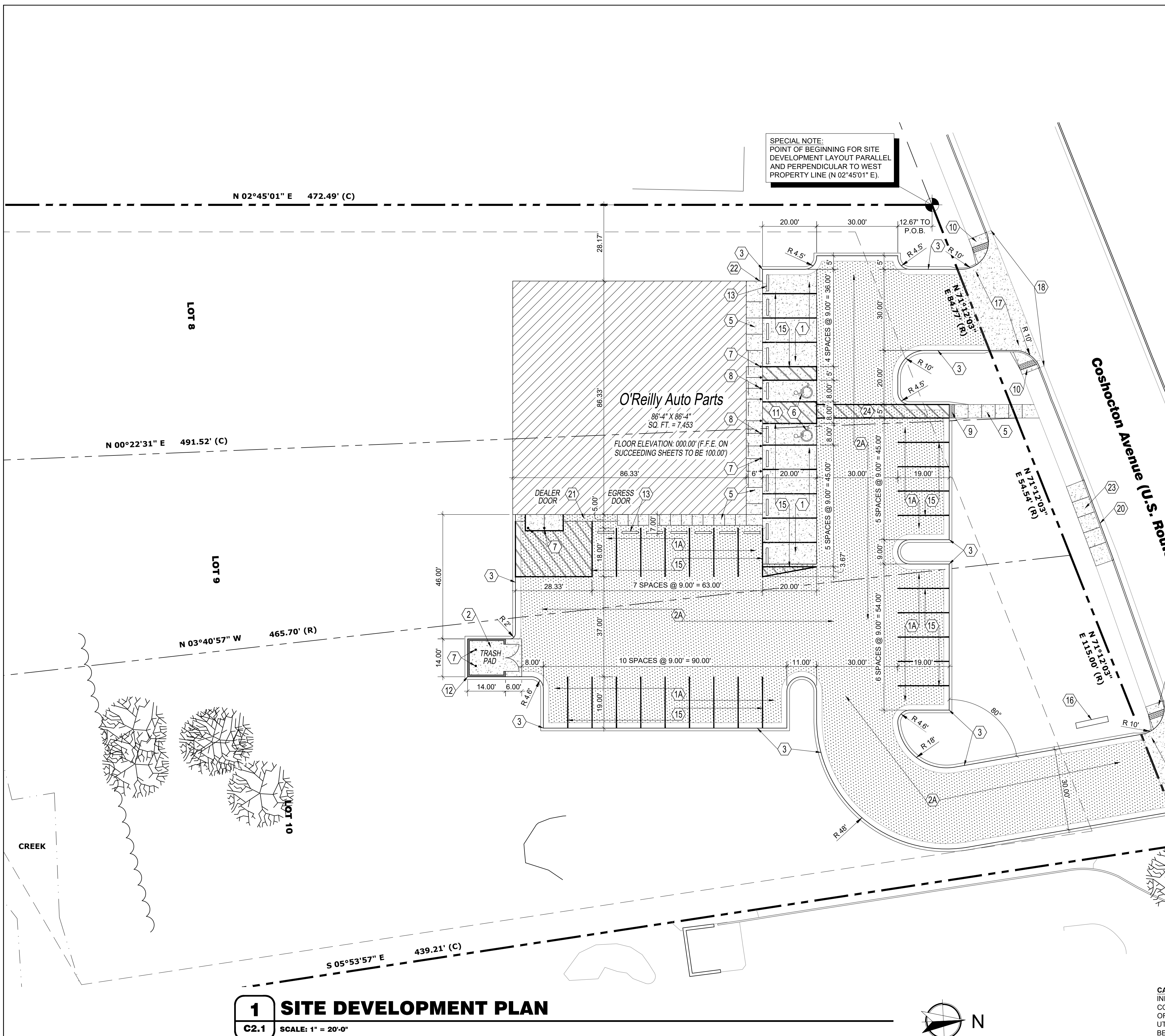
Adjoining Properties:

- West: Thomas D Brown - 802 Coshocton Ave PPN: 66-03059.000 - a single family home zoned R-1 owned by Thomas D Brown
- East: O'Reilly Auto Enterprises, LLC - PO Box 9167 Springfield, MO 65801 PPN: 66-05247.000; zoned GB
- North: Knox Community Hospital - medical offices - 1220 Yauger Road, PPN: 66-09867.000; zoned O/I

- South: David & Betty Sue Willits - 105 Marita Dr Mount Vernon, OH 43050 PPN:66-04343.000
000 - a single family home zoned R-1 owned by David & Betty Sue Willits

Margaret Woldford – 107 Marita Dr Mount Vernon, OH 43050 PPN: 66-00054.000
a single family home zoned R-1 owned by Margaret Woldford

By reutilizing a developed parcel, O'Reilly Auto Enterprises, LLC is ensuring responsible growth in the City of Mount Vernon upon a parcel that is already sandwiched between two O/I parcels.



| ZONING CODE | |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| ZONING CLASSIFICATION: | XX (XXX) |
| PROPERTY AREA: | (REFER TO SURVEY) |
| PAVEMENT AREA: | 20,234 SQ. FT. |
| PARKING SUMMARY | |
| PARKING FORMULA: | 1 SP. PER XX SQ. FT. GFA |
| SPACE SIZE: | 9' x 20' |
| SPACES REQUIRED: | 15 (7,453/500 = 14.9) |
| SPACES PROVIDED: | 39 |
| H.C. SPACES PROVIDED: | 2 |

| SYMBOLS LEGEND | |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| [Symbol] | NEW BUILDING CONSTRUCTION |
| [Symbol] | AREA OF CONCRETE |
| [Symbol] | AREA OF PAVING |
| [Symbol] | EXISTING MONUMENT SIGN LOCATION |
| [Symbol] | NEW CONCRETE PAVING BLOCK |
| [Symbol] | NEW LIGHT POLE LOCATION |
| [Symbol] | NEW FENCE CONSTRUCTION |

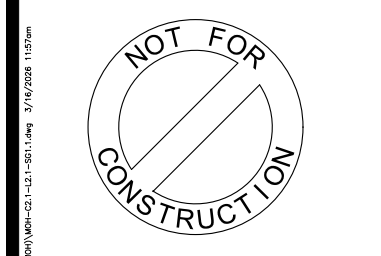
NOTE: REFER TO SURVEY FOR EXISTING CONDITIONS SYMBOLS LEGEND.

| GENERAL NOTES | |
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| (A) | REFER TO PROJECT MANUAL FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS. ALL ON SITE CONCRETE TO BE 4,000 PSI. |
| (B) | SITE DIMENSIONS TO FACE OF CONCRETE FOUNDATION, SIDEWALK, CURB GUTTER LINE, PROPERTY LINE, OR CENTER LINE OF STRIPING UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. |
| (C) | COORDINATE WORK WITH OTHER SITE RELATED DEVELOPMENT DRAWINGS. |
| (D) | REFER TO STRUCTURAL DRAWINGS FOR BUILDING DIMENSIONS AND LAYOUT OF SIDEWALKS ADJACENT TO BUILDING PERIMETER. |
| (E) | PRIOR TO INSTALLATION, CONTRACTOR TO VERIFY LOCATIONS OF LIGHT POLES, LANDSCAPING, AND UTILITIES DO NOT CONFLICT WITH SITE SIGN LOCATION SHOWN. IF CONFLICT IS DISCOVERED, CONTRACTOR TO NOTIFY OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE PRIOR TO PROCEEDING WITH THE WORK. |

| KEY NOTES | |
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| (1) | CONCRETE PAVING (STANDARD DUTY) AT PARKING AREAS, REFER TO DETAIL 1/C2.2. |
| (1A) | ASPHALT PAVING (STANDARD DUTY) AT PARKING AREAS, REFER TO DETAIL 1A/C2.2. |
| (2) | CONCRETE PAVING (HEAVY DUTY) AT REFUSE AREA, REFER TO DETAIL 1/C2.2. |
| (2A) | ASPHALT PAVING (HEAVY DUTY) AT DRIVE AREAS, REFER TO DETAIL 2A/C2.2. |
| (3) | CONCRETE CURB, REFER TO DETAIL 3/C2.2. |
| (4) | NOT USED. |
| (5) | CONCRETE SIDEWALK, REFER TO DETAIL 5/C2.2 AND STRUCTURAL DRAWINGS FOR LAYOUT ADJACENT TO BUILDING PERIMETER. |
| (6) | ACCESSIBLE PARKING SYMBOL PAVEMENT STRIPING, REFER TO DETAIL 6/C2.2. |
| (7) | STEEL BOLLARD, REFER TO DETAIL 7/C2.2. PROVIDE (2) AT REFUSE CONTAINER AREA, (2) AT SECTIONAL OVERHEAD FREIGHT DOOR, AND (8) AT FRONT ENTRY. REFER TO STRUCTURAL DRAWINGS FOR LAYOUT OF BOLLARDS ADJACENT TO BUILDING PERIMETER. |
| (8) | ACCESSIBLE PARKING SIGN, REFER TO DETAIL 8/C2.2. |
| (9) | DETECTABLE WARNING SURFACE, REFER TO DETAIL 9/C2.2. |
| (10) | ACCESSIBLE CONCRETE CURB RAMP TO BE INSTALLED PER CITY AND / OR STATE DESIGN STANDARDS. IF NO STANDARDS PROVIDE CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION PER DETAIL 10/C2.2. |
| (11) | ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACE WITH ACCESSIBLE AISLE (ADA COMPLIANT) TO SLOPE 2% MAXIMUM IN ALL DIRECTIONS. PROVIDE PAVEMENT MARKINGS TO MATCH STRIPING COLOR UNLESS OTHERWISE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH GOVERNING ACCESSIBILITY REGULATIONS. |
| (12) | REFUSE ENCLOSURE, REFER TO 1/C2.3. |
| (13) | CONCRETE BUMPER BLOCK (8" W X 5" H X 6'-0" LONG) ANCHORED TO PAVING WITH (2)1'-6" LONG #4 REBAR. |
| (14) | PARKING LOT LIGHTING, REFER TO UTILITY SITE PLAN FOR TYPE AND CONSTRUCTION. |
| (15) | 4" WIDE PAVEMENT STRIPING AS SHOWN USING HIGHWAY MARKING PAINT - YELLOW (2 COATS). |
| (16) | SITE SIGN, REFER TO SHEET SG1.1 FOR TYPE, CONSTRUCTION AND LOCATION. SIGN OWNER FURNISHED AND INSTALLED (REFER TO SCOPE OF WORK SCHEDULE). REFER TO UTILITY SITE PLAN FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS. |
| (17) | CONCRETE DRIVE APRON TO BE INSTALLED PER CITY AND / OR STATE DESIGN STANDARDS. IF NO STANDARDS PROVIDE CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION PER DETAIL 2/C2.2. |
| (18) | LIMITS OF NEW PAVING. MATCH EXISTING PAVEMENT TRANSITION ELEVATIONS. AT TRANSITIONS OF NEW CONCRETE TO EXISTING CONCRETE PAVEMENT, EPOXY DOWEL 6" MINIMUM INTO EXISTING WITH #4 X 1'-6" SMOOTH DOWELS MATCHING NEW PAVEMENT REINFORCEMENT SPACING. PROVIDE SEALANT AT JOINTS. |
| (19) | ROLL DOWN CURB END TRANSITION SLOPING 1:2. |
| (20) | CONCRETE CURB IN RIGHT-OF-WAY TO MATCH EXISTING PER CITY AND / OR STATE DESIGN STANDARDS. |
| (21) | CONCRETE PAVING APRON TO BE PROVIDED WHERE ASPHALT PAVEMENT USED, REFER TO DETAIL 4/C2.2. |
| (22) | BULLNOSE CURB, REFER TO DETAIL 2/C2.2. |
| (23) | CONCRETE SIDEWALK IN RIGHT-OF-WAY TO BE INSTALLED PER CITY AND / OR STATE DESIGN STANDARDS. IF NO STANDARDS PROVIDE CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION PER DETAIL 5/C2.2. |
| (24) | 5' WIDE MINIMUM DESIGNATED ACCESSIBLE ROUTE. SLOPE 5% MAXIMUM IN DIRECTION OF TRAVEL WITH 2% MAXIMUM CROSS SLOPE. PROVIDE PAVEMENT STRIPING AS INDICATED. |

