



AGENDA

OXFORD CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

COURTHOUSE

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2026 AT 7:30 PM

Michael Smith, Mayor

Alex French, Vice-Mayor
Jason Bracken
William Snavelly

Amber Franklin
Roxanne Ornelas
Jim Vinch

MEETING PROCEDURE: Comments from the Public are welcome at two different times during the course of the meeting: (1) Comments on items not on the Agenda, and Consent Agenda items, will be heard under Public Comments – and (2) Comments on all Resolutions and Ordinances will be heard during Council consideration of said item. Please wait until you are recognized by the Mayor, state your name and address so that your comments may be properly recorded and limit your remarks to a period of five minutes or less.

1. Roll Call.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval of Agenda.
4. Public Participation.
 - A. Swearing In Of New Officer (John Jones, Police Chief)
 - B. Historic Preservation Day Proclamation

C. TOPSS Annual Report

D. Public Comments

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5. Consent Agenda.

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A. Minutes From The April 21, 2026, City Council Meeting. (Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council)

B. Uptown Parks Permit - ROