

## AGENDA

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Ordinance No. 22-2026 (First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO TO ADMINISTER A 2026 SMALL EVENT GRANT

Ordinance No. 23-2026 (First Reading)

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING APPROXIMATELY 0.118 ACRES OF PROPERTY AS PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY ALONG A PORTION OF GLENSPRINGS DRIVE AS DEDICATED IN THE CCA GLENSPRINGS SUBDIVISION

Resolution No. R04-2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE'S PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC TREASURERS 2027 WORKERS' COMPENSATION GROUP RETROSPECTIVE RATING PROGRAM

10. Executive Session
11. Old Business

12. New Business

Town Hall Q&A and Council Summer Meeting Scheduling

13. Meetings and Announcements

14. Communications from the Audience (*Five minutes each speaker, Springdale Code §30.05*)

15. Recap of Legislative Items

16. Legislation in Development

17. Adjournment

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President of Council Anderson called Council to order on April 15, 2026.

The governmental body and those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Webster provided the Invocation.

Ms. Browder took roll call. Council members Anderson, Gleaves, Hall, Jacobs, McFarland, Thompson and Webster were present.

The minutes of the April 1, 2026, meeting were considered. Mr. Gleaves made a motion to accept the minutes; Mr. Jacobs seconded. The minutes were approved with four affirmative votes and three abstentions (Ms. McFarland, Ms. Thompson, Mrs. Webster).

## Proclamation – Arbor Day – Public Works

Mayor Hawkins: As a Tree City it's always an important celebration for us when it comes to Arbor Day.

Mayor Hawkins then read the Proclamation and presented it to Public Works Director Kevin McKinney. (Applause)

Mr. McKinney: I just want to say, "thank you" for the continued support from Council, from Administration and from the Community. The urban forest here in Springdale is very vibrant and this is our 34<sup>th</sup> year receiving "Tree City USA" honors and it's our ninth Growth Award which pretty much states that we go above and beyond the normal, so, again, I appreciate everyone up here and everybody in the Community for the support they give us. Thank you.

President Anderson: Thank you.

## Committee and Official Reports

### Civil Service Commission

Ms. Morgan: The Civil Service Commission met on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. All members of the Commission were present. It was a fairly light agenda. We had updates to several hiring processes to include Patrol Officer, Public Works Maintenance Worker, Firefighter/Paramedic, we have a Patrol Sergeant promotional process, and also an Account Clerk position. So, we had updates to those. Other than that, we had one piece of correspondence, but pretty light agenda overall. Next meeting will be on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Thank you.

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### Finance Committee

Mrs. Webster: General Fund Activity through March 31, 2026. General Fund beginning balance March 1, 2026, \$3,523,393.00. Revenues for March \$1,645,792.00. Expenditures for March \$914,277.00 General Fund Ending Balance March 31, 2026, \$3,254,908.00. Thank you.

### Planning Commission

Ms. McFarland: The Planning Commission met last night, April 14<sup>th</sup>. We had one item on our agenda. The Application Number 2026005; Princeton Hill Development Plan Review. This included the parcels at One Sheakley Way, 100 Merchant Street, and 30 Merchant Street. The applicant was requesting modifications to existing parking lot for those parcel numbers. We had Todd Yoby here on behalf of the property owner. There were some concerns voices from Staff about some of the questions that they have remaining about the plans, but overall, they are simply removing portions of the existing parking and replacing them with green space. So, they are going to work with Staff further. Parking analysis is to be completed, and we did approve that 5-0 to go forward with a plan in the next 30 days.

### Board of Zoning Appeals

Mr. Hall: The Board of Zoning Appeals was scheduled for March 24<sup>th</sup>. The Board was notified by the Building Department that there would not be any cases to be heard at that time. So, therefore, the meeting for the 24<sup>th</sup> was cancelled and moved forward to the next meeting.

### Board of Health

Ms. McFarland: The Board of Health met on April 9<sup>th</sup>. The Commissioner's Report started with a presentation from the Department regarding some of the interns' work that are leaving as they are graduating from college. We have had three new interns begin in the Department. The Part-time nurse has retired, and they did celebrate Debi's 11-year anniversary. The Health Department updates for 2026; they are working on a dashboard for food inspections and follow-up inspections, and they are working on their national reaccreditation. It is not due until late 2027, but it is a very involved process, so they are starting work on that now. Food Program included QT and Firehouse Subs, are both operating. The Burger district has been approved, but is not operating yet, and Family Diaz Butcher, the construction is still in process. We did have some closings. The Boulevard on Northland Boulevard, Sky Zone and the Wendy's on Northland Boulevard are all closed. The Community Healthcare Improvement Committee is continuing their work, including a grant that was received from the American Department of Pediatrics for 90 bike helmets. Those will be passed out at the Law Enforcement Expo the 16<sup>th</sup>. So, if you know of anybody that needs a bike helmet, feel free to stop in and pick one up. Nurse's Report was luckily very short and sweet. No Narcan usage by the Fire Department. Six cases of COVID; one case of RSV, and one case of Hep B, and then their vaccine clinics, they did have two additional days with 18 patients and 44 vaccines given. They did receive two new referrals from the Fire Department, and their Blood Pressure Screenings screened 53 residents. The

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Ms. McFarland (continued): nurse did actually ask, they are taking referrals for health interventions, hoarding cases. Anything in the Community that the Department or the Nurse can help out with, they are open to referrals. Just give them a call and they can look into those cases for you. That's it.

O-K-I

Mr. Anderson: The OKI Board did meet on April 9, 2026. They did share the results of the 2025 audit, and it was, "unmodified, clean; no issues", which is exactly what you want to see in an audit, especially for a large NPO like that it's very impressive and worth noting. The other thing I want to share is there is an opportunity for feedback for anyone in the Community that wants to share related to the water quality plan amendments. It's been more than a decade, maybe two since the water quality plan has been updated. It's a regional plan and it's used for sewer planning across multiple counties. So, I'm sure this is a hot topic for a lot of people, or not, but if you'd like to share feedback, it is available online and you can give feedback with public comments through April 30<sup>th</sup>. The website address is <https://oki.org/regional-planning/water-quality>. If that URL is too long you can just go to the OKI website and just go to the top menu where there is an opportunity to find regional planning or water quality. It's a short survey, but what's interesting about it is they've changed the format of it to make it more useful for planners to use. It's more of a story format so people who are lay and not used to those technical documents, now you can actually just go in and it kind of gives a narrative about what the sewer plants are and how it works between the different areas of the region. So, it's interesting to look at, but public comment is still available through the end of the month. The other thing I wanted to share was that the TIF was updated to include seven highway projects for funding and 13 transit projects. It included, locally to us, Forest Park detail design was added for the park EV and Forest Park EV chargers and also for the wind road multi-use path that I talked about last month. Those are all in process, but we did have to make updates to accommodate that, so, unless there's any questions.

Mayor Hawkins: The survey in terms of sewer water quality; is it also dealing with capacity or only just water quality?

President Anderson: That is a good question. It is a hot topic. It is not about capacity so much. It does talk about long-term plans for how water will be moved around, but it is not an opportunity that I'm aware of where you could say, "You're choking development by not having improvements here." I think that's well known, but, no, I don't think that's the part they're looking for.

Mayor Hawkins: Thank you.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hawkins: First off, we had the State of the City address on March 25<sup>th</sup>. A recording of that event is on ICRC if anybody wants to be able to see updates and previews and overviews from our Department Heads with regard to things that are

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Mayor Hawkins (continued): going on in the City, and the variety of Departments for 2026. We also have the Golden Egg Hunts still going on at the Rec Center all through April. This is a circumstance where a golden egg is hidden on the grounds of the Rec Center. If you are so fortunate to find it, bring it to the front desk and you will receive a prize. Springdale Elementary School will be having an Arbor Day Celebration on April 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. Lastly, but probably most importantly as it is Tax Day, our new Finance Director/Tax Commissioner, Kelly Flanigan started and is up and running. We are thrilled to have her here. She is absolutely wonderful and they've been doing a great job in our Tax Department with our residents getting taxes filed. That concludes my report unless there are any questions.

President Anderson: No, but I will say, I'm not sure whose plan it was or idea to give out ring pops for the line yesterday, but I know several people commented that they thought that was delightful, so thank you for that extra sweetness during a tough time.

## Administrator's Report

Mr. Uhl: Just wanted to let Council know that the Springdale Elementary Student Council has invited all of us to attend their Community Recognition Day and that is scheduled for May 13<sup>th</sup> during their lunchtimes and that's roughly around 11:00 until about 12:55. So, if you are able to make it, if you would just let me know and I will be happy to RSVP on your behalf. But if you could let me know before the end of the day on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> so I can let Officer Reardon know so they can get their counts available. That's the end of my report. Ms. Morgan does not have anything tonight.

## Law Director's Report

Mr. Braun

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No report

## Engineer's Report

Mr. Riggs: Just a few things. The East Kemper Improvements Phase I Project; we have a pre-construction meeting on Monday, next week so that project will be kicking off really soon. I'll know more probably by the next time we meet as far as the actual construction schedule. But we're looking to probably begin that work sometime in May and try to get it completed before August of next year. The other project I have an update on is the Springdale Industrial Park Concrete Repairs and Catch Basin Reconstruction Project. All that work is substantially complete so we're in the process of closing out that contract which is just in time because we also are working on the resurfacing plans. We submitted 80% plans to Public Works on April 8<sup>th</sup>. We're working out the minor details with that and hope to finalize that here by the end of this month and it will be advertised for construction bidding next month in May. And that's all I have.

Mr. Hall: I'd like to comment on the Northland and Tri-County Park area that's almost completed. I know that was a big development. There was a lot of development going into it. I've travelled that street many, many years and it's always had an issue with drainage, and now thanks to the development of the engineering

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Mr. Hall (continued): department and to the City and securing the grants to be able to do that, it's beautiful when you drive down there. What an asset this is going to be to the City and to the residents who live down there and thank you so much for all your effort that you put into that. I know it took a lot of time.

Mr. Riggs: Thank you.

President Anderson: I'm hoping that one we might actually have a ribbon-cutting for when that's complete with the bioswale that got installed and all of that. I think it would be nice to celebrate that one a little bit more than just a road opening. It is a big change; a big transformation.

Zoning Code Revision Committee

Mr. Gleaves: The Zoning Code Revision Committee convened on April 7<sup>th</sup> in the conference room with participation from City staff, representatives from McBride Dale Clarion, and members of the Board of Zoning Appeals and the Planning Commission. The Committee finalized land use table updates, including evaluating and updating conditional uses, and uses permitted with standards. That's all I have unless there's any questions.

America 250 Special Committee

Mrs. Webster: The Committee has not met since our last report. Flags and banners are now on display. Celebration events scheduled at the elementary school with the City providing popsicles. On May 4<sup>th</sup> we'll be at Springdale School, on May 5<sup>th</sup>, Heritage Hill. Ohio's theme for April is, "Ohio Moves Transportation". That's all I have. Do you have anything, Mr. Jacobs?

Mr. Jacobs: No, thank you.

Mrs. Webster: Okay. That concludes the report.

Communications - None

Communications from the Audience - None

Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance No. 17-2026 (Second Reading)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING (PRELIMINARY) PARTICIPATION IN A PROJECT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE KEMPER ROAD AND NORTHLAND BOULEVARD REALIGNMENT AND SHARED USE PATH PROJECT

Mr. Gleaves made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 17-2026; Mr. Hall seconded.

Ordinance No. 17-2026 passes with seven affirmative votes.

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### Ordinance No. 18-2026 (First Reading with Emergency)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY FOR THE CITY'S ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Ms. McFarland made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 18-2026; Mr. Gleaves seconded.

President Anderson: I do have one question for Administration if I could. In Section 1.3 it talks about the limit that's approved. I assume that's for the gray market. It is permitted to have a green alternative that could be higher. Would that be permitted the way this is written?

Mr. Uhl: Yes.

President Anderson: Yes. Okay. Good. I just didn't want to have that not be an option if it was over the ten. Electricity rates are off the hook. Other questions or discussion? (None) One other comment I will make for anyone out there in Springdale that may not be aware, there is an opportunity if people do not want to be included in community aggregations. You do have the option, as an individual to go to the PUCO site online and there's a Community Aggregation Opt-Out Form that's available both online and by phone if this isn't something you want to be included in, that's an option where you won't have to "re-decline" each time when they send the letters out in order to join when they give you the "opt out" opportunity. You are able to "opt out" one time and be done. That is available now. That wasn't available in previous years, so just know that that's an option, although I found in the past that the rates that we get end up being very competitive when you start looking at all the riders that end up getting taken off because it's a third-party supplier. A lot of people struggle with understanding how their Duke bills are worked out. So, I think in the past when we've done this if any resident has questions about their bill or the aggregation, they've always been able to call Administration or contact Energy Alliance and the feedback I've always gotten from people who have done that, especially when they talk to our consultants that explain their bills has always been very positive, so I'm assuming that's still available for any resident. So, when this goes out, just know that if you have questions about it, both City Administration and our consultants are available. There's a lot of bad information out there about aggregation. There's a lot of bad actors out there with aggregation. The benefit of using the City plan is you avoid a lot of those "gotcha" traps. The City helps in managing that for you so it's not like those "door-to-door" people that might slam your account, so just know that this is different.