1 SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN
 C2.1 SCALE: 1" = 20'-0"

SPECIAL NOTE:
 PRIOR TO CONTRACT CLOSEOUT, CONTRACTOR SHALL SECURE THE SERVICES OF A REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR TO PROVIDE SITE SURVEY OF COMPLETED PROJECT CONDITIONS AND SUBMIT FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY OWNER. REFER TO PROJECT MANUAL FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.



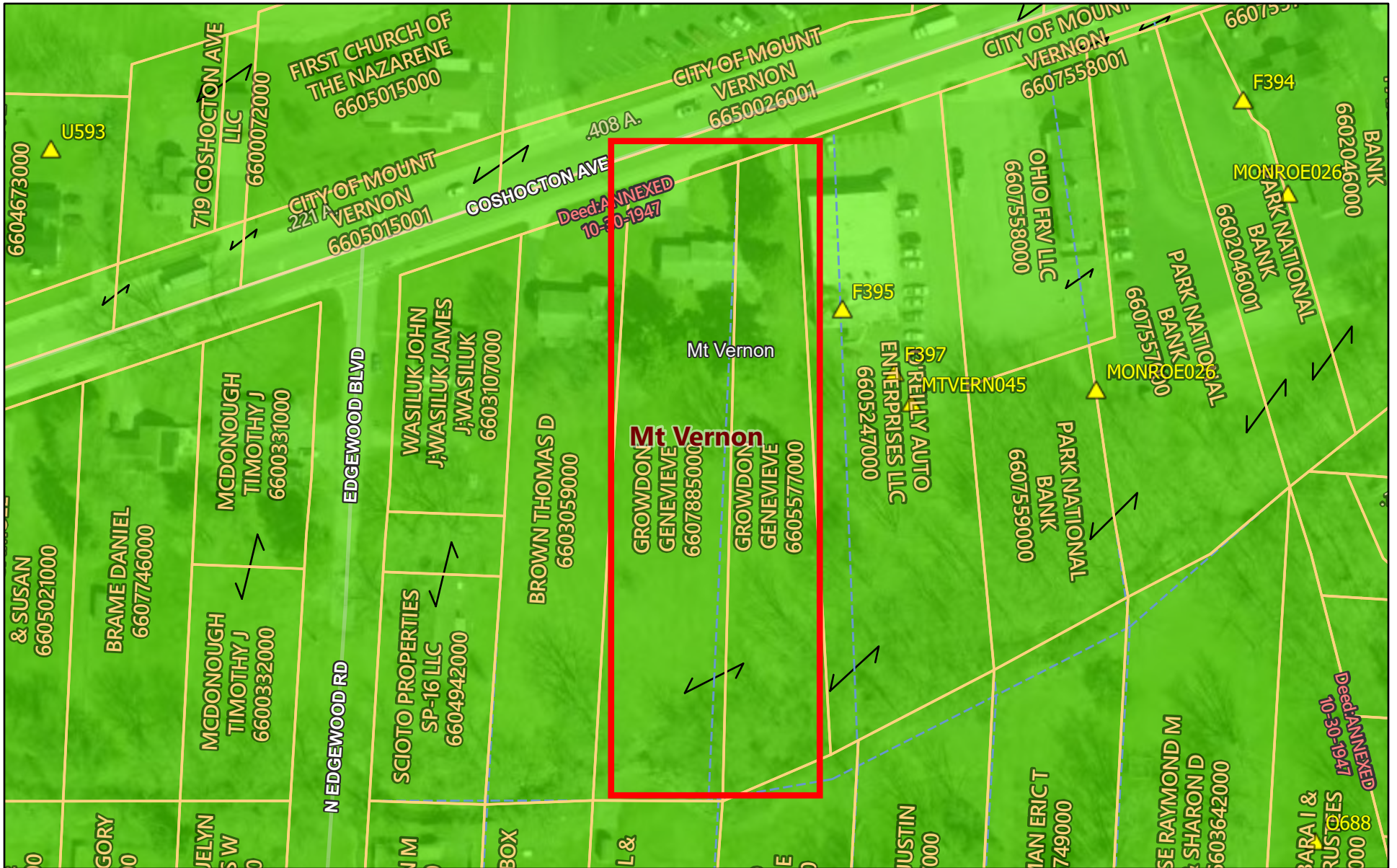
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PROJECT:
NEW O'REILLY AUTO PARTS STORE
COSHOCTON AVE
MT. VERNON, OH
SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN






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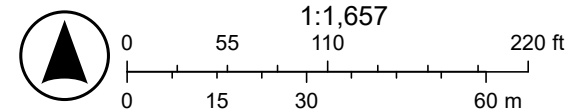
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City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled
ORDINANCE 2026-16

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM
Employee & Community
Relations
Keener, Ruckman
Category: Ordinance
Prepared By: Zac Sherman, City
Clerk
Doc ID: 2026-195

**AN ORDINANCE RECLASSIFYING THE EXEMPT PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS OF
CITY INSPECTOR, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, AND PUBLIC WORKS
DIRECTOR.**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the following established exempt professional positions are hereby authorized within the salary range and upon the appropriation times listed below:

| | Pay Grade | Min | Mid | Max |
|--------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|--------------------|
| City Inspector | 10 | \$40.78 | \$48.94 | \$57.09 (per hour) |
| Human Resources Director | 10 | \$40.78 | \$48.94 | \$57.09 (per hour) |
| Public Works Director | 10 | \$40.78 | \$48.94 | \$57.09 (per hour) |

The salary authorized by this Ordinance shall be payable bi-weekly.

SECTION 2: The salary range listed is the base salary range for the positions. The positions are eligible for annual longevity increments:

For the first five (5) years, \$600.00.

Annual Longevity Increments after five (5) years:

| Year 6 | Year 7 | Year 8 | Year 9 | Year 10 |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| \$650.00 | \$700.00 | \$750.00 | \$800.00 | \$850.00 |

The effective date of eligibility for an annual longevity increment shall be the anniversary date of employment with the City in a non-bargaining unit position.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance does not alter any other benefits or terms and conditions of employment for the listed positions.

Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor



City Council
City of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon, OH 43050

Scheduled

ORDINANCE 2026-17

Meeting 5/26/2026 7:30 PM

Utilities

Ruckman, Miller

Category: Ordinance

Prepared By: Zac Sherman, City
Clerk

Doc ID: 2026-201

**AN ORDINANCE TO REPLACE SECTION 919.11 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES
OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON REGARDING BACKFLOW PROTECTION;
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount
Vernon, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That Section 919.11 of the Codified Ordinances be repealed and replaced
to read as follows:

919.11 BACKFLOW PROTECTION.

(a) The Utilities Commission shall adopt rules concerning installation of backflow
protection devices to protect the public water system. The rules shall include, but are not
limited to, the following: when consumers must install an approved backflow protection
device, the requirement to secure a permit from the City Inspector for the installation of
approved backflow protection device, a list of approved backflow protection devices and
recommended fines for violations of these provisions. Once adopted, an impacted consumer
must install an approved device immediately, at his own expense, at a location and in a
manner approved by the City Inspector and shall have inspections and tests made of such
approved devices as required. All inspections and tests shall be done at the consumer's
expense by a backflow technician certified, at the time of the inspection or test, by the Ohio
Department of Commerce.

