

CITY OF OBERLIN, OHIO

ORDINANCE No. 25-65 AC CMS

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DEDICATE LAND OWNED BY THE CITY OF OBERLIN FOR PUBLIC OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL USES TO FACILITATE THE REPLACEMENT OF THE SOUTH PLEASANT STREET BRIDGE TO GO INTO IMMEDIATE EFFECT

WHEREAS, Park Street Park in the City of Oberlin was improved in 1973 using Land and Water Conservation Funds (LWCF) provided by the National Park Service to assist with planning and development of outdoor recreational uses; and

WHEREAS, the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, as amended, 54 U.S.C. § 200305(f)(3) provides that Park Street Park may not be converted to other than public outdoor recreation uses except upon the substitution of other recreational property of at least equal fair market value and of reasonably equivalent usefulness and location; and

WHEREAS, replacement of the South Pleasant Street Bridge over Plum Creek requires an additional 0.105 acres of permanent right-of-way from Park Street Park for the construction of bridge wing walls, placement of rock channel protection within Plum Creek, and the relocation of a sanitary sewer line; and

WHEREAS, the City proposes to replace the 0.105 of dedicated parkland in Park St. Park with permanent parcel number 09-00-086-106-030, a 0.3125-acre parcel of vacant land on South Park St., directly adjacent to Park St. Park and owned by the City of Oberlin; and

WHEREAS, the National Park Service and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources have accepted the proposed substitution contingent upon dedication of said replacement parcel in perpetuity for public outdoor recreation uses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Oberlin, County of Lorain, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Quit-Claim Deed to dedicate Permanent Parcel No. 09-00-086-106-030 for public outdoor recreational uses substantially in the manner as attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. That the Law Director is hereby authorized and directed to record said executed Quit Claim Deed with the Lorain County Recorder's Office.

SECTION 3. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning or relating 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 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. To facilitate the replacement of the South Pleasant St. bridge over Plum Creek, and provided that at least five (5) members of Council determine by motion, this Ordinance shall go into full

force and effect immediately after its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

ADOPTED: 1st Reading: December 15, 2025

2nd Reading: _____

3rd Reading: _____

ATTEST:



BELINDA B. ANDERSON, MMC
CLERK OF COUNCIL



EBONI A. JOHNSON
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

POSTED: 12/16/2025

EFFECTIVE DATE: 12/15/2025