



Agenda

Oxford City Council

Court House

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2022

EXECUTIVE SESSION

6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2022

R.C. 121.22(G)(4) For the purpose of collective bargaining, and

R.C. 121.22(G)(1) For the Consideration of the Employment and Compensation of an Employee or Official.

1.Roll Call. William Snavely, Mayor Chantel Raghu, Vice-Mayor Amber Franklin
Jason Bracken Alex French Glenn Ellerbe David Prytherch

2.Approval of Agenda.

3.Public Participation.

A. Public Comments.

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4.Consent Agenda.

A.Minutes of the September 20, 2022, City Council Meeting (Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council) pg 5



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B.Report regarding the September 12, 2022, Recreation Board Meeting (Casey Wooddell, Parks and Recreation Director) pg 45



Recreation Board Report

5.Resolutions.

1.A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a \$225,000.00 grant agreement with the Ohio Department of Public Safety, to engage in and coordinate as lead agency for the Countywide OVI Taskforce. (John Jones, Police Chief).pg 46



Grant Acceptance

2.A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Peter M. Reising to perform consulting services and to function as the Butler County OVI Task Force Coordinator for the 2022 grant funded through the Ohio Department of Public Safety. (John Jones, Police Chief).pg 48



Consulting Agreement

3.A Resolution amending the proposed 2023 Capital Improvements Budget to complete our streets and Oxford area Trail by Updating Oxford Transportation Plans. (Councilor Prytherch).pg 55



Transportation Plan

4.A Resolution amending the proposed 2023 Capital Improvement Budget to expand the funding and scope of renewable energy feasibility study beyond Local Government Operations to meet Community-Wide energy needs. (Councilor Prytherch).pg 58



Energy Plan

6.Ordinances.

A.First Reading.

1.An Ordinance repealing and replacing section 505.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Oxford pertaining to dogs and other animals running at large. (Doug Elliott, City Manager).pg 61



Leash Ordinance

2.An Ordinance amending Chapter 935 trees, shrubs, and other plants by adding Section 935.191 Managed Natural Lawn Area. (Councilor Bracken).pg 66

Managed Natural Law Area OrdinanceB. Second Reading – None.7. A. Announcements & Communications.

1. Remarks from City Council and City staff. The comments expressed by individual members of Council or City staff during this portion of a City Council meeting do not necessarily reflect the views of the City of Oxford, The Oxford City Council, or the City staff.

2. Future Meetings.

WED – Oct. 5 Environmental Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m. Municipal Building

MON – Oct. 10 Parking & Transportation Advisory Board Meeting 9:30 a.m. Municipal Building

MON – Oct. 10 Recreation Board Meeting at 11:30 a.m. Municipal Building

TUES – Oct. 11 Public Arts Commission Meeting 4:30 p.m. Municipal Building

TUES – Oct. 11 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m.

WED – Oct. 12 Historic & Architectural Preservation Commission Meeting 6:15 p.m.

MON – Oct. 17 Housing Advisory Commission Meeting 3:30 p.m. LCNB Community Room

TUES – Oct. 18 City Council Meeting 7:30 p.m.

THUR – Oct. 20 Climate Action Steering Committee Meeting 8:30 a.m. Municipal Building

TUES – Oct. 20 City Council Operating Budget Work Session 6:30 p.m.

TUES – Oct. 25 CANCELED- Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting 6:30 p.m.

8. Adjourn.



The City of Oxford
(513) 524-5200
15 S. College Ave.
Oxford, OH 45056

STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	Police
PREPARED BY:	John A. Jones, Police Chief
DATE PREPARED:	September 21, 2022
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	October 4, 2022
AGENDA TITLE:	Resolution authorizing the Division of Police to accept the Ohio Department of Public Safety OVI grant in the amount of \$225,000
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	N/A
ACCOUNT CODE:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	Approve
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	<i>DRC</i> 9.20.22

DISCUSSION:

The Ohio Department of Public Safety's Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO) has awarded \$225,000 in federal funding to the City of Oxford for the Butler County OVI Task Force. The Oxford Division of Police is the lead agency for this grant on behalf of the Butler County OVI Task Force for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023. In order to continue this program, Oxford must apply for a grant from the Ohio Department of Public Safety for the Butler County OVI Task Force for FFY2023.

The administration of the grant involves both police and finance personnel. Oxford would serve as the lead agency for FFY2023. There are 13 police agencies within Butler County that participate in the grant program and funding for FFY2023 is \$225,000. This amount would be awarded to Oxford for distribution to participating agencies according to the terms of memorandums of understanding executed by officials of those 13 agencies. Funding through the program is essentially completed on a reimbursement basis. Participating agencies pay their officers and then submit reimbursement from Oxford. Reimbursements are on a monthly basis.

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A \$225,000.00 GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TO ENGAGE IN AND COORDINATE AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE COUNTYWIDE OVI TASKFORCE.

WHEREAS, the City Manager and the Police Chief recommend Council authorize the City Manager to enter into a \$225,000.00 grant agreement with the Ohio Department of Public Safety, to engage in and coordinate as Lead Agency for the countywide OVI Taskforce.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO, HEREBY RESOLVES THAT:

SECTION 1: Council, having determined that it would be beneficial to the City of Oxford to serve as Lead Agency of the OVI Taskforce by providing funding for multiple sobriety checkpoints at various locations in Butler County; Council hereby accepts the recommendation of the City Manager and the Police Chief to enter into a grant agreement.

SECTION 2: The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into a \$225,000.00 grant agreement with the Ohio Department of Public Safety, to engage in and coordinate as Lead Agency for the County-wide OVI Taskforce.

SECTION 3: This resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: WILLIAM SNAVELY

PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)



The City of Oxford
(513) 524-5200
15 S. College Ave.
Oxford, OH 45215

STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	Parks & Recreation
PREPARED BY:	Casey Wooddell
DATE PREPARED:	September 23, 2022
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	October 4, 2022
AGENDA TITLE:	Oxford Recreation Board – September 12, 2022
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approve
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	CDW 9/23/22 <i>DRC</i> 9.23.22

DISCUSSION:

Attendance: Ken Bogard, Adam Beissel, Craig Bennett, Holli Morrish, Casey Wooddell, Jake Richardson, Alex French (Council Rep.), Deanna Barbour (Secretary)

The Oxford Recreation Board met in the Municipal Building on Thursday, September 12, 2022.

Mr. Wooddell provided the Parks and Recreation Report. This report included information about the new semi-annual program guide, OXtoberfest Event, Cemetery Tours, and potential changes being discussed for other community festivals.

Ms. Morrish and Mr. Richardson provided a report about Talawanda Schools and Athletics, and Mr. Bennett and Mr. Beissel provided a report about Miami University.

Under New Business, Mr. Wooddell provided the members with the newly approved Rules of Order. Mr. Wooddell also shared a video about the National Fitness Campaign with discussion following about Facility Needs within the greater Oxford community.

Next meeting: Monday, October 10 – 11:30am at the City Building.



OXFORD CITY COUNCIL Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

[Link for website video here](#)

Full Transcript available upon request.

Roll Call TIME 00:00

William Snavelly Mayor	Chantel Raghu Vice Mayor
Jason Bracken	Amber Franklin
Alex French	Glenn Ellerbe
David Prytherch	

A regular meeting of the Oxford City Council was called to order by Mayor William Snavelly on Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. Members in attendance were Glenn Ellerbe, Chantel Raghu, Jason Bracken, Amber Franklin, and David Prytherch. Alex French was excused.

Staff Members in Attendance

Mr. Mike Dreisbach, Service Director; Mr. Sam Perry, Community Development Director; Mr. John Jones, Police Chief; Mr. Ben Mazer, Assistant Law Director; Mr. Joe Newlin, Finance Director; Mr. John Detherage, Fire Chief; and Ms. Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council.

Motion – Enter Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. **R.C. 121.22(G)(1) To Consider Employment and Compensation of an Employee or Official.**

(Roll Call) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Prytherch

AYE # 6

Ms. Raghu, Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Ms. Franklin, Mr. Prytherch, and Mayor Snavelly

NAY # 0

ABS # 0

Motion – To return from Executive Session at 7:35 p.m. R.C. 121.22(G)(1) To Consider Employment and Compensation of an Employee or Official.

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Ms. Franklin

AYE # 6

NAY # 0

ABS # 0

Pledge of Allegiance [TIME 00:48](#)

Approval of the Agenda [TIME 01:13](#)

Motion – To Adopt

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Prytherch

AYE #6

NAY #0

ABS #0

Public Participation [TIME 01:38](#)

Proclamation– “Hispanic Heritage Month” Page 5 of the Agenda Packet

Ms. Jacque Rioja Velarde received and thanked Mayor Snavelly for the proclamation. Ms. Velarde mentioned Oxford has been a welcoming community and that the Latinx community is growing and is strong within Oxford and Miami University. Ms. Velarde invited everyone to attend the [UniDiversity Festival on September, 30 2022.](#)

Notice to Legislative Authority– New permits C1 & C2 for Snagit INC. 17 S. Beech St. Oxford, Ohio 45056

Motion – To proceed without comment

(Voice Vote) 1st Mr. Prytherch 2nd Ms. Raghu

AYE #6

NAY #0

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Ms. Carol Michael 409 E. Chestnut St. Ms. Michael gave highlights on ShareFest2022 (the full report can be found in the minutes). Ms. Michael thanked the ShareFest Board and the many volunteers who helped make the event a success and Miami University for providing a location. Ms. Michael noted she hopes for a bigger harvest next spring and thanked the Council for their support.

Ms. Ann Fuehrer 1345 Dana Drive Ms. Fuehrer spoke on behalf of the Oxford Citizens for Peace and Justice, a local 501c3 nonprofit. Ms. Fuehrer provided a written statement that will be included in the minutes. Ms. Fuehrer mentioned the OCPJ's work with acting as an Informal Homelessness Network. Ms. Fuehrer mentioned the cold shelter and said she is looking forward to hearing more about the City's discussion of support for this valuable resource.

Consent Agenda [TIME 17:23](#)

All matters under the Consent Agenda are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Any City Council member may, however, remove an item from consent by request. Items removed for separate discussion will be considered after the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A. Minutes of the September 6, 2022, City Council Work Session (Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council) **Page 8 of the Agenda Packet**
- B. Minutes of the September 6, 2022, City Council Meeting (Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council) **Page 23 of the Agenda Packet**

- C. Minutes of the September 12, 2022, City Council Work Session (Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council) **Page 29 of the Agenda Packet**
- D. Report regarding the September 8, 2022, Environmental Commission Meeting (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director) **Page 50 of the Agenda Packet**
- E. A Resolution declaring certain City Property no longer needed for any municipal purpose as surplus and authorizing its sale for twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to the Village of Seven Mile, Ohio. (John Detherage, Fire Chief) **Page 53 of the Agenda Packet**
- F. Approving use of the Uptown Park for “Cub Scouts Popcorn Sales” event (Jessica Greene, Assistant City Manager) **Page 55 of the Agenda Packet**

Motion – To Adopt

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Prytherch

AYE #6

NAY #0

ABS #0

Resolutions

Resolution No. 7430 [TIME 17:46](#)

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1. A Resolution of Council supporting the submission of a grant application for Ohio Public Works Commission Issue 1 Funds to be used for the design and reconstruction of the storm conduit on Kehr Road. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

Comments from the Public – None

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7430

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Ms. Franklin

AYE #6

NAY #0

ABS #0

Resolution No. 7431 [TIME 20:01](#)

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2. A Resolution in support of the Ohio Department of Transportation's bridge inspection program (PID#117554) and authorizing the City Manager to sign all agreements necessary for the City to participate in the program. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

Comments from the Public – None

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7431

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Prytherch

AYE #6

NAY #0

ABS #0

Resolution No. 7432 [TIME 21:37](#)

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3. A Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission of Butler County, Ohio, and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director)

Comments from the Public – None

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7432

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Prytherch

AYE #6

NAY #0

ABS #0

Resolution No. 7433 [TIME 23:09](#)

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4. A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement of cooperation with Butler County, Ohio, pursuant to the provisions of the housing and community development act of 1974, as revised. (Sam Perry, Community Development Director)

Comments from the Public – None

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7433

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Prytherch

AYE #6

NAY #0

ABS #0

Resolution No. 7434 [TIME 25:33](#)

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5. A Resolution of dissent against the U.S. Supreme Court decision to overturn Roe v. Wade and of support for reproductive freedom. (Councilors Franklin and French)

Comments from the Public –

Ms. Dina Green 201 Talawanda Rd. Withrow Hall Spoke in opposition.

Ms. Kathie Brinkman 404 Emerald Woods Drive. Spoke in support.

Ms. Christa Shrem 1047 Steven Young Rd. Camden Ohio Spoke in opposition.

Mr. Mark Orlando 231 Western College Drive Young Hall Spoke in opposition.

Mr. Nick Perry 1653 Magnolia Drive. Spoke in opposition.

Mr. Patrick Kyle Commons Apartments Spoke in support.

Ms. Sara Miller 102 E Walnut St Spoke in opposition.

Ms. Sumo Myer 720 W. Chestnut St. Spoke in support.

Ms. Carly Federinko 1525 Magnolia Drive Spoke in support.

Ms. Megan Kuykendoll 1304 Dana Drive Spoke in support.

Father Jacob Willig 111 E. High St. Spoke in opposition.

Mr. Johnny Giroud 3615 Barberry Ave. Spoke in opposition.

Ms. Liz Wardle 22 Lantern Ridge Rd. Spoke in support.

Ms. Lexi Marsh 49 Spartin Drive Spoke in support.

Ms. Ann Fuehrer 1345 Dana Drive Spoke in support (written statement included in the minutes)

Mr. Sam Deere 1607 Barrington CT. Spoke in opposition.

Ms. Ann Patchek 5240 Brown Rd. Spoke in opposition.

Ms. Charlotte Waldron 4060 Hamilton Scipio Rd. Spoke in opposition.

Ms. Elizabeth Travis 109 Stewart Square Spoke in opposition.

Mr. Ryan Fair 4350 Oxford Reily Rd. Spoke in opposition.

Ms. Dana Dunagan 6490 Imhoff Rd. Spoke in opposition.

Ms. Ofelia Rosales 112 W. High St. Spoke in support.

Ms. Audrey Turner 18 Quail Ridge Drive. Spoke in opposition.

Ms. Amy Shaiman 11 Heather Ridge CT. Spoke in support.

Mr. Sam Lawrence 5999 Contreras Rd. Spoke in support.

Mr. Walter Crest 124 W. Sycamore St. Spoke in opposition.

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7434

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Franklin 2nd Ms. Raghu

AYE #6

NAY #0

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Ordinances

Ordinances are adopted using a two-step procedure. First reading introduces the Ordinance and provides an opportunity for public input on the subject as well as allowing Council to request more information as needed. Second reading is to provide Council with the opportunity to consider new information and to deliberate.

First Reading None TIME00:00

Second Reading

Ordinance No. 3690 [TIME 2:20:04](#)

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1. An Ordinance granting the request of Gerald and Linda Dingledine to connect to an existing City water main for a single-family residence located on a 1.5-acre parcel on Trenton-Oxford Road outside the Oxford Corporate Limits. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 3690

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Mr. Prytherch 2nd Mr. Ellerbe

AYE #6

Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Ms. Franklin, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, and Mayor Snavelly

NAY #0

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Ordinance No. 3691 [TIME 02:20:50](#)

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2. An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 3654 Supplemental Budget Ordinance Number 7 to make supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2022. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director)

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 3691

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Prytherch

AYE #6

Mr. Ellerbe, Ms. Franklin, Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Mr. Bracken, and Mayor Snavelly

NAY #0

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Announcements & Communications

Remarks from City Council and City Staff [TIME 02:22:39](#)

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Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn Meeting at 10:01 p.m. [TIME 02:29:29](#)

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Ms. Franklin

AYE #6

NAY #0

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ShareFest 2022

Thursday, May 12 - Tuesday, May 17

Quantities Collected

GoodWill	6 trailers totaling 111,960 pounds (56 tons)
TOPSS	Thursday: 345 lbs Friday: 2,182 lbs Saturday: 444 lbs Sunday: 1,717 lbs Monday: 284 lbs Tuesday: 500 lbs Grand total: 5,472 lbs (2.74 tons)
Open Hands Pantry	Friday: 18 loads - estimated 9,000 lbs Saturday: 6 loads - estimated 3000 lbs Sunday: 8 loads - estimated 4000 lbs Total: 16,000 lbs (8 tons) Most of the food from ShareFest will support our Summer Harvest Program which gives families with children extra food for the summer while school's out. The types of food we get from the students are perfect for this program because there are a lot of snacks, granola bars and microwavable meals. We hope this food will last us for the summer. This is also very helpful because the students do a lot of food drives during the school year and this food holds us over until they return in the fall.
Park View Arms Resident Council	Using Kate's list of items collected and the website Household Weight Estimator , Rob calculated this to be 1904 lbs. (0.95 tons)
Zero Waste Oxford student organization	12 bags of clothing for their fall 2022 clothing pop-up-shop totaling 111 lbs. (0.05 tons)
Cohen Recycling	4 gaylords (large pumpkin bins) of e-waste 1,835 lbs (0.92 tons)
National Coalition Against Domestic Violence	9 cell phones
Butler County Success (Talawanda Schools)	3 mirrors, 3 small plastic bins, Some dishes, glass, 1 box of clothes, 1 vacuum cleaner, Some hygiene items. 315 lbs per HWE. (0.1575 tons)
New Life Furniture Bank	One 15' truckload - Rob and Carol estimate 4600 (2.3 tons)
One-Way Farms	Two 16x8 box-trucks full - Rob and Carol estimate 9200 (4.6 tons)

We received total estimated donation of **75.7175 tons**.

Volunteers

ShareFest Board	Carol Michael, President Sam Perry, Secretary Karen Baker, Treasurer Rob Abowitz Chantel Raghu Shana Rosenberger Adam Sizemore
Site Coordinators	Rob Rollins Carole Katz Alice Latsch - TOPSS
Pick Up Volunteers	Kate Rousmaniere - Parkview Arms Resident Association Jim Michael Angela Kupchak - TOPSS Theresa Radomski Bomba - Miami Honors Program Jeff MacDonald Leah Wasburn-Moses and daughter Sherry House - Park View Arms Resident Association Betsy Walker - Park View Arms Resident Association Alicia Castillo Shrestha, Miami Global Studies Sherry Martin - TOPSS
Volunteer groups	23 student athletes and a coach from Talawanda Tennis teams and Softball team 15 volunteers from Open Hands Food Pantry 5 people from One Way Farms 6 people from New Life Furniture Bank 5 students from Zero Waste Oxford student organization
Paid staff	Approximately 10 staff from GoodWill of Greater Cincinnati

Total estimated volunteers: **75**

Number of Drop-Offs from Off-Campus at the ShareFest Site

Students	162
Parents	46
Oxford Community	<u>62</u>
	270

ShareFest site at Chestnut Fields provided at no cost by Miami University.

September 20, 2022

Oxford City Council public comment—Ann Fuehrer

My name is Ann Fuehrer. I live at 1345 Dana Dr. My professional role is Facilitator for the local 501c3 nonprofit, Oxford Citizens for Peace and Justice. For the last 9 months, two other members of our Board, Karen Francis and Linda Simmons, and I have been meeting and acting as an informal Homelessness Network. We have met with key stakeholders in Oxford and Butler County to identify ways of increasing public awareness about the people, at any one time a group of about 100 individuals and families, who reside in the City and are unhoused. During my 2 ½ years as Director of the local food pantry, I became aware of the plight of the 8-10% of our customers who had no permanent residence. We have confirmed what I knew, that a number of organizations are doing good work to provide resources to those who are homeless, most notably the Family Resource Center, but also the Talawanda School District and the Oxford Police Department. Several weeks ago, we met with Chief Jones and the new Social Services Liaison in the Police Department, Ashlea Weddell. We were impressed with Ashlea's background and the fact that she was on top of things with business cards after only a few days on the job. Since then, we were able to introduce her to Nicola Rodrigues, the Interim Director of the Family Resource Center, to assist with one individual whom Ashlea had encountered. There is considerable need for networking, something we can facilitate.

On September 8, City Manager Elliott generously gave us time to meet with members of the City's Civil Rights Commission at their quarterly meeting. We had a lively 75-minute discussion about whether to think of housing as a Civil Right for people who are unhoused and living in poverty. The views of the participants were complex and useful to us in thinking about engaging the larger public. A comment made by Mr. Elliott during that meeting affirmed a concern about the sustainability of local services—he indicated that the City was not sure about what would be done this year about the Cold Shelter, which has, over the last two years, operated from November through February or March. As you know, there is no other shelter option in Oxford.

On Thursday this week, I am meeting again with Nicola Rodrigues to discuss the role of private citizens in supporting the good work of the Family Resource Center. The wrap around services provided by the Family Resource Center to all of their clients, including the 101 unhoused clients they served in 2021, are crucial to success. Looking at the landscape of service providers in Oxford, it is crucial that the work of the Family Resource Center be adequately supported. It is my understanding that, at yesterday's meeting, the Housing Advisory Commission also discussed the uncertain status of the Cold Shelter this year. Two years ago, members and friends of OCPI raised \$14,000 to enable the Cold Shelter to operate an additional month, and to provide housing assistance to other FRC clients. This is not a sustainable source of financial support, but it does reflect concern among members of the community for the well-being of those who are unhoused. I look forward to hearing more about the City's discussion of support for this valuable community resource in the future.

My name is Ann Fuehrer. I live at 1345 Dana Dr. My professional role is Facilitator for the local 501c3 nonprofit, Oxford Citizens for Peace and Justice. [Barbara Caruso introduction]. We applaud the initiative of Councillors Franklin and French in introducing this resolution, and welcome the Council's support of this statement of resolve. We are here to represent ourselves and other members of OCPJ, including Karen Francis and Kathy McMahon-Klosterman who asked to be acknowledged but couldn't be here. We are some of the many in the City of Oxford whose values and beliefs are referred to in the resolution.

OCPJ has demonstrated this publicly in two ways: First, on June 25, 2022, the OCPJ Board issued a Statement Concerning the previous day's Supreme Court decision on Roe. Here is our Statement: "After the leak of the draft of the Supreme Court of the United States' ruling in the Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization case, we knew this day was coming. We deplore the Court's vote overturning the Roe v. Wade decision, and expect that this denial of rights, this insistence on Forced Birth, will be mirrored in future decisions on cases challenging other rights. It is not yet settled exactly how individual states will respond. Ohio has already activated a six-week rule, and we have a clear idea of the horrific impact of forced birth. We need to focus on Ohio's proposed draconian anti-choice laws with attention to the intersecting forces of gender, racism and poverty, and mobilize in anticipation.

If you are like our Facilitator, Ann Fuehrer, since announcement of the decision on Friday morning, you have heard from a number of organizations already--so far, Ann has heard from Pro-Choice Ohio, the League of Women Voters, the ACLU, PFLAG, SURJ (Showing up for Racial Justice), the President of her women's college alma mater, and a justice organization of her faith community. Those organizations and many others encourage monetary donations to support their efforts, attending protests in nearby cities, contacting members of state legislatures to express views on proposed state laws, speaking out about threats to some individual rights at the same time that other individual rights (eg concealed carry) are broadened, and considering positions of candidates for office in the November election.

There are a number of specific actions that we could take locally, such as working on a resolution of the City of Oxford to pressure state government, and collecting and making available resource information for folks seeking an abortion, supporting organizations that provide funds to preserve access to abortion or distribution of information about self-managed abortion. Be on the lookout for future programs from us. Members interested in organizing around choice and women's healthcare should contact Barb Caruso, Board President, at carusba@gmail.com, or Ann Fuehrer, Facilitator, at fuehrea@miamioh.edu. We will facilitate an OCPJ force for choice group."

A program to which we alluded in that statement was offered on July 14. We presented a virtual educational program, featuring the analyses of Dr. Jacqueline Daugherty, Director of the Western Center for Social Impact and Innovation at Miami, and graduating Miami senior Madi McGirr. Their presentation was entitled "Abortion in a Post-Roe USA", The over 20 participants generated a number of possible responses to the Supreme Court decision in Dobbs, affirming that abortion is essential health care.

We are pleased to see that Council is articulating the views of what we, too, believe to be the majority of the City's residents.

Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: Beth Polanka

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 06:23:15

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



Please note: Comments must be received by 2:00 pm the day of the council meeting to be shared with City Council members. Comments will be included in the minutes under the public comment section.

* First Name

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* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I am in favor of the resolution the Council will be voting on Tuesday night in support of Reproductive Freedom. Thank you for using your voice in support of women.

Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: Barbara Wickham Barbara

Submitted On: 2022-09-18 21:05:48

Status: Open

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Priority: Normal

Due Date: Open

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* First Name

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Enter your First Name

* Last Name

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☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I am for a woman’s choice over her body and reproductive rights.

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Due Date: Open

City of
Oxford OHIO
HOME OF MIAMI UNIVERSITY

I fully support the resolution against the US Supreme's Court decision in Dobbs overturning Roe, and in favor of supporting reproductive rights. Access to complete health care options is crucial for all citizens, and no one should be relegated to a second-class citizen status because of a procedure a strident minority is against. The choice of carrying a child is a highly personal one, and the decision is

between the woman and her doctor. I applaud Councilors French and Franklin for introducing this resolution.

Make a public comment for review by City Council

Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: Deb Snyder

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 08:22:52

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



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* First Name

Deb

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Snyder

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175 Hunter Woods Dr

* City

Oxford

* State

OH

* Email

snyderdka@gmail.com

Phone

5135208917

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I support the Reproductive Freedom Resolution.

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Submitted by: Fritz Wellman

Submitted On: 2022-09-18 20:27:58

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



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Fritzi

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* Last Name

Wellman

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* Address

6135 Fairfield Rd #18

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Oxford

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fritziwellman1954@gmail.com

Phone

5134987151

* I am a...

☒ Visitor

☐ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I wholeheartedly support the resolution from Franklin/French THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO, HEREBY RESOLVES THAT: SECTION 1. City Council asks our state and federal governments to protect and uphold Reproductive Freedom in spite of the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision to overturn Roe v. Wade. SECTION 2. We affirm that abortion care is part of reproductive

healthcare and fundamental to Reproductive Freedom; and SECTION 3. City Council encourages Oxford residents and Ohio residents to express their opinions by contacting their local, state, and federal representatives

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Submitted by: Gail Reynolds
Submitted On: 2022-09-18 16:19:09
Status: Open
Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott
Due Date: Open

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* First Name

Gail

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Reynolds

Enter your Last Name

* Address

21 Jeffrey Dr

* City

Oxford

* State

Ohio

* Email

greynolds27@gmail.com

Phone

Ex. (123) 456-7890

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I wholeheartedly support the Reproductive Freedom Resolution proposed by City Councilors Amber Franklin and Alex French.

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Due Date: Open

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Oxford OHIO
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Submitted by: Linda Musmeci Kimball

Submitted On: 2022-09-18 20:30:15

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



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* First Name

Linda Musmeci

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Kimball

Enter your Last Name

* Address

724 Melinda Dr.

* City

Oxford

* State

Ohio

* Email

Lmkocpj@yahoo.com

Phone

513-523-3640

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

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☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

Reproductive freedom is a human right. In that belief, I wholeheartedly support the proposed resolution -- "A Resolution of Dissent Against the U.S. Supreme Court Decision to Overturn Roe v. Wade and of Support for Reproductive Freedom"

Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: Alice Laatsch

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 11:34:25

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Jessica Greene

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



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* First Name

Alice

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Laatsch

Enter your Last Name

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407 Sandra Dr

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Oxford

* State

OH

* Email

alice.laatsch@gmail.com

Phone

5135044044

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I support the Reproductive Freedom Resolution. Please vote to take a stance on this problem.

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Due Date: Open

City of
Oxford OHIO

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Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: Jennifer Gelber

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 09:14:16

Status: Acknowledged

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Heather Barbour

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



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* First Name

Jennifer

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Gelber

Enter your Last Name

* Address

5115 Bonham Road

* City

Oxford

* State

OH

* Email

jennyzambia@gmail.com

Phone

5136527671

* I am a...

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☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I strongly support the Resolution in support of Reproductive Freedom and encourage Council to pass it, which will send a message to the State and our Congressional leaders. Thank you to

Councilors Franklin and French for bringing this forward.

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Due Date: Open

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Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: Judith Kolbas

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 12:08:51

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



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* First Name

Judith

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Kolbas

Enter your Last Name

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304 W. Chestnut No. 4, Miami University

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Oxford

* State

OH

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5132806215

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

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☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I support the resolution for reproductive freedom. I feel this is a personal decision and not one to be determined by elected representatives or judges.

Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: Megan Kuykendoll

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 09:20:17

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



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* First Name

Megan

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Kuykendoll

Enter your Last Name

* Address

1304 Dana Dr.

* City

Oxford

* State

OH

* Email

megan.kuykendoll@gmail.com

Phone

9376265694

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☒ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I am in support of the Reproductive Rights resolution being presented at the 9/20/22 meeting.

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Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: Dr. Jerome and Josette Stanley

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 14:17:44

Status: Open

Assigned To: Jessica Greene

Priority: Normal

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



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* First Name

Dr. Jerome and Josette

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Stanley

Enter your Last Name

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5735 Brown Rd.

* City

Oxford

* State

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jerryjosette@gmail.com

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Ex. (123) 456-7890

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

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☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

We support passage of the Reproductive Freedom Resolution, which is scheduled for a vote on Tuesday, September 20th. Thank you, The Stanleys

Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: SUSAN KAY

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 16:48:53

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

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* First Name

SUSAN

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* Last Name

KAY

Enter your Last Name

* Address

17 GARDENIA DRIVE

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OXFORD

* State

OHIO

* Email

KAYSA@MIAMIOH.EDU

Phone

513-255-1757

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I am sorry I cannot be present at this hearing. By the time of the presentation I need to be elsewhere. That said, I fully support this resolution even as I recognize that cannot be enacted into law. My most pressing concern is the separation of church and state. The United States are full of an enormous variety of religions as well as many, many people who don't identify with any particular religion. We

should not impose the beliefs of one religion on another. There is enormous diversity among the beliefs of the various religions and those of the "other/none's." We need this resolution to confirm all the different reasons that a woman might need an abortion -- such as instances of rape and incest; or the life and health of the mother; or deformity of the fetus; or a child carrying when the child is way to young to have a successful pregnancy. I agree that we need some regulation of abortions but not regulations that are so extreme as to fail to take into account all the needs of the mother and child. I think it was Ronald Reagan who said that "abortions should be safe, rare, legal."

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Submitted by: Karen Ball

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 20:06:05

Status: Open

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Priority: Normal

Due Date: Open

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Karen

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Ball

Enter your Last Name

* Address

7641 Fairfield Rd

* City

Oxford

* State

Ohio

* Email

ballkb@mimioh.exu

Phone

513-523-2360

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I am a resident of Oxford Township, so the City of Oxford is the center of my community. I commend City Council for their resolution of dissent against the Supreme Court Decision to Overturn Roe v. Wade and support for Reproductive Freedom. I hope this resolution will be adopted. Karen Ball

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Public Comment to Council Form

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Submitted by: David Wright

Submitted On: 2022-09-19 21:08:08

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



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* First Name

David

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Wright

Enter your Last Name

* Address

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* City

Oxford

* State

OH

* Email

davidhlwright@gmail.com

Phone

5135714911

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

☒ Resident

☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☒ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☒ Other

* Comment(s)

This is in regard to the approval of multiple Vape shops opening in our city and community. The health and well being of our youth is clearly not a priority in allowing for these types of businesses to open and operate. Vaping is a nationwide crisis amongst adolescents and young adults. As an educator of middle and high school students, whoever is voting to allow these establishments to

open and sacrifice more of our youth falling to the pressure and ease of accessibility to these harmful and highly addictive substances should be removed from any type of office and should not be making decisions for our community. It is disgusting and purely negligent to the well being and best interest of our community and especially the youth of our community.

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Due Date: Open

City of
Oxford OHIO
HOME OF MIAMI UNIVERSITY

I am Dr. Jacqueline Daugherty, and I am writing in support of the Reproductive Freedom Resolution that Councilor Franklin plans to introduce today. I am a sociologist, and my research and teaching expertise are in reproductive healthcare (specifically abortion and birth care), health equity, and sexuality education. The AMA, ACOG, and the APA all understand that access to safe and legal

abortion care for all is a fundamental part of our lifespan healthcare needs. Researchers from across the globe have documented across context that ABORTION BANS DO NOT STOP ABORTIONS...they simply make them more dangerous for those who already have less access to healthcare. For example a 2021 study (Stevenson et. al*) estimates that a total federal abortion ban will increase overall maternal mortality rates by 21%...but will increase Black maternal mortality rates by 33%...this in a state that already has some of the highest maternal mortality rates in the nation. Passing this resolution is the first step in supporting the reproductive freedom of Oxford residents--students and non-students--and creating a record of resistance to such a dangerous public policy. Perhaps in the future, Oxford City Council can explore more binding measures that put some resources toward ensuring that the most vulnerable communities here can travel to get their essential abortion care needs met. *CITATION: Stevenson, A.J. (2021). The Pregnancy-Related Mortality Impact of a Total Abortion Ban in the United States: A Research Note on Increased Deaths Due to Remaining Pregnant. Demography: 58 (6): 2019–2028.

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Submitted by: Anne Farrell

Submitted On: 2022-09-20 19:00:05

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

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Anne

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Farrell

Enter your Last Name

* Address

5760 Hickory Wood Court

* City

Oxford

* State

OH

* Email

AMagsFarrell@gmail.com

Phone

5136357283

* I am a...

☐ Visitor

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☐ Business Manager

☐ Business Owner

☐ Employee in Oxford

☐ Student

☐ Other

* Comment(s)

I am in full support of the RESOLUTION OF DISSENT AGAINST THE U.S. SUPREME COURT DECISION TO OVERTURN ROE v. WADE AND OF SUPPORT FOR REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM. Oxford and surrounding communities must stand for reproductive choice and honor the rights of those who bear children to autonomously make decisions that are right for themselves and their loved ones.



The City of Oxford
(513) 524-5200
15 S. College Ave.
Oxford, OH 45056

STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	Police
PREPARED BY:	John A. Jones, Police Chief
DATE PREPARED:	September 21, 2022
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	October 4, 2022
AGENDA TITLE:	Resolution authorizing City Manager to enter into an agreement with Peter M. Reising to perform consulting services and to function as the Butler County OVI Task Force Coordinator for the FFY2023 grant funded through the Ohio Department of Public Safety.
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	N/A
ACCOUNT CODE:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	Approve
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	<i>DRC</i> 9.20.22

DISCUSSION:

The Oxford Division of Police is the lead agency for a grant from the Ohio Department of Public Safety for the Butler County OVI Task Force for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023. Peter M. Reising has been the OVI Coordinator since 2015 and has been coordinating the grant as a contractual employee of the City since his retirement in March 2016. The Police Chief would like to continue this arrangement for the FFY2023 grant cycle.

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this 1st day of October, 2022 by and between the CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO, a municipal corporation of the State of Ohio (hereinafter referred to as the "City") and **PETER M. REISING**, 4071 California Road, Okeana, Ohio 45053 (hereinafter referred to as the "Coordinator").

I. RECITALS

The City, in association with a number of Butler County law enforcement agencies has received a FFY 2023 OVI grant funded through the Ohio Department of Public Safety. This grant will be used to fund the Butler County OVI Task Force activities related to enforcement of laws related to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence. The Oxford Police Department has been selected as the lead agency responsible for administration of the grant.

Pursuant to this end, a Management Coordinator is to be hired, and Peter M. Reising has agreed to act as the Management Coordinator (hereinafter referred to as the "Coordinator") to perform the consulting services under the following agreement:

II. TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT

- A. Services to be performed. City agrees to hire the Coordinator to provide all necessary labor, materials and record keeping in order to perform the Coordination Services for the FFY 2023 OVI grant. The Scope of Services to be performed includes compliance with all Terms and Conditions for Ohio Traffic Safety Office (OTSO) Grants as described in the FFY 2023 Competitive Grants Proposal and Award of Grant documents, compliance with any Special Conditions for OVI Task Forces as in the FFY 2023 Competitive Grants Proposal and Award of Grant documents, and submission of all required data and reports as required by this grant.
- B. Term. The Agreement shall become effective **October 1, 2022** and shall continue to be in effective until **September 30, 2023** unless terminated as set forth below.
- C. Compensation. As compensation for the services performed by the Coordinator to City will be at the following schedule.
 - a. All activities and work performed by Coordinator shall be compensated at a rate of **Sixty Dollars and .00 cents (\$60.00) per hour**. The entire amount of compensation shall not exceed the total of **Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000)** dollars for a maximum 500 hours of work to be spread throughout the term of this Agreement.
 - b. Additional Obligations and Covenants of the Coordinator. As part of this agreement, the Coordinator agrees to the following items.
- D. In performing the services under this Agreement, the Coordinator shall comply with, and bear the cost of compliance with all applicable local, state, and federal requirements.
- E. Coordinator shall be responsible for and pay all federal, state and local taxes, including but not limited to all income and withholding taxes.
- F. Except with respect to payment for services, in order to receive the compensation listed above, the Coordinator must submit invoices to the City detailing the amount due, either on a bi-weekly or monthly basis, as may be determined by the City. In no event, shall billing be for a period in excess of 31 days.
- G. Obligations of the City. In the performance of this Agreement, the City agrees to be accessible to the Coordinator, to comply with all reasonable requests of the Coordinator and to provide the Coordinator reasonable access to documents that may be necessary to perform the services

under this agreement.

- H. Status of the Coordinator. It is understood and intended by both parties that the Coordinator, in performing the Services herein and receiving the compensation for such services, shall be acting as an independent contractor for the City and not as an employee or agent of the City. In that regard, no taxes or benefits shall be withheld from the compensation to be paid to the Coordinator, nor shall any such benefits, including, but not limited to unemployment compensation premiums or Workers' Compensation premium accrue to the Coordinator or be paid by the City on behalf of the Coordinator.
- I. Indemnifications. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement or any attachment or exhibit hereto, Coordinator shall indemnify and hold harmless against any and all liability imposed or claimed, including reasonable attorney fees and other legal expenses by and person or entity arising directly or indirectly from an act or failure to act by the Coordinator its employees, agents or subcontractors and in which injury or death to any person or damage to property is caused.
- J. Termination
- a. This Agreement may be terminated upon the delivery of a written notice of termination to the other party at least fifteen (15) days before the effective date of the termination.
 - b. The City may terminate the Agreement effective immediately upon the material breach of this Agreement, including but not limited to, falsification of documents, dishonesty, theft or other intentional breach. In such an event, no further compensation will be due.
- K. Equal Employment Opportunity
- a. The Coordinator will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin. The Coordinator will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and the employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color religion, sex or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation and selection for training including apprenticeship. The Coordinator agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - b. The Coordinator will, in all solicitations for advertisement for employees place by or on behalf of the Coordinator, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin.
 - c. The Coordinator will comply will all provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965 and be the rules regulations and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
 - d. The Coordinator will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order No. 12246 of September 24, 1965 and by the rules, regulations and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto and will permit access to books, record and accounts by the contracting agency and Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation ascertain compliance with such rules, regulation and orders.
 - e. In the event of the Coordinator's non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations or orders this agreement may be cancelled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part, and the Coordinator may be declared ineligible for further Government Contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order No' 11246 of September 24, 1965 and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order No.

11246 of September 25, 1965 or by rules, regulations or order of the Secretary of Labor or as otherwise provided by law.

- f. The Coordinator will include the provisions of subparagraphs (a) through (f) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations or order of the Secretary of Labor issue pursuant to Section 204 of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor vendor. The Coordinator will take such action with respect to any subcontractor or purchase order as the Contract Agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, however, that in the event the Coordinator becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation with a sub- contract or Coordinator or vendor as a result of such direction by the Contracting Agency, the Coordinator may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the United States.
- L. Segregated Facilities. The Coordinator will not maintain any facility which is provided for their employees in a segregated manner or permit their employees to perform their services at any location under control where segregated facilities are maintained except that separate or single-user toilet and necessary changing facilities shall be provided to assure privacy between the sexes.
- M. Conflict of Interest. The Coordinator will abide by the provision that no member, officer or employees of the grantee, or its designees or agents, no member of the governing body of the locality or localities, who exercises any functions or responsibilities with respect to the program during the tenure or for one year thereafter, shall have any direct or indirect interest in any contractor, subcontractor or the proceeds thereof, financed in whole or in part with Title I grants.
- N. Copeland "Anti-Kick Back Act." The Coordinator agrees to comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kick Back Act" (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor Regulations (29 CFR, Part 3). The Coordinator shall not induce, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion or in repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which is otherwise entitled.
- O. Termination of Agreement for Cause. If, through any cause, the Coordinator shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner her obligations under this contract, or if the Coordinator shall violate any of the covenants, agreements or stipulations of this contract, the City shall there upon have the right to terminate this agreement by giving written notice to the Coordinator of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five (5) days before the effective date of such termination. In such event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs and reports prepared by the Coordinator under this agreement shall, at the option of the City, become its property and the Coordinator shall be entitled to received just and equitable compensation for any work satisfactorily completed hereunder. Notwithstanding the above, the Coordinator shall not be relieved of liability to the Agency for damages sustained by the City, by virtue of any breach of the agreement by the Coordinator, and the City may withhold any payments to the Coordinator for purpose of set off until such time as the exact amount of damages due the City from the Coordinator is determined.
- P. Termination of Contract for Convenience. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving written notice of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least fifteen (15) days before the effective date such termination. If the Agreement is terminated by the City as provided herein, the Coordinator will be paid an amount based on the time and expenses incurred by the Coordinator prior to the effective date of such termination.
- Q. Miscellaneous Terms.
 - a. This agreement shall comprise the entire agreement and shall supersede any and all other agreements between the parties, whether verbal and written.

- b. The laws of the State of Ohio shall control the validity, effect and interpretation of the Agreement.
- c. If any part, clause, provision or condition of this Agreement is held to be void, invalid or inoperative, such voidness, invalidity or inoperativeness shall not affect any other clause, provision or condition hereof; but the remainder of this Agreement shall be effective as though such clause, provision or condition had not been contained herein.
- d. Any notices of any communication required or permitted by this Agreement to be delivered to or served on either shall be deemed properly delivered to, served on, and received by other party when personally delivered to the party or in lieu of such personal service, when deposited in the United States mail, certified with postage prepaid, addressed to the party. Unless notified in writing otherwise, the following shall be used for notices.

City of Oxford

Chief John A. Jones
Oxford Police Department
101 E. High St.
Oxford, OH 45056

Coordinator

Peter M. Reising
4071 California Road
Okeana, OH 45056

With a Second Copy to:

Amy Gabbard
Oxford Police Department
101 E. High St.
Oxford, OH 45056

- e. The parties agree that the approval and acceptance of this Agreement may be executed in any number of counterpart signature pages, all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument, and any party or signatory hereto may execute its approval and acceptance of the Agreement by signing any such counterpart.

R. Prohibition Against Assignment. The duties and obligations under this Agreement may not be assigned by the Coordinator without the prior written consent of the City.

Now therefore, the parties by and through their authorized officers have executed this Agreement on the _____ day of _____, 2022.

Witness:

Witness:

Approved as to form:

Christopher R. Conrad
Law Director

Peter M. Reising:

City of Oxford:

Douglas R. Elliott, Jr.
City Manager

Approved as to content:

John A. Jones
Chief of Police

Agreement with Peter M. Reising dated October 1, 2022

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned Finance Director for the City of Oxford, Ohio, hereby certifies that funds to cover payment for services or supplies embodied in this contract are presently available or in the process of collection and that Council has appropriated money for this purpose, and it remains unencumbered.

Joe Newlin
Finance Director

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PETER M. REISING TO PERFORM CONSULTING SERVICES AND TO FUNCTION AS THE BUTLER COUNTY OVI TASK FORCE COORDINATOR FOR THE 2022 GRANT FUNDED THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

WHEREAS, the City has been designated as lead agency responsible for the administration of a grant received from the Ohio Department of Public Safety to operate the Butler County OVI Task Force; and

WHEREAS, Peter M. Reising has been the OVI Coordinator since 2015 and has been coordinating the grant as a contractual employee of the City since his retirement in March of 2016. The Police Chief recommends this arrangement continue for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023 grant cycle.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1: Council accepts the recommendation of the Police Chief and hereby authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Peter M. Reising as a contractual employee acting as the OVI Task Force Coordinator for the FFY2023 grant cycle.

SECTION 2: A copy of the proposed agreement with Peter M. Reising is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A".

SECTION 3: This resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

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The City of Oxford
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STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	City Manager
PREPARED BY:	Councilor Prytherch
DATE PREPARED:	9.27-22
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	10.04.22
AGENDA TITLE:	A Resolution amending the proposed 2023 CIP transportation plan budget request.
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	Transportation
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	<i>DRC</i> 9.28.22

DISCUSSION:

The Resolution was requested by Councilor Prytherch and the Parking and Transportation Advisory Board.

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PROPOSED 2023 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET TO COMPLETE OUR STREETS AND OXFORD AREA TRAIL BY UPDATING OXFORD TRANSPORTATION PLANS

WHEREAS, the City of Oxford 2008 Comprehensive Plan has the goal of “Quality, accessible transportation system with alternative forms of transportation for a diverse population,” and the objective to “promote alternative transportation” by promoting the Oxford Area Trail and “create connections between subdivisions and destinations to improve mobility, promoting a wider pedestrian and bicycle network throughout Oxford;” and

WHEREAS, the City of Oxford has committed to transportation equity and sustainability by adopting a Complete Streets Policy to ensure the needs of all users are balanced throughout the surface transportation network, but our walking and bicycling infrastructure remains fragmented and incomplete; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oxford has committed to carbon neutrality by 2045 and climate and sustainability as a leading strategic priority, which will require reducing emissions from transportation (26% of community-wide emissions in 2019); and

WHEREAS, in 2018, voters approved a levy to fund the construction of the Oxford Area Trail system to circumnavigate Oxford and connect neighborhoods, parks, and key destinations, but more planning is required to complete the perimeter path and identify ‘spoke’ connections to in-town destinations; and

WHEREAS, current City of Oxford Transportation Plans – while consolidated and re-adopted in 2019, are comprised of a 2007 Thoroughfare Plan and 2014 Complete Street Corridor Safety Improvement Plan – are out-of-date and lack strategies for implementation; and

WHEREAS, grant funding is available to complete our streets and the Oxford Area Trail System, but successful applications require up-to-date plans and cost estimates; and

WHEREAS, public and stakeholder engagement in 2022 for the Oxford Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan revision reaffirms the goal of “Safe and Efficient Travel for All Modes of Transportation;” and

WHEREAS, the Oxford Parking and Transportation Advisory Board recommends that Oxford Transportation Plans should be updated in 2023.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO, HEREBY RESOLVES THAT:

SECTION 1: Council accepts the recommendation of the Parking and Transportation Advisory Board and amends the City Manager’s proposed 2023 Capital Improvements Budget to allocate \$100,000 to fund consulting planning services to update the City’s Transportation Plans to:

- A. update and confirm major corridor alignments and hierarchy, adopt multi-modal design standards for different corridor types, develop schematic designs and cost estimates for priority corridors and trail alignments, and initial feasibility analysis of future grade-separated crossing (long term)

- B. identify a Complete Streets implementation plan, including but not limited to updating pedestrian and bicycle safety corridor plans, designing and cost-estimating improvements, and identifying a schedule for implementation
- C. begin to develop corridor-specific plans, starting with Locust Street to better support walkability and multi-modal access, traffic and access management, mixed-use and streetscape, and aesthetics.

SECTION 2: Such planning will focus within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Oxford, existing rights of way, and cooperating landowners to the greatest extent possible.

SECTION 3: While such planning should proceed in 2023 and include strategies to complete the Oxford Area Trail perimeter path, planning for the Northwest segment will remain paused until October (as per the City Manager's commitment).

SECTION 4: This resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

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PREPARED BY:	Councilor Prytherch
DATE PREPARED:	9.27.22
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	10.04.22
AGENDA TITLE:	A Resolution amending the proposed 2023 CIP budget to expand funding for the energy plan budget request.
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	Climate Sustainability
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	<i>DRC</i> 9.28.22

DISCUSSION:

The Resolution was requested by Councilor Prytherch and the Climate Action Steering Committee.

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PROPOSED 2023 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET TO
EXPAND THE FUNDING AND SCOPE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FEASIBILITY STUDY
BEYOND LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS TO MEET COMMUNITY-WIDE ENERGY
NEEDS

WHEREAS, in Oxford City Council committed in 2019 to a pathway towards and targets to attain carbon neutrality by signing the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oxford has committed to community-wide greenhouse gas emission reduction targets including 50% reduction by 2030 over 2019 baseline, 90% reduction by 2040 over 2019 baseline, and achieving net carbon neutrality no later than 2045; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 residential and commercial energy usage constituted 52% of community-wide emissions; and

WHEREAS, neutrality can be achieved by decarbonizing our buildings, transportation, and energy supplies through a combination of electrification and shift to 100% renewable energy sources; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oxford electric aggregation program (current contract expiring after 2023) offers a unique opportunity to leverage local buying power to stimulate local or regional renewable energy production; and

WHEREAS, Oxford City Council has reaffirmed its commitment to climate and sustainability as a top strategic priority for 2022-23; and

WHEREAS, public input and stakeholder engagement in the Oxford Tomorrow comprehensive plan update has identified “A Sustainable Oxford” as a major goal; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oxford Climate Action Steering Committee has recommended the City conduct a feasibility study for meeting Oxford's present and projected electricity needs -- both local government operations and community (minus Miami) -- through local/regional renewable generation.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO, HEREBY RESOLVES THAT:

SECTION 1: Council accepts the recommendation of the Climate Action Steering Committee and amends the City Manager’s proposed 2023 Capital Improvements Budget to allocate a total of \$50,000 to fund consulting services to

- A. conduct a feasibility study for meeting Oxford's present and projected electricity needs -- both local government operations and community (minus Miami University) -- through local/regional renewable generation
- B. explore the potential of City-owned lands to support renewable energy generation

SECTION 2: This resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

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ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	City Manager
PREPARED BY:	Doug Elliott
DATE PREPARED:	9.27.22
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	10.4.22
AGENDA TITLE:	An Ordinance amending Section 505.01 Dogs and Other Animals Running at Large.
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	Public Safety
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	<i>DRC</i> 9.28.22

DISCUSSION:

The amendment is in paragraph (C) with a new (3) which states “Keep the dog on a leash not to exceed six feet in length upon any public property including sidewalks and trails excluding City dog parks or City-Sponsored off-leash dog events.”

505.01 DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE.

(a) No person being the owner or having charge of cattle, horses, swine, sheep, geese, ducks, goats, turkeys, chickens or other fowl or animals shall permit them to run at large upon any public place, or upon any unenclosed lands or upon the premises of another.

(ORC 951.02)

(b) No owner, keeper or harbinger of any female dog shall permit it to go beyond the premises of the owner, keeper or harbinger at any time the dog is in heat, unless the dog is properly in leash.

(c) No owner, keeper, or harbinger of any dog shall fail at any time to do either of the following:

(1) Keep the dog physically confined or restrained upon the premises of the owner, keeper, or harbinger by a leash, tether, adequate fence, supervision, or secure enclosure to prevent escape.

(2) Keep the dog under the reasonable control of some person.

(3) Keep the dog on a leash not to exceed six feet in length upon any public property, including sidewalks and trails, and excluding city dog parks or city-sponsored off-leash dog events.

(ORC 955.22)

(d) The running at large of any such animal in or upon any of the places mentioned in this section is prima-facie evidence that it is running at large in violation of this section.

(ORC 951.02)

(e) (1) Whoever violates subsection (a) hereof is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. (ORC 951.99)

(2) A. Whoever violates subsection (b) hereof is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for a first offense and a misdemeanor of the fourth degree for each subsequent offense.

B. In addition to the penalties prescribed in subsection (e)(2)A. hereof, if the offender is guilty of a violation of subsection (b) hereof, the court may order the offender to personally supervise the dog that the offender owns, keeps or harbors, to cause that dog to complete dog obedience training, or to do both.

(3) A. 1. Whoever violates subsection (c) hereof that involves a dog that is not a nuisance dog, dangerous dog or vicious dog is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for a first offense and a misdemeanor of the fourth degree for each subsequent offense.

2. In addition to the penalties prescribed above, if the offender is guilty of a violation of subsection (c) hereof, that involves a dog that is not a nuisance dog, dangerous dog or

vicious dog, the court may order the offender to personally supervise the dog that the offender owns, keeps or harbors, to cause that dog to complete dog obedience training, or to do both.

B. 1. Whoever commits a violation of subsection (c) hereof, that involves a nuisance dog is guilty of a minor misdemeanor on the first offense and of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree on each subsequent offense involving the same dog. Upon a person being convicted of or pleading guilty to a third violation of subsection (c) hereof, involving the same dog, the court shall require the offender to register the involved dog as a dangerous dog.

2. In addition to the penalties prescribed above, if a violation of subsection (c) hereof involves a nuisance dog, the court may order the offender to personally supervise the nuisance dog that the offender owns, keeps or harbors, to cause that dog to complete obedience training, or to do both.