Ordinance No. 18-2026 passes with seven affirmative votes.

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Executive Session – Purchase of Property

Ms. McFarland: I make a motion to move to Executive Session under Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(2) to consider the purchase of property.

Mr. Gleaves: Second.

Motion to go into Executive Session under Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(2) to consider the purchase of property passes with seven affirmative votes.

Council departed chambers at 7:31 p.m. Council returned to chambers at 8:07 p.m.

Old Business	-	None
New Business	-	None

Meetings and Announcements

Mayor Hawkins: Council, I just wanted to make sure you guys were aware the Hamilton County Municipal League is going to do a meeting and tour breakfast this Saturday. I know some people get those emails. Wanted to make sure that if you did not that that's going to take place this Saturday. If you have an interest, reach out to Mr. Vonderhaar and RSVP, but just wanted to make sure everyone was aware.

Mr. Gleaves: The Zoning Code Revision Committee Meeting is scheduled to meet April 28<sup>th</sup> in the Conference Room at 2:30 p.m. And, also, the Board of Zoning Appeals is scheduled to meet the 28<sup>th</sup>, actually, I'm sorry, that has been cancelled due to no applications. Thank you.

Communications from the Audience	-	None
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Recap of Legislative Items

Mr. Jacobs: Council, as you review your Legislative Summary, Item I; An Ordinance Authorizing (Preliminary) Participation in a Project with the State of Ohio Department of Transportation for the Kemper Road and Northland Boulevard Realignment and Shared Use Path Project was addressed by Ordinance No. 17-2026, receiving a second reading and seven affirmative votes. Item II; An Ordinance Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute an Agreement for the Purchase of Electricity for the City's Electric Aggregation Program and Declaring an Emergency was addressed by Ordinance No. 18-2026 with an emergency clause also receiving seven affirmative votes.

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## Legislation in Development

Mr. Jacobs: Items in Development include Item III; An Ordinance Amending Chapter 112 of the Springdale Code of Ordinances Regulating Door-to-Door Canvassing. That will be before Council at our next meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Item IV; A Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to File an Application with the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) for Metro Transit Infrastructure Funds Related to the Bus Shelter Replacement Project, and Authorizing the Mayor and City Administrator to Execute All Contracts and Other Documents Related to the Project will also be before Council at our next meeting. And, finally, Item V; A Resolution Authorizing the City of Springdale's Participation in the Ohio Association of Public Treasurers 2027 Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program will come before Council, again, at our next meeting. That's all I have unless there's anything else from Council or Administration.

## Adjournment

President Anderson: All that's left before us is Item 18.

Ms. McFarland: Move to adjourn.

President Anderson: We're adjourned. Thank you everyone.

Council adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Browder  
Clerk of Council

Minutes Approved:

Jeffrey Anderson, President of Council

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**ORDINANCE NO. 19-2026**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (SORTA) FOR METRO TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS RELATED TO THE BUS SHELTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ALL CONTRACTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE PROJECT**

WHEREAS, street and road infrastructure maintenance is a priority for the City of Springdale (the “City”); and

WHEREAS, the Metro Transit Infrastructure Fund Program provides funding for the general construction or maintenance of roads, bridges, and related facilities involved in the provision of transit service by the regional transit authority; and

WHEREAS, the City is planning to make capital improvements known as the Bus Shelter Replacement Project (the “Project”) which includes replacement or installation of new bus shelters and furnishings at select locations throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to apply for funding under the Metro Transit Infrastructure Fund Program through the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) in support of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the replacement or installation of new bus shelters and furnishings at select locations throughout the City as part of the Project is considered to be a priority need for the City and is a qualified project under the Metro Transit Infrastructure Fund Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Springdale, Ohio, \_\_\_\_\_ members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. The City Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for Metro Transit Infrastructure Funding related to the Bus Shelter Replacement Project.

Section 2. The Council for the City of Springdale (“City Council”) does hereby endorse and support the City’s application for Metro Transit Infrastructure Funding for infrastructure repairs and improvements related to the Project.

Section 3. If Metro Transit Infrastructure Funding is awarded to the City, the Mayor and City Administrator are authorized to execute all contracts and other documents implementing the Project.

Section 4. The City hereby requests the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) consider and fund the application for the Project.

Section 5. City Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with all applicable legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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President of Council

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council

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Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Clerk of the Council of the City of Springdale, hereby certifies the foregoing Ordinance to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 19-2026 adopted on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026.

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Clerk of Council

**ORDINANCE NO. 20-2026**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 112 OF THE SPRINGDALE  
CODE OF ORDINANCES REGULATING DOOR-TO-DOOR  
CANVASSING**

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Springdale, Ohio (“Council”), has previously adopted certain regulations contained within Chapter 112 of the Springdale Code of Ordinances (the “Code”) that govern door-to-door canvassing within the City of Springdale; and

WHEREAS, Council seeks to revise Chapter 112 related to door-to-door canvassing with the passage of this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Springdale, Ohio, \_\_\_\_\_ members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. Chapter 112 of the Springdale Code of Ordinances shall be amended in relevant part as indicated in the attached Exhibit A which is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. This Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be effective from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

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President of Council

Attest:

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Clerk of Council

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

CHAPTER 112: DOOR-TO-DOOR CANVASSING AND COMMERCIAL SOLICITATION

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§ 112.01 PURPOSE.

The United States Supreme Court has recognized that door-to-door ~~canvassers~~canvassing constitutes a historically significant and constitutionally protected form of communication. As the Court observed, such activity “whether selling pots or distributing leaflets, may lessen the peaceful enjoyment of a home,” and that “burglars frequently pose as canvassers, ewither in order that they may have a pretense to discover whether a house is empty and hence ripe for burglary, or for the purpose of spying out the premises in order that they may return later.” Martin v. City of Struthers, 319 U.S. 141, 144 (1943). These problems concerns continue to be associated with door-to-door canvassing, as are even graver ones.

