



March 16, 2026
Regular Meeting
7:30 PM

Cleveland Heights City Hall
Council Chambers
40 Severance Cir
Cleveland Heights, Ohio

AGENDA - CLEVELAND HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

- 1) **Meeting called to order by Council President**
- 2) **Roll Call of Council Members**
- 3) **Excuse absent members**
- 4) **Amendments to the Agenda (if necessary)**
- 5) **Approval of minutes from previous meeting(s)**
 - a. February 2, 2026
 - b. February 3, 2026
 - c. February 17, 2026
- 6) **CHUH Student Report**
- 7) **Communications from the Mayor**
- 8) **City Administrator's Report**
- 9) **Departmental Report(s)**
- 10) **Report of the Clerk of Council**
- 11) **Public Comment - Legislative Agenda Items only**

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- 12) **LEGISLATION**

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(COTW)-Committee of the Whole; (CRR)-Community Relations and Recreation; (F)-Finance; (HB)-Housing and Building; (MSES)-Municipal Services and Environmental Sustainability; (PD)-Planning and Development; (PSH)-Public Safety and Health. See Resolution 97-2022 for a list of Council Committee subject matter areas.

a. First Readings – Consideration of Adoption Requested

ORDINANCE NO. 054-2026(AS): First Reading (Amended by Substitution 03.16.2026). An Ordinance establishing the Cumberland Pool Facility Task Force; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

RESOLUTION NO. 055-2026(COTW): First Reading. A Resolution calling on the State Legislature of Ohio to pass legislation to allow for the creation of a Community Energy Pilot Program in Ohio; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by All City Councilmembers

ORDINANCE NO. 060-2026(F): First Reading. An Ordinance establishing salary schedules, position classifications, and other compensation and benefits for officers and employees of the City; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

RESOLUTION NO. 064-2026(MSES): First Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District and Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District to provide services necessary for compliance with Minimum Control Measures #1 and #2 of the Ohio EPA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit; and declaring the necessity that this legislation be effective immediately as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

b. First Readings Only

RESOLUTION NO. 056-2026(MSES): First Reading. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to take all actions necessary to apply for and accept one or more Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council 2026 Energized Community Grants; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

ORDINANCE NO. 057-2026(MSES): First Reading. An Ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to establish an opt-in natural gas program pursuant to Section 4929.27(A)(1), Ohio Revised Code, jointly through NOPEC as a NOPEC member; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

RESOLUTION NO. 058-2026(PD): First Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an amendment to an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. to prepare a Housing Needs Assessment; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

RESOLUTION NO. 059-2026(PD): First Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan and entitlement application for the year beginning January 1, 2026; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

c. **Second Readings**

RESOLUTION NO. 052-2026(CRR): Second Reading. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Playcore Wisconsin, Inc. d/b/a GameTime through the Omnia cooperative purchasing program for the installation of a Tot Playground at Denison Park; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

RESOLUTION NO. 031-2026(CRR): Second Reading (Amended 03.16.2026). An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement to lease an unoccupied room within the City's Recreation Center located at 1 Monticello Boulevard, Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118; finding that the room is not needed for public use; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

ORDINANCE NO. 051-2026(PD): Second Reading. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to Tower Lease Agreement with T-Mobile Central, LLC for the use of a portion of City-owned property

located at 14200 Superior Road for the construction, installation, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and improvement of a wireless communications facility and the grant of associated licenses and easements; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

d. Consent Agenda

RESOLUTION NO. 061-2026(PD): First Reading. A Resolution proclaiming April 6-10, 2026 to be *National Community Development Week*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

RESOLUTION NO. 062-2026(CRR): First Reading. A Resolution joining with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and communities throughout the nation in the observation of April 2026 as *Fair Housing Month*; reaffirming the City of Cleveland Heights' commitment to fair housing; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by All City Councilmembers

RESOLUTION NO. 063-2026(CRR): First Reading. A Resolution proclaiming April 2026 to be *National Poetry Month*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by All City Councilmembers

13) Committee Reports

14) Public Comment - General

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15) Old Business

16) New Business

17) Council Member Comments

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based on the volume of business on the agenda, the time of evening, or other similar factors.

18) Council President's Report

19) Adjournment

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: APRIL 6, 2026



February 2, 2026
Regular Meeting
7:30 PM

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MEETING MINUTES

1) Meeting called to order by Council President

Start: 7:38 PM

2) Roll Call of Council Members

Present: Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen, Tony Cuda
Excused: None
Absent: Mayor Petras, Director Hanna, Clerk Balester

3) Excuse absent members

- None

4) Amendments to the Agenda (if necessary)

- None

5) Approval of minutes from previous meeting(s)

a. October 20, 2025

APPROVED

b. November 3, 2025

APPROVED

c. November 17, 2025

APPROVED

6) Communications from the Mayor

- Watch party at the Community Center to watch Cleveland Heights native Laila Edwards as she competes for Team USA in Women's Hockey at the 2026 Winter Olympics

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7) **City Administrator's Report**

- None

8) **Departmental Report(s)**

- None

9) **Report of the Clerk of Council**

- a. The Clerk of Council has received the following Notice to Legislative Authority from the Ohio Department of Liquor Control:

- Transfer of a D-5 permit from Christophers Pub LLC to Laid Black Management, LLC: Kulture Ultra Lounge located at 3962 Mayfield Rd.
- A New C-1/C-2 permit for Karam Petroleum, Inc. located at 2294 Lee Rd.
- A New D-5 permit or 4 On 6 Inc.: Savoy located at 1318 Warrensville Center Rd.
- A New D-1/D-3 permit for 12 23 Lounge Place LLC located at 2558 Noble Rd.

These matters have been referred to the Mayor and Chief of Police

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10) **Public Comment - Legislative Agenda Items only**

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11) **LEGISLATION**

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a. First Readings – Consideration of Adoption Requested

RESOLUTION NO. 024-2026(AS): First Reading. A Resolution reappointing Mohammad Irfan as a member of the Climate and Environmental Sustainability Committee of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by All City Councilmembers

Motion to adopt: Gail Larson

Seconded: Craig Cobb

Yes: Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen, Tony Cuda

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 025-2026(AS): First Reading. A Resolution appointing James Arnold and Aaron Marcovey as members of the Climate and Environmental Sustainability Committee of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by All City Councilmembers

Motion to adopt: Gail Larson

Seconded: Craig Cobb

Yes: Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen, Tony Cuda

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

1 **RESOLUTION NO. 026-2026(AS): First Reading.** A Resolution appointing
2 Aaron Ware, Amber Rogers, Melinda Burt, and Bruce Delaney as members
3 of the Citizens Advisory Committee of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH; and
4 declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as
5 an emergency measure.

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7 Introduced by All City Councilmembers

8 **Motion to adopt:** Craig Cobb

9 **Seconded:** Gail Larson

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11 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
12 Tony Cuda

13 **No:** None

14 **LEGISLATION PASSED**

15 **RESOLUTION NO. 027-2026(AS): First Reading.** A Resolution appointing
16 Rachel Bernstein, Don McBride, Schcarra Benn, Judith Ryder-Frumker,
17 Eileen Ramerman, Amy Rosenbluth, Hannah Ginley, and Mary Beth Mathews
18 as members of the Arts Commission of the City of Cleveland Heights, OH;
19 and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective
20 as an emergency measure.

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22 Introduced by All City Councilmembers

23 **Motion to adopt:** Jim Posch

24 **Seconded:** Craig Cobb

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26 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
27 Tony Cuda

28 **No:** None

29 **LEGISLATION PASSED**

30 **RESOLUTION NO. 028-2026(PSH): First Reading.** A Resolution authorizing
31 the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Green Home Solutions, LLC, a
32 certified lead abatement contractor, for the use of Lead Safe Ohio (LSO)
33 Grant funds in connection with the abatement of lead-based paint hazards at
34 the home located upon permanent parcel number 684-01-117; providing
35 compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this legislation
36 become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

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38 Introduced by Mayor Petras

39 **READ INTO THE RECORD**

40 **NO VOTE**

41 **RESOLUTION NO. 029-2026(PSH): First Reading.** A Resolution
42 authorizing an agreement with Hall Public Safety Upfitters for the purchase
43 and installation of upfitting equipment for the Cleveland Heights Police

1 Department; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become
2 immediately effective as an emergency measure.

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4 Introduced by Mayor Petras

5 **Motion to adopt:** Craig Cobb

6 **Seconded:** Gail Larson

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8 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
9 Tony Cuda

10 **No:** None

11 **LEGISLATION PASSED**

12 **RESOLUTION NO. 030-2026(AS): First Reading.** A Resolution confirming
13 the Mayor's appointment of a City Administrator for the City of Cleveland
14 Heights; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately
15 effective as an emergency measure.

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17 Introduced by Mayor Petras

18 **Motion to adopt:** Gail Larson

19 **Seconded:** Craig Cobb

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21 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
22 Tony Cuda

23 **No:** None

24 **b. LEGISLATION PASSED**

25 **c. First Readings Only**

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27 **RESOLUTION NO. 031-2026(CRR): First Reading.** An Ordinance
28 authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement to lease an unoccupied room
29 within the City's Recreation Center located at 1 Monticello Boulevard,
30 Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118; finding that the room is not needed for public
31 use; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately
32 effective as an emergency measure.

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34 Introduced by Mayor Petras

35 **READ INTO THE RECORD**
36 **MOVED TO COMMITTEE**

37 **RESOLUTION NO. 032-2025(CRR): First Reading.** A Resolution providing
38 for a contribution in support of the Heights Schools Foundation's "Fitness
39 Under the Lights" event; and declaring the necessity that this legislation
40 become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

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42 Introduced by Mayor Petras

READ INTO THE RECORD

d. Second Readings

RESOLUTION NO. 021-2026(MSES): Second Reading. A Resolution authorizing the City to participate in the NOPEC Green Community Choice Program for the City’s Electricity Aggregation Program starting June 2026; and declaring the necessity that this legislation becomes effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

Motion to adopt: Gail Larson

Seconded: Craig Cobb

Yes: Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen, Tony Cuda

No: None

LEGISLATION PASSED

12) Committee Reports

- **MSES:** Next meeting is Monday, February 9, at 7 pm. CESC citizens committee meets...TAM meets.
- **CRR:** Next meeting is Monday, February 9, at 5 pm. Encouraged residents to attend the watch-party at the Community Center to watch Team USA take on Finland in the Women's Hockey opening round.
- **PD:** First meeting is Monday, February 9, at 6 pm. Planning Department staff will be in attendance.

13) Public Comment - General

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Speakers

Name	Resident/Board Member/Other	Topic
Judith Ryder	Citizen	Thanked Council for appointing her to the Arts Commission and talked about how important the arts are, especially now.

Edgar Mitchell	Citizen	Thanked Council and the Mayor for their help
Karly Whitaker	Citizen	Thanked Councilmember Cohen for her support

14) **Old Business**

- None

15) **New Business**

- None

16) **Council Member Comments**

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- **Posch:** He ran into State Representative Juanita Brent, who asked him to mention that there are four critical bills (HB 26, SB 172, HB 42) being pushed through the Senate and the House regarding supporting ICE. He encourages everybody who is opposed to these bills/tactics to please send emails to our state representatives.
- **Larson:** Read a statement regarding the current situation surrounding immigration and immigrant rights.
- **Cobb:** There is a vacancy on the Transportation and Mobility Committee; Council will likely try to consider those at the next Admin Services Committee Meeting.
- **Cohen:** Shared that she has arranged for there to be several legal clinics over the next 6 months for Cleveland Heights residents with a lawyer to provide information to our immigrant community.
- **DeWitt-Foy:** Thanked our Public Works department for their very hard work over the last several weeks of storms and record cold.

17) **Council President’s Report**

- Addressed issues that Councilmembers have been approached about by representatives of Heights4ImmigrantRights.

18) **Adjournment**

End: 8:12 pm

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: FEBRUARY 17, 2026



February 3, 2026
Special Meeting
7:30 PM

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MEETING MINUTES

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4 **1) Meeting called to order by Council President**

5 Start: 8:14 PM

6 **2) Roll Call of Council Members**

7 **Present:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
8 Tony Cuda

9 **Excused:** None

10 **Also Present:** Clerk Balester

11 **3) Excuse absent members**

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15 **4) Amendments to the Agenda (if necessary)**

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19 **5) Communications from the Mayor**

- 20 • None

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23 **6) LEGISLATION**

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29 *Environmental Sustainability; (PD)-Planning and Development; (PSH)-Public*
30 *Safety and Health. See Resolution 97-2022 for a list of Council Committee*
31 *subject matter areas.*



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MEETING MINUTES

1) Meeting called to order by Council President

Start: 7:31 PM

- Meeting called to order by Vice President Larson

2) Roll Call of Council Members

Present: Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen, Tony Cuda

Excused:

Also Present: Mayor Petras, Director Hanna, Administrator Reese, Director Brodzinski, Clerk Balester

3) Excuse absent members

- None

4) Amendments to the Agenda (if necessary)

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5) Approval of minutes from previous meeting(s)

MATTER OF RECORD

a. December 1, 2025

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b. December 15, 2025

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6) Mayoral Proclamation(s)

- Presented a proclamation to Brian Barrett for his time as the owner of Brian's Marathon on Lee Rd., which recently transferred ownership.

7) Communications from the Mayor

- Announced a watch party for Cleveland Heights native Laila Edwards/Team USA Women's Hockey Gold Medal Match.
- Black History Month Celebration this weekend
- HR Director Confirmation Hearing was at 5:00pm this evening before the regular COTW

Motion to authorize to bid project #26-01: Craig Cobb

Seconded: Jessica Cohen

Yes: Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen, Tony Cuda

No: None

MOTION PASSED

8) City Administrator's Report

Michael Reese

- Gave a brief update on his two weeks as City Administrator for Cleveland Heights and what he has been doing to get up to speed on everything in Cleveland Heights.

9) Departmental Report(s)

a. Director Joseph Brodzinski, *Finance Department*

- Gave a brief update on his two weeks as Finance Director and what he has been doing to get up to speed on Cleveland Heights' current finances.

b. Parks and Recreation Department
Suzanne Conway, *Cain Park Manager*

- Gave a brief update on her first three weeks as Cain Park Manager and gave an overview of what the 2026 season holds for Cain Park programming

10) Report of the Clerk of Council

- None

11) Public Comment - Legislative Agenda Items only

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a. First Readings – Consideration of Adoption Requested

ORDINANCE NO. 034-2026(PD): First Reading. An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement for the sale of three improved parcels of residential real property located within the city to the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

Introduced by Mayor Petras

Motion to adopt: Craig Cobb

Seconded: Jessica Cohen

1 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
2 Tony Cuda

3 **No:** None

4 **LEGISLATION PASSED**

5 **RESOLUTION NO. 035-2026(PSH): First Reading.** A Resolution
6 authorizing an agreement with Chagrin Valley Dispatch for the purchase of in-
7 car and portable radios for nine (9) 2025 Ford Utility Hybrid Police Interceptors
8 for the Police Department; and declaring the necessity that this legislation
9 become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

10 Introduced by Mayor Petras

11 **Motion to adopt:** Jessica Cohen

12 **Seconded:** Craig Cobb

13 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
14 Tony Cuda

15 **No:** None

16 **LEGISLATION PASSED**

17 **RESOLUTION NO. 036-2026(F): First Reading.** A Resolution authorizing
18 amendment to existing agreement with ADP, Inc. for payroll processing
19 services for the City's Finance Department; and declaring the necessity that
20 this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

21 Introduced by Mayor Petras

22 **Motion to adopt:** Jessica Cohen

23 **Seconded:** Craig Cobb

24 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
25 Tony Cuda

26 **No:** None

27 **LEGISLATION PASSED**

28 **b. First Readings Only**

29 **RESOLUTION NO. 037-2026(MSES): First Reading.** A Resolution
30 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Best Equipment Co. for
31 the acquisition of a Petersen TL3 Lightning Loader (aka claw truck) for the
32 Refuse Division of the Department of Public Works; and declaring the
33 necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency
34 measure.

35 Introduced by Mayor Petras

1 **READ INTO THE RECORD**

2 **RESOLUTION NO. 038-2026(PSH): First Reading.** A Resolution
3 authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Urban SDK for the
4 provision of geospatial AI solutions and roadway data in support of the City’s
5 safety, planning, and operational analysis initiatives; and declaring the
6 necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency
7 measure.

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9 Introduced by Mayor Petras

10 **READ INTO THE RECORD**
11 **MOVED TO COMMITTEE**

12 **c. Second Readings**

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14 **RESOLUTION NO. 028-2026(PSH): Second Reading.** A Resolution
15 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Green Home Solutions,
16 LLC, a certified lead abatement contractor, for the use of Lead Safe Ohio
17 (LSO) Grant funds in connection with the abatement of lead-based paint
18 hazards at the home located upon permanent parcel number 684-01-117;
19 providing compensation therefor; and declaring the necessity that this
20 legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

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22 Introduced by Mayor Petras

23 **Motion to adopt:** Craig Cobb
24 **Seconded:** Joe DeWitt-Foy

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26 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
27 Tony Cuda
28 **No:** None

29 **LEGISLATION PASSED**

30 **RESOLUTION NO. 032-2025(CRR): Second Reading.** A Resolution
31 providing for a contribution in support of the Heights Schools Foundation’s
32 “Fitness Under the Lights” event; and declaring the necessity that this
33 legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

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35 Introduced by Mayor Petras

36 **Motion to adopt:** Craig Cobb
37 **Seconded:** Joe DeWitt-Foy

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39 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
40 Tony Cuda
41 **No:** None

42 **LEGISLATION PASSED**

1 **d. Consent Agenda**

2 **Motion to suspend rules:** Craig Cobb

3 **Seconded:** Joe DeWitt-Foy

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5 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
6 Tony Cuda

7 **No:** None

8 **MOTION PASSED**

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10 **Motion to adopt:** Craig Cobb

11 **Seconded:** Joe DeWitt-Foy

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13 **Yes:** Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen,
14 Tony Cuda

15 **No:** None

16 **LEGISLATION PASSED**

17 **RESOLUTION NO. 039-2025(CRR): First Reading.** A Resolution
18 recognizing March 2026 as *Red Cross Month* in the City of Cleveland Heights;
19 and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective
20 as an emergency measure.

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22 Introduced by All City Councilmembers

23 **Passed on consent agenda**

24 **RESOLUTION NO. 040-2026(CRR): First Reading.** A Resolution
25 recognizing March 2026 as *Women's History Month* and March 8, 2026
26 as *International Women's Day*; and declaring the necessity that this
27 Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

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29 Introduced by All City Councilmembers

30 **Passed on consent agenda**

31 **13) Committee Reports**

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- 33 • The next **Finance Committee** meeting will be on Monday, February 23,
34 at 6 pm.
 - 35 • The next **Public Safety and Health Committee** meeting will be on
36 Monday, February 23, at 7 pm.
 - 37 • Chair Cohen gave an update from the **Planning and**
38 **Development** committee from last week, where they discussed the
39 contract with ZoneCo for our Zoning Code update and the timeline
40 regarding the Severance Center Zoning proposal. The next meeting is on
41 March 9, at 5 pm.

- The next **Admin Service Committee** meeting will be on Monday, February 23, at 5 pm.
- Chair Larson gave an update from the **Municipal Services and Environmental Sustainability Committee** meeting from last week, where they discussed Public Works loose-leaf pickup plans for the remaining lawn waste that was not picked up prior to the snow we received. The next meeting is on March 9, at 7pm.

14) Old Business

- None

15) New Business

Motion to move the Monday, March 2, 2026 Regular Council Meeting to Tuesday, March 3, 2026: Jessica Cohen
Seconded: Craig Cobb

Yes: Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen, Tony Cuda

No: None

MOTION PASSED

Motion to appoint Sarah Stone to City Council: Craig Cobb
Seconded: Jessica Cohen

Yes: Craig Cobb, Gail Larson, Jim Posch, Joe DeWitt-Foy, Jessica Cohen, Tony Cuda

No: None

MOTION PASSED

16) Public Comment - General

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Speakers

Name	Resident/Board Member/Other	Topic
James Williams	Resident	Read a poem and sang a song
Jason Smith	Resident	Questions about the legislation process

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John Gall	Resident	Questions about the traffic project at Fairmount/South Taylor
Akshai Singh	Resident	Immigrant Rights
Edgar Mitchell	Resident	General Topics/Representation on Council
Anastasiya Kurylyuk	Resident	Immigrant Rights
Johnmark Wisniewski	Resident	Immigrant Rights
Svitlana Zoyconolrayeva	Resident	Immigrant Rights
Natalie Davis	Resident	Immigrant Rights

17) Council Member Comments

(Note: Council comments should directly relate to the business of the City of Cleveland Heights, rather than personal reflection or commentary. A maximum 3-minute time limit applies, but the Council President may reduce time limit based on the volume of business on the agenda, the time of evening, or other similar factors.)

- Councilmember DeWitt-Foy is excited about the Black History Month event and hopes to see everybody there. He thanked Cleveland Heights 4 Immigrant Rights for their work in the community, and he thanked Councilmember Cohen for taking on legislation opposing several bills currently being considered in the State House.
- Councilmember Cohen spoke about the draft of legislation in opposition to several bills currently being considered in the State House, and she will be working with the Law Department on that draft. She also spoke about legislation she will be working on to expand the Planning Commission's authority over the approval/disapproval of park projects. Thanked Todd Walburn, the City's Mayor's Action Center Coordinator, for the job he does helping residents every day! She also said that while she differs in her approach to tackling the current conversation around immigrant rights, she is just as passionate.
- Vice President Larson announced the Cleveland International Film Festival will return to its original location at Cedar-Lee Theater, which will host several events during the festival.

18) Council President's Report

- Council President Cuda reflected on the life of Reverend Jesse Jackson.

19) Adjournment

End: 8:52 pm

NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL: MARCH 3, 2026



Date: March 4, 2026

To: Law Department and City Council

From: Josie Moore, Office of the Mayor

Subject: Cumberland Pool Facility Task Force

Purpose Statement: The purpose of this legislation is to establish the Cumberland Pool Facility Task Force as a temporary advisory body to provide structured, representative community input regarding the design and planning of the Cumberland Pool replacement and the renovation of the historic Cumberland Pool House. The Task Force is intended to ensure that these significant public infrastructure investments reflect the needs of key stakeholder groups, support multi-generational use, promote accessibility, and strengthen neighborhood and economic vitality. The legislation formalizes the Task Force’s composition, scope of work, and timeline for completion of its advisory recommendations in order to support informed decision-making by the Mayor and City Council.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: _____ No: X

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: X No: _____

If yes, why? Emergency language is requested in order to allow the Task Force to be constituted immediately and begin its work without delay. The Task Force is required to complete its advisory review and submit recommendations no later than September 30, 2026. Given the limited timeframe necessary to conduct meetings, review design materials, solicit stakeholder input, and prepare a formal report of its recommendations, any delay in the effective date of this ordinance would materially impair the Task Force’s ability to complete its work in advance of project design and funding milestones. Immediate effectiveness is therefore necessary for the preservation of public peace, health, and safety, specifically to ensure timely and orderly planning of major public infrastructure improvements.

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: X No: _____

If yes, why? Passage on first reading is requested to allow the City to initiate the appointment process and convene the Task Force promptly. The project timeline requires the Task Force’s advisory recommendations by the end of September 2026. Delaying enactment would reduce the available time for structured community engagement and thoughtful review of design proposals. Immediate action will allow sufficient time for meaningful stakeholder participation while maintaining alignment with project development and funding schedules.

If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: _____ No: _____

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?