C. Whoever commits a violation of subsection (c) hereof that involves a dangerous dog, is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree on a first offense and of a misdemeanor of the third degree on each subsequent offense. Additionally, the court may order the offender to personally supervise the dangerous dog that the offender owns, keeps or harbors, to cause that dog to complete dog obedience training, or to do both, and the court may order the offender to obtain liability insurance pursuant to division (E) of Ohio R.C. 955.22. The court, in the alternative, may order the dangerous dog to be humanely destroyed by a licensed veterinarian, the County Dog Warden, or the County Humane Society at the owner's expense. With respect to a violation of subsection (c) hereof that involves a dangerous dog, until the court makes a final determination and during the pendency of any appeal of a violation of that division and at the discretion of the Dog Warden, the dog shall be confined or restrained in accordance with division (D) of Ohio R.C. 955.22 or at the County Dog Pound at the owner's expense.

D. 1. Whoever commits a violation of subsection (c) hereof that involves a vicious dog is guilty of one or the following:

a. A felony, if the dog kills a person, and shall be prosecuted under appropriate State law. Additionally, the court shall order that the vicious dog be humanely destroyed by a licensed veterinarian, the County Dog Warden or the County Humane Society at the owner's expense.

b. A misdemeanor of the first degree if the dog causes serious injury to a person. Additionally, the court may order the vicious dog to be humanely destroyed by a licensed veterinarian, the County Dog Warden, or the County Humane Society;

2. If the court does not order the vicious dog to be destroyed under subsection (e)(3)D.1.b. hereof, the court shall issue an order that specifies that division (D) of Ohio R.C. 955.11 and divisions (D) to (I) of Ohio R.C. 955.22 apply with respect to the dog and the owner, keeper or harborer of the dog as if the dog were a dangerous dog and that Ohio R.C. 955.54 applies with respect to the dog as if it were a dangerous dog. As part of the order, the court shall order the offender to obtain the liability insurance required under division

(E)(1) of Ohio R.C. 955.22 in an amount, exclusive of interest and costs, that equals or exceeds one hundred thousand dollars. Until the court makes a final determination and during the pendency of any appeal of a violation of subsection (c) hereof and at the discretion of the Dog Warden, the dog shall be confined or restrained in accordance with the provisions described in division (D) of Ohio R.C. 955.22 or at the County Dog Pound at the owner's expense.

(ORC 955.99)

ORDINANCE NO.

ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 505.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF OXFORD PERTAINING TO DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE.

WHEREAS, the City has received several public comments from citizens urging the amendment to the leash ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends Council repeal and replace Section 505.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Oxford pertaining to dogs and other animals running at large.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, BUTLER COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1: Council hereby repeals and replace Section 505.01 of the Codified Ordnances of the City of Oxford pertaining to dogs and other animals running at large, as referenced in Exhibit A.

SECTION 2: This ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

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PREPARED BY:	Councilor Bracken
DATE PREPARED:	9.28.22
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	10.4.22
AGENDA TITLE:	An Ordinance to add Section 935.191 Managed Natural Lawn Area.
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	Climate Sustainability
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	

DISCUSSION:

COUNCILOR BRACKEN REQUESTED THIS ORDINANCE.

ORDINANCE NO.

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 935 TREES, SHRUBS, AND
OTHER PLANTS BY ADDING SECTION 935.191 MANAGED
NATURAL LAWN AREA.

WHEREAS: the Environmental Commission recommends adopting a
Managed Natural Lawn Area Ordinance.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, BUTLER
COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1: Council hereby amends Chapter 935 Trees, Shrubs, and Other Plants
of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Oxford by adding Section 935.191 Managed
Natural Lawn Area as follows:

935.191 MANAGED NATURAL LAWN AREA

A. Intent

1. The City Council recognizes residents' desire to use their property on residential parcels in an ecologically beneficial manner, including through the planting of vegetation in lawn areas, including native grasses and forbs, and other plants beneficial to pollinators, which may grow to a height of greater than the currently allowable ten (10) inches (see section 935.20(a.)) The Council finds these types of plantings may preserve, restore, or maintain beneficial natural functions and may utilize environmentally sound practices while upholding aesthetic properties that benefit our neighborhoods and community. As guidance towards these functional and aesthetic goals, this change in lawn use must be planned, managed, and maintained in accordance with the minimum standards described herein.

B. Definitions

1. Managed natural lawn area – A planned, intentional, and maintained planting of native plants or non-invasive plants of any origin, that is free from noxious weeds as defined by Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 901:5-37-01 and may exceed ten (10) inches in length. This may include a variety of horticultural practices including but not limited to those called natural lawns, natural landscapes, native lawns, pollinator gardens, rain gardens, meadow vegetation, native prairie, prairie gardens, monarch waystations, native plantings, native gardens, and butterfly habitat.
2. Native plants – Plants recognized as native to the state by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, including: wildflowers, grasses, shrubs, vines, forbs, ferns, sedges, and rushes.
3. Non-invasive plants – Domesticated and non-native plants commonly used in

horticulture that do not spread beyond intentionally planted beds; that do not establish in unmaintained areas.

4. Turf grasses – Blends of annual and perennial grasses intended to create a low-growing, homogeneous appearance commonly used in regularly cut lawns. (e.g., Kentucky bluegrass, perennial ryegrass, tall fescue, and fine fescue)
5. Pesticide—pesticides are defined to include any chemical introduced into the environment for the purpose of killing arthropods. This includes topical sprays as well as systemic pesticides.

C. Applicability

1. Residential zoning districts.

D. Requirements.

1. Any owner of a residential lot in the City may transition an area of lawn on the lot to a Managed Natural Lawn Area.
2. Managed Natural Lawn Area may include vegetation more than ten (10) inches in height, and which have gone to seed, but may not include any noxious weeds, shall not impede line of sight for safe vehicular travel, nor shall impinge on public right-of-way, drainage utility easement, or neighboring properties. The Code Enforcement Officer may require mowing or other maintenance or removal for these purposes.
3. The transition period from manicured lawn to a Managed Natural Lawn Area in a given space must be achieved in three growing seasons to ensure that a public nuisance is not created (see Oxford Landscape plan 410.B.3a.)
4. A Managed Natural Lawn Area shall not include turf grass lawns left unattended.
5. When establishing a Managed Natural Lawn Area, turf grass and/or other existing vegetation shall be eliminated, and native vegetation shall be planted through transplanting or seeding. Soil erosion shall be controlled and is the sole responsibility of the land owner.
6. Pesticide use shall be minimized in Managed Natural Lawn Areas. The purpose of such areas is to use property in an ecologically beneficial manner. Pesticides generally disrupt ecologies. Indiscriminate or extensive spraying of pesticides is not allowed in Managed Natural Lawn Areas. Targeted application with short-lived pesticides may be justified. Similarly, the use of BT (*Bacillus thuringiensis*) for the control of larvae and grubs, including mosquito larvae, in isolated areas of the lot is allowed. Any pesticides used on the lot must not escape the lot, for example through wind or water transport. Plants that have been treated with systemic pesticides or genetic modifications that kill arthropods may not be knowingly planted and must be removed if they are discovered.
7. At no time shall a Managed Natural Lawn Area interfere with motorists' views the street or roadway.

E. Failure to Maintain

1. If a property owner chooses to install a Managed Natural Lawn Area, and it is determined by the Code Enforcement Officer that the area fails to meet the definition and requirements of a Managed Natural Lawn Area as defined in sections 2,3 and 4, it shall be considered prima facie evidence of the failure of the owner to comply with this section.
2. The City may then provide written notice to the property owner advising such owner that the Managed Natural Lawn Area must be brought into conformity within (30) thirty days. If the owner fails to achieve conformity, then the City may perform the necessary work to abate non-compliance, keeping an accurate account of the cost. The cost shall be assessed to the property owner.

SECTION 2: This ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

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