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At the same time, the Supreme Court has made clear that the First Amendment protects the right to engage in door-to-door advocacy without prior governmental registration or permitting, particularly where such activity involves religious, political, or other noncommercial speech, and that such speech has historically been conducted anonymously. *Watchtower Bible & Tract Society v. Village of Stratton*, 536 U.S. 150 (2002).

Therefore, the public purpose of this chapter is to vigorously protect and preserve the First Amendment right of free speech, including commercial, anonymous religious, political, and charitable speech, through door-to-door canvassing and solicitation, and its accompanying promise of anonymity for the door-to-door canvassers, while prudently balancing that right with the government's equally important interests role in preventing fraud, minimizing crime deterring criminal activity, protecting the personal property interests of residences, security of its citizens, ensuring safety, and above all, facilitating every citizen's right to privacy.

This chapter is intended to establish regulations applicable primarily to commercial solicitation, while avoiding undue burdens on noncommercial canvassing, and ensuring residents retain the ability to control unwanted intrusions upon their property.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.02 DEFINITIONS.

For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

COMMUNITY. The City of Springdale, Ohio.

DOOR-TO-DOOR. Travel by foot, motor vehicle or any other type of conveyance from house-to-house, building-to-building or door-to-door within the community. Such solicitation does not include telephone, Internet or any other electronic communication. Door-to-door travel is intended to mean the personal contact between two or more individuals at a home, office or building within the community.

DOOR-TO-DOOR CANVASSING. The act of eEntering upon private property or approaching a and/or private residences, without prior express invitation, with the purpose of initiating contact with an the occupant,s whether by knocking, ringing a doorbell, speaking in person, or leaving written materials. thereof either face-to-face, by depositing documents at the residence, or both, but without invitation or permission to do so by the owners or occupants of such private property or residences. This shall include but not be limited to such activities that are for the purpose of advertising, promoting, selling, explaining and/or proselytizing any product, service, organization or cause, or for the purpose of soliciting orders for the sale of goods, wares, merchandise or services, or for the purpose of distributing handbills or other literature, or for the purpose of surveying or poll-taking. Door-to-door canvassing includes the distribution of literature or handbills, discussion of issues, advocacy, or solicitation in support for causes, any person conducting a survey, cause or organization so long as such canvassing does not involve the solicitation

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~~or requests for money and encompasses shall include both commercial solicitation and charitable/religious/political noncommercial canvassing as defined herein. solicitation is not the purpose of this chapter to regulate activities such as a mail carrier or meter reader entering upon private property in performance of his or her duties, or other similar persons where permission to enter property is implied by the service rendered.~~

~~COMMERCIAL SOLICITATION. The act of door-to-door canvassing entering upon private property or approaching a private residence, without prior express invitation, for the primary purpose of selling or offering goods or services for private profit, or taking orders for such goods or services for present or future delivery, whether monies are collected at the time of such solicitation or to be paid in the future., soliciting orders for or making sales of goods, wares, merchandise, or service, or seeking donations or raising funds for any cause or organization for profit without prior appointment or permission of the occupant or occupants of such dwellings and which is not charitable/religious/political solicitation.~~

~~NONCOMMERCIAL CANVASSING. CHARITABLE/RELIGIOUS/POLITICAL SOLICITATION. Door-to-door canvassing conducted for purposes of engaging in noncommercial speech, including but not limited to political, religious, charitable, or other expressive activity, or for the purpose of soliciting donations or support where the proceeds are intended primarily to benefit a charitable, religious, civic, or nonprofit organization rather than private profit. by any person, the primary purpose of which is to solicit funds or sell goods for the benefit of charitable or not-for-profit organizations, or for the purpose of providing information, either written or oral, to the occupants of the dwelling about candidates for public office, political issues, or religious or church related matters.~~

~~CANVASSER. Any individual who engages in enters upon private property without invitation or permission for the purposes of door-to-door canvassing, as defined in this section above.~~

~~SOLICITOR. Any individual who engages in commercial solicitation as defined in this section.~~

~~EXEMPT ACTIVITIES. This chapter shall not apply to postal workers, utility employees, or similar persons performing official duties; persons invited onto the property; or deliveries of previously ordered goods.~~

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

~~§ 112.03 COMMERCIAL SOLICITATION LICENSE REQUIRED.~~

~~No individual shall conduct commercial solicitation in the city without first obtaining a license to do so as provided in this chapter.~~

~~{Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03}~~

~~§ 112.03 REGULATION OF NONCOMMERCIAL CANVASSING~~

~~(A) Noncommercial canvassing shall not require a permit.~~

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(B) Noncommercial canvassers shall comply with posted “No Solicitation” or “No Trespassing” signs and all applicable laws regarding trespass, disorderly conduct, or harassment.

(C) No provision of this chapter shall be interpreted to require identification, registration, or prior approval for noncommercial canvassing.

§ 112.04 PERMIT REQUIRED APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL SOLICITATION ~~LICENSE~~.

(A) No person shall engage in commercial solicitation within the city without first obtaining a permit issued by the Police Department.

(B) Individuals engaging in Applicants for license for commercial solicitation under this chapter must file with the ~~City Administrative Office~~Police Department a sworn application in writing (~~in duplicate~~) on a form to be furnished by the ~~City Administrative Office~~Police Department which shall give the following information:

- (1) Name, description, and date of birth of applicant;
- (2) Permanent home address and full local address of the applicant;
- (3) A brief description of the nature of the business and the goods to be sold;
- (4) If employed, the name and address of the employer, together with credentials establishing the exact relationship;
- (5) The length of time for which the right to do business is desired;
- (6) The place where the goods or property proposed to be sold, or orders taken for the sale thereof, are manufactured or produced, where the goods or products are located at the time the application is filed, and the proposed method of delivery;
- (7) A photograph of the applicant taken within 60 days immediately prior to the date of the filing of the application, which picture shall be two inches by two inches showing the head and shoulders of the applicant in a clear and distinguishing manner; and
- (8) A statement as to whether or not the applicant has been convicted of any ~~crime, misdemeanor, or violation of any municipal ordinance~~fraud, theft or deception-related offenses, the nature of the offense and the punishment or penalty assessed therefor.

(B) At the time of filing the application, a fee of \$25 shall be paid to the Police Department~~City Administrative Office~~ to cover the cost of investigation of the facts stated therein.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.05 INVESTIGATION AND ISSUANCE OF ~~LICENSE~~-PERMIT FOR COMMERCIAL SOLICITATION.