N/a

Proposed: 03/16/2026

ORDINANCE NO. 054-2026(AS), *First Reading (Amended by Substitution 03.16.2026)*

By Mayor Petras

An Ordinance establishing the Cumberland Pool Facilities Task Force; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights is pursuing the replacement of the aging Cumberland Pool and the renovation of the historic Cumberland Pool House; and

WHEREAS, these projects amount to significant public infrastructure investments intended to serve residents for decades to come; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that structured community input will improve design outcomes, extend long-term usability, and foster understanding and support of the projects' processes and objectives throughout the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, State of Ohio that:

SECTION 1. There is hereby established a temporary advisory body to be known as the Cumberland Pool Facilities Task Force ("Task Force").

SECTION 2. The Task Force shall serve solely in an advisory capacity to the Mayor and City Council regarding:

1. Conceptual design priorities for the replacement of Cumberland Pool;
2. Renovation priorities for the historic Cumberland Pool House;
3. Accessibility, functionality, and multi-generational use considerations;
4. Aquatic programming needs, including recreational, instructional, and competitive uses;
5. Community integration, neighborhood compatibility, and long-term sustainability considerations.

The Task Force shall not possess administrative, contracting, approval, or policymaking authority.

SECTION 3. The Task Force shall consist of nine (9) to thirteen (13) voting members, all of whom shall be appointed by City Council. The Mayor may submit recommendations for member appointments to City Council for consideration. City Council shall make all appointments by majority vote. The Clerk of Council shall notify the Mayor of each appointment to the Task Force. The Mayor shall have the authority to

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reject any individual appointment. In the event of a rejection, City Council shall appoint an alternative member. Appointments shall reflect, to the extent practicable, representation from the following stakeholder interests:

1. Adult recreational or lap swimmers;
2. Families with young children;
3. Learn-to-swim or youth programming providers;
4. Competitive swim or diving team programming;
5. Individuals with disabilities or accessibility advocates;
6. Senior citizens;
7. Community development or neighborhood organizations;
8. Economic development or local business interests;
9. At-large representation to ensure geographic and demographic balance.

The City Administration may designate non-voting staff liaisons to provide technical support.

SECTION 4. The Task Force shall appoint one of its members to serve as the Task Force's Chair and Members shall serve from the date of appointment until submission of the final report required under Section 6, unless removed or replaced by City Council.

SECTION 5. The Task Force shall meet at least monthly, and as determined by the Chair, comply with applicable public meeting and public records laws, and establish internal operating procedures as necessary. A majority of appointed members shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 6. The Task Force shall prepare and submit a written advisory report of recommendations to the Mayor and City Council by September 30, 2026 or such later date as may be determined by the Mayor.

The report shall include:

- Summary of stakeholder input and community engagement;
- Recommended design priorities;
- Programming considerations;
- Accessibility and inclusion recommendations;
- Sustainability considerations;
- Areas of consensus and any differing viewpoints.

Upon submission of the final report, the Task Force shall be deemed dissolved unless extended by further legislative action.

SECTION 7. Members shall serve without compensation.

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SECTION 8. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 9. Notice of the passage of this Ordinance shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 10. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City, in order to seat a fully constituted task force as soon as possible, as provided herein. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor



Memorandum

Date: 3/4/20

To: Council President Cuda

From: Gail Larson

Subject: Energy Legislation

Purpose Statement:

To ask the State of Ohio legislature to support Community energy pilot programs.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: No:

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why?

It should go to the legislature as soon as possible as the subject legislation is currently in Senate Committee.

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why?

See above rationale.

If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: No:

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?

N/a

Proposed: 03/16/2026

RESOLUTION NO. 055-2026(MSES), *First Reading*

By All City Councilmembers

A Resolution calling on the State Legislature of Ohio to pass legislation to allow for the creation of a Community Energy Pilot Program in Ohio; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, community energy facilities allow customers to choose the source of their electricity, including customers that desire to purchase solar energy but do not have suitable conditions to install their own solar facility; and

WHEREAS, community solar facilities are a decentralized, resilient, and efficient way to deliver electricity to ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, in June 2025, Ohioans saw a 26% increase on their electricity bills and community solar facilities have been shown to save households 5% to 20% on their electricity costs; and

WHEREAS, given that Ohio imports 20% of its energy and regional energy prices are increasing significantly, a community energy pilot program producing energy locally would help avoid costly transmission upgrades and improve grid reliability for all ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, a study from Ohio University determined that a "Community Solar Pilot Program" would generate an estimated \$5.6 billion in gross output and \$409.5 million in local tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, Ohio based solar manufacturing companies and workers will benefit from local community solar projects enable by this legislation; and

WHEREAS, 24 states currently have specific enabling legislation for community energy, which provides a framework that supports the production of community energy facilities in those states.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio that:

SECTION 1. That the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights calls on the Ohio Legislature to approve a community energy pilot program proposed by House Bill 303, which passed the Ohio House with a 77 to 8 affirmative vote and awaits passage in the Ohio Senate.

SECTION 2. That the Clerk of Council be and is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to Governor Mike DeWine and the members of the Ohio General Assembly representing residents of the City of Cleveland Heights.

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SECTION 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions and deliberations of Council and its committees relating to the passage of this legislation that resulted in formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 5. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health, safety and welfare for the reason that it is immediately necessary for the Council to express its support of the proposed Ohio House of Representatives Bill 303, and provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of five of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor



Date: 3/10/2026

To: Legislation Review Team

From: Joe Brodzinski, Finance Director

Subject: 2026 Wage & Salary Ord.

Purpose Statement: To establish salary schedules, position classifications, and other compensation, and benefits for officers and employees of the City.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: No:

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why? To obtain approval prior to the 4/1/2026 effective date of salary COLA increases and benefits renewal date.

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why? To obtain approval prior to the 4/1/2026 effective date of salary COLA increases and benefits renewal date.

If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: No:

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?

Proposed: 04/16/2026

ORDINANCE NO. 060-2026(F), *First Reading*

By Mayor Petras

An Ordinance establishing salary schedules, position classifications, and other compensation, and benefits for officers and employees of the City; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, Article 5, Section 4 of the Cleveland Heights Charter requires this Council to “fix by ordinance the salary, rate, or amount of compensation of all officers and employees of the City;” and

WHEREAS, Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinance Section 139.21 generally requires this Council to “establish employees’ wages, hours of work, sick leave benefits, paid hospitalization benefits, vacations, legal holidays, and all other forms of fringe benefits and other conditions of employment by ordinance;” and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights is addressing issues related to pay equity, pay compression, and compensation levels relative to cost-of-living inflation for employees not covered under collective bargaining agreements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights seeks to maintain a competitive compensation structure to ensure that the Administration can attract and retain highly talented, skilled, and experienced public employees; and

WHEREAS, the City Administration, updated the 2025 compensation to reflect changes for 2026.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The proposed updated wage and salary schedule for permanent full- and part-time employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement, a copy of which wage and salary schedule is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein fully by reference, is hereby approved.

SECTION 2. The amended job classification schedule for permanent full- and part-time employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement, a copy of which amended job classification schedule is attached hereto as Exhibit 2 and incorporated herein by reference, is hereby approved.

SECTION 3. The wage and job classification schedule for seasonal employees a copy of which wage and job classification schedule is attached hereto as Exhibit 3 and incorporated herein fully by reference, is hereby approved.

SECTION 4. Elected Officials

(a) The following municipal elected officials will receive salaries according to

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the following schedule:

Position	Classification	Bi-Weekly	Annual Salary
Mayor	Elected Official	\$4,423.08	\$115,000.00
Council Member	Elected Official	\$356.54	\$9,270.00
Council President	Elected Official	\$455.39	\$11,840.00

(b) The Municipal Court Judge will receive compensation in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 1901.11.

SECTION 5. Members of the following Boards and Commissions will receive compensation as outlined in this Section.

(a) Architectural Board of Review

1. \$115.00 per meeting attended (Three members, each)
2. \$115.00 per meeting attended (Two alternate members, each – at request of ABR Secretary)

(b) Board of Zoning Appeals

1. \$115.00 per meeting attended (Five members, each)
2. \$115.00 per meeting attended (One alternate member, at request of Planning and Development Director)

(c) Civil Service Commission

1. \$115.00 per meeting attended (Three members, each)

(d) Planning Commission

1. \$115.00 per month (Seven members, each – provided the member attends at least one meeting, either regular or special, during the month)

(e) Landmark Commission

1. \$115.00 per meeting attended (Seven members, each)

SECTION 6. Police

Sworn members of the Police Division of the Department of Public Safety who are members of the police bargaining units shall have the terms, conditions, and benefits of employment as described in the current labor agreements and other related documents between the City of Cleveland Heights and the Northern Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association. A copy of the labor agreement and related documents is on file in the Office of the Mayor.

SECTION 7. Fire

Sworn members of the Fire Division of the Department of Public Safety who are represented by the International Association of Fire Fighters shall have the terms, conditions, and benefits of employment as described in the current labor agreement and other related documents between the City of Cleveland

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Heights and the International Association of Fire Fighters. The paramedic compensation, academic achievement bonus, and the clothing maintenance allowance shall apply to all sworn members of the Division. A copy of the labor agreement and other related documents are on file in the Office of the Mayor.

SECTION 8. Public Works and Parks & Recreation

Employees in the bargaining unit as described in the current labor agreement and other related documents between the City of Cleveland Heights and Laborer's International Union of North America, Laborer's Local 860 of Cleveland representing Service Employees, shall have the terms, conditions, and benefits of employment as described in said labor agreement and other related documents. A copy of the labor agreement and other related documents are on file in the Office of the Mayor. Employees may be eligible for supervisor premium pay when such duties are assumed due to absence.

SECTION 9. Vacation

(a) All full-time permanent city employees shall accrue vacation leave according to the following schedule:

ALL FULL-TIME PERMANENT CITY EMPLOYEES:

Length of Service	Accrual Per Pay Period
Up to and including the sixth year	3.08 hours
7 up to and including 12 years	4.60 hours
13 up to and including 18 years	6.20 hours
19 years or more	7.70 hours

Accrual of vacation days shall be by pay period and begin in the pay period in which the employee's first day of employment occurs. Vacation leave requests will be granted by the department heads in line with the needs of the department. To accommodate scheduling needs, vacation leave may be taken before actually accrued upon approval of the Mayor. When an employee terminates employment with the city, the Mayor shall deduct from the employee's final pay periods the number of hours of vacation leave taken but not yet accrued. No more than the amount of vacation accrued in the previous twelve-month period may be carried forward into the next calendar year. Employees shall be paid for vacation leave accrued, but unused, at the time of separation provided the paid vacation does not exceed the employee's eligible annual accrual and further provided that such employee has worked six (6) months or more.

(b) Permanent part-time employees with a base schedule of 20 or more hours per week will accrue vacation. Permanent part-time employees shall accrue hours based on the actual hours worked in the preceding pay period divided by 80 hours multiplied by the accrual per pay period.

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Period Length of Service	Accrual Per Pay
Up to and including the fourth year	1.54 hours
5 up to and including 6 years	3.08 hours
7 up to and including 11 years	4.6 hours
12 up to and including 17 years	6.2 hours
18 years or more	7.7 hours

No more than the amount of vacation accrued in the previous twelve-month period may be carried forward into the next calendar year. Exceptions to the maximum carryover amount, vacation hours payouts, and vacation hours conversion to compensatory time may be granted at the discretion of the Mayor. Employees shall be paid for vacation leave accrued, but unused, at the time of separation provided the paid vacation does not exceed the employee's eligible annual accrual and further provided that such employee has worked six (6) months or more. All other full-time employees who transfer from any public agency in the State of Ohio to the City of Cleveland Heights may receive credit for the length of their consecutive service in the former public agency, in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Code, for purposes of determining accrual of vacation leave during their employment with the City of Cleveland Heights. Accrual of vacation for transfer employees shall be determined according to the schedule set out in subsection (a). Employees who wish to receive credit for their prior public service shall obtain a certified copy of their employment record from their prior employer. Vacation leave granted under this Section shall be administered pursuant to rules adopted by the Mayor.

(c) For purposes of this Section, the hourly rate of payment for accrued vacation leave shall be determined by the following formula: annual base pay at the time of employee separation divided by 2,080 hours.

SECTION 10. Sick Leave

Full-time permanent employees may be eligible for paid sick leave. Sick leave will be accrued at the rate of 4.6 hours per pay period. Approved sick leave taken shall be charged against the employee's accumulated sick leave. The amount of unused sick leave accumulated as of December 17, 1976 by permanent full-time employees shall be determined under the applicable terms of the Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights.

Employees who transfer from any public agency in the State of Ohio to the City of Cleveland Heights may receive credit for unused sick leave accrued during such prior public employment, in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Code. Credit for accrued sick leave shall not exceed the limits specified for all other employees in subsection (a). Employees who wish to receive credit for accrued sick leave under this subsection shall obtain a certified copy of their sick leave record from their former employer within thirty (30) days of hire. Documentation received after thirty (30) days will be accepted; however, any service accrual granted will start from

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the beginning of the pay period in which the documentation is received.

All full-time, permanent employees who are in the employ of the City and who have been in the employ of the City for over ten (10) consecutive years may be eligible for payment for accrued unused sick leave earned at the City of Cleveland Heights, accumulated from January 1, 1969 upon termination of their employment for other than disciplinary reasons. The aforesaid requirement that the sick leave be earned at the City of Cleveland Heights shall apply only to employees hired after April 1, 1990. An employee shall be paid out one-quarter (.25) or 25% of sick time accumulated with a maximum of 960 hours for payout purposes. Therefore, the maximum payout that could be achieved is 240 hours.

Accrued Sick Leave	Conversion Ratio
0 - 960 Hours	1/4
961+ Hours	Not Eligible

For purposes of this Section, the hourly rate of payment for accrued sick leave shall be determined by the following formula: annual base pay at the time of termination of employment divided by 2,080 hours.

No employee shall be entitled to sick leave compensation in the event of injury, occupational disease, or sickness resulting directly and proximately from the performance of any gainful employment or self-employment other than with the City of Cleveland Heights. A determination not to provide sick leave compensation under this Section shall be made by the Mayor, who shall adopt rules relating to the making of such determination.

Sick leave granted under this Section shall be administered pursuant to rules adopted by the Mayor.

SECTION 11. Legal Holidays

(a) The following-named days shall be deemed paid holidays for all employees. No employee shall be required to work on such holidays unless it is determined by the Mayor that public necessity requires his or her services.

1. The first day of January;
2. The third Monday in January;
3. The third Monday in February;
4. The last Monday in May;
5. The nineteenth day in June;
6. The fourth day of July;
7. The first Monday in September;

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8. The eleventh day of November;
9. The fourth Thursday in November;
10. The fourth Friday in November;
11. The twenty-fifth day of December;
12. Personal Day;
13. Personal Day

(b) If any such day falls upon a Sunday, the Monday following shall be deemed to be the holiday. If any such day falls upon a Saturday, the Friday immediately preceding shall be deemed to be the holiday.

(c) Employees paid by the day or hour may be granted leaves of absence with full pay on any holiday named herein when, in the judgment of the Mayor, the public service will not be impaired by their absence.

(d) The foregoing notwithstanding, officers and employees who are exempt employees under the Fair Labor Standards Act shall receive no extra compensation if required to work on any holiday named herein.

SECTION 12. Deferred Compensation Plans

(a) The City shall sponsor a 457(b) Plan through payroll deductions, through one or more vendors subject to Council approval.

(b) The administration of the Deferred Compensation Plans shall be under the direction of a committee of three (3) members which shall include the Director of Finance, the Mayor or his or her designee, and one other employee who shall be appointed by the Mayor and shall be a participating member of the Plan. Payroll deductions shall be made in each instance by the Director of Finance.

(c) The Deferred Compensation Plans hereby authorized shall exist and serve in addition to retirement, pension or benefit systems established for the benefit of employees of the City and no deferral of income under the Deferred Compensation Plans shall effect a reduction of any retirement, pension or other benefit provided by law. However, any sum deferred under a Deferred Compensation Plan shall not be included for the purposes of any taxes withheld on behalf of any such employee, except municipal income tax.

(d) In order to encourage and reward extraordinary employee dedication and performance, the Mayor, subject to Council approval, may award a particular employee additional non-salary compensation through contributions to an employee's deferred compensation account.

SECTION 13. Work Days and Work Hours

(a) City Hall shall be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through

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Friday. Scheduling of employees to meet the needs of such hours of business shall be conducted through the Mayor.

(b) The normal work hours for employees of the following designated classifications shall be as follows:

1. Employees working in job classifications defined as exempt by the Fair Labor Standards Act, as determined by the Mayor after consultation with the Director of Law, shall work such hours as determined by the Mayor.
2. Employees working in jobs defined as non-exempt by the Fair Labor Standards Act, as determined by the Mayor after consultation with the Director of Law, shall work thirty-eight (38) hours to forty (40) hours per week as determined by the Mayor. Days of the week and work hours shall be in accordance with the needs of the city, which shall be determined by the Mayor.
3. The Clerk of Courts office shall be open from 8:30 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. or as otherwise determined by the Municipal Court Judge. Employees shall work such hours as established by the Municipal Court Judge.

SECTION 14. Health Care Insurance and Ancillary Benefits

(a) The City shall purchase or subscribe to and maintain in full force and effect for each full-time employee of the City a health care insurance plan, including medical- surgical protection, covering hospital and surgical benefits and related coverage, through one or more vendors subject to Council approval. Such health care insurance plan shall be maintained so long as such employee remains in the employ of the City. The City shall contribute eighty-eight percent (88%) of the cost of Base Plan B, and the employee shall be responsible for any costs above the amount of established employer contribution. Medical Mutual of Ohio is hereby authorized as a vendor.

(b) All full-time employees shall be offered participation in a prescription plan through one or more vendors subject to Council approval. Medical Mutual is hereby authorized as a vendor.

(c) The City shall offer dental coverage for each full-time employee from one or more vendors subject to Council approval. Such coverage shall have a maximum benefit of \$1,500 per person. Coverage shall include two (2) yearly cleanings and check-up exams and coverage of eighty percent (80%) of basic and major services, less deductibles. Orthodontia benefits for dependents age 19 or younger also shall be offered with a \$1,000 maximum benefit per dependent. Superior Dental Care is hereby authorized as a vendor.

(d) The City shall offer a vision plan for each full-time, non-bargaining,

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employee from one or more vendors subject to Council approval. VSP Vision Care is hereby authorized as a vendor.

(e) The City shall offer a Flexible Spending Account for qualified medical or dependent care expenses to be funded with employee gross earnings through one or more vendors subject to Council approval. BASIC is hereby authorized as a vendor.

(f) The City shall offer all employees access to an Employee Assistance Program. The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) provided by the City offers a range of services, including:

- Short-term counseling
- Assistance with locating reliable childcare
- Assistance with general and special educational needs
- Resources for the elderly
- No-cost attorney consultations with a discount if retained
- No-cost financial consultations
- Nutritional coaching
- Fitness coaching

Regarding health care insurance and ancillary benefits for individual, part-time employees, their availability may be determined by the Mayor pursuant to Codified Ordinance Section 139.20.

SECTION 15. Life Insurance

- (a) The City provides life insurance of \$10,000 for each full-time employee until they reach age 70.
- (b) At age 70, benefits are reduced by 35%.
- (c) At age 75, benefits are reduced an additional 20%.
- (d) Accidental death and dismemberment insurance are provided at no cost to full-time employees.
- (e) Employees have the option to buy additional term insurance through payroll deductions subject to City Council approval.

SECTION 16. Longevity Compensation

- (a) Permanent employees covered by the ordinance receive additional compensation for length of service during each biweekly pay period.

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- (b) The amount varies based on years of service for both full-time and part-time employees.
- (c) Longevity compensation takes effect for the entire pay period following the employee's anniversary.
- (d) All service on a full-time basis with the City is considered, and only full months of service are considered for credit for prior periods of employment.

SECTION 17. Overtime & Other Pay

- (a) Non-exempt employees are compensated for overtime at a rate of 1.5 times their regular hourly rate of pay for hours worked over 40 per week.
- (b) Exempt employees may be paid overtime at a rate not exceeding 1.5 times their regular rate of pay if deemed in the best interests of the City.
- (c) Notwithstanding the above, in addition to the salary provided herein, the Director of Law and the Assistant Law Directors may be compensated at an overtime rate not to exceed \$250.00 per hour for time spent representing the City in court appearances and special projects over and above normal work hours as approved by the Mayor.
- (d) The City's ADA Coordinators, designated by the Mayor, shall each be compensated at the rate of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per year for their services in that role, to be paid in equal installments across the twenty-six (26) pay periods that comprise each year.
- (e) The City's Civil Service Secretary, designated by the Mayor, shall each be compensated at the rate of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) per year for their services in that role, to be paid in equal installments across the twenty-six (26) pay periods that comprise each year.

SECTION 18. Employee Indemnification: The City complies with Chapter 2744 of the Ohio Revised Code relating to employee indemnification.

SECTION 19. Pension

- (a) All employees are covered under the Public Employees Retirement System of Ohio, unless covered by the Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund.
- (b) The City makes all required contributions to the pension system as mandated by law.

SECTION 20. Superseding Provisions: If a provision in this ordinance is covered by a separate labor agreement as described herein, the labor agreement supersedes the provision of this ordinance as it relates to employees covered by such labor agreement.

SECTION 21. Effective Date, Severability, and Repeal

- (a) The ordinance is effective at the earliest time allowed by the City

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- (b) The effective date of each provision may be separately determined in accordance with the above.
- (c) This ordinance repeals Ordinance No. 23-2025 and all related ordinances and resolutions inconsistent with this ordinance.

SECTION 22. Miscellaneous Provisions

- (a) If revenues received by the City are not sufficient to meet the foregoing salaries, all salaries may be reduced by the Mayor to a point which will not exceed the appropriated revenues of the City.
- (b) The salary of any officer or employee may, from time to time, be reduced or increased by the Mayor or their designee, but not below or above the amounts specifically fixed herein for such classifications.
- (c) Additional temporary classifications may be established by the Mayor when, in the judgement of the Mayor, job specifications and duties differ significantly from existing classifications as herein provided when a new temporary classification is warranted. The Mayor shall advise Council when such new classification is warranted with the salary being determined by using the hourly rate for the full- time position as the maximum rate.
- (d) "Maximum" and "minimum" as used in the wage and salary schedules herein are exclusive of provisions for longevity, sick leave and vacation conversion, health care, deferred compensation, and other forms of non-salary compensation for which express authority is provided by ordinance.
- (e) To reduce criminal activity and promote safe neighborhoods, the Mayor may lease or transfer City-owned property to Basic Patrol Officers and/or members of the Classified Service of the Division of Police at fair market value.
- (f) The Mayor shall have the authority, when deemed in the best interests of the City, to issue a monetary car allowance in lieu of issuing a City-owned vehicle to an employee.
- (g) The Mayor, subject to Council approval, shall have the authority, when deemed in the best interests of the City, to issue a cost of living adjustment in the form of a one-time lump sum payment to an employee.

SECTION 23. It is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION 24. Notice of the passage of this ordinance will be given by publishing the title and abstract of contents in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Ordinance to the City of Cleveland

ORDINANCE NO. 060-2026(F)

Heights website.

SECTION 25. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of public peace, health, and welfare in the City of Cleveland Heights. This emergency measure is necessary to provide adequate compensation for various officers and employees of the City to retain satisfactory personnel. If the ordinance receives an affirmative vote from five or more members elected or appointed to the Council, it will take effect immediately upon passage. Otherwise, it will take effect from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor

Ord. No. 060-2026

Exhibit 1 – Salary and Wage Schedule for permanent full- and part-time employees not covered by a Collective Bargaining Agreement

Grade	Min Annual	Min Hourly	Mid Annual	Mid Hourly	Max Annual	Max Hourly
1	\$35,006.82	\$16.83	\$41,991.04	\$20.19	\$48,996.69	\$23.56
2	\$37,856.21	\$18.20	\$45,418.88	\$21.84	\$53,002.98	\$25.48
3	\$40,705.60	\$19.57	\$48,846.72	\$23.48	\$56,987.84	\$27.40
4	\$43,554.99	\$20.94	\$52,274.56	\$25.13	\$60,994.13	\$29.32
5	\$46,425.81	\$22.32	\$55,702.40	\$26.78	\$64,978.99	\$31.24
6	\$49,275.20	\$23.69	\$59,130.24	\$28.43	\$68,985.28	\$33.17
7	\$52,124.59	\$25.06	\$62,558.08	\$30.08	\$72,970.14	\$35.08
8	\$54,973.98	\$26.43	\$65,964.50	\$31.71	\$76,976.43	\$37.01
9	\$57,823.38	\$27.80	\$69,392.34	\$33.36	\$80,961.30	\$38.92
10	\$60,694.19	\$29.18	\$72,820.18	\$35.01	\$84,967.58	\$40.85
11	\$63,543.58	\$30.55	\$76,248.02	\$36.66	\$88,952.45	\$42.77
12	\$66,392.98	\$31.92	\$79,675.86	\$38.31	\$92,958.74	\$44.69
13	\$69,242.37	\$33.29	\$83,103.70	\$39.95	\$96,943.60	\$46.61
14	\$72,113.18	\$34.67	\$86,531.54	\$41.60	\$100,949.89	\$48.53
15	\$74,962.58	\$36.04	\$89,959.38	\$43.25	\$104,934.75	\$50.45
16	\$77,811.97	\$37.41	\$93,365.79	\$44.89	\$108,941.04	\$52.38
17	\$82,096.77	\$39.47	\$98,507.55	\$47.36	\$114,939.76	\$55.26
18	\$87,795.55	\$42.21	\$105,363.23	\$50.66	\$122,930.91	\$59.10
19	\$93,515.76	\$44.96	\$112,218.91	\$53.95	\$130,922.06	\$62.94
20	\$99,214.54	\$47.70	\$119,053.17	\$57.24	\$138,913.22	\$66.79
21	\$104,934.75	\$50.45	\$125,908.85	\$60.53	\$146,904.37	\$70.63
22	\$110,633.54	\$53.19	\$132,764.53	\$63.83	\$154,895.52	\$74.47
23	\$116,332.32	\$55.93	\$139,620.21	\$67.13	\$162,886.67	\$78.31
24	\$122,052.53	\$58.68	\$146,454.46	\$70.41	\$170,877.82	\$82.15
25	\$127,751.31	\$61.42	\$153,310.14	\$73.71	\$178,868.98	\$85.99

Ord. No. 26-

Exhibit 2 – Job Classification Schedule for permanent full- and part-time employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement

Salary Grade	Position	FLSA Exempt/Non-exempt
1		
	Receptionist	Non-exempt
	Van Driver	Non-exempt
	Front Desk Assistant	Non-exempt
	Building Attendant	Non-exempt
	Cashier	Non-exempt
	Finance Clerk	Non-exempt
	Deputy Clerk of Council (Part-Time)	Non-exempt
2		
	Administrative Assistant	Non-exempt
	Mayoral Intern	Non-exempt
	Office Assistant I	Non-exempt
	Deputy Clerk I	Non-exempt
3		
	Billing Clerk	Non-exempt
	Office Assistant II	Non-exempt
	Deputy Clerk II	Non-exempt
	Permit Technician	Non-exempt
	Planning Technician	Non-exempt
4		
	Human Resources Coordinator	Non-exempt
	Office Manager	Exempt
5		
	Deputy Bailiff	Non-exempt
	Special Projects Coordinator	Non-exempt
	Public Works Response Specialist	Non-exempt
	Secretary to Director	Non-exempt
6		
	Accounts Payable Coordinator	Non-exempt
	Camera Operator	Non-exempt
	Audio Engineer	Non-exempt
	City Planner I	Non-exempt
	Community Services Specialist	Non-exempt
	Information Systems Technician	Non-exempt
	Paralegal	Non-exempt
7		
	Accountant I	Non-exempt

Salary Grade	Position	FLSA Exempt/Non-exempt
	Special Events Coordinator	Non-exempt
	Housing Property/Bldg. Inspector I	Non-exempt
	Housing Rehab Specialist	Non-exempt
	Housing Specialist	Non-exempt
	Planning Clerk	Non-exempt
	Payroll Administrator	Non-exempt
	Planning/Zoning Inspector	Non-exempt
	Probation Officer	Non-exempt
	Utility Inspector	Non-exempt
8		
	Central Purchasing Administrator	Exempt
	Chief Deputy Clerk	Non-exempt
	Economic Development Specialist	Exempt
	Horticulturist	Exempt
	Housing Court Representative/Inspector	Non-exempt
	Housing Investigator/Inspector	Non-exempt
	Housing Program Coordinator	Non-exempt
	Housing Property/Bldg. Inspector II	Non-exempt
	Youth Program Coordinator	Exempt
	Supervisor - Fitness Center	Exempt
	Supervisor - General Recreation	Exempt
	Supervisor - Ice & Aquatics	Exempt
	Supervisor - Sports Programs	Exempt
	Supervisor - Office on Aging	Exempt
Supervisor - Utilities Administration	Exempt	
9		
	Accountant II	Exempt
	Application Support Manager	Exempt
	Assistant Commissioner	Exempt
	Assistant General Manager - Cain Park	Exempt
	Chief Probation Officer	Exempt
	City Planner II	Exempt
	Communications Specialist I	Exempt
	Construction Inspector/Engineer	Non-exempt
	Executive Assistant	Exempt
	Housing Property/Bldg. Inspector III	Exempt
	Human Resources Generalist	Exempt
	Production Manager - Cain Park	Exempt
	Marketing/Communications Specialist	Exempt
	Police Academy Instructor	Non-exempt
Senior Housing Rehab Specialist	Exempt	

Salary Grade	Position	FLSA Exempt/Non-exempt
10		
	Chief Bailiff	Exempt
	Clerk of Council	Exempt
	Community Planner	Exempt
	Housing Property/Bldg. Inspector IV	Exempt
	Mayor's Action Center Coordinator	Exempt
11		
	Financial Analyst	Exempt
	GIS Coordinator - Planner I	Exempt
	Supervisor - Forestry	Exempt
	Supervisor-Property Maintenance	Exempt
	Supervisor - Sanitation	Exempt
	Supervisor - Sewer	Exempt
	Supervisor - Streets	Exempt
	Supervisor - Vehicle Maintenance	Exempt
12	IT Analyst	Exempt
	Strategic Initiative Manager	Exempt
	Chief Housing Inspector	Exempt
	Digital & TV Program Coordinator	Exempt
	Communications Specialist II	Exempt
13		
	Organizational Performance Coordinator	Exempt
	Sustainability & Resiliency Coordinator	Exempt
	Utilities Commissioner	Exempt
14	Capital Projects Manager	Exempt
14	Facilities Superintendent	Exempt
15		
	Information Systems Manager	Exempt
16		
	Assistant Director - Community Services	Exempt
	Clerk of Courts	Exempt
17		
	Assistant Director - Parks & Recreation	Exempt
	Assistant Director - Community Development	Exempt
	Assistant Director - Economic Development	Exempt
	Assistant Director - Housing	Exempt
	Assistant Director - Planning	Exempt
	Building Commissioner	Exempt
18		
	Assistant Director – Human Resources	Exempt

Salary Grade	Position	FLSA Exempt/Non-exempt
	Assistant Director - Public Works	Exempt
	Assistant Director - Finance	Exempt
	Assistant Director - Law	Exempt
	Deputy Director-Law	Exempt
	Assistant Director/Assistant Prosecutor-Law	Exempt
	Court Administrator	Exempt
	Magistrate	Exempt
19	General Manager - Cain Park	Exempt
	Director - Community Services	Exempt
	Director - Parks & Recreation	Exempt
20		
	Assistant Chief - Fire	Exempt
	Assistant Chief - Police	Exempt
	Director -Human Resources	Exempt
21		
	Director - Information Technology	Exempt
	Director - Planning Neighborhoods & Development	Exempt
	Director - Public Works	Exempt
22		
	Director - Finance	Exempt
23		
	Director - Law	Exempt
	Chief - Fire	Exempt
	Chief - Police	Exempt
24		
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25		
	City Administrator	Exempt

Aquatics

Position	Minimum	Maximum
Assistant Supervisor	11.00/hour	17.00/hour
Aquatic Program Supervisor	11.00/hour	15.00/hour
Cashier	11.00/hour	14.00/hour
Guard	14.00/hour	16.00/hour
Guard w/ A.L.S certification	14.00/hour	17.00/hour
Head Guard	14.00/hour	18.00/hour
Head Cashier	11.00/hour	15.00/hour
Head Coach (Summer)	364.14/ Per biweekly Pay Period	573.68/Per biweekly pay period
Head Coach (Assistant)	260.10/Per biweekly pay period	57.68/Per biweekly pay period
Learn to Swim Coordinator	260.10/Per season	573.68/Per season
Preschool Learn to Swim Coordinator	260.10/Per season	573.68/Per season
Pool Attendant	11.00/hour	14.00/hour
Pool Maintenance	11.00/hour	14.00/hour
Pool Manager	18.00/hour	23.00/hour
Private Instructor Fee	2/3 of private instruction fees charged and collected	
Water Aerobics Instructor	182.07/per session	286.84/session

Ice Rink

Position	Minimum	Maximum
Cashier	11.00/hour	14.00/hour
Hockey Director	2,184.84/per season	2,300.00/per season
Ice Safety Guard	11.00/hour	14.00/hour
Ice Professional Private	90% of private instruction fees charged and collected. Or a flat fee of \$75.00 (if instructor teaches a minimum of four Learn to Skate classes per session) or \$150.00 (if instructor does not teach or is no longer available for the minimum number of Learn to Skate classes)	
Ice Professional Group	16.65/hour	57.31/hour
Learn to Skate Coordinator	208.08/per week	520.00/per week
Office Assistant	11.00/hour	14.00/hour
Supervisor – Assistant	11.00/hour	15.76/hour
Supervisor – Head	11.00/hour	18.22/hour

Sports Programs (Youth and Adult)

Position	Minimum	Maximum
Private Instructor Fee (Tennis)	2/3 of private instructions; Fees charged and collected	
Summer Basketball Coordinator	13.53/hour	20.11/hour
Summer Basketball Counselor	11.44/hour	16.55/hour

Position	Minimum	Maximum
Youth Hockey Coach	11.00/hour or 2,750.00/per season	22.96/hour or 4,592.00/per season
Youth Hockey Program Coordinator	11.00/hour or 2,750.00/per season	22.96/hour or 4,265.00/per season
Youth Hockey Skating Instructor	11.00/hour	45.92/hour
Basketball Supervisor	11/hour or 572.00/per season	13.91/hour or 2,296.00/per season
Basketball Coordinator	11/hour or 2,200/winter or 2,750.00/summer	22.96/hour or 3,171.00/winter or 4,318.00/summer
Girls Softball League Supervisor	11.00/hour or 1,133/summer	13.78/hour or 2,296.00/per season
Youth Baseball League Supervisor	11.00/hour or 1,133/summer	13.78/hour or 2,870.00/per season
League/Program/Camp Assistant	11.00/hour	12.00/hour
Sports Camp Supervisor/Instructor	11.00/hour 2,750.00/ per season	13.91/hour or 1,148.00/per season
Sports Coordinator	11.00/hour	23.65/hour
Sports Program Assistant	11.00/hour	13.50/hour
Sports Coordinator	11.00/hour	23.65/hour
Sports Supervisor	11.00/hour	23.65/hour
Tennis Court Attendant	11.00/hour	12.00/hour
Tennis Lesson Instructor	11.00/hour	18.22/hour
Tennis Program Coordinator	2,601.00/per season	4,489.45/per season
Umpire	11.00/hour	23.65/hour

Position	Minimum	Maximum
League/Program Supervisor	11.00/hour 1,133/per season	22.96/hour or 2,296.00/per season
Softball Umpire-In-Chief / Assistant Umpire in Chief	11.00/hour 1,133/per season	22.96/hour/ or 1,722.00/per season

Fieldhouse/Fitness Center

Position	Min	Max
Fitness Center Assistant	11.00/hour	12.00/hour
Fitness Center Coordinator	11.00/hour	14.00/hour
Fieldhouse Instructor / Aerobics Instructor	11.00/hour	14.50/hour
Front Desk Assistant	11.00/hour	14.39/hour
Personal Trainer	11.00/hour or 70% of rate charged by trainer	12.64/hour or 70% of rate of charged by trainer
Head of Personal Training Services	Additional 5% of total personal training program revenue (3% City portion/ 2% Trainer portion) for administration of the program.	

General

Position	Minimum	Maximum
Security Guard	11.00/hour	11.50/hour
Security Assistant	11.00/hour	13.50/hour
School Crossing Guard	44.00/day (based on 4-hour day) or 11.00/hour	

Proposed: 03/16/2026

RESOLUTION NO. 064-2026(MSES), *First Reading*

By Mayor Petras

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District and Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District to provide services necessary for compliance with Minimum Control Measures #1 and #2 of the Ohio EPA National EPA National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit; and declaring the necessity that this legislation be effective immediately as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the Ohio EPA issues a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems General Permit (“NPDES MS4 Permit”) necessary for the operation and maintenance of the City’s storm sewer system;

WHEREAS, the City is required to provide Public Involvement and Public Education (“PIPE”) programming to comply with the NPDES MS4 Permit’s Phase II Minimum Control Measures #1 and #2;

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (“NEORS”) is required to provide Phase II stormwater regulation support services to the City as a member community under Title V of the NEORS Regional Stormwater Management Code and, pursuant to Board Resolution No. 17-26, is authorized to provide PIPE program services (“Services”) through a five-year tripartite agreement with the City and Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District (“SWCD”); and

WHEREAS, this Council believes it is in the City’s best interest to enter into such an agreement with NEORS and SWCD to provide those Services

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with NEORS and SWCD to provide PIPE services for a term beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2030, in an amount not to exceed Six Thousand, Six Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$6,600.00) annually, which shall be payable to SWCD and reimbursed by NEORS.

SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

RESOLUTION NO. 064-2026(MSES)

SECTION 3. Notice of passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to immediately provide for the proper and efficient operation of the City's stormwater sewer system. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and become immediately effective upon its passage; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____

Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor



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February 19, 2026

Hon. Mayor Jim Petras
City of Cleveland Heights
(Letter via Email)

Re: 2026–2030 Memorandum of Understanding Agreement Renewal of PIPE Services (NPDES Phase II Permit, Minimum Control Measures #1 and #2)

Dear Mayor,

Since 2017 your community has partnered with Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) and the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) for services related to your community's mandated Public Involvement and Public Education (PIPE) program under the Ohio EPA Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit.

Under the MS4 Permit, your community is required to develop, implement, and enforce a Stormwater Management Plan that addresses six Minimum Control Measures, two of which are:

- MCM #1: Public Education and Outreach
- MCM #2: Public Participation and Involvement

Together MCM #1 and #2 make up the PIPE Program (Public Involvement, Public Education). Criteria for the PIPE Program is to identify stormwater pollution concerns, have measurable goals, reach a variety of audiences, actively involve potentially affected stakeholder groups, and evaluate the program's success. All of this must be reported annually to Ohio EPA.

Through a five-year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Cuyahoga SWCD implements your community's annual PIPE Program. Enclosed you will find the 2026–2030 MOU for Cuyahoga SWCD to continue providing PIPE Program services through December 31st, 2030. The annual cost for the PIPE Program is \$6,600.00, which is invoiced annually and eligible for reimbursement by NEORS.

Upon signing and execution of the 2026–2030 MOU, Cuyahoga SWCD will submit the 2026 invoice for services. After payment is received by Cuyahoga SWCD, a reimbursement request will be submitted to NEORS on your community's behalf. Payments received before July 2026 will be submitted for reimbursement on a monthly basis, then quarterly July–December 2026. See the enclosed flow chart for a summary of the 2026 PIPE Program Administration, including target completion dates.



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Cuyahoga SWCD is requesting the 2026–2030 MOU to be signed by your community and returned by Friday, March 13th, 2026. Please contact us if your community's administrative policies will not allow you to sign the MOU by this date.

Please feel free to contact Jared Bartely, Deputy Director of Watershed & Education Programs, or myself if you have any questions or if there is any additional information we can provide. We appreciate your ongoing partnership in educating and engaging your community in stormwater awareness and environmental stewardship.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Fitzgerald".

Kristin Hall Fitzgerald
Executive Director

CC:

Jared Bartley, Deputy Director Watershed & Education Programs
Teresa Haendiges, Fiscal & Administrative Specialist
Christina Znidarsic, Board Chair



PIPE Program

Stormwater Public Involvement & Public Education in Your Community

Cuyahoga SWCD's PIPE Program is designed to fulfill three overall objectives:



Minimum Standards

Over the course of the five-year permit cycle, your community is required, at a minimum, to:

- reach 50 percent of its population with a targeted message,
- conduct at least five public involvement activities,
- develop an annual outreach strategy, and
- evaluate the effectiveness of individual activities and of the Public Involvement and Public Education program as a whole.



Intent of the Permit

The intent of the municipal stormwater permit is to reduce water pollution from stormwater runoff in the community. This means that PIPE Program activities should ultimately lead to a voluntary change of behavior, from that which negatively impacts local water quality to behavior that has a positive impact. Cuyahoga SWCD identifies specific behaviors that impact stormwater quality and focuses on reducing barriers to changing these behaviors.



Community Priorities

Each community has its own unique set of stormwater issues such as stream bank erosion, flooding and water quality. A community's Engineer, Service Department and elected officials are often highly aware of these issues, since residents bring them directly to their attention. Please let us know if there are specific issues or areas of your community that you would like to see addressed by the PIPE program.



PIPE Program

Stormwater Public Involvement & Public Education in Your Community

Cuyahoga SWCD PIPE Program Deliverables

Annual Outreach Strategy Document

Presentations to Community and School Groups

Mailing of Educational Materials to Target Audiences (10%/year)

Annual Outreach Poster for display in the Community

Stormwater Education Page on Cuyahoga SWCD web site

Print & Digital Materials for distribution via web and social media, and at Community Buildings

Backyard Conservation Workshops: Rain Barrels, Green Cleaning, Rain Gardens

Stream & Community Cleanups, Tree Planting Events, Conservation Pledges

Ohio EPA Reporting: Direct Entry of MCM 1&2 Activities in OEPA's STREAMS Reporting System

Community Support during OEPA Audits

2026-2030 PIPE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION



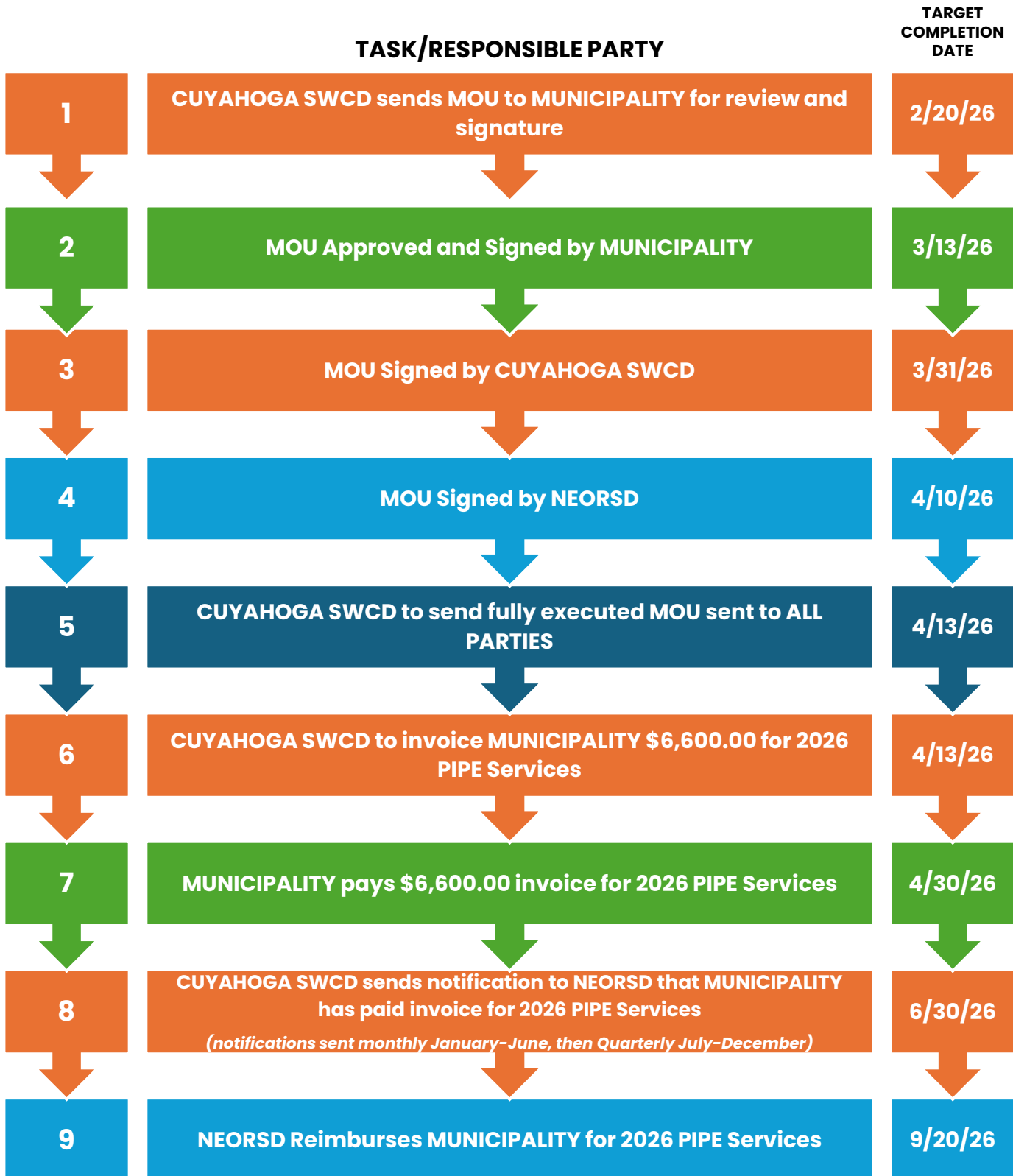
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- NEORS



- MUNICIPALITY





Memorandum

Date: 3/4/26

To: Law Department

From: Deanna Bremer Fisher, Performance Coordinator

Subject: NOPEC Energized Community Grant Legislation Request

Purpose Statement:

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to take all actions necessary to apply for and accept one or more Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) 2026 Energized Community Grants;and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as anemergency measure.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: No:

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why?

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why?

If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: No:

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?

Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council(NOPEC)

Proposed: 03/16/2026

ORDINANCE NO. 056-2026(MSES), *Second Reading*

By Mayor Petras

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to take all actions necessary to apply for and accept one or more Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council 2026 Energized Community Grants; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio (the "City") is a member of the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council ("NOPEC") and is eligible for one or more NOPEC Energized Community Grant(s) for 2026 ("NEC Grants") as provided for in the NEC Grant Program Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City and its residents to enter into an agreement with NOPEC upon terms substantially similar to those contained in the draft agreement on file with the Clerk of Council to receive one or more NEC Grants.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City to enter into a Grant Agreement with NOPEC to accept any available NEC Grant funds for 2026, and authorizes the Mayor to apply for and execute a Grant Agreement upon terms substantially similar to those contained in the draft agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A to accept all NEC Grant funds awarded.

SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3. Notice of the passage of this Ordinance shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective as an emergency measure for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to meet the grant program deadlines. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

ORDINANCE NO. 056-2026(MSES)

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor

January 21, 2026

DR. WILLIAM KOONS
Chair

CHUCK KEIPER
Executive Director and CEO

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Mayor Petras
City of Cleveland Heights
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Cleveland Heights OH, 44118

Dear Mayor Petras:

Congratulations! The City of Cleveland Heights has been awarded a NOPEC Energized Community (NEC) grant of \$116,816 for 2026.

NOPEC* and our supply partner NextEra Energy value your community's membership and are awarding this grant to help your community to continue your energy efficiency projects to achieve future savings on your utility bills. Please accept your 2026 NEC Grant award by completing your community profile by June 30, 2026.

Later this week, you'll receive an e-mail with detailed instructions on how to access your community's grant information. NOPEC's Director of Economic Development and Community Investment, Jessica Renner, is available by email at grants@nopecinc.org or by phone at 440-249-7072.

We look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,



Chuck Keiper
Executive Director

*The NEC grant program is funded and administered by NOPEC, Inc., under agreement with Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC).



Memorandum

Date: 3/4/26

To: Law Department

From: Josie Moore, Office of the Mayor

Subject: Opt-in natural gas program

Purpose Statement:

To authorize the establishment of an opt-in natural gas aggregation program through NOPEC, allowing Cleveland Heights residents and businesses to voluntarily enroll without a waiting period, while preserving the opt-out status of those who previously declined participation.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: No:

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why?

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why?

If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: No:

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?

N/A

Proposed: 03/16/2026

ORDINANCE NO. 057-2026(MSES), *First Reading*

By Mayor Petras

An Ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to establish an opt-in natural gas program pursuant to Section 4929.27(A)(1), Ohio Revised Code, jointly through NOPEC as a NOPEC member; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City Cleveland Heights, Ohio ("City"), has previously established an "opt-out" natural gas aggregation program pursuant to Section 4929.26, Ohio Revised Code, for its residents, businesses, and other consumers located within the City jointly through NOPEC as a NOPEC member; and

WHEREAS, to expand the natural gas supply options available to residents, businesses and other consumers within the City of Cleveland Heights, the City wishes to establish an "opt-in" natural gas aggregation program pursuant to Section 4929.27(A)(1), Ohio Revised Code (the "Opt-In Natural Gas Aggregation Program") for its residents, businesses and other consumers located within the City and, for that purpose, to act jointly with any other city, village, city, municipal corporation, county or other political subdivision of the State of Ohio, as permitted by law; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to conduct the Opt-In Natural Gas Aggregation Program jointly through NOPEC as a NOPEC member.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA, AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby approves and authorizes the establishment of an Opt-In Natural Gas Aggregation Program in the City jointly through NOPEC as a NOPEC member and adopts this Ordinance pursuant to the authority contained in Section 4929.27(A)(1), Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 2. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City, and in order to maximize the potential benefits of gas deregulation through the NOPEC Opt-In Natural Gas Aggregation Program of NOPEC, as provided herein. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the

ORDINANCE NO. 057-2026(MSES)

members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor

Natural Gas Opt In

Providing additional consumer protection for your residents.

What is it?

Every NOPEC Natural Gas Aggregation member community has a NOPEC Plan of Operations and Governance (POG) on file with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO). This POG outlines the opt-out process for eligible customers in your community. It does not currently facilitate an efficient process for eligible customers that have opted-out to re-enroll with NOPEC. The newly amended POG outlines an opt-in process that makes it easier and quicker for customers to return to NOPEC.

Why is it needed?

We frequently hear reports of customers being lured away from NOPEC by for-profit energy companies that offer low introductory prices and incentives only to realize later they are paying a much higher rate. These customers want to return to NOPEC but are not aggregation eligible while under contract with another supplier. Under the current POG, individuals that have opted out are required to wait months or years for the next open NOPEC enrollment period to be eligible to rejoin the aggregation.

As competition continues to increase in the energy market, this has become a more frequent occurrence. To help, NOPEC has created a newly amended POG that includes an "opt in" option, making it easier for residents and small businesses to come back to NOPEC with a simple phone call to our Customer Care Center.

Ohio law requires your community to authorize the Opt-in Natural Gas Program and approve the amended POG before this change in process can be implemented in your community.

Current POG

Can take up to 2 years for returning customers to re-enroll after opting out.



Newly Amended POG

Returning customers can re-enroll faster with one phone call.

Natural Gas Opt In

Frequently Asked Questions

Why should we approve an Opt-in Natural Gas Program and amend our Natural Gas POG?

Your community's current POG on file with the PUCO only outlines the option for customers to opt-out of the aggregation program. It does not provide a quick and easy way for eligible customers to change their minds and re-enroll. By approving an opt-in natural gas program and the newly amended POG outlining both opt-out and opt-in processes, it will be easier and quicker for residents and small businesses that have previously opted out to opt back in with a simple phone call.

What is the benefit to our residents?

Under the current POG, if an eligible customer opts out of NOPEC they are ineligible to rejoin the aggregation until the next open enrollment period which occurs every two years for natural gas. Depending on when the customer opted out, this means they may have to wait up to two years to be eligible to rejoin the aggregation.

The newly amended POG allows eligible customers that have previously opted out to immediately re-enroll with NOPEC by calling our 24/7 Customer Care Center.

Under the new POG, how quickly can residents re-enroll?

Eligible customers that have previously opted out can re-enroll in NOPEC with a simple phone call to our 24/7 Customer Care Center. Any switch in supplier, however, can take up to one to two billing cycles for the utility to process.

What specific changes were made to the new POG?

The new POG states that NOPEC's Natural Gas Program includes both an opt-out and opt-in option; changes numbering and similar grammatical corrections to clarify which provisions of the POG apply to the opt-out program and to clarify which apply to the opt-in program. New paragraphs 2.5 and 2.6 have the most changes, including details of the new opt-in program.

What does our community need to do to approve the new opt-in Natural Gas Program and amended POG?

The approval process is easy. Your NOPEC Relationship Manager is available to help you throughout the process. After Council approves the opt-in natural gas program, the PUCO requires two public hearings to be held prior to formal approval. Your Relationship Manager will work with you to schedule and facilitate these public hearings. Once formally approved, NOPEC will file your community's legislation approving the Opt-in Natural Gas Program and the new POG with the PUCO.



Date: March 16, 2026

To: City Council

From: Eric Zamft, Director of Planning, Neighborhoods & Development

Subject: Amending an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. – Housing Needs Assessment

Purpose Statement: To authorize an amendment to an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. to prepare a Housing Needs Assessment.

On November 3, 2025, Council authorized the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to prepare a Housing Needs Assessment for the City of Cleveland Heights for an amount not to exceed \$94,196 (Resolution No. 223-2025). A contract for that amount was executed on November 15, 2025 and a project kick-off occurred prior to the end of 2025. As the project has progressed, City staff and the Consultant have discussed a number of additional tasks that would be valuable for the project. Staff requested a proposal for such work, which was provided by Stantec on February 27, 2026.

The additional tasks, as highlighted in the proposal are:

- Prepare Local Housing Stories (\$4,000) – *As part of Stantec’s original proposal there was an optional task to chronicle (Task 3I on Page 17 of their proposal. This task would involve profiling the housing challenges faced by two to three Cleveland Heights households (in an anonymous way). Staff has found that humanizing data and information can be valuable for better understanding of the challenges (and potential solutions).*
- Evaluate Arts Housing and Other Space Needs (\$11,500) – *One of the reasons why the Stantec team was selected was due to its inclusion of Square Loop Planning as a sub-consultant. Square Loop Planning has extensive experience with artists and artist housing in particular (staff members formerly worked for the national organization ArtSpace). In discussing important stakeholders for the Housing Needs Assessment, the creative community was identified. Since artists have unique needs (not just housing, but space in general), Square Loop identified a dedicated effort to meet with and engage that community, that could then be integrated back into the overall Assessment. As a community that prides itself as a home to arts, staff felt that this is an important component to include. The proposal details the depth of that additional work.*

The cost of these additional services would total \$15,500. Budget is available for these additional tasks (and therefore does not require additional general funds), as follows:

- \$5,750 from CDBG
- \$9,750 from Planning consultant line (101.5101.2055.0)

The legislation would be to authorize the Mayor to amend the agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to prepare a Housing Needs Assessment for the City of Cleveland Heights to include the two (2) additional tasks – and increasing the overall not to exceed amount from \$94,196 to \$109,696.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: _____ No: X

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: X No: _____

If yes, why? It would allow the amended contract to be signed and the additional tasks to be integrated as early as possible with the overall project.

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: _____ No: X

If yes, why?

If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: X No: _____

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?



AUTHORIZATION FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES

		Date	27 February 2026
"Stantec"	Stantec Consulting Services Inc	Stantec Project #	190300665
		Stantec Pipeline #	1109272
	733 Marquette Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55402		
	Ph: (612) 712-2154		
	email: tom.leighton@stantec.com		
Client	City of Cleveland Heights	Client Project #	Client Proj. No.
	40 Severance Circle, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118		
	Ph: (216) 291-4878		
	email: ezamft@clevelandheights.gov		
Project Name and Location:	Cleveland Heights Housing Needs Assessment, Cleveland Heights, OH	Change Order #	001

This is authorization for Stantec to perform additional services on the project as noted above.

- A. Stantec agrees to perform the following additional service(s):
 1. Establish Artist Steering Committee
 2. Facilitate up to 4 Focus Groups/ In Person Visit/ Tour
 3. Post Visit Summary Findings/ Site Feedback
 4. Local Housing Stories

[Items 1, 2, and 3 are described in more detail in the attached. The Local Housing Stories service is described as an optional task on Page 17 of Stantec's original proposal.]
- B. Client agrees to compensate Stantec for such additional services in accordance with the terms of the initial agreement for additional amount(s) stated below:
\$15,500
- C. All other terms and conditions of the original agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

Effect on Schedule: None.

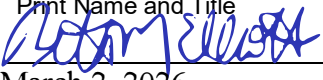
By signing below, the parties agree and affirm that each has reviewed and understands the provisions set out above and that each party shall be bound by each and all of said provisions. A copy of this agreement shall serve and may be relied upon as an original.

Stantec Consulting Services Inc

City of Cleveland Heights

Beth Elliott, Principal

 Print Name and Title

Signature 

Date Signed: March 2, 2026

Justin L. Hines, Assistant Director of Law

 Print Name and Title

Signature _____

Date Signed: _____

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Signature _____

Date Signed: _____



Cleveland Heights Expanded Artist Housing Scope Proposal

Square Loop Planning proposes a tailored scope of work to support the Housing Needs Assessment Study underway with Stantec in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

We anticipate this additional work will allow us to dive into the space needs of the creative sector more thoroughly and to assess the feasibility of an artist housing project in Cleveland Heights. As currently scoped, we can host one conversation/workshop with artists/creatives to discuss their interest in creative space/housing, but would rely on the city's support to fill this session.

An expanded scope would allow for more in -depth conversations, discussion around funding potential, and trust -building with the local creative community.

We anticipate this scope of work to be hybrid with one in -person trip at the end of June to coincide with the community meeting conducted by the Stantec team.

Scope of Work:

The visit and ensuing report elements are also intended to help Cleveland Heights understand and explore key elements that determine feasibility of an artist mixed -use project (project concept, potential neighborhoods, creative space needs, funding and financing, local leadership, and alignment with broader community goals).

1. Establish Artist Housing Steering Committee
 - a. Work with the City of Cleveland Heights and local arts organizations to establish a 3-6 member steering committee (separate from the TAC). The committee will review visit preparation materials, and articulate goals for the visit, and help with invitations for focus groups/meetings. Most importantly the steering committee will help us with outreach & network input. They will review outreach lists for focus groups; help identify and invite artists, arts organizations, and community creatives; share posts on social media; and tell us how best to reach more artists and promote our study meetings.
 - i. 2 calls with this steering committee - one overview and planning and one pre-visit logistics.
2. Facilitate **up to 4** Focus Groups/ In Person Visit/ Tour

- a. Two 1.5 Hour Artist/Arts Organization Workshops (One Virtual and One In Person)

One virtual focus group ahead of the in person visit using the Menti.com platform for interactive real time feedback.

 - i. Attendees: Artists, Creatives, and Arts Organizations. e.g. A diverse cross section of people working in the arts, creative and cultural industries, and arts-compatible community organizations. Participants should represent a diversity of perspectives, in terms of arts discipline, career stage, age, ethnic and cultural background, as well as a balance between individual artists and organizations. This meeting focuses on articulating different types of project concepts, understanding current space needs, understanding the market for a new arts facility, and collecting feedback about the creative sector's current assets, challenges and opportunities.

- b. In-person tour of 3-5 potential neighborhoods/sites for new construction or building reuse. This tour should also include a tour of existing arts districts, existing assets, and facilities as well as a general tour of the priority area(s) under consideration for new artist spaces. Our feedback will include a general understanding of which of these sites/areas would most align with the artist feedback we receive from our workshops and offer ideas for what these spaces could be.

- c. In person or virtual *Equity in Space* focus group conversation or luncheon with diverse leaders and artists representing the BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) community. The conversation and breakout sessions focus on issues relating to access and equity in creative spaces.

- d. Facilitate up to **two** additional focus group meetings (can be one in person and one virtual) to understand the priorities, interests, community goals, and space needs of each stakeholder group. Each meeting includes a short presentation to introduce the artist housing mixed -use concept and a facilitated discussion. Focus group meetings educate about arts facility development, elicit feedback, and provide a platform for questions, concerns and support. The two additional focus group meetings typically include the following stake holder groups:
 - i. **Civic Leadership/ Community Developers** . e.g. Key City, County and/or State staff and elected officials, as well as leaders from other community groups such as a chamber of commerce, tourism board, main street organization, housing authority, community developers, affordable housing developers etc. This meeting focuses on civic involvement, a shared vision for development, current initiatives, and complementary community goals, and ways the development community can fill the creative space needs. We provide national examples of programs to fill vacant ground floor spaces, infill artist housing projects, and larger affordable housing projects.
 - ii. **Funding and Financing Leadership** e.g. Local public and private funders, economic development officials, local community foundations, and representatives from local banks and businesses. This meeting focuses

on how affordable mixed -use arts facilities are developed and sustained as well as available funding sources and tools for predevelopment and development; and potential partners/ tenants/ programs that will bolster the project's sustainable community impact;

- e. Wrap-up meeting with Steering Committee/City partners to discuss findings and initial impressions from the visit/ engagement and ideas for where creative spaces could weave into Cleveland Heights.
- f. If planning to include a local stories component - Aneesha will interview 1-2 artists about their living conditions to highlight the need for artist housing/ establish the narrative about where creatives may be living in Cleveland Heights.

3. Post-Visit

- a. Compile notes and perform any necessary additional research/ phone calls with arts/funding/developer representatives.
- b. Incorporate findings/feedback into the Stantec Housing Needs Assessment Deliverables.

Expanded Scope Budget

Square Loop Planning	Aneesha Marwah	Estimated totals
Billing Rate	\$150/hour	
1. Artist Steering Committee Prep, Visit Agenda/ Plan	10	\$1,500
2. Focus Groups (4) includes in person time	25	\$3,750
3. Post Visit Summary Findings/ Site Feedback	20	\$3,000
Optional Equity in Space Convo	5	\$750
Integration with Housing Study (Stantec PM time)		\$500
Total Estimated Hours/ Fee	60	\$9,500
Travel Cost (2 night trip)	N/A	\$2,000
Estimated Fee (with travel)		\$11,500

Fee Note: Travel to Cleveland Heights for a two day, two night visit is priced at \$2,000 inclusive of all travel expenses including hotel accommodations, meals, car rental.

Project Examples:

1) Creative Space Market Analysis - Space to Create // Grand Junction, CO (2022 -2023)

Client: Artspace Projects, Inc. and Square Loop Planning | Partner Organizations: Downtown Grand Junction, GJ Creates, Headwaters Housing Partners

Aneesha managed the consulting work while at Artspace in [Downtown Grand Junction](#) (DTGJ), with Headwaters Housing Partners, and [GJ Creates](#). Artspace was hired to analyze the market demand for new affordable housing and workspaces for artists working in Grand Junction on the former Greyhound Bus Station site as part of the new [Space to Create](#) initiative. This work included focus groups, a Creative Space Market Study informed through a survey and data analysis, and a workshop on improving space utilization in downtown Grand Junction with area nonprofits and creative businesses. The survey was launched through creative engagement means and had the youngest turnout of any of the 40+ surveys conducted by Artspace. The data informed the size and scale of The Terminal project concept and started an interest list for people and organizations interested in leasing space once the building is open in 2026. She also worked on the statewide Colorado Space to Create Initiative in Grand Lake, Salida, Paonia, and Carbondale.

References:

Dave Goe, Community Engagement Manager, Downtown Grand Junction
dave@downtowngj.org

DiAnn Butler, Town of Grand Lake - Current Client
dbutler@co.grand.co.us

2) Newark Creative Space Accelerator Program // Newark, New Jersey

Client: Artspace Projects, Inc. | Partner Organizations: Bloomberg Associates, City of Newark Arts and Cultural Affairs Department

The City of Newark's Creative Space Accelerator was designed by Aneesha Marwah while at Artspace as a technical assistance program to support Newark - based arts and culture organizations undertaking capital projects related to their facilities and creative spaces. The Accelerator offered six months of training workshops and one -on-one consulting with Artspace Consulting. Five Newark -based arts and culture organizations were selected through a competitive process to participate in the program. Before the selection, Aneesha hosted virtual public meetings for the Newark arts and culture and entrepreneurial industries and brought on guests from Newark Arts and Invest Newark in addition to city stakeholders. She also developed

the selection criteria for the program. The overall goal for this program was to find potential arts and culture tenants for underutilized spaces and give them the tools to operate sustainably in those spaces.

Reference: David Andersson, Bloomberg Associates: dandersson@bloomberg.org

3) Citywide Cultural Space Audit Facilitation // Pittsburgh, PA

Client: Artspace Projects, Inc. | Partner Organizations: Heinz Endowment, Pittsburgh Glass Center

Pittsburgh Glass Center (PGC) invited 28 arts organizations and arts organizers to attend a convening in 2020 facilitated by Aneesha, Director of Artspace Consulting to discuss the space needs of small and mid-sized arts organizations in the City of Pittsburgh. Aneesha developed the following methodology to inform a thorough analysis of the space needs of Pittsburgh's arts ecosystem.

- *Workshop convening with 28 small to mid-sized arts organizations*
- *Individual interviews with six arts and services organizations/businesses*
- *Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats (SWOT) analysis*
- *Haves/Needs Matchmaking Exercise and Database*
- *Creative Space Needs Questionnaire*

The report findings were intended to help guide the conversation locally around what spaces are needed and where spaces can be better utilized and what types of space are needed in the market that don't currently exist. The Heinz Endowment supported this work.

Reference: Heather McElwee

Executive Director, Pittsburgh Glass Center
heather@pittsburghglasscenter.org

4) Mount Clemens, MI – Creative Space and Housing Market Survey & Feasibility Study

Client: Artspace Projects, Inc. | Partner Organizations: Anton Art Center, Mount Clemens DDA, City of Mount Clemens, and others

As part of a multi-phase engagement by Artspace, Aneesha Marwah contributed to a comprehensive market survey assessing demand for a proposed mixed-use creative space development in downtown Mount Clemens, Michigan. This six-week public survey, launched in February 2020 with a kickoff at the Anton Art Center, gathered data from artists, arts organizations, and creative businesses to determine need for affordable live/work housing, studio space, and shared creative facilities.

The project built on a prior 2019 Preliminary Feasibility Study and informed next-phase decisions including site selection, concept design, space allocation, and key amenities. Survey results helped guide community partners in evaluating the viability of a new Artspace development in the region and provided critical insight into artist housing and workspace needs in the Mount Clemens area.

3I: Local Housing Stories (Optional Task)

Conveying the housing stories of residents is a way to complement and humanize the information from the housing research and analysis, building empathy for the challenges that many face in today's housing market. In this optional task, we would profile the housing challenges faced by two to three Cleveland Heights households, anonymizing identifying details. The stories would be included on the StoryMap website.

● TASK 3 DELIVERABLES

Having completed much of the research and analysis related to the Cleveland Heights economic, demographic, and housing context, Stantec will capture the analysis in the following two forms.

- » **Document:** We will present the research and analysis in a slide-doc deliverable that provides information through charts, graphs, maps, and simple narrative.
- » **Online StoryMap:** We will present selected information in an online StoryMap format, describing key demographic, economic, and housing-related characteristics of Cleveland Heights to the general public.

Task 4: Housing Market Analysis

4A: Gap Analysis

Our team has developed a model for analyzing housing gaps that is more detailed, current, and accurate than any other approach we are aware of. Standard ACS data is four years old on average. Our methodology scrapes and assembles a set of data that is much more recent, and even up to the present moment. This data comes from online rental listings, home sale records, and Costar records. Because it is property-specific, it can be applied to address records in the City's parcel dataset that it corresponds to.

With these updated parcel records as reference points and leveraging the other property characteristics present in the assessor's parcel database, we use statistical methods to interpolate the data across every residential parcel in the City. The result is an estimate of current home values and rent levels for every housing unit in the City—a complete and current picture of housing supply.

We then use another set of data sources (including Replica) and techniques to build a model of Cleveland Heights households, including size and income levels. This results in a complete and current picture of housing demand.

Finally, we align the housing supply and demand models to illustrate housing sufficiency and gaps in Cleveland Heights by tenure, income levels, and bedroom count. This gap analysis, and the analysis of recent development trends, will support our housing forecast by housing type.

More qualitative input can be used to estimate perceived needs for housing rehabilitation and the supply gap for seniors and people with disabilities.

4B: Barriers Analysis

The barriers analysis will have two focus areas.

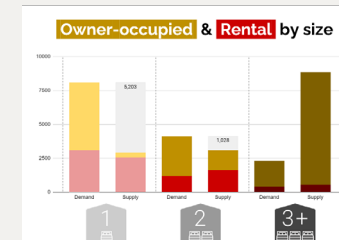
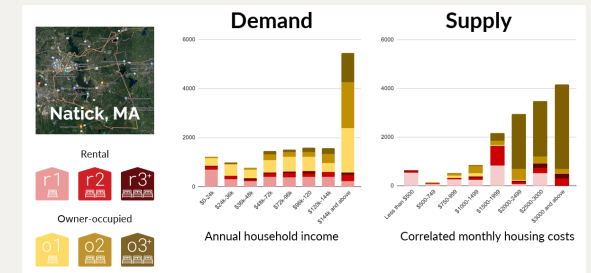
- We will research the barriers to new development across the set of housing types that meet local needs, and
- We will research barriers that households face in securing safe and affordable housing.

Developer interviews will provide key insights into the challenges and barriers to new housing of various types. We will also put a particular focus on regulatory barriers through reviewing the City's zoning code to identify provisions that dampen housing production.

● TASK 4 DELIVERABLES

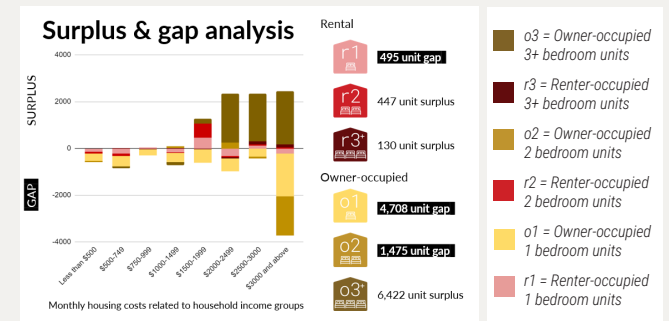
Key findings from the housing gaps and barriers analysis will be added to the StoryMap.

Our methodology leverages big data to create a more detailed, accurate, and up-to-date model of local housing demand and supply than conventional approaches. This approach provides unprecedented clarity on housing needs and opportunities across income levels and housing types. By incorporating recent migration and development trends, we can project future gaps and identify new development opportunities.



Example housing demand and supply by affordability, tenure, and size.

The example graph highlights shortages and surpluses across housing types and costs (housing gap by monthly cost, tenure, and bedroom count). Readings below the line indicate housing that is under supplied relative to the community's existing needs; readings above the line indicate housing that is adequately or oversupplied.



6 PROPOSED TIMELINE

We believe the project timeline provides ample time for each task along with the review of deliverables throughout the course of the project. We will review with City staff and revise, if needed.

YEAR	MONTH	2025			2026							
		OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN		
PHASE		Kick-off			Research and Analysis			Strategies		Document		
Task 1: Kick-off Meeting and Project Management												
1A	Kick-off Meeting with City Staff											
1B	Initial Site Visit											
1C	Ongoing Coordination with City Staff											
Task 2: Background Review and Data Collection												
2A	Policy, Plan, and Program Review											
2B	Demographic and Economic Profile											
2C	Existing Housing Stock											
2D	Homeownership Market Trends Since 2010											
2E	Rental Housing Market Trends Since 2010											
2F	Special Populations											
Task 3: Stakeholder and Community Engagement												
3A	TAC Meetings											
3B	Community Meetings											
3C	Online StoryMap											
3D	Housing Survey											
3E	Other Outreach											
3F	Stakeholder Interviews and Focus Groups											
3G	Developer Interviews											
3H	City Council Presentation											
3I	Local Housing Stories (Optional Task)											
Task 4: Housing Market Analysis												
4A	Gap Analysis											
4B	Barriers Analysis											
Task 5: Recommendations and Report												
5A	Housing Recommendations											
5B	Draft and Final Report											

9 COST PROPOSAL

We have included the cost breakdown for the proposed services, as summarized in the table. Hours are initial estimates Stantec will invoice at our hourly rates up to the agreed budget. The optional task, Local Housing Stories, can be added to the proposed budget for an additional \$4,000.

Project Team		Tom Leighton	Spencer Cox	Zoey Sai	Saumya Jain	Kribashini Moorthy	Square Loop Planning (Aneesha Marwah)	Expenses	Total Labor Cost
Hourly Rates		\$204	\$176	\$152	\$176	\$152			
Task 1: Kick-off Meeting and Project Management									\$9,136
1A	Kick-off Meeting with City Staff	2	1	1			\$300	\$5,000	\$736
1B	Initial Site Visit	20		5					\$4,840
1C	Ongoing Coordination with City Staff	10		10					\$3,560
Task 2: Background Review and Data Collection									\$16,328
2A	Policy, Plan, and Program Review	2		5		5			\$1,928
2B	Demographic and Economic Profile	2		10	10				\$3,688
2C	Existing Housing Stock	2			10				\$2,168
2D	Homeownership Market Trends Since 2010	2		10	10				\$3,688
2E	Rental Housing Market Trends Since 2010	2		10	10				\$3,688
2F	Special Populations	2		5			\$1,000		\$1,168
Task 3: Stakeholder and Community Engagement									\$19,952
3A	TAC Meetings	8		8				\$10,000	\$2,848
3B	Community Meetings	8		10					\$3,152
3C	Online StoryMap	1			25				\$4,604
3D	Housing Survey	1		8	4				\$2,124
3E	Other Outreach	1		8					\$1,420
3F	Stakeholder Interviews and Focus Groups	5		5			\$1,000		\$1,780
3G	Developer Interviews	8		5			\$1,000	\$5,000	\$2,392
3H	City Council Presentation	8							\$1,632
3I	Local Housing Stories (Optional Task)								
Task 4: Housing Market Analysis									\$10,600
4A	Gap Analysis	5	40						\$8,060
4B	Barriers Analysis	5		5		5			\$2,540
Task 5: Recommendations and Report									\$7,880
5A	Housing Recommendations	15		10		5	\$6,000		\$5,340
5B	Draft and Final Report	5		10			\$1,000		\$2,540
Totals		114	41	125	69	15	\$10,300	\$20,000	\$63,896
Total Project Cost (Labor, Subconsultant, and Expenses)									\$94,196

Proposed: 03/16/2026

RESOLUTION NO. 058-2026(PD), *First Reading*

By Mayor Petras

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an amendment to an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. to prepare a Housing Needs Assessment; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2025, this Council adopted Resolution No. 223-2025 authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. ("Stantec") to prepare a Housing Needs Assessment for an amount not to exceed Ninety-Four Thousand, One Hundred Ninety Six and 00/100 Dollars (\$94,196.00); and

WHEREAS, said agreement was executed on November 15, 2025, and work on the project has commenced; and

WHEREAS, as the project progressed, the City and Stantec identified additional tasks valuable to the project, including (1) preparation of Local Housing Stories and (2) an expanded evaluation of Arts Housing and other space needs through Square Loop Planning, totaling Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$15,500.00) in additional services; and

WHEREAS, funding for these additional services shall be provided through a combination of Community Development Block Grant resources and the Planning Department's consultant budget line; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment will increase the not-to-exceed amount of the contract to One Hundred Nine Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Six and 00/100 Dollars (\$109,696.00); and

WHEREAS, no change to the project schedule is anticipated as a result of these additional tasks; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds that these additional services are necessary to ensure a complete and comprehensive Housing Needs Assessment that reflects both quantitative data and community narratives, including the needs of Cleveland Heights' creative sector.

RESOLUTION NO. 058-2026(PD)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an amendment to the agreement with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. to provide additional services for the Housing Needs Assessment, in an additional amount of Fifteen Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$15,500), increasing the total contract amount to One Hundred Nine Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Six and 00/100 Dollars (\$109,696).

SECTION 2. All other terms and conditions of the original agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 4. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 5. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to integrate the additional tasks as early as possible in order to complete the overall project on the original timeline. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

RESOLUTION NO. 058-2026(PD)

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor



Date: 3/9/2026

To: Addie Balester, Clerk of Council

From: Brian Iorio, Asst. Dir. Community Development

Subject: Year 52 (2026) CDBG Annual Action Plan

Purpose Statement: To authorize allow the administration to submit to HUD all materials related to the CDBG 2026 Annual Action Plan. This legislation also allows the administration to contract with the listed subrecipients that are being awarded funds in the plan. The Annual Action Plan will include any public comments received after the end of the public comment period on March 16th.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: No:

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why? For passage on April 6th. Passage will allow the City to move forward with some of the projects indicated in the plan.

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why?

If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: No:

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?

DRAFT Annual Plan – PY 2026

CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

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Executive Summary

ES-05 Executive Summary – 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The Five-Year Consolidated Plan (FY 2025-2029) for the City of Cleveland Heights describes the needs of low- and moderate-income residents, persons with special needs, and homeless individuals and families. The Strategic Plan section outlines the goals, strategies, partners, and anticipated financial resources that will be available to implement projects using HUD Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds. This document, the Annual Action Plan, sets forth the specific projects that will be implemented during FY 2026. At the conclusion of each year, the City submits the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), describing the results in implementing projects.

HUD funding is intended to assist individuals and families that earn less than 80% of the Median Family Income (MFI) in a metropolitan area. HUD defines these categories based upon household income, adjusted for family size. The maximum income for a family of four in 2025 is: \$32,150 (0-30% of MFI), \$49,700 (31-50% of MFI), and \$79,500 (51-80% of MFI).

Cuyahoga Housing Consortium

The City of Cleveland Heights is a member of the Cuyahoga Housing Consortium (Consortium). The five Consortium members – the HUD entitlement jurisdictions of Cleveland Heights, Euclid, Lakewood, Parma, and the Cuyahoga County Urban County – formed the HUD-approved Consortium in the early 1990's to leverage HOME program funds for their communities. By acting jointly, the funding amount received by the group is greater than the amount of money that could be obtained by the jurisdictions individually. The Consortium also uses the opportunity of having 55 communities working together – representing two-thirds of all county residents (840,000 persons) – to ensure broader planning and coordination on affordable housing issues within Cuyahoga County.

In some sections, the FY 2025-2029 Five-Year Plan for the Cuyahoga County Urban County incorporates discussions pertaining to the Consortium as a whole.

2. Summary of the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan Needs Assessment Overview

The FY 2025-29 Plan outlines five-year priorities, anticipated financial resources, goals, partners, and programs to address the needs of Cleveland Heights outlined in the Needs Assessment and Market Analysis. The five-year framework is linked to the FY 2025 Annual Action Plan, which describes activities to be implemented. The annual activities and long-term goals/priorities must meet one of HUD's statutory objectives: providing decent affordable housing, creating a suitable living environment, or expanding economic opportunities. In addition to meeting a statutory objective, HUD expects activities to reflect at least one outcome: availability/accessibility, affordability, or sustainability (attachment).

PRIORITY NEEDS

Cleveland Heights has identified three High priority needs for the next five years:

Affordable Housing: maintain and create homeownership, which is important for neighborhood stability. Work will concentrate on rehabilitation activities and down-payment assistance.

Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs: improve the condition and energy efficiency of housing and offer services to assist persons to remain in their home, focused on elderly, frail elderly, persons with physical disabilities, and persons with developmental disabilities.

Non-Housing Community Development: revitalize residential neighborhoods and commercial/industrial areas with infrastructure/public facility investments, along with economic development programs, to focus on retaining and attracting residents and offering a desirable environment for businesses to invest.

Homelessness and Public Housing were noted as Low priority needs due to the agencies and organizations that assist persons through countywide systems.

3. Evaluation of past performance

The City of Cleveland Heights has continued to receive the determination from the Office of Community Planning and Development that the City has the capacity to carry out its CPD programs and has met its reporting requirements. The City has programmed its Community Development Block Grant and HOME funds for activities that significantly address neighborhood and community issues and will continue to do so. For example, housing rehabilitation work eliminates significant health and safety deficiencies; the down payment assistance program strengthens neighborhoods and supports community property values by creating new homeowners and more stable neighborhoods; housing rehab activities over time have resulted in a decrease in the number of housing units with serious exterior violations; the storefront renovation and commercial loan programs strengthen local businesses and retain/create jobs; and essential public services that assist youth, the elderly, and other groups of residents in need of assistance help households with low- and moderate-incomes prevent homelessness and build towards self-sufficiency.

4. Summary of citizen participation process and consultation process

The City of Cleveland Heights engages a 22-member Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) that advises the City Administration and City Council on the community development needs of the community and makes recommendations on the use of CDBG funds. Additionally, multiple public hearings are held throughout the year that include the review of annual applications for CDBG funding, the review of local definitions, and the review of the annual action plans and consolidated plans.

5. Summary of public comments

To be determined at the end of the public comment period

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

To be determined at the end of the public comment period

7. Summary

To be determined at the end of the public comment period

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The Annual Plan for FY 2026 identifies the federal, state, local, and private resources expected to be available to the City of Cleveland Heights to address priority needs and specific objectives identified in the Strategic Plan (**Table 14 and Section SP-45**). The City of Cleveland Heights is a direct entitlement community for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The city is also a member of the Cuyahoga County Consortium for the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Program and receives an annual allocation through that program. The HOME allocation is discussed in the HUD documents prepared by the Cuyahoga County Urban County, which is the lead entity for the Consortium.

Prior Year Resources include unexpended funds originally allocated for ADA-compliant curb ramp improvements. These funds are eligible under the CDBG Public Facilities and Improvements category and will remain within the Public Facilities project. The project description has been clarified to allow for broader accessibility improvements within publicly owned facilities and public rights-of-way, including parks, sidewalks, and

street crossings. Curb ramp improvements remain an eligible and intended activity within this category.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 2				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,565,000.00	126,500	2,595,000	4,286,500	4,680,000	Remainder of Con Plan dollar figure is an estimate based on FY 2026 allocation times three years (\$1,560,000 x 3 years). Annual allocations may fluctuate. CDBG Funds will leverage private funding, as well as other public funding from local, state, federal funding sources.

Table 1 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

The City of Cleveland Heights has been successful in leveraging additional funds. Many of the City’s rehabilitation programs require the homeowner to match funds they receive. For example, the Home Repair Resource Center has established good working relationships with several area banks that contribute to their ability to leverage additional funds. The city works to maximize our infrastructure projects by leveraging federal, state and county resources where possible. Most of our Public Service subrecipients receive funding from multiple public and private agencies and individuals. The city also requires a matching percentage from all commercial businesses which participate in our Commercial Loan or Storefront Renovation projects.

The City of Cleveland Heights is also a partner with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health to implement the Lead Safe Cuyahoga program. This program assists with the removal of lead hazards in low- and moderate-income households where children under the age of six are residing in the home or, in the case of rental units, where there is a high probability of children residing. Property owners must provide a minimum matching percentage to participate in the program unless exempted by an administrative decision.

If appropriate, describe publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

If appropriate, the City will use publicly owned land or property to address needs identified in the plan.

Discussion

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Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing	2026	2026	Affordable Housing	City of Cleveland Heights	Affordable Housing Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs Public Housing	CDBG: \$621,500.00	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 45 Household Housing Units
2	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods	2026	2026	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Cleveland Heights	Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-housing Community Development	CDBG: \$398,675.00	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 8,828 Persons Assisted Buildings Demolished: 2 Buildings Nuisance Abatement/Foreclosed Property Care: 200 Households
3	Provide Needed Public Services	2026	2026	Non-Homeless Special Needs		Affordable Housing Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-housing Community Development	CDBG: \$235,000.00	Persons Assisted Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 6,970 Persons Assisted Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 200 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
4	Increase Economic Opportunities	2026	2026	Non-Housing Community Development	City of Cleveland Heights	Non-housing Community Development	CDBG: \$239,000	Facade treatment/business building rehabilitation: 12 Business Businesses assisted: 8 Businesses Assisted

Table 2 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing
	Goal Description	This strategic plan goal includes: HRRC Administration; the HRRC Assist Deferred Loan Match Program; the HRRC Senior Home Stability Grant; HPO Administration; the HPO Senior Home Repair Program; and the HPO Home Repair Program;
2	Goal Name	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods
	Goal Description	This goal includes: Forest City Community Land Trust; the HPO Nuisance Abatement Program; the Street/Water/Sewer Line Improvements Program; and the Park Improvements Program.
3	Goal Name	Provide Needed Public Services
	Goal Description	This goal includes: Family Connections; Open Doors Academy - Middle School Program; Open Doors Academy - High School Program; Lake Erie Ink; Start Right CDC; Heights Emergency Food Center; Gesher; Office on Aging Senior Programs; WAVE Mentoring Program; Naaleh Cleveland; the Journey Center for Safety and Healing; the Heights Suburban Collaborative; the Chesed Center Food Pantry; and the HRRC Housing Counselor Program.
4	Goal Name	Increase Economic Opportunities
	Goal Description	This goal includes: Economic Development Administration; the Commercial Revolving Loan Program; and the Storefront Renovation Program.

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

There are three national objectives under the CDBG program that all projects must meet.

- 1) CDBG regulations require that no less than 70% of a grant can be awarded to projects that benefit low- and moderate-income persons.
- 2) CDBG funds may aid in the prevention or elimination of slum and blighted conditions.
- 3) CDBG funds may be utilized to address other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

The CDBG Program is flexible and allows the City to determine how best to meet the needs of its low- and moderate-income residents. The goals established in the Annual Plan guide the City in awarding CDBG funds.

The City of Cleveland Heights will certify that 70% of the aggregate expenditure of CDBG funds over three years (2026, 2027, and 2028) will benefit persons of low and moderate incomes.

The figures listed for programs do not include funds that were allocated in prior years and funds that will be matched or leveraged through financial institutions and property owners on individual projects. Program income is budgeted back into the program that generated it, with the exception of funds being repaid to programs that no longer operate under CDBG. The defunct Short Term Deferred Loan, Deferred and No Interest housing loan repayments will be budgeted to the Housing Rehab Program.

#	Project Name
1	CDBG Administration
2	Fair Housing Activities
3	Neighborhood Engagement
4	Housing Rehabilitation LMI
5	Commercial District Revitalization
6	Public Facilities
7	Youth Programs
8	Emergency Assistance
9	Senior Adult Programs
10	Housing Counseling
11	LMI Code Enforcement
12	Slum/Blight Removal

#	Project Name
13	Mental Health Services

Table 3 – Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

Maximum priority is given to low-mod activities. Activities that achieve a low-mod housing benefit are given top priority, followed by low-mod area benefit, low-mod limited clientele benefit, and low-mod job seekers.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	CDBG Administration
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods Provide Needed Public Services Increase Economic Opportunities
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-housing Community Development Homelessness Public Housing
	Funding	CDBG: \$233,000.00
	Description	CDBG funds contribute to salaries and related administrative expenses for staff in the Department of Planning, Neighborhoods and Development, planning costs, GIS, and accounting assistance from the Finance Department.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A - Admin activity
	Location Description	Cleveland Heights City Hall (40 Severance Circle)

	Planned Activities	CDBG funds contribute to salaries and related administrative expenses for staff in the Department of Planning, Neighborhoods and Development, planning costs, GIS, and accounting assistance from the Finance Department.
2	Project Name	Fair Housing Activities
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods Provide Needed Public Services Increase Economic Opportunities
	Needs Addressed	Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$40,000.00
	Description	Activities to affirmatively further fair housing choice.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A - Admin activity
	Location Description	Various locations throughout Cleveland Heights
	Planned Activities	Rental audits, eviction prevention services, and community outreach and education.
3	Project Name	Neighborhood Engagement
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods Provide Needed Public Services Increase Economic Opportunities

	Needs Addressed	Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$40,000.00
	Description	This project is an administrative activity that will provide funding for programs that will support community capacity building in Cleveland Heights neighborhoods.
	Target Date	6/30/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	N/A - Admin activity
	Location Description	Various locations throughout Cleveland Heights
	Planned Activities	Neighborhood leadership program, civic group technical assistance and neighborhood advocacy.
4	Project Name	Housing Rehabilitation LMI
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$621,500.00
	Description	This program provides funds for rehabilitation and repairs for low- and moderate-income homeowners. Housing program administration is also charged to CDBG for the operation of LMI Housing Rehabilitation programs.
	Target Date	12/31/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 45 low- and moderate-income households are estimated to be assisted through this project. Of these households, heads of households that are elderly and/or disabled are the primary type of family assisted through the activities in this project.
	Location Description	Various locations throughout Cleveland Heights.
	Planned Activities	HRRC Administration, HRRC Senior Home Stability program, HPO Administration, HPO Senior Home Repair Program, and the HPO Home Repair Program.
5	Project Name	Commercial District Revitalization
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Increase Economic Opportunities
	Needs Addressed	Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$239,000.00
	Description	This program provides funding for various activities which address the revitalization of the numerous commercial districts located in Cleveland Heights. CDBG funds also contribute to the administrative costs associated with the program.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that 12 businesses will be assisted and 8 facades will be rehabilitated.
	Location Description	Activities will take place throughout the City of Cleveland Heights.
	Planned Activities	Planned activities include: the storefront renovation rebate and loan program, the commercial revolving loan program and the microenterprise assistance loan program.
	Project Name	Public Facilities & Accessibility Improvements

6	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$365,675.00
	Description	This project provides access to and removes architectural barriers within publicly owned facilities and public rights-of-way. Activities include construction and rehabilitation of public infrastructure, ADA-compliant curb ramp installation and replacement, sidewalk and pathway accessibility improvements, and accessibility upgrades within public parks and other public facilities. Unexpended prior year funds originally allocated for curb ramp improvements are included within this project and will continue to support ADA-compliant curb ramp activities as well as related accessibility improvements. Additionally this project is used to assist non-profit partners improve facilities that create a public benefit.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	2,020 households living in a low-mod area will benefit from the Street/Sewer/Water Replacement Program. 5,088 persons living with mobility disabilities will benefit from accessibility improvements as a result of the Park Improvements Program. 860 households living in a low-mod area will benefit from the Forest City Community Land Trust project, and 860 households living in a low-mod area will benefit from the Hebrew Academy Sewer Project.
	Location Description	The Street/Sewer/Water Replacement Program will take place on Redwood and Belmar Roads. The Hebrew Academy Sewer Project will take place at the corner of Blanche Avenue and South Taylor Roads. The Park Improvements Program will take place at Denison Park. Lastly, Forest City Community Land Trust will take place on Compton Road (1407.01-3).

	Planned Activities	Planned activities for this project are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street/Sewer/Water Replacement Program • Park Improvements Program (including accessibility improvements) • Forest City Community Land Trust • Hebrew Academy of Cleveland Sewer Project • ADA-Compliant Curb Ramp and Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Improvements
7	Project Name	Youth Programs
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$116,500.00
	Description	Funds will be provided to support activities which address the needs of youth in low- and moderate-income families.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 1,245 families with children are expected to benefit from the activities under the Youth Program Project
Location Description	Various locations throughout the community including, in-homes, Monticello Middle School, Roxboro Middle School, Oxford Elementary School, Noble Elementary School, Boulevard Elementary School, the Cleveland Heights Community Center, and the main branch of the Cleveland Height-University Heights Libraries on Lee Road.	

	Planned Activities	Planned activities include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Connections • Open Doors Academy (Middle School & High School Programs) • Lake Erie Ink • WAVE Mentoring Program • The Heights Suburban Collaborative
8	Project Name	Emergency Assistance
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$74,000.00
	Description	This project will assist low- and moderate-income individuals and families that seek assistance due to unemployment, fixed incomes, domestic violence or any emergency that has left them in need of adequate food, shelter, etc.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	It is estimated that the activities undertaken under this project will benefit 4,525 low- and moderate-income families without adequate food, families eligible for various state and federal programs, or families that have experienced domestic violence.
Location Description	activities under this category will take place at the Heights Emergency Food Center, the Start Right CDC Food Pantry, the Gesher Benefits Bank Office, the Chesed Center, at the offices of Journey Center for Safety and Healing and in the municipal and county court systems.	

	Planned Activities	<p>The planned activities for this project are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Start Right CDC Food Pantry • Heights Emergency Food Center (food pantry) • Gesher (benefits bank) • Journey Center for Safety and Healing (services for victims of domestic violence) • Chesed Center (food pantry)
9	Project Name	Senior Adult Programs
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000.00
	Description	This project will provide Cleveland Heights senior citizens with social work services as needed.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 900 low- and moderate-income families with senior citizens will benefit from this project.
	Location Description	The Cleveland Heights Office on Aging (1 Monticello Blvd., Cleveland Heights).
	Planned Activities	The Cleveland Heights Office on Aging Resource Assistance program.
10	Project Name	Housing Counseling
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights

	Goals Supported	Improve, Maintain, and Expand Affordable Housing Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Affordable Housing Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs
	Funding	CDBG: \$12,000.00
	Description	This project provides counseling on financial literacy, first-time homebuyer issues, budgeting for home repair projects and other appropriate topics.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 200 families will benefit from this project that are low- and moderate-income households in need of housing or in need of assistance for housing related issues.
	Location Description	The Home Repair Resource Center (2520 Noble Rd)
	Planned Activities	The Home Repair Resource Center's Housing Counseling Program.
11	Project Name	Slum/Blight Removal
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Revitalize Residential Neighborhoods
	Needs Addressed	Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$33,000.00
	Description	The Nuisance Abatement Program addresses blighted properties within the City. CDBG funds also contribute to the administration of the Nuisance Abatement Program.
	Target Date	12/31/2026

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Approximately 200 properties are estimated to be impacted by the Nuisance Abatement Program. The primary beneficiaries of this program are the neighborhoods impacted by blighted conditions.
	Location Description	Residential and commercial properties throughout Cleveland Heights.
	Planned Activities	The Cleveland Heights Nuisance Abatement Program.
12	Project Name	Mental Health Services
	Target Area	City of Cleveland Heights
	Goals Supported	Provide Needed Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Non-homeless Persons with Special Needs Non-housing Community Development
	Funding	CDBG: \$22,500.00
	Description	Naaleh Cleveland seeks to assist approximately 300 residents with at least 51% coming from low-mod households.
	Target Date	12/31/2026
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Naaleh Cleveland seeks to assist approximately 300 residents with at least 51% coming from low-mod households.
	Location Description	The Naalah Cleveland Office (5010 Mayfield Road)
	Planned Activities	Naalah Cleveland's counseling program and the High-Risk Teen Mentoring program.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

The City of Cleveland Heights is a diverse community that prides itself on its integrated neighborhoods. The city has a minority population of 23,281, representing 52% of the total population according to the 2019-2023 American Community Survey. The most recent data provided by HUD shows that there are 16 census block groups in the city which qualify as low- and moderate-income eligible areas.

Improvement Target Areas have been identified through a survey developed and conducted by a third-party consultant, Placemark Collaborative, LLC. This process was approved by HUD. The Improvement Target Area survey instrument is used to evaluate the condition of individual properties. An update to the Improvement Target Area study was completed in 2022. The areas determined to be ITAs are the following: the intersection of Noble and Mayfield Roads; the intersection of Mayfield and Lee Roads; and the intersection of Noble and Greyton Roads.

This updated Improvement Target Area study will be utilized in implementing the Storefront Renovation programs described in this plan that address area slum and blight.

The City is in the process of completing and adopting neighborhoods plans for the North Coventry neighborhood (1410.00-1) and the neighborhoods that are a part of the Noble Road Corridor. While all LMH (low-Mod Housing) programming is available city-wide, marketing efforts will be targeting these neighborhoods.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
City of Cleveland Heights	100

Table 4 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

Most programs are available to low- and moderate-income households throughout the city as they are a direct low-mod housing benefit, low-mod area benefit or limited clientele benefit (Public Service activities). The exceptions are the programs that eliminate a slum/blight condition as determined by a HUD approved blight survey. Some programs only take place in Census designated Low- and Moderate-Income areas. As noted previously, both North Coventry and the Noble Corridor neighborhoods are both recognized as needing additional community development investment and projects in these areas will

be prioritized where necessary.

Discussion

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AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

Introduction

The City of Cleveland Heights works closely with public and private partners to leverage its resources including various grants from Cuyahoga County and the State of Ohio. This applies to most of our nonprofit partners including the Home Repair Resource Center, the Fair Housing Center for Rights and Research, Start Right CDC, Open Doors Academy, Family Connections, Journey Center, The Forest City Community Land Trust and FutureHeights. In addition, the City also prides itself on a high level of civic engagement.

In 2015 the City began a Master Planning process, in conjunction with the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission, which was completed in 2017. The Master Plan includes policies and implementation strategies to accomplish the City's vision. These are organized into 11 major topic areas: Future Land Use, Vibrant Neighborhoods, Complete Transportation Network, Environmentally Sustainable Community, Business Friendly, Strong Business Districts, High Quality Infrastructure, Hub for Arts and Culture, A Diverse and Open Community, A Safe and Engaged Community, and A Healthy Community. The Master Plan attempts to be a fully integrated plan addressing the various elements that makes Cleveland Heights a viable community and it does recognize the efforts already being undertaken and described in this Annual Plan. The implementation section provides additional potential revenue sources that the City can apply for in order to strengthen and expand the community development efforts already undertaken and described in this Annual Plan.

In 2018, Cleveland Heights City Council passed a Complete and Green Streets Policy that sets requirements for improving all modes of transportation throughout the City. The Policy directs coordination among City Departments and defines metrics for measuring success. Persons of low- and moderate-income and persons with disabilities particularly benefit from such a policy due to the decreased access and utilization of personal motorized vehicles. In 2019, the City of Cleveland Heights won the award for Best Complete Streets Policy by Smart Growth America.

Additionally, the City has completed a Comprehensive & Equitable Safety Action Plan, a Climate Action and Resiliency Plan, and several streetscape plans that will be utilized to strategically invest public funds into actions that will strengthen our community.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The greatest obstacle to meeting underserved needs in our community is the uncertainty of the amount of Community Development Block Grant as well as other federal and state resources. City Council and the administration work diligently to ensure that all residents are able to have the highest quality of life and healthy sustainable neighborhoods.

The City has programmed much of its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to community development purposes. The State of Ohio and Cuyahoga County have also assisted Cleveland Heights

with ARPA funds, particularly in the area of lead-based paint hazard remediation and abatement in housing and childcare facilities.

The City has also been fortunate to receive grants from various sources in recent years that have enabled us to undertake projects that have or will benefit the community when completed. These include four Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative (TLCI) grants through the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, two Surface Water Improvement Fund (SWIF) grants from the Ohio EPA and transportation enhancement funds from the state of Ohio and American Rescue Plan Act funds.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will continue to offer programs that make or keep housing affordable in the city. Cleveland Heights is a community with a wide variety of housing opportunities including apartment buildings, modest single-family homes, two-family homes, medium priced to very high-end single-family homes, townhomes and condominiums. With our large rental market and competitive house prices, the city is often affordable with regard to housing options.

The City of Cleveland Heights has entered into an agreement with Cuyahoga County and the cities of Euclid, Lakewood and Parma to jointly participate in HOME program funding by creating the Cuyahoga Housing Consortium. The consortium has allowed for the coordination of housing program delivery by CDBG entitlement communities.

Most of our housing was built prior to 1945 and therefore home repairs can be a barrier to low- and moderate-income homeowners. Housing rehabilitation costs are barriers that we are addressing to assist low and moderate-income households remain in their homes. We work closely with our Housing Inspections Department and our Office on Aging to provide information to low- and moderate-income homeowners who are cited for code violations about the availability of the City's federally-funded grants and low-interest financing for home improvement projects. Home Repair Resource Center programs also provide education, counseling and funding opportunities to low-and moderate-income residents to help prevent code violations and related safety issues. We also have a HOME funded down-payment assistance program that assists LMI households to be able to afford purchasing their own homes.

The City, through local funds and technical assistance has been working with an emergency shelter provider and a transitional housing provider that focuses on aged-out foster youth to expand services in Cleveland Heights.

Lastly, Start Right CDC is partnering with the City to take advantage of the OFHA Single-Family Housing Tax Credit. They are also partnering with affordable housing developer, TWG, to build a 44-unit LIHTC

building on Noble Road.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City of Cleveland Heights will continue to partner with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health and the Cuyahoga Department of Housing and Community Development to implement the Lead Hazard Control/Lead Hazard Reduction Grants. Funds for these programs were successfully secured from the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the State of Ohio. The programs provide grants of up to \$30,000 per unit for the removal of lead hazards from LMI households. Households with children under the age of six are prioritized. Additionally, Cuyahoga County granted the City \$200,000 in 2023 in order to reduce LBP Hazards in properties that are above the 80% AMI requirement or who cannot provide required match funds.

In 2024, the City of Cleveland Heights began implementing its new Lead Safe Rental Registration Program. This phased-approach program requires rental units to pass a lead clearance exam in order to register their rental property with the City.

The State of Ohio has allocated both Cuyahoga County and the City of Cleveland Heights funds to address lead-based paint hazards. The direct allocation from the State will be used to help implement the City's Lead Safe Rental Registration Program by assisting landlords with the cost of lead clearance exams. Pass through funds from the County is allowing us to address lead-based paint hazards in childcare facilities.

Lastly, all contractors which are under contract for Federally-funded rehabilitation projects are monitored to ensure that they are following lead-safe practices.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City of Cleveland Heights utilizes its Commercial Loan program as a method to reduce the number of households living below the poverty line. The fund provides assistance to businesses for acquisition, expansion, and rehabilitation activities. The City looks for the creation of low-moderate income jobs because of these loan activities. Also, housing counseling is provided to low- and moderate-income homeowners. The counseling includes financial management of the household budget, which assists those persons having few financial means.

In addition, CDBG funds are used to support public service activities that have a direct impact on poverty. CDBG funds provide support to Gesher, a benefits referral and job placement program. CDBG funds also provide support to the Heights Emergency Food Center, Start Right Food Pantry and the Chesed Center in order to help facilitate the assistance to low- and moderate-income families with

three-day supplies of food every month.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The City of Cleveland Heights administers its Community Development Block Grant entitlement grant through its Department of Planning and Development. The institutional structure through which Cleveland Heights carries out its affordable and supportive housing strategy consists of public sector agencies, non-profit organizations, and the private sector. The City works with non-profits at various stages of their development in order to increase the institutional capacity of the non-profit sector working in community development.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

The City of Cleveland Heights continues to foster coordination among public and private housing and social service agencies through several methods. The City allocates CDBG resources to subrecipients who handle a variety of issues, such as housing rehabilitation, affordable homeownership, fair housing and landlord/tenant concerns. Also, through the allocation of CDBG resources to city departments and social services organizations, the City is assisting entities who are linked into networks of service providers within the metropolitan area, such as the Cleveland Heights Office on Aging, Family Connections of NE Ohio, the Heights Emergency Food Center, the Ohio Fair Lending Coalition, the Greater Cleveland Reinvestment Coalition and many more.

The CDBG funds augment other revenue sources for these organizations, such as memberships, grants, fund-raising efforts, and other in-kind donations of goods and/or services.

Discussion

The City of Cleveland Heights is committed to fair housing. The City of Cleveland Heights has a Fair Practices Ordinance and staff from several departments who work to ensure fair housing.

In 2020, the City completed an updated Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. The AI identified 5 impediments and the City is actively working to overcome and/or remove these barriers. Of priority for the last several years has been to: continue to implement programs that reduce housing cost and evictions in the City for low-mod populations; make special considerations for accessibility in public spaces and encourage accessibility in new housing construction; and continue to monitor banking practices in order to promote fair lending.

The City has also allocated funding to on-going programs that assist in furthering fair housing. These include landlord and tenant counseling, eviction prevention services, fair housing education and outreach, sales and rental audits, leadership training that targets members of protected classes, and efforts to monitor lending institutions to ensure and promote fair lending.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction

The City of Cleveland Heights is estimating \$126,500 of Program Income for FY 2026. Program income is budgeted back into the program that generated it, with the exception of funds being repaid to programs that no longer operate under CDBG. The CDBG Short-Term Deferred Loan, Deferred and No Interest housing loan repayments will be budgeted to the HPO Home Rehab Program.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	78.39%

Discussion

The City of Cleveland Heights will certify that 70% of the aggregate expenditure of CDBG funds over three years (2026, 2027, 2028) will benefit persons of low and moderate incomes.

Proposed: 03/16/2026

RESOLUTION NO. 059-2026(PD), *First Reading*

By Mayor Petras

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan and entitlement application for the year beginning January 1, 2026; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City has participated, and does now participate, in the CDBG program; and

WHEREAS, the receipt of such funds has been extremely helpful to this City in accomplishing its community development goals; and

WHEREAS, the City has conducted hearings and has participated in extensive discussions with the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and citizens relative to the activities to be accomplished in the fiftieth year of such program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to file with the Department of Housing and Urban Development of the United States Government and any required review agencies, for the program year beginning on January 1, 2026, and continuing for a one (1) year period thereafter, the Annual Action Plan submittals, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of Council and copies of which will have been reviewed by members of Council. A copy of the 52nd year proposed budget, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is presently on file with the Clerk of Council and describes the activities and the proposed amount of expenditures to be approved by this Council for each such activity during the year 2026.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is further authorized and directed to sign any and all forms, applications, or other documents necessary to obtain funding for these described programs, to submit such documents to the proper reviewing agencies within the time permitted by law and to execute contracts with the subrecipient organizations of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds as detailed in Exhibit A and in the 2026 Annual Action Plan.

SECTION 3. The Mayor be, and he is hereby, further authorized to file with HUD and any required reviewing agencies the Annual Action Plan for 2026, a copy of which was made available for review beginning on February 13, 2026, on the City's website and in the Cleveland Heights Planning Department for at least thirty (30) days.

RESOLUTION NO. 059-2026(PD)

SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION 5. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 6. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being to permit immediate filing of the described applications with all appropriate governmental agencies in order to ensure funding prior to the commencement of the program year. Provided it receives the affirmative vote of five or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor

	2025 Allocations	2026 Requests	2026 CAC Subcommittee Recommendations	2026 Admin Recommendations	2026 Allocations
ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES maximum funding is capped at 20%					
CD Administration	\$ 248,640	\$ 250,000	\$ 233,000	\$ 233,000	\$ 233,000
Fair Housing Activities	\$ -	\$ 46,100	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
FutureHeights - Community Capacity-Building	\$ 45,000	\$ 60,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
ADMINISTRATIVE SUB-TOTAL	\$ 293,640	\$ 356,100	\$ 313,000	\$ 313,000	\$ 313,000
PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES maximum funding is capped at 15%					
HRRC Housing Counselor	\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000	\$ 22,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000
Office on Aging - Community Resource Specialist Program	\$ 15,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 38,750	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Heights Emergency Food Ctr.	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000	\$ 23,000
Family Connections (Playroom & FSC)	\$ 30,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 36,000	\$ 36,000
Open Doors Academy (Middle School Program)	\$ 14,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000
Open Doors Academy (High School Program)	\$ 14,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,000
Start Right Food Program	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
Gesher	\$ 14,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 14,000	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000
Lake Erie Ink	\$ 15,000	\$ 17,500	\$ 15,000	\$ 17,500	\$ 17,500
WAVE Mentoring Program	\$ 12,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000
Naaleh Cleveland	\$ 20,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 22,500	\$ 22,500
Chesed Center - Food Pantry Operations	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Journey Center for Safety & Healing	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000
Heights Suburban Collaborative Family Support	\$ 20,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
PUBLIC SERVICES SUB-TOTAL	\$ 233,000	\$ 326,500	\$ 256,750	\$ 235,000	\$ 235,000
					\$ -
PUBLIC FACILITIES & IMPROVEMENTS					
PUBLIC FAC. & IMP. SUB-TOTAL					
Street Improvements	\$ 155,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
LEI - Capital Improvements	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Creative Spaces Cultural Arts	\$ 82,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Forest City Community Land Trust	\$ -	\$ 70,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000

	2025 Allocations	2026 Requests	2026 CAC Subcommittee Recommendations	2026 Admin Recommendations	2026 Allocations
Public Facility Accessibility Improvements	\$ 25,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 249,331
Hebrew Academy					\$ 115,675
PUBLIC FAC. & IMP. SUB-TOTAL	\$ 277,000	\$ 420,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 515,006
HOUSING ACTIVITIES					
<i>Home Repair Resource Center (HRRC)</i>					
HRRC Operating Expenses	\$ 134,890	\$ 215,000	\$ 134,890	\$ 186,075	\$ 186,075
Assist Incentive Grant	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Deferred Loan Match	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -
Sr. Home Stability Grant	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
<i>HRRC SUB-TOTAL</i>	<i>\$ 144,890</i>	<i>\$ 230,000</i>	<i>\$ 144,890</i>	<i>\$ 191,075</i>	<i>\$ 191,075</i>
<i>Housing Preservation Office (HPO)</i>					
Senior Home Repair Program	\$ 100,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
Home Repair Program	\$ 100,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
Nuisance Abatement	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
HPO Operating/Staff	\$ 276,925	\$ 299,000	\$ 276,925	\$ 276,925	\$ 276,925
LMI Code Enforcement	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<i>HPO SUB-TOTAL</i>	<i>\$ 526,925</i>	<i>\$ 699,000</i>	<i>\$ 526,925</i>	<i>\$ 451,925</i>	<i>\$ 451,925</i>
FutureHeights - FutureHomes Program	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Start Right - Predevelopment Funds	\$ -	\$ 365,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
HOUSING SUB-TOTAL	\$ 671,815	\$ 1,394,000	\$ 671,815	\$ 643,000	\$ 643,000
COMMERCIAL/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
<i>Economic Development Department</i>					
E.D Administration	\$ 87,500	\$ 86,250	\$ 86,250	\$ 86,250	\$ 86,250
Storefront Renovation Program	\$ 13,837	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 37,750	\$ 37,750
Commercial Revolving Loan	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
<i>ED SUB-TOTAL</i>	<i>\$ 101,337</i>	<i>\$ 186,250</i>	<i>\$ 186,250</i>	<i>\$ 124,000</i>	<i>\$ 124,000</i>
COMMERCIAL/ED SUB-TOTAL	\$ 101,337	\$ 186,250	\$ 186,250	\$ 124,000	\$ 124,000
GRAND TOTAL					
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,576,792	\$ 2,682,850	\$ 1,657,815	\$ 1,565,000	\$ 1,830,006
Contingency	\$ 21,663				
Reallocated Funds	\$ -				

	2025 Allocations	2026 Requests	2026 CAC Subcommittee Recommendations	2026 Admin Recommendations	2026 Allocations
HUD ALLOCATION	\$ 1,566,683	\$ 1,565,000	\$ 1,566,683	\$ 1,565,000	\$ 1,565,000
				\$ -	\$ (265,006)
SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS KEY					
Commercial Areas					
Finance and Other					
Neighborhood Activities					
Preservation and Housing					
ADMIN CAP					\$ 313,000.00
PUBLIC SERVICE CAP					\$ 234,750.00



Date: 2/9/2026

To: City Council

From: Andres Gonzalez, Director of Parks & Recreation

Subject: Denison Tot Playground Legislation

Purpose Statement: To authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with Playcore Wisconsin, Inc. d/b/a GameTime for Parks & Recreation to construct a Tot Playground at Denison Park next to our new splash pad. This piece of legislation allows us to enter in to an agreement with Playcore Wisconsin, Inc. d/b/a GameTime which is an Omnia Partners cooperative purchasing partner to purchase and install this play structure next to our new splash pad.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: _____ No: X

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: X No: _____

If yes, why? So that the legislation can become effective immediately following passage.

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: _____ No: X

If yes, why?
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If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: X No: _____

\$200,000 was budgeted for this in the 2026 capital budget in fund 402.8201.3004.0.

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?



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02/03/2026
 Quote #
 108327-01-04

City of Cleveland Heights - Denison Park - Tot Playground - OMNIA Partners Pricing - Excavation

Cleveland Heights, City of
 Attn: Andres Gonzalez
 Denison Park, 1015 Quarry Drive
 Cleveland Heights, OH 44121
 United States
 agonzalez@clevelandheights.gov

Project # 108327
Job # 108327-01
Ship to Zip 44121

Quantity	Part #	Description	Unit Price	Amount
1	RDU	GameTime - Powerscape Playground Structure (2-5) TCLE_HGTS-TOT	\$117,859.00	\$117,859.00
1	178749	GameTime - Owner's Kit	\$98.07	\$98.07
1	5193	GT-Shade - Triple Bay Swing Shade	\$19,409.00	\$19,409.00
1	RDU	GameTime - Swing Seats - (4) Belt seats & (2) Enclosed Tot Seats	\$2,780.00	\$2,780.00
1	EWf-12	GT-Impax - (179 CY) of Engineered Wood Fiber at a 12" Compacted Depth	\$4,405.00	\$4,405.00
1	RDU	GameTime - Installation based off the following:- <u>DWA Recreation responsible for the following:</u> - Take delivery of equipment and store, prior to installation - Contact OUPS811 - "Call Before You Dig" - Installation of playground structure - Installation of freestanding equipment - Installation of engineered wood fiber (EWf) safety surfacing Prevailing wage rates Dirt spoils to be left on site <u>Owner and/or General Contractor responsible for the following:</u> - Mark private utilities - Haul away of augured dirt spoils - Site restoration, as needed Pricing does <u>NOT</u> include permits Pricing does <u>NOT</u> include contractor registration	\$42,510.00	\$42,510.00
1	RDU	GameTime - Excavation based off the following:- <u>DWA Recreation responsible for the following:</u> - Excavation of play area to depth of 12" Prevailing wage rates Dirt spoils to be left on site <u>Owner and/or General Contractor responsible for the following:</u> - Haul away of excavated dirt spoils - Site restoration, as needed Pricing does <u>NOT</u> include permits Pricing does <u>NOT</u> include contractor registration	\$10,600.00	\$10,600.00
Contract: OMNIA #2017001134			Sub Total	\$197,661.07
			Discount	(\$30,399.45)
			Freight	\$5,693.43
			Total	\$172,955.05



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OMNIA Partners Contract Number: 2017001134

To order: Please complete the acceptance portion of this quotation and provide color selections, purchase order copy and other key information requested.

This quote does not include any state or local sales taxes. Sales tax will be added to the order if required, unless otherwise noted.

Acceptance of this proposal indicates your agreement to the terms and conditions stated herein.

Omnia Partners Purchase Orders must be made out to:

PlayCore Wisconsin Inc. dba GameTime
c/o DWA Recreation, Inc.
P.O. Box 208
Harrison, OH 45030

Once equipment is ordered, the owner assumes that the equipment is being installed according to the ASTM standards for layout and design. Additionally, the owner shall check to make sure that all appropriate fall zones are current and compliant. In the event that the owner has to return the equipment, both inbound and outbound freight will be charged along with a 25% restocking fee.

GameTime Shipping Time: Current shipping time for GameTime is approximately 6-8 weeks. Please allow an additional 7-10 days for transit.

Short Ship Claims: Purchaser has 14 days from receipt of equipment to file a short ship report in writing to our office. Company reserves right to not honor claims made after this time.

Please indicate desired color palette: _____

OR

Custom Color Selection:

Metal Uprights (Basic): _____

Metal Accents: _____

Roto Plastic: _____

HDPE: _____

2-Color HDPE: _____

Decks: _____

Rock: _____

Rope: _____

Shade: _____



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Bill To:

Business/Company: _____
Contact: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Office Number: _____
(For Accounts Payable)
Cell Phone: _____
Email: _____
Fax: _____

Ship To:

Same as Bill To
Business/Company: _____
Contact: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Office Number: _____
Cell Phone: _____
(To call before delivery)
Email: _____
Fax: _____

Project/Site Location:

Same as Bill To Same as Ship To
Business/Company: _____
Contact: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Office Number: _____
Cell Phone: _____
Email: _____
Fax: _____



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Purchasing Information:

Purchase Amount: \$172,955.05

Sales Tax Exemption Certificate #: _____

P.O. No: _____

Please provide a copy of Tax Exemption Certificate, P.O., Copy of Check, or any other applicable payment information with this quote.

Acceptance of quotation:

Please Initial:

_____ I hereby acknowledge that I have received a copy of this quote and agree to all terms set forth within.

_____ I confirm that I have had the opportunity to review and ask questions regarding the terms detailed in this quote. I agree to all terms as stated.

_____ I certify that I have carefully read and comprehended the contents of this quote and contract. By signing below, I signify my consent and agreement to all terms specified, including the payment terms.