(b) No person, firm or corporation shall establish or permit to be established or permit to
be maintained any connection whereby a private, auxiliary or emergency water supply other
than the regular public water supply of the City of Mount Vernon may enter the supply or
distributing system of said municipality, unless such private, auxiliary or emergency water
supply and the method of connection and use of such supply shall have been approved by
the Utilities Commission and by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

(c) It shall be the duty of the Commission to cause or conduct surveys and investigations to
be made of industrial and other properties served by the public water supply where actual or
potential hazards to the public water supply may exist. Such surveys and investigations shall
be made a matter of public record and shall be repeated as often as the Commission shall
deem necessary.

(d) The Commission, the City Inspector and his designees and employees of the City's Public Utilities Division shall have the right to enter at any reasonable time any property served by a connection to the public water supply or distribution system of the City of Mount Vernon for the purpose of inspecting the piping system or systems thereof. On demand, the owner, lessees or occupants of any property so served shall furnish any information, which may be requested regarding the piping system or systems of water use on such property. The refusal of such information, when demanded, shall be deemed evidence of the presence of improper connections as provided in this section.

(e) The City of Mount Vernon is hereby authorized and directed to discontinue, after reasonable notice to the occupant thereof, the water service to any property wherein any connection in violation of the provisions of this section is known to exist, and to take such other precautionary measures as he may deem necessary to eliminate any danger of contamination of the public water supply distribution mains. Water service to such property shall not be restored until such conditions have been eliminated or corrected in compliance with the provisions of this section.

(f) Permits for the installation and use of backflow protection devices are to be issued for a maximum period of one year. Applications for permit renewal shall be submitted no less than thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date of the permit.

(g) A fee shall be assessed for each of the following: (1) to each permit issued for the installation and use of a backflow protection device, which shall be paid prior to the issuance of the permit, and (2) for each day that a property operates without a backflow prevention device. In the case of a defective backflow prevention device, the customer has 30 days to repair the device before incurring penalties. These fees shall be set by the Control Board. Failure to pay fees may result in termination of water and wastewater services.

Section 2. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public, peace, health and safety, and for the further reason to clarify necessary inspections and align with best practices, and said Ordinance shall, therefore, become effective upon its date of passage and approval by the Mayor, provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to the Council of the City of Mount Vernon; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

PASSED: _____, 2026

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor



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Scheduled
ORDINANCE 2026-20

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Clerk
Doc ID: 2026-214

**AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE COMPENSATION, HOURS AND BENEFITS OF
CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mount Vernon, Ohio that:

SECTION 1: That the following part-time hourly positions are hereby authorized within the salary range and upon the appropriation times listed below:

Starting Hourly Rate

Administrative Assistant to \$18.00
the Mayor (no more than 30 hours per week)

Administrative Assistant to the \$18.00
Safety-Service Director (no more than 30 hours per week)

Recreation Coordinator \$20.00
(no more than 30 hours per week)

Custodian (5 positions) \$17.00
(no more than 25 hours per week)

The wages authorized by this Ordinance shall be payable bi-weekly.

SECTION 2: These positions shall be entitled to the benefits provided to part-time employees as outlined in the Mount Vernon Employee Handbook, effective January 1, 2025, as amended.

SECTION 3: The changes to the position of the Administrative Assistant to the Mayor shall go into effect on September 1, 2026. The Recreation Coordinator position shall become effective on September 1, 2026.

SECTION 4: That Ord. 2024-17, establishing the position of Recreation Director, is repealed.

SECTION 5: That sections 139.01, 931.05 931.07, 931.08, and 931.09 of the

Codified Ordinances of the City of Mount Vernon be amended to replace all instances of Recreation Director with Recreation Coordinator.

SECTION 6: Any provision in legislation previously adopted which is in conflict with this Ordinance is repealed.

PASSED: _____, 2026

Bruce E. Hawkins, Presidents of Council

ATTEST: _____
Zachary Sherman, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Matthew T. Starr, Mayor