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(A) Upon receipt of the application for a commercial solicitation permit~~license~~, the original shall be referred to the Chief of Police, who shall cause the investigation of the applicant to be made.

(B) If as a result of the investigation, it is determined that the applicant has been convicted of any crime related to fraud, theft, deception, or fraud~~, sex offenses, or other crime of moral turpitude~~, the Chief of Police shall endorse on the application his disapproval and his reasons for the same, ~~and return the application to the Mayor or his or her designee, who then~~ shall notify the applicant that his application is disapproved and that no ~~license permit~~ will be issued.

~~(C) If as a result of the investigation, no conviction as detailed in division (B) is discovered, the Chief of Police shall endorse on the application his approval, execute a permit addressed to the applicant for the carrying on of the business applied for and return the permit, along with the application, to the Mayor or his or her designee, who shall deliver to the applicant his permit and issue a license. The license shall contain the signature and seal of the issuing officer and shall show the name, address and photograph of the licensee, the class of license issued and either the kind of goods to be sold under the license, and the amount of fee paid, the date of issuance and the length of time the same shall be operative, as well as the license number and other identifying description of any vehicle used in such soliciting or canvassing. The Mayor or his or her designee shall keep a permanent record of all licenses issued.~~

~~Upon completion of an investigation resulting in no conviction as detailed in division (B), the Chief of Police shall endorse on the application their approval. Subsequently, the Chief of Police or their designee shall execute a permit addressed to the applicant, authorizing the carrying on of the business applied for.~~

~~The permit shall include:~~

- ~~1. The signature of the Chief of Police.~~
- ~~2. The name, address, and photograph of the permittee.~~
- ~~3. The kind of goods to be sold under the permit.~~
- ~~4. The amount of fee paid for the permit.~~
- ~~5. The date of issuance and the duration of its validity.~~
- ~~6. The license number and any other identifying description of vehicles used in such soliciting or canvassing.~~

~~The Chief of Police or their designee shall maintain a permanent record of all permits issued, including relevant details such as the permittee's information, permit type, fees paid, and vehicle descriptions.~~

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.06 BOND FOR COMMERCIAL SOLICITATION.

Every applicant for commercial solicitation, ~~not a resident of the city or who being a resident of the city represents a firm whose principal place of business is located outside the state,~~ shall file with the ~~Mayor~~ Chief of Police or his or her designee a surety bond, running to the city in the amount of \$1,000, with surety acceptable to and approved by the ~~Mayor~~ Chief of Police or his or her designee, conditioned that the applicant shall comply fully with all the ordinances of the city and the statutes of the state regulating and concerning the business of solicitor and guaranteeing to any citizen of the city that all money paid as a down payment will be accounted for and applied according to the representation of the solicitor and further guaranteeing to any citizen of the city doing business with the solicitor, that the property purchased will be delivered according to the representations of the solicitor. Action on such bond may be brought in the name of the city to the use or benefit of the aggrieved person or persons.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.07 BADGES FOR COMMERCIAL SOLICITATION.

The ~~Mayor~~ Chief of Police or his or her designee shall issue to each ~~licensee~~ permittee at the time of delivery of his or her ~~license~~ permit a badge which shall contain the words “~~licensed~~ permitted solicitor,” the period for which the ~~license~~ permit is issued and the number of the ~~license~~ permit, in letters and figures easily discernible from a distance of ten feet. The badge shall, during the time the ~~license~~ permit is effective, be displayed on the front of his or her outer garment in a way as to be conspicuous. This requirement shall not apply to noncommercial canvassing.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.08 EXHIBITION OF LICENSEPERMIT.

Commercial solicitors are required to exhibit their ~~license~~ permits at the request of any citizen.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.09 RECORDS.

~~—The Chief of Police shall report to the Mayor or his or her designee all convictions for violation of this chapter and the Mayor or his or her designee shall maintain a record for each license issued and record the reports of the violation therein.~~

The Chief of Police or their designee shall maintain a record for each permit issued and record any reports of violations of this chapter therein.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.10 DUTY OF POLICE TO ENFORCE.

It shall be the duty of any police officer of the city, upon having reasonable suspicion that an individual is engaged in commercial solicitation without a required permit, to require ~~any that individual person seen engaging in commercial solicitation, who is not known to the officer to be licensed~~, to produce his or her license permit for inspection and to enforce this chapter against any person found to be in violation violating the same.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.11 REVOCATION OF LICENSE PERMIT.

(A) License Permits issued under this chapter may be revoked by the Mayor Chief of Police or his or her designee after notice and hearing for any of the following causes:

(1) Fraud, misrepresentation or false statement contained in the application of license permit;

(2) Fraud, misrepresentation or false statement made in the course of carrying on his business as a solicitor ~~or as canvasser~~;

(3) Any violation of this chapter;

(4) Conviction of any offense involving fraud, theft, deception, or sex offense crime or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; or

(5) Conducting the business of commercial solicitation, in an unlawful manner, including but not limited to trespassing, or in a manner as to constitute a breach of the peace, or to constitute a menace to the health, safety or general welfare of the public.

(B) Notice of the hearing for revocation of a license permit shall be given in writing, setting forth specifically the grounds of complaint and the time and place of hearing. The notice shall be mailed, postage prepaid, to the licensee permittee at his or her last known address at least five days prior to the date set for hearing.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.12 APPEAL OF DENIAL OR REVOCATION.

Any person aggrieved by the action of the Chief of Police ~~or the Mayor~~ or his or her designee in the denial or revocation of a permit ~~or license~~ shall have the right to appeal to a higher level administrative authority. The appeal shall be taken by the filing with the higher level administrative authority, within 14 days after notice of the action complained of has been mailed to the person's last known address, a written statement setting forth fully the

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grounds for the appeal. The higher level administrative authority shall set a time and place for a hearing on the appeal and notice of the hearing shall be given to the appellant in the same manner for notice of hearing on revocation. The decision and order of the higher level administrative authority on the appeal shall be final and conclusive; provided, however, that if an appeal is perfected under this section, the effective date of revocation of any such permit shall be stayed until the appeal has been held if the appeal is perfected.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.13 EXPIRATION OF LICENSEPERMIT.

All licensepermits issued under this chapter shall expire on December 31, in the year when issued, unless otherwise specified on the face of the licensepermit.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.14 SALES ON PUBLIC PROPERTY.

No person shall on any public street, alley, drive, lane, thoroughfare, public right-of-way, court, highway, boulevard or on the sidewalks thereof, solicit the sale of any merchandise, wares, goods, foods, periodicals or other articles of value for present or future delivery.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.15 TIME RESTRICTIONS.

(A)—Commercial solicitation is prohibited between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. each day. ~~No commercial solicitation is permitted at any time on a Sunday or a state or a national holiday.~~

(B) Nothing in this section shall be construed to restrict noncommercial canvassing except as otherwise provided by law.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.16 PROHIBITION OF DOOR-TO-DOOR CANVASSING OR COMMERCIAL SOLICITATION BY PRIVATE CITIZENS.

(A) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other chapter of this code, any person, firm or corporation who is the owner or lawful occupant of private property within the territorial limits of the city may prohibit the practice of door-to-door canvassing or solicitation by posting upon such property a sign which reads “No Solicitation,” “No Canvassing” or other similar message upon or near the main entrance door to the residence or place of business.

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(B) It shall be unlawful for any canvasser or solicitor to go upon any premises and ring the doorbell upon or near any door, rap or knock upon any door, or create any sound in any other manner calculated to attract the attention of any occupant of such residence or building for the purpose of door-to-door canvassing or solicitation in defiance of the sign exhibited in accordance with division (A) of this section, unless the canvasser or solicitor has been previously invited upon the premises by the owner, lessee, or an adult occupant thereof. This prohibition is applicable to all persons, including those who are licensed/permitted for commercial solicitation as described in this chapter.

(C) Any door-to-door canvassing or solicitation conducted in violation of division (B) of this section shall be subject to penalty under § 112.99.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.17 ORGANIZATIONAL LIABILITY.

An organization may be prosecuted and held liable for the criminal penalties contained in § 112.99(B) for any violation of this chapter committed by an officer, agent or employee of the organization acting in its behalf and within the scope of his office or employment.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

§ 112.99 PENALTY.

(A) Whoever violates any provision of this chapter, in addition to any penalty already provided, shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be fined no more than \$100. Each violation shall constitute a separate offense, and each entry upon different property shall constitute a separate offense.

(B) An organization convicted under this chapter shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be fined no more than \$1,000. Each violation shall constitute a separate offense, and each entry upon different property shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 19-2003, passed 5-7-03)

**ORDINANCE NO. 21-2026**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF NATURAL GAS FOR THE CITY’S NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the City of Springdale (the “City”), with approval of the voters, established an opt-out natural gas aggregation program in order to provide negotiated rates to the City’s businesses and residents; and

WHEREAS, the City has engaged Energy Alliances, Inc. as a consultant for its natural gas aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, Energy Alliances is currently seeking rates for a natural gas supplier for the City; and

WHEREAS, due to market volatility and to optimize the City’s ability to obtain the lowest price available, the City Council desires to authorize the City Administrator to enter into a natural gas aggregation agreement with a natural gas supplier recommended by Energy Alliances, Inc. provided that the accepted aggregation rate is at or below Duke Energy’s Gas Cost at the time of execution for a period not to exceed 24 months from the start of the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Springdale, Ohio, \_\_\_\_\_ members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. The City Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a natural gas aggregation agreement with a natural gas supplier recommended by Energy Alliances, Inc. provided that the accepted aggregation rate is at or below Duke Energy’s Gas Cost at the time of execution for a period not to exceed 24 months from the start of the program.

Section 2. Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this legislation were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II(D)(3)(d) of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for said declaration of emergency is the need to execute the agreement as quickly as possible following receipt of proposals in order to secure the best natural gas rate available for the City and its residents.

Passed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Council

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-2026**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO TO ADMINISTER A 2026 SMALL EVENT GRANT**

WHEREAS, Hamilton County, Ohio has established, as part of their 2026 General Fund Budget, the Small Event Grant Program to promote economic development in suburban communities through the support of smaller, community-focused events in Hamilton County; and

WHEREAS, interested local governments could apply for funds to implement and host events with costs including equipment rentals, entertainment and performers, marketing and promotion, security and insurance, permits and licenses, and other expenses eligible for grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the City of Springdale (the “City”) submitted an application for Springdale Pretzel Fest to be held on August 1 in the heart of the City (the “Event”) that will include expenses directly related to the Event; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to enter into a funding agreement with the Board of Hamilton County Commissioners accepting the grant funding available through the Hamilton County Small Event Grant Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Springdale, Ohio, \_\_\_\_\_ members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. The Council of the City of Springdale (the “Council”) hereby authorizes the Mayor and City Administrator to enter into a funding agreement with the Board of County Commissioners of the Hamilton County, Ohio to administer a 2026 Small Event Grant (the “Agreement”). A copy of the Agreement is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this legislation were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Council

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Funding Agreement Between the Board of County Commissioners,  
Hamilton County Ohio and the City of Springdale to Administer a 2026 Small Event  
Grant**

This Funding Agreement (the “Agreement”) is entered into on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026 by and between the Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Ohio (“County”) and the City of Springdale (“Grantee”) and shall be effective April 16, 2026 (“Effective Date”).

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORC 307.07, County established an Office of Economic Development and appointed the County Administrator as its director; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORC 307.64, County and Office of Economic Development established, as part of the 2026 General Fund Budget, the Small Event Grant Program to promote economic development in suburban communities through the support of smaller, community-focused events in Hamilton County; and

WHEREAS, entities applied for funds to implement and host events with costs including equipment rentals, entertainment and performers, marketing and promotion, security and insurance, permits and licenses, and other expenses eligible for grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee submitted an application for Springdale Pretzel Fest to be held on August 1st in the heart of Springdale (the “Event”) that will include expenses directly related to the Event, including those further described in Exhibit A (the “Event Grant Budget”) attached hereto and incorporated herein as part of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Springdale Pretzel Fest event attendance is expected to attract over 5,000 people, is hosted in a park near the city’s downtown business district and has demonstrated the participation of several small businesses in the event; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee agrees to expend the funds solely upon the expenses, costs, and fees, direct and indirect, of the Event for 2026.

In consideration of the mutual promises, covenants and agreements contained herein, the sufficiency of which is expressly acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Term:** The Grant Term shall commence as of the Effective Date and extend through December 31, 2026 (the “Grant Term”) unless the term of this Agreement is modified in writing or the Agreement is terminated in accordance with the provisions hereof.
- 2. Grant Amount and Uses:** Subject to the terms of this Agreement, the County, by and through its Office of Economic Development, hereby grants to the Grantee a one-time grant of money in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) (the “Grant Funds”). The Grant Funds are awarded to the Grantee exclusively for the expenses outlined in the Event Grant Budget. Expenditures of Grant Funds shall adhere to the breakdown of individual Event Grant Budget line items and may differ up to ten percent for any individual line item subject to approval by the County. Any differentiation beyond ten percent will require a written amendment to this Agreement. Any other use of Grant Funds without prior written

approval of the County shall be considered a non-allowable expenditure and may be subject to reimbursement of grant funds to the County upon a financial audit.

- 3. Disbursement:** Upon execution of this Agreement, the County will disburse the Grant Funds on a reimbursement basis. The Grantee shall invoice the County for Grant Funds and provide documentation on corresponding expenditures in a format acceptable to the County. The County shall deliver such funds to the Grantee within 30 days of receipt of invoice and accepted expenditure documentation, including, but not limited to, invoices and proof of payment. The Grantee shall not submit invoices more frequently than monthly.
- 4. Promotion of County Partnership:** Grantee shall ensure the County's brand is conspicuously recognized in advance of the Event, within promotional materials, and during the Event through various means.
- 5. Records of Grant Funds and Access:** The Grantee shall maintain full, accurate and complete financial and accounting books, records and reports ("Records") of all direct and indirect uses and expenditures of the Grant Funds consistent with cash basis accounting principles. The Grantee shall keep and preserve all Records for at least three (3) years following the expiration of this Agreement. The County or the County's designated representative, at the County's cost and expense, shall have the right to audit the Records at any time but shall not unreasonably interfere with the Grantee's operations in connection with any such audit.

Grantee agrees to adhere to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and procedures issued and revised by the Financial Accounting Standards Board. Grantee further agrees to utilize adequate internal controls, and to adhere to required accounting principles and procedures.
- 6. Reporting:** The County reserves the right to require the submission of additional reporting as it relates to the activities and expenses related to the Grant Funds. Such documentation may include, but is not limited to, reports, spreadsheets and databases whether in electronic or paper form, attendance, and other economic outcomes from the Event. With reasonable promptness, Grantee shall supply County with such reporting and information pertaining to the Grant Funds as from time to time may be reasonably requested.
- 7. Unused Grant Funds:** Grant Funds not expended by the completion of the Grant Term shall be returned to the County within sixty (60) days.
- 8. Adherence to State, Local and Federal Laws, Regulations:** The Grantee shall comply with all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations applicable to the expenditure of the Grant Funds and the completion of the Project.

- 9. Responsibility for Own Acts.** Except as otherwise provided under applicable law and without waiving or reducing any immunities provided thereby, each party shall be solely responsible for its negligent acts or omissions in the performance of its activities under this Agreement and the negligent acts or omissions of its employees, officers, or directors, to the extent allowed by law. The parties agree that this section is only a statement setting forth the limited responsibility of each party solely for its own acts of judicially determined negligence or willful malfeasance and is not and shall not be construed as any contractual or other obligation to defend, indemnify, or hold harmless the other party. Neither party, by this Agreement, shall assume any liability or obligation of the other party.
- 10. Insurance Requirements:** During the term of this Agreement and for such additional time as may be required, Grantee shall provide, pay for, and maintain in full force and effect the insurance outlined in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 11. Termination:** This Agreement may be terminated by the mutual written agreement of the parties; or by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other in the event of a party's substantial failure to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Expenditures incurred prior to termination shall be submitted and reimbursed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- 12. Enforcement of Agreement:** The validity, terms, performance and enforcement of this Grant Agreement shall be governed and construed by its provisions and in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio. Grantee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally consents to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the state and federal courts located in Cincinnati, Ohio for any action, suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Grant Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 13. Miscellaneous:** This Grant Agreement, including all exhibits, is the complete and exclusive statement of the mutual understanding of the parties and supersedes and cancels all previous and contemporaneous written and oral agreements and communications relating to the subject matter of this grant.

**Signature Page Follows**

The terms of this Agreement are hereby agreed to by both parties, as shown by the signatures of representatives of each.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name  
Title  
City of Springdale

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeffrey W. Alutto  
Hamilton County Administrator  
On behalf of Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Approved as to form:

*Ann K. Schooley*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

4/29/2026

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Exhibit A**  
**Event Grant Budget**

<b>Springdale Pretzel Fest Budget</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Stage and Sound Equipment	\$15,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>

**Exhibit B**  
**Insurance Requirements**

Grantee shall procure and maintain for the duration of the Event insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property that may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Grantee, its agents, representatives, or employees. The Grantee shall bear the cost of all insurance. Insurance shall be purchased from insurers authorized to provide insurance in Ohio with an A. M. Best rating of no less than A: VII.

Insurance coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- **Commercial General Liability** insurance policy with coverage contained in Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, bodily injury, and personal and advertising injury with limits no less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project, or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the occurrence limit (or \$4,000,000). Coverage will include:
  1. Additional insured endorsement
  2. Contractual liability
  3. Broad form property damage
  4. Severability of interests
  5. Personal injury
  6. Joint venture as named insured (if applicable)
  7. Waiver of Subrogation
- **Auto liability** insurance contained in Insurance Services Office Form CA 00 01 of at least \$1,000,000 combined single limit, on all owned, non-owned, leased, and hired automobiles.
- **Workers' Compensation** insurance with Statutory limits as required by the State of Ohio, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease.

*(Not required if Grantee provides written verification that it has no employees)*

- **Umbrella or Excess Policy** - The Grantee may use Umbrella or Excess Policies to provide the liability limits required in this Agreement. Use of Umbrella or Excess policies are acceptable provided they are written on a true "following form" or broader coverage basis, with coverage at least as broad as provided on the underlying Commercial General Liability insurance, and other coverages required herein, including, but not limited to, primary and non-contributory, additional insured, self-insured retentions, (SIRs), additional insureds, indemnity, and defense requirements. No insurance policies maintained by the Additional Insureds shall be called upon to contribute to a loss until the Grantee's primary and excess liability policies are exhausted.