Accepted By (printed): _____

Date: _____

Accepted By (signature): _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Quote prepared by: Taylor Kolanko

Sales Representative: Taylor Kolanko - taylork@dwarec.com - 330-206-5453



IMPORTANT: Soft resilient surfacing should be placed in the use zones of all equipment, and as specified for each type of equipment, and at depths to meet the critical fall heights as specified by the U.S. consumer Product Safety Commission, ASTM standard F 1487 and Canadian Standard CAN/CSA-Z 614

PROJECT TITLE:
City of Cleveland Heights - Denison Park
Tot Playground
Cleveland Heights, OH

REPRESENTATIVE:
Taylor Kolanko

Minimum Area Required:
53' x 74'

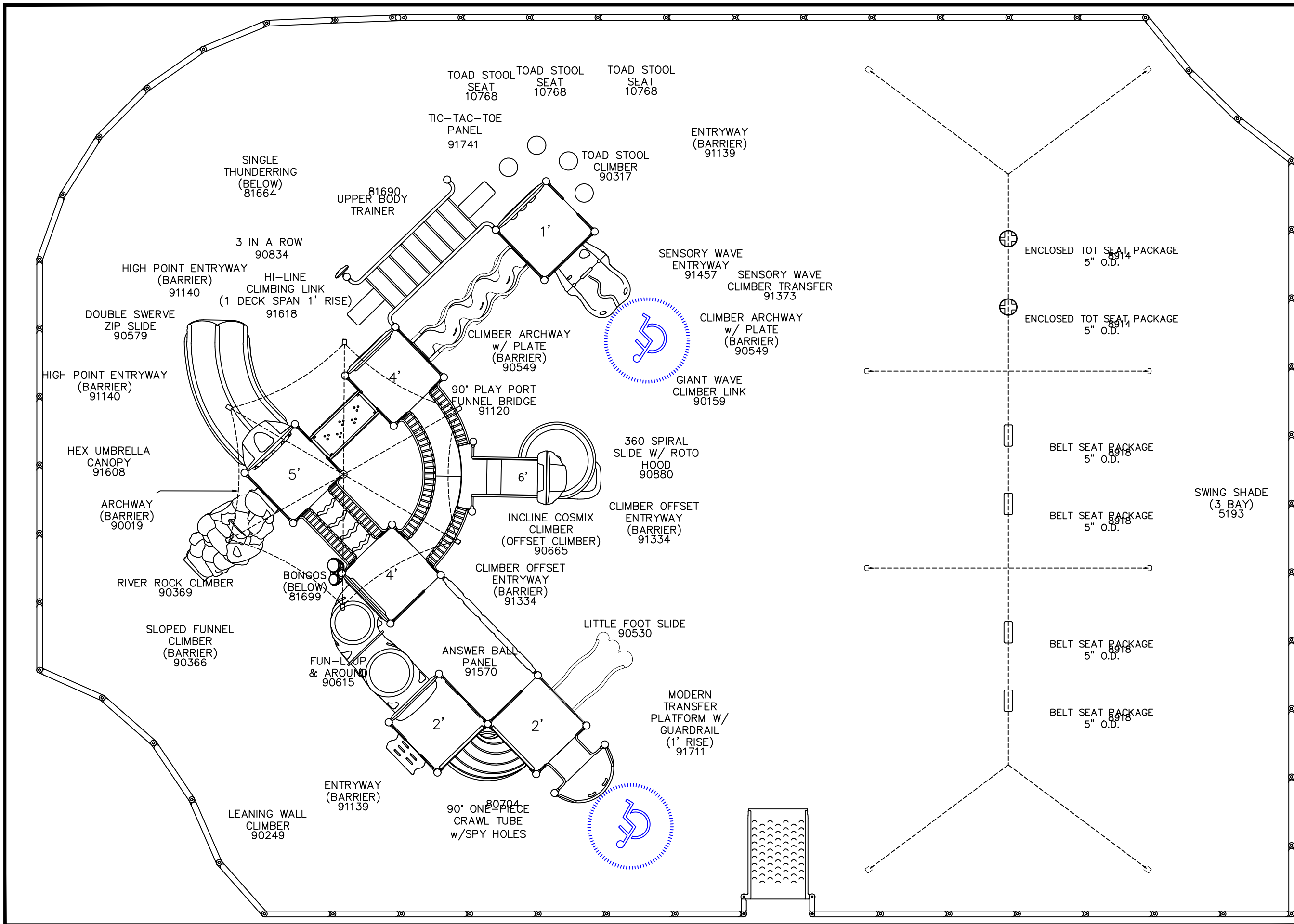
This play equipment is recommended for children ages 5-12

DRAWING NO.: TCLE_HGTS_TOT

DRAWN BY:
Taylor Kolanko

DATE: 10/10/25

SHEET NO.:
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DRAWING NO: TCLE_HGTS-TOT
DRAWN BY: Taylor Kolanko
DATE: 10/8/25

PROJECT TITLE:
City of Cleveland Heights - Denison Park Tot Playground
Cleveland Heights, OH
REPRESENTATIVE:
Taylor Kolanko

SHEET NO:
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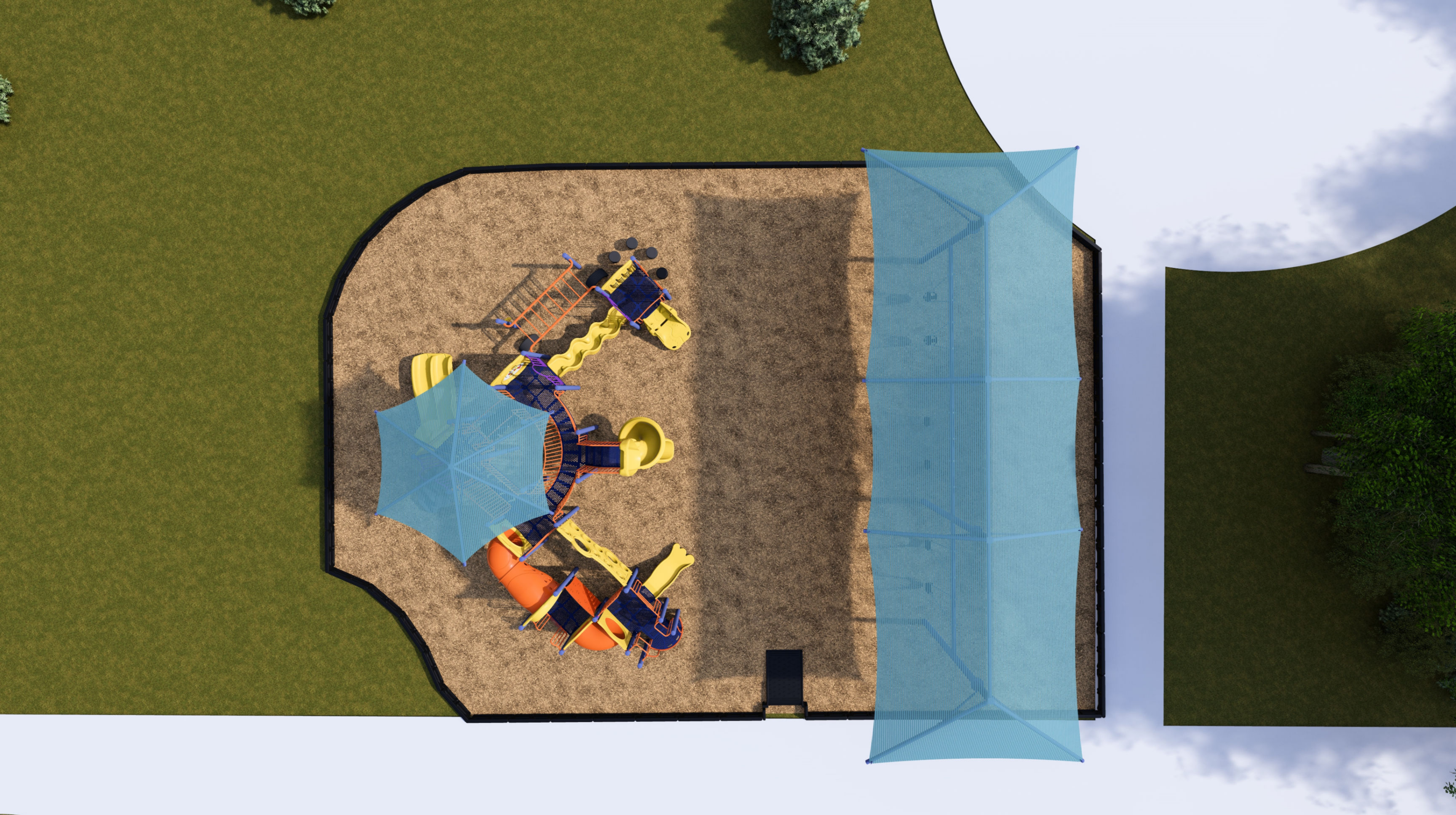


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Proposed: 03/03/2026

RESOLUTION NO. 052-2026(CRR), *Second Reading*

By Mayor Petras

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Playcore Wisconsin, Inc. d/b/a GameTime through the Omnia cooperative purchasing program for the installation of a Tot Playground at Denison Park; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City desires to install a Tot Playground at Denison Park; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 9.48 authorizes political subdivisions to participate in cooperative purchasing program without obtaining competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has determined that the equipment purchase and construction of the splashpad may be obtained from Playcore Wisconsin, Inc. d/b/a GameTime through its authorized distributor, DWA Recreation, Inc. and the Omnia cooperative purchasing program at a lower price than could be obtained through the City's bidding individually, in accordance with a proposal dated February 3, 2026, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of Council, and that it would be in the City's best interests to purchase and install the playground by this means

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and he is hereby, authorized to execute any and all agreements necessary for the construction of a tot playground from GameTime, including the installation of equipment, through the Omnia cooperative purchasing program, in accordance with the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and the City's Charter and Codified Ordinances, for a price not to exceed One Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand, Nine Hundred Fifty-Five and 05/100 Dollars (\$172,966.05). The City hereby waives individual formal bidding for this project. All contracts hereunder shall be in a form approved by the Director of Law.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 052-2026(CRR)

SECTION 3. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to commence construction this season. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor



Date: 3/16/2026

To: The Cleveland Heights City Council

From: The Division of Parks & Recreation

Subject: Lease agreement with the LGBT Community Center of Greater Cleveland

Purpose Statement: To request approval from the Cleveland Heights City Council to enter into a lease agreement for one (1) year, starting on January 1, 2026 with the LGBT Community Center of Greater Cleveland. This lease – at the rate of \$500/month - is for the establishment of an east side location for the LGBT Community Center for the intention of providing programming and space for support groups. The lease would be reviewed for renewal after one-year. Room 8 at the Cleveland Heights Community Center is being reserved for this purpose.

The price per sq. ft. is just above the rate that RITA pays to rent space at City Hall.

In addition to the continuation of the Rainbow Pioneers group that currently meets at the Cleveland Heights Community Center, programming for the east side LGBT Center location would include:

- Open Arms – a support group for parents and caregivers of LGBTQ+ children.
- Pride Recovery – a peer-led group rooted in the SMART Recovery model, designed for LGBTQ+ persons navigating recovery.
- LGBTQ+ Community Support Group – a safe, affirming space to connect, share, and support one another.
- Queer Game Nights & Queer Craft Nights – fun, welcoming spaces to build community and find joy together.
- Advocacy Events on the East Side – gatherings centered on education, empowerment, and visibility for LGBTQ+ and BIPOC communities.

All of these programs are free and open to LGBTQ+ community members and allies—no membership or fees would be required.

With national funding for LGBTQ+ grants and support services being cut or cancelled – particularly in regards to LGBTQ+ youth – this satellite center is particularly needed for our community at this time.

This expansion is part of the LGBT Center's broader commitment to breaking down barriers and ensuring that LGBTQ+ and BIPOC persons on the East Side have access to the same affirming programs that have been so meaningful at our West Side location. Community members have

been asking for these opportunities, and we're excited to make them more accessible and meet them where they are.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: _____ No: X

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: X No: _____

If yes, why? Our goal is to enter into an agreement with the LGBT Community Center in a timely manner so the Center can be ready to occupy the space as quickly as possible. Setting up the space for use and planning programming would need to take place before the lease officially begin.

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, why?

If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: _____ No: _____ N/a: X

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?

Proposed: 02/02/2026

ORDINANCE NO. 031-2026(CRR), *Second Reading (Amended 03.16.2026)*

By Mayor Petras

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement to lease an unoccupied room within the City's Recreation Center located at 1 Monticello Boulevard, Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118; finding that room is not needed for public use; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, Room 8 of the City's Recreation Center is currently unoccupied and not used for the normal operation of the Recreation Center;

WHEREAS, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center of Greater Cleveland ("Community Center") has proposed leasing Room 8 from the City for the purpose of providing services to the community; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to lease Room 8 to the Community Center for the purposes described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby determines that Room 8 of the City's Recreation Center is not needed for public use at this time and is not expected to be needed for public use during the next twelve (12) months. and that leasing it for the purpose described herein would serve the interests of the City.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement for, and all related documents necessary to, lease Room 8 of the Recreation Center to the Community Center for the purpose of providing services to the community. The lease shall be for a term of twelve (12) months commencing with a rental fee of Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$500.00) per month. The lease agreement and any related documents shall be approved as to form, and contain any provisions deemed necessary or advisable, by the Director of Law.

SECTION 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. Notice of the passage of this Ordinance shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one

ORDINANCE NO. 031-2026(CRR)

newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Ordinance to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 5. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to afford the Community Center sufficient time to set up the space for use and adjust programming in accordance with the lease requirements before commencing operations. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor

Proposed: 03/03/2026

ORDINANCE NO. 051-2026(PD), *Second Reading (As Amended 03.16.2026)*

By Mayor Petras

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to Tower Lease Agreement with T-Mobile Central, LLC for the use of a portion of City-owned property located at 14200 Superior Road for the construction, installation, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and improvement of a wireless communications facility and the grant of associated licenses and easements; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights owns certain real property located at 14200 Superior Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118 ("Property") upon which the City's Transfer Station is located; and

WHEREAS, T-Mobile Central, LLC ("T-Mobile") is a wireless communications provider 1) leasing space on top of the Transfer Station and the "flag pole" antenna support structure for the placement and operation of telecommunications equipment used in the provision of services to its customers, and 2) benefitting from utility and access easements allowing T-Mobile to service the equipment and provide wireless communication services, pursuant to a Tower Lease executed by the City and T-Mobile in July of 2013 as authorized by Ordinance No. 6-2013; and

WHEREAS, the Tower Lease provided for an initial five-year term at a monthly rent of One Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,850.00), with four (4) five-year renewal terms in which the rent would increase by 15% each term, and the parties are currently in the second renewal term, at a monthly rent of Two Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Six Dollars and Five Cents (\$2,466.05); and

WHEREAS, T-Mobile has proposed amending the lease to provide for, inter alia, a new "slick stick" monopole approximately 65' in height and the relocation of certain equipment from the roof to a new equipment shed abutting the Transfer Station, two (2) additional renewal terms of five (5) years each, and the replacement of two (2) steel beams and connections supporting the Transfer Station roof, antenna support structure, and other telecommunications equipment; and

WHEREAS, the estimated value of the replacement of the steel beams and connections is Seventy-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$75,000.00); and

WHEREAS, this Council wishes to authorize the amendment as recommended by the Director of Public Works and the Mayor.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

ORDINANCE NO. 051-2026(PD)

SECTION 1. The Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the Tower Lease with T-Mobile to provide for two (2) additional five-year renewal terms and the replacement of steel beams and connections and other modifications to the equipment and lease necessary to accommodate the Concept Plans for Tower Upgrade and Beam Replacement attached hereto as Exhibit "A," subject to any other terms and conditions deemed necessary or appropriate by the Director of Law.

SECTION 2. Rent for the fifth renewal term shall not be less than Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One and 88/100 Dollars (\$3,751.88) per month, and rent for the sixth renewal term shall not be less than Four Thousand Three Hundred Fourteen and 66/100 Dollars (\$4,314.66) per month.

SECTION 3. The Mayor be and is hereby further authorized to enter into any necessary license or easement agreements with T-Mobile for access, utility or otherwise, to the leased Property. The locations of the easements and associated equipment shall be as agreed upon by the City and T-Mobile, shall in no event interfere with the use of the Property for municipal purposes, and shall contain such terms as recommended by the Mayor and Director of Law and shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Law as to form.

SECTION 4. No Section of this Ordinance shall be interpreted as abrogating, superseding, or otherwise waiving any other approvals required by the City's Codified Ordinances to provide for the modifications described within Exhibit "A".

SECTION 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 6. Notice of the passage of this Ordinance shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 7. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the timely need to enter into the agreement on a timely manner to meet construction season deadlines. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force and after the earliest time allowed by law.

ORDINANCE NO. 051-2026(PD)

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor



EXHIBIT B1
DESCRIPTION OF PREMISES

to the Agreement Dated July 30, 2013, by and between the City of Cleveland Heights, an Ohio municipal corporation ("Landlord") and T-Mobile Central LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Tenant").

The Premises are described and depicted as follows:

See Attached Drawings



CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
CL20110D

2951 MAYFIELD RD.
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

CONCEPT PLANS FOR TOWER
UPGRADE AND BEAM REPLACEMENT



SITE NAME:
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

SITE NUMBER:
CL20110D

SITE ADDRESS:
2951 MAYFIELD RD.
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

TOWER OWNER:
CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
49 SEVERANCE CIRCLE
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

COUNTY:
CUYAHOGA

LATITUDE:
41° 37' 53.55" N
(41.631819)

LONGITUDE:
81° 34' 30.370" W
(-81.575084)

CONTRACTOR & SUBCONTRACTOR'S WORK SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL CODES AS ADOPTED BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY HAVING JURISDICTION (MAY BE FOR THE LOCATION). THE EDITION OF THE ADOPTED CODES AND STANDARDS IN EFFECT ON THE DATE OF CONTRACT AWARD SHALL GOVERN THE DESIGN.

BUILDING CODE
2015 IBC BUILDING CODE

ELECTRICAL CODE
NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION (NFPA) 70-2017
NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE (NEC) 2014, AS ADOPTED BY THE STATE OF OHIO.

LIGHTNING PROTECTION CODE
NFPA 780-2017 LIGHTNING PROTECTION CODE

SUBCONTRACTOR'S WORK SHALL COMPLY WITH THE LATEST EDITION OF THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS:
AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE (ACI) 318, BUILDING CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR STRUCTURAL CONCRETE
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF STEEL CONSTRUCTION (AISC), MANUAL OF STEEL CONSTRUCTION FOR BUILDING
TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION (TIA) 222-G, STRUCTURAL STANDARD FOR STEEL ANTENNA TOWERS AND ANTENNA SUPPORTING STRUCTURES
TIA-411, COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOUNDING AND BOLTING REQUIREMENTS FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS

INSTITUTE FOR ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERS (IEEE) 81, GUIDE FOR MEASURING EARTH RESISTIVITY, GROUND IMPEDANCE, AND EARTH SURFACE POTENTIALS OF A GROUND SYSTEM
(SEE TIA-222-G, RECOMMENDED PRACTICE FOR POWERING AND GROUNDING OF ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT)

IEEE 524-1, RECOMMENDED PRACTICES ON 50-500 KV VOLTAGES IN LOW VOLTAGE AC POWER CIRCUITS (FOR LOCATION CATEGORY "C") AND 10 kV SYSTEMS (PDS-2)

IEEE C62.0 NATIONAL ELECTRIC SAFETY CODE, LATEST VERSION



SITE NAME
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

SITE NUMBER
CL20110D

SITE ADDRESS
2951 MAYFIELD RD.
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

SITE DATA
MID POINT LATITUDE: 41° 37' 53.55" N (41.6319)
MID POINT LONGITUDE: -81° 34' 30.37" W (-81.5751)

LEASE AREA
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UPGRADE AND BEAM REPLACEMENT

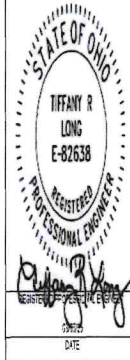
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CUYAHOGA COUNTY

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DESIGN ENGINEER

400 TRACY WAY, SUITE 200
CHARLESTON, WV 25311
(304) 345-8712 PHONE
(304) 345-8714 FAX

CONSULTANT TEAM: DWG BY: CRH

SITE DIRECTIONS

FROM PITTSBURGH, PA: HEAD WEST TO WARD PENN CENTER BLVD (465 FT). TURN LEFT TOWARD PENN CENTER BLVD (30.2 FT). TURN LEFT ONTO PENN CENTER BLVD (0.2 MI). TURN RIGHT ONTO CHARLETTA PLUM RD (1.5 MI). TURN LEFT ONTO THE P&W APPURTENANCE (0.2 MI). MERGE ONTO STATE TOLL ROAD (0.5 MI). TAKE EXIT 33 TO WARD - WARDEN. TURN RIGHT ONTO WARDEN RD (0.1 MI). SLIGHT RIGHT TO MERGE ONTO WARD TOLL ROAD ENTERING OHIO (1.8 MI). CONTINUE ONTO WARD TOLL ROAD (0.5 MI). TAKE EXIT 187 TO MERGE ONTO 1400 WARD HIGHWAY TOWARD CLEVELAND (1.5 MI). USE THE LEFT 3 LANES TO TAKE THE P&W ONTO 2511N-400 W (2.4 MI). KEEP LEFT TO CONTINUE ON 2511N, FOLLOW SIGN FOR 271 NEEPER RD (1.4 MI). TAKE EXIT 33 TO MERGE ONTO CEDAR RD (2.1 MI). MERGE ONTO CEDAR RD (2.4 MI). TURN RIGHT ONTO S BELLEVUE RD (1.4 MI). TURN LEFT ONTO MAYFIELD RD (2.1 MI). TURN RIGHT ONTO SUPERIOR RD (0.6 FT). TURN LEFT AND DESTINATION WILL BE ON THE LEFT (1.1 MI) (44° 38' 52.87" 88° 34' 30.37").

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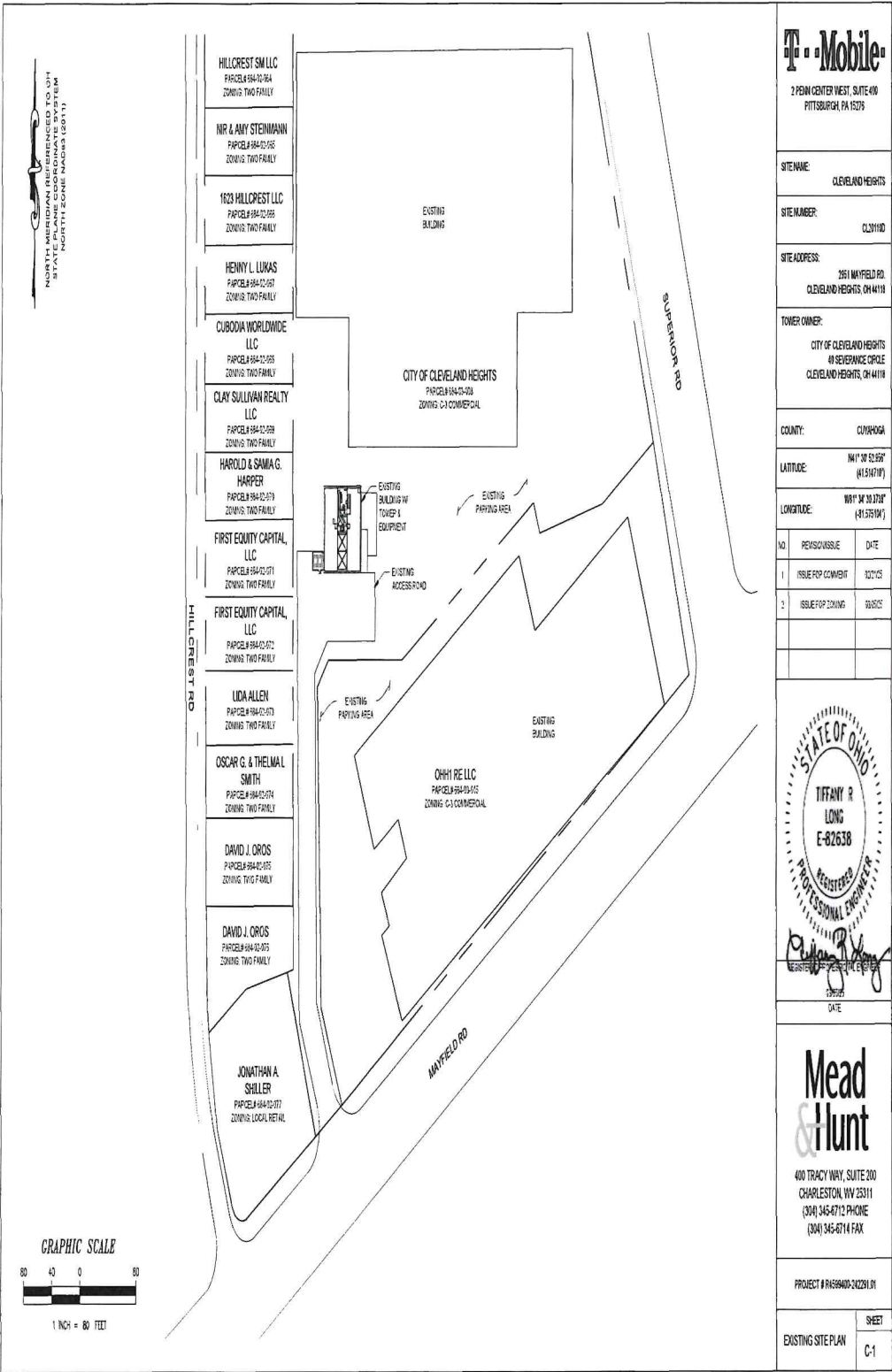
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PROJECT # R150400-140250-01

TITLE SHEET: T-1

Site Number: CL20110D
Site Name: Cleveland Heights
Market: Cleveland



T-Mobile
2 PENN CENTER WEST, SUITE 400
PITTSBURGH, PA 15225

SITE NAME: CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
SITE NUMBER: CL20110D
SITE ADDRESS: 2511 MAYFIELD RD.
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

TOWER OWNER:
CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
48 SEVERANCE CIRCLE
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

COUNTY: CUYAHOGA
LATITUDE: N41° 00' 52.69"
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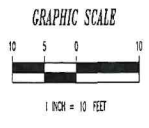
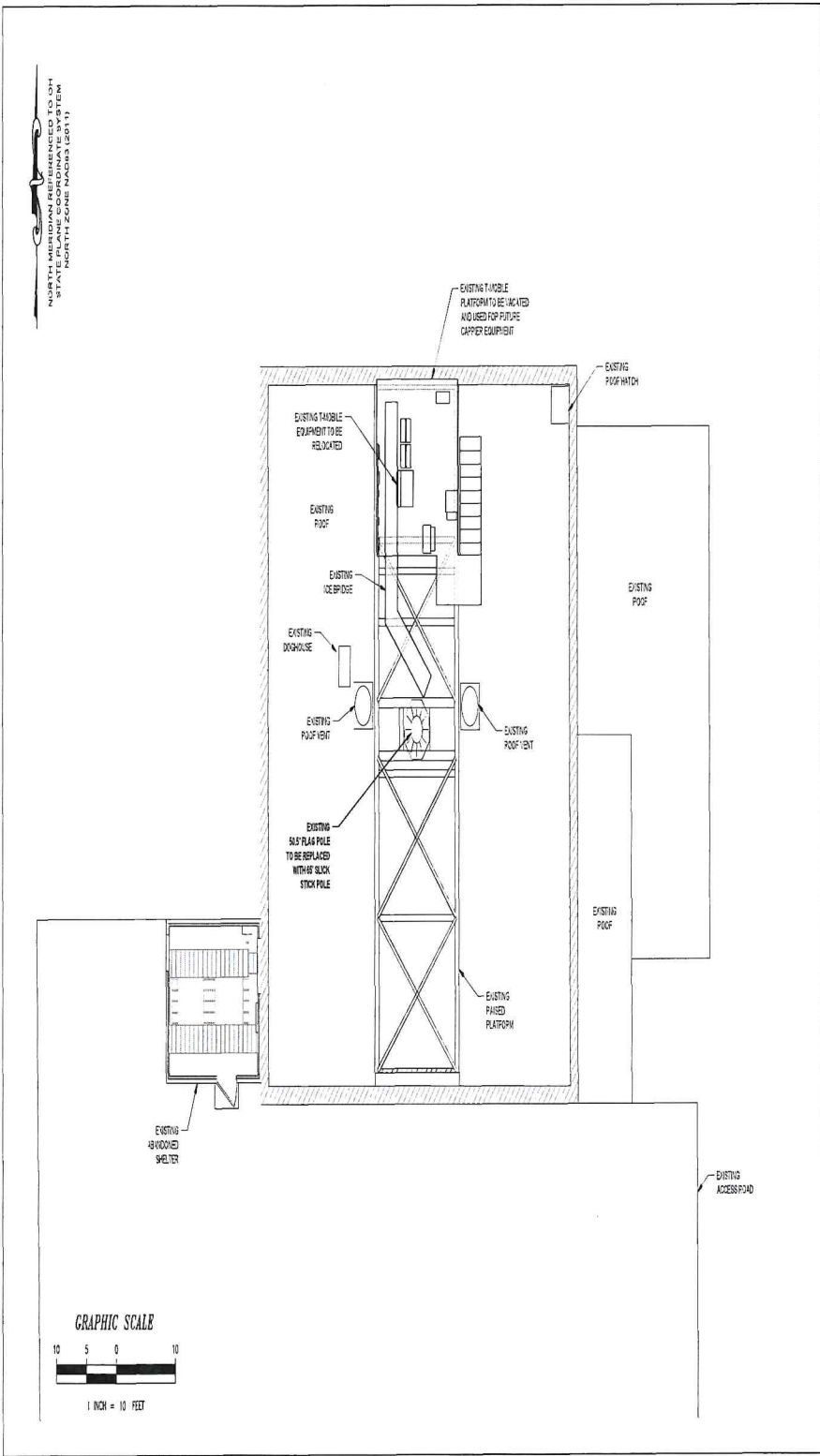
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Tiffany R Long
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PROJECT # PHS9900-242291.01
SHEET
EXISTING SITE PLAN C-1

Site Number: CL20110D
Site Name: Cleveland Heights
Market: Cleveland

NATIONAL GRID SYSTEM
 STATE PLANNING COORDINATE SYSTEM
 NORTH ZONE NAD83 (2011)



T-Mobile
 2 PENN CENTER WEST, SUITE 400
 PITTSBURGH, PA 15276

SITE NAME: CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

SITE NUMBER: CL20110D

SITE ADDRESS: 3951 WAYFIELD RD
 CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

TOWER OWNER:
 CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
 41 SEVERNANCE CIRCLE
 CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

COUNTY: CUYAHOGA

LATITUDE: 41° 31' 53.56" (N)
 (41.531822)

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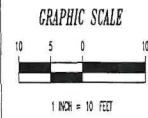
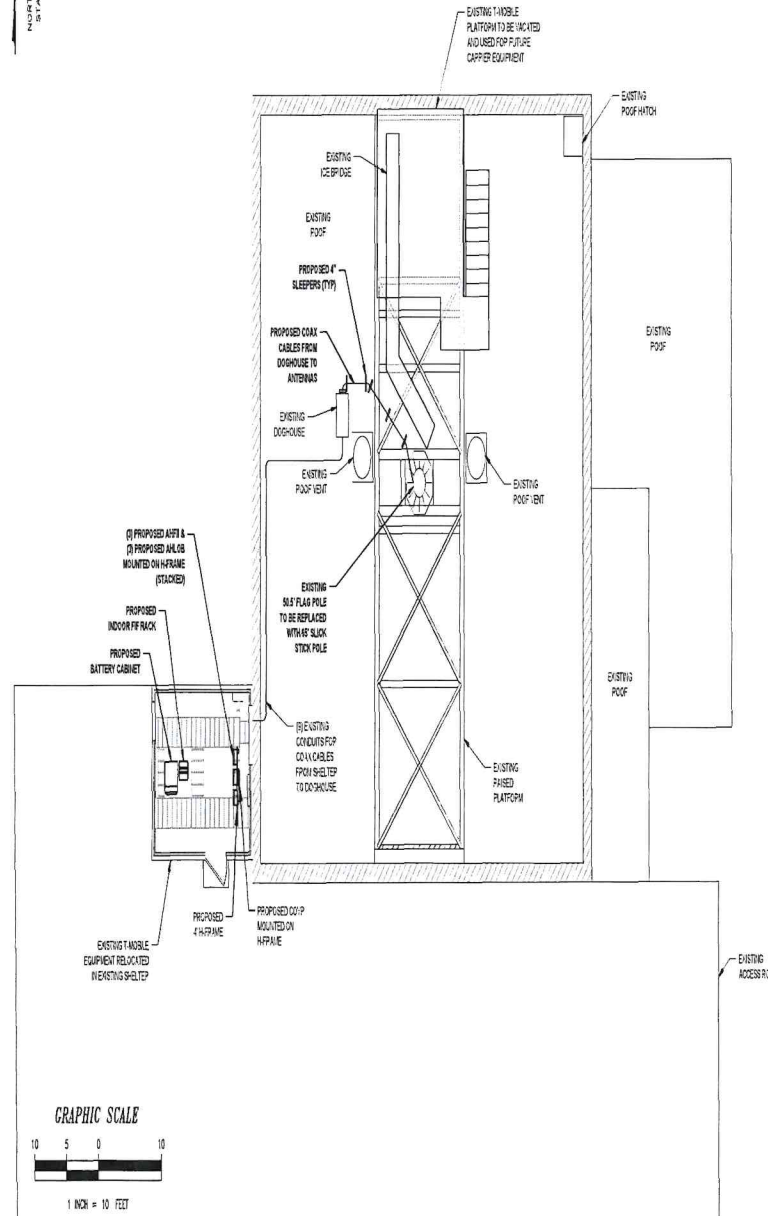
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 Market: Cleveland

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NORTH ZONE NAD83 (2011)



T-Mobile
2 PENN CENTER WEST, SUITE 400
PITTSBURGH, PA 15206

SITE NAME: CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

SITE NUMBER: CL20110D

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CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

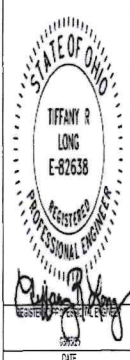
TOWER OWNER:
CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
40 SEVERANCE CIRCLE
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

COUNTY: COLUMBIA

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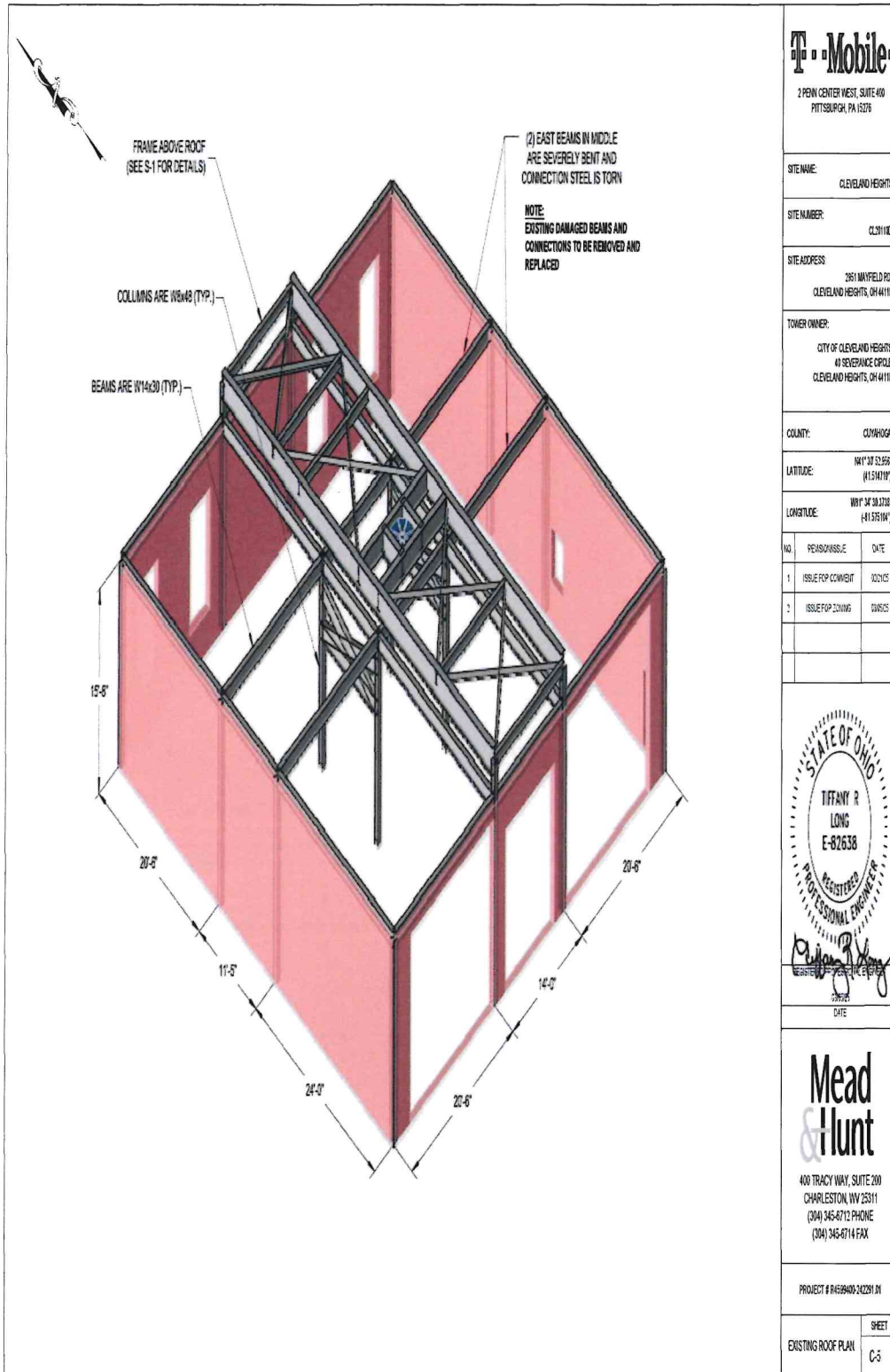


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PROJECT # 1459400-242281.01

PROPOSED ROOF PLAN SHEET C-3

Site Number: CL20110D
Site Name: Cleveland Heights
Market: Cleveland



T-Mobile

2 PENN CENTER WEST, SUITE 400
PITTSBURGH, PA 15216

SITE NAME: CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

SITE NUMBER: CL20110D

SITE ADDRESS: 2981 MAPLE RD.
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

TOWER OWNER:
CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
40 SEVERANCE CIRCLE
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

COUNTY: CUYAHOGA

LATITUDE: 41° 10' 22.95"
(41.17110°)

LONGITUDE: 80° 34' 38.273"
(-80.57867°)

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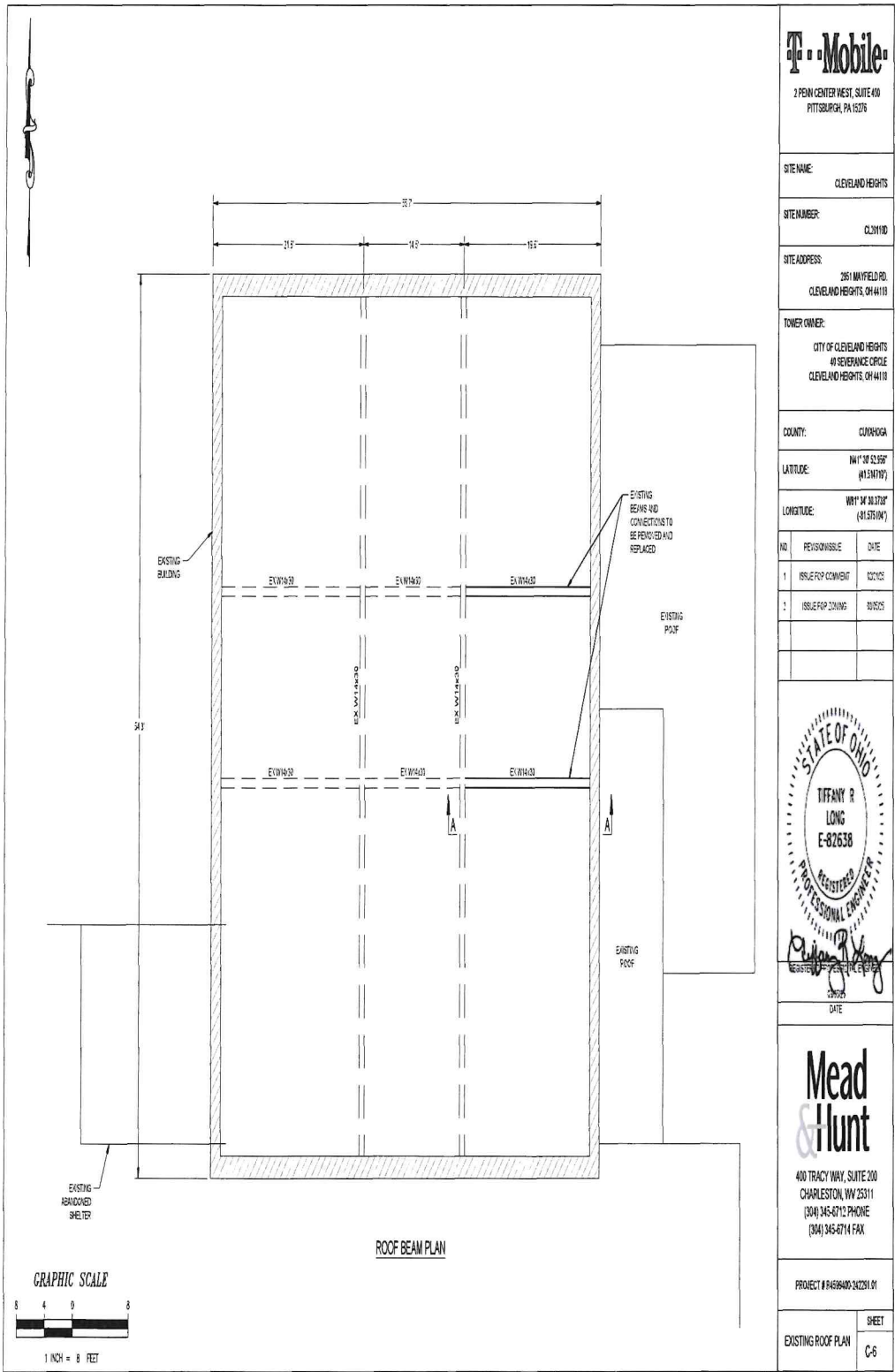
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PROJECT # R4626400-242291.DWG

EXISTING ROOF PLAN	SHEET C-3
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Site Number: CL20110D
Site Name: Cleveland Heights
Market: Cleveland



T-Mobile
 2 PENN CENTER WEST, SUITE 400
 PITTSBURGH, PA 15275

SITE NAME: CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

SITE NUMBER: CL20110D

SITE ADDRESS: 2651 MAYFIELD RD.
 CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

TOWER OWNER: CITY OF CLEVELAND HEIGHTS
 48 SEVERANCE CIRCLE
 CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OH 44118

COUNTY: CUYAHOGA

LATITUDE: N41° 02' 52.65"
 (41.047958°)

LONGITUDE: W81° 04' 33.70"
 (-81.075944°)

NO.	PERMISSIBLE	DATE
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2	ISSUE FOR DRAWING	10/2/05

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PROJECT # B469400-242251.01

EXISTING ROOF PLAN	SHEET C-6
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Site Number: CL20110D
 Site Name: Cleveland Heights
 Market: Cleveland

Site Number: CL20110D
Site Name: Cleveland Heights
Market: Cleveland



Date: April 6, 2026

To: City Council

From: Eric Zamft, Director of Planning, Neighborhoods & Development

Subject: National Community Development Week, April 6-10, 2026

Purpose Statement: As we do every year, the City celebrates National Community Development Week. This year, National Community Development Week is April 6-10, 2026. The attached legislation reflects that for 2026.

Is this legislation recurring: Yes: No:

Is emergency language necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why? National Community Development Week this year is April 6-10. In order to publicize it, the resolution would need to become effective immediately.

Is passage on first reading necessary: Yes: No:

If yes, why? This is a piece of legislation that we consider every year, along with most communities in the United States. National Community Development Week this year is April 6-10. In order to publicize it, the resolution should be adopted on First Reading.

If funding is required, is it already budgeted for? Yes: No: N/A

If not already budgeted for, where will funding come from?

Proposed: 03/16/2026

RESOLUTION NO. 061-2026(PD), *First Reading*

By Mayor Petras

A Resolution proclaiming April 6-10, 2026 to be *National Community Development Week*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”) implemented the Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) Program in 1974 for the purpose of providing local governments with the financial resources to assist low- and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights is a participant in the CDBG Program, the main purpose of which is to provide decent, safe, and sanitary housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income people; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights is also a participant in the HOME Investment Partnerships (“HOME”) program which provides funding to local communities to create decent, safe, and affordable housing opportunities for low-income persons; and

WHEREAS, 2026 marks the 35th anniversary of the HOME program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights is a partner with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (“HUD”)-funded Lead Hazard Control program, which provides funding for the removal of lead-based paint hazards in low to moderate income homes; and

WHEREAS, this Council recognizes that the CDBG, HOME, and Lead Hazard Control programs are a partnership of federal, state, and local governments, businesses, non-profits, community organizations, and residents, and that the services funded by HUD, which are administered by the local governments and often delivered by non-profit organizations, rely heavily on the dedication and good will of this partnership; and

WHEREAS, this Council believes that public recognition of the vital importance of the CDBG program to national communities like Cleveland Heights is essential.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby proclaims April 6-10, 2026 to be *National Community Development Week* in the City of Cleveland Heights and resolves that during

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this week this community will give special thanks and recognition to all participants whose hard work and devotion to their neighborhoods and their low- and moderate-income residents help ensure the quality and effectiveness of the CDBG, HOME Investment Partnerships, and Lead Hazard Control programs.

SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions and deliberations of Council and its committees relating to the passage of this legislation that resulted in formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need for *National Community Development Week* to be recognized on a timely basis. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor

Proposed: 03/16/2026

RESOLUTION NO. 062-2026(HB)

By All City Council Members

A Resolution joining with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and communities throughout the nation in the observation of April 2026 as *Fair Housing Month*; reaffirming the City of Cleveland Heights' commitment to fair housing; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, in celebration of the 58th anniversary of the Federal Fair Housing Law, the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") has promoted the observance of April as *Fair Housing Month* throughout communities of this nation; and

WHEREAS, this City, since 1965, has continually and consistently approved and encouraged the concept of fair housing throughout the City of Cleveland Heights and the entire Cleveland metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, 50 years ago, in 1976, this Council committed itself to a Resolution establishing the Nine-Point Plan to promote a well-maintained, full-service residential community, to prevent re-segregation and to develop programs with residents, community organizations, the Board of Education, the business community, and other institutions to implement this Plan; and

WHEREAS, since that time, the City of Cleveland Heights has created and operated programs to continue integration and to educate and persuade residents and non-residents of the benefits of integrated neighborhoods in this City and others across the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby proclaims April 2026 to be *Fair Housing Month* in the City of Cleveland Heights. The City joins with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and other communities nationwide in the observation of *Fair Housing Month* and hereby reaffirms its commitment established over 50 years ago to fair housing in Cleveland Heights and throughout the Greater Cleveland area and the nation.

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

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TONY CUDA
President of Council

ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor

Proposed: 03/16/2025

RESOLUTION NO. 063-2026(CRR), *First Reading*

By All City Councilmembers

A Resolution proclaiming April 2026 to be *National Poetry Month*; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the Academy of American Poets established the month of April as *National Poetry Month* in 1996; and

WHEREAS, *National Poetry Month* seeks to highlight the extraordinary legacy and ongoing achievement of American poets, introduce Americans to the pleasures and benefits of reading poetry, present poets and poetry to the public in immediate and innovative ways, and make poetry an important part of our children's education; and

WHEREAS, *National Poetry Month*, under the leadership and direction of the Academy of American Poets, is now the largest literary celebration in the world; and

WHEREAS, poetry enhances and enriches the lives of all Americans; and

WHEREAS, poetry, as an essential part of the arts and humanities, affects every aspect of life in America today, including education, the economy, and community pride and development; and

WHEREAS, poetry has produced some of the nation's leading creative artists and has inspired other artists in fields such as music, theatre, film, dance, and the visual arts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights has a long, proud history of being home to the Arts; and

WHEREAS, this Council recognizes the benefits of poetry and has recognized the Poet Laureate selected by Heights Arts since the program began in 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. This Council hereby proclaims April 2026 to be *National Poetry Month* in the City of Cleveland Heights and urges all residents to observe this month, to celebrate the cultural riches our community has to offer, and to recognize the important role of poetry in creating and sustaining this great city with appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs.

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

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TONY CUDA
President of Council

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PASSED:

Presented to Mayor: _____ Approved: _____

JIM PETRAS
Mayor