

CITY OF OBERLIN, OHIO

ORDINANCE No. 20-03 AC CMS

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO REQUEST THE TRANSFER OF TITLE TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND WITHIN THE CITY OF OBERLIN FROM THE LORAIN COUNTY TREASURER AND TO ACCEPT TITLE TO SAID LAND UPON TRANSFER

WHEREAS, there are a number of parcels of vacant land located within the City of Oberlin which have been abandoned and are delinquent in the payment of county real estate taxes; and,

WHEREAS, to protect the health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Oberlin, the city has and will expend funds and labor to maintain said parcels, the cost of which is assessed against the properties for collection in the same manner as taxes and other assessments; and,

WHEREAS, said parcels are nonproductive and are a burden to the city and the city wishes to make said them available for productive use; and,

WHEREAS, Section 323.78 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the County Treasurer, upon request of a municipal corporation in which tax delinquent and abandoned properties are situated, to transfer title to said parcels in lieu of a foreclosure sale for nonpayment of taxes, free and clear of all impositions and any other liens; and,

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2019, Council authorized the City Law Director to request that the County Prosecutor initiate the foreclosure of said tax delinquent properties to enable the transfer of title to said parcels to the city; and,

WHEREAS, the Lorain County Treasurer has initiated foreclosures on said parcels.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Oberlin, County of Lorain, State of Ohio, a majority of all members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1: The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to initiate the request for the transfer of title of the properties identified on the list attached hereto to the City of Oberlin pursuant to section 323.78 of the Ohio Revised Code and to accept said title on behalf of the City of Oberlin upon said transfer.

SECTION 2: It is hereby found and determined that all formal action of this Council concerning or related to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meeting open to the public in compliance with all legal requirement, including section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

PASSED: 1st Reading: February 18, 2020
2nd Reading: March 2, 2020 (Effective in 30 days)
3rd Reading: _____

ATTEST:



BELINDA B. ANDERSON, MMC
CLERK OF COUNCIL



LINDA SLOCUM
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

POSTED: 03/03/2020

EFFECTIVE DATE: 04/01/2020