Grantee further agrees with the following provisions:

- *Additional Insured Status* - Hamilton County Ohio Board of Commissioners and its employees, officials, agents, and volunteers will be endorsed as additional insureds on the commercial general, business auto, and employer liability policies. An endorsement specifying "Hamilton County Ohio Board of County Commissioners and their employees, officials, agents, and volunteers" will be attached to the Certificate of Insurance sent to the Hamilton County Risk Manager.
- *Certificate Holder* – The Certificate Holder shall be listed as:

Board of County Commissioners  
Hamilton County, Ohio  
138 E. Court Street  
Attn: Risk Management, Room 707  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
- *Waiver of Subrogation* - Grantee will require all insurance policies in any way related to the work and secured and maintained by the Grantee to include endorsements stating each underwriter will waive all rights of recovery, under subrogation or otherwise, against Hamilton County Ohio Board of County Commissioners. The Grantee agrees to obtain any endorsements that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation. However, this provision applies regardless of whether the County has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurers. In addition, the Grantee will require of subcontractors, by appropriate written agreements, similar waivers each in favor of all parties enumerated in this section.
- *Primary Coverage* – For any claims related to this Agreement, the Grantee’s insurance coverage shall be primary insurance coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the Hamilton County Ohio Board of Commissioners and its employees, officials, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Hamilton County Ohio Board of Commissioners and its employees, officials, agents, and volunteers shall be excess of the Grantee’s insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- *Self-insured Retentions* - must be declared to and approved by the Hamilton County Risk Manager. The Risk Manager may require the Grantee to provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.
- The Grantee and the Hamilton County Ohio Board of County Commissioners agree to cooperate, participate fully and comply with all reasonable requirements and

recommendations of the insurers and insurance brokers issuing or arranging for issuance of the policies required here, in all areas of safety, insurance program administration, claim reporting and investigating, and audit procedures.

- *Verification of Coverage* - Grantee shall furnish the Hamilton County Risk Manager with original certificates of insurance and all required amendatory endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause before work begins. All insurance information required by this clause must be submitted electronically at:

Risk Manager  
Hamilton County Ohio  
[COI@Hamiltoncountyohio.gov](mailto:COI@Hamiltoncountyohio.gov)

Each certificate of insurance must identify the contract or solicitation number and project or service name in the “Description of Operations” of the Acord 25 Form.

- Hamilton County, Ohio reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time.
- *Notice of Cancellation* - Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be canceled or materially changed except when thirty (30) days prior notice, including reasoning, has been given to the Hamilton County Risk Manager by email at [COI@Hamiltoncountyohio.gov](mailto:COI@Hamiltoncountyohio.gov)
- Maintenance of the proper insurance for the duration of the contract is a material element of the contract. Material changes in the required coverage or cancellation of the coverage shall constitute a material breach of the contract.
- If any or all of the work or services contemplated by this contract is sublet, the Consultant will ensure the subcontractor(s) comply with all insurance requirements contained therein.

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-2026**

**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING APPROXIMATELY 0.118 ACRES OF PROPERTY AS PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY ALONG A PORTION OF GLENSPRINGS DRIVE AS DEDICATED IN THE CCA GLENSPRINGS SUBDIVISION**

WHEREAS, the City of Springdale (the “City”) seeks to accept as public right-of-way approximately 0.118 acres of property located along Glensprings Drive near the intersection of Glensprings Drive and Springfield Pike.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Springdale, Ohio, \_\_\_\_\_ members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. The City of Springdale City Council (“Council”) accepts as public right of way approximately 0.118 acres of property being part of Glensprings Drive near the intersection of Glensprings Drive and Springfield Pike depicted on a certain recorded subdivision plat recorded in Plat Book 506, Pages 9 and 10 of the Hamilton County Recorder’s Office as further described in the attached Exhibit A which is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute any and all documents required in furtherance of the acceptance of this right of way by the City.

Section 3. Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this legislation were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed this \_\_\_ day of May, 2026.

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President of Council

Attest:

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Clerk of Council

Approved:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## EXHIBIT A

### **DESCRIPTION** **Containing 0.118 Total Acres**

Situated in Section 13, Town 2, Range 2 B.T.M., City of Springdale, Springfield Township, Hamilton County Ohio and being part of Glensprings Drive, as dedicated in CCA Glensprings Subdivision, recorded in Plat Book 506, Page 9-10, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a found 5/8" Iron Pin at the northerly right-of-way line of Glensprings Drive and at the southeast corner of Lot 1, of said CCA Glensprings Subdivision;

Thence along the southern line of said Lot 1 North 70°27'39" West, a distance of 39.34 feet to a found 5/8" Iron Pin and the True Point of Beginning;

Thence through the right-of-way of Glensprings Drive the following courses:

- **North 70°27'39" West**, a distance of **102.00 feet** to a point;
- **North 74°30'17" West**, a distance of **69.83 feet** to a point;
- With a non-tangent curve to the right, having a **Delta Angle of 10°40'42"**, a **Radius of 1115.92 feet**, an **arc length of 207.98 feet**, and subtended by a chord bearing North 64°27'17" West, a distance of 207.68 feet to a found 5/8" Iron Pin on the northerly right-of-way line of Glensprings Drive;

Thence with the northerly right-of-way line of Glensprings Drive the following courses:

- **South 68°42'30" East**, a distance of **109.87 feet** to a found 5/8" Iron Pin;
- **North 87°35'49" East**, a distance of **26.51 feet** to a found 5/8" Iron Pin;
- **South 65°50'17" East**, a distance of **61.25 feet** to a found 5/8" Iron Pin;
- **South 65°31'51" East**, a distance of **47.23 feet** to a found 5/8" Iron Pin;
- **South 68°08'28" East**, a distance of **77.78 feet** to a found 5/8" Iron Pin;
- **South 70°19'26" East**, a distance of **8.59 feet** to a found 5/8" Iron Pin;
- **South 57°41'45" East**, a distance of **50.63 feet** to the **True Point of Beginning**

Containing **0.118 acres** of land more or less.

**RESOLUTION NO. R04-2026**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SPRINGDALE'S PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC TREASURERS 2027 WORKERS' COMPENSATION GROUP RETROSPECTIVE RATING PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, under the authority of Chapter 4123 of the Ohio Revised Code, employers, including public employer taxing districts, may group together to achieve a potentially lower premium rate than they might have as individual employers; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Association of Public Treasurers has created a Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program to allow member municipalities to join together for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, through its participation in this Group Retrospective Rating Program, the City of Springdale will have greater opportunity to potentially experience savings in Workers' Compensation premium rates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Springdale, Ohio, \_\_\_\_\_ members thereto concurring:

Section 1. The City of Springdale hereby enrolls in the 2027 Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program offered by the Ohio Public Treasurers Association and authorizes the City Administrator to execute any and all documents consistent with the enrollment in this program.

Section 2. The Finance Officer/Tax Commissioner is hereby authorized to pay the projected premium and any third-party administrator fees related to the City's participation in the Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program.

Section 3. This Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this legislation were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of Council

Attest:

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Clerk of Council

Approved:

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Mayor

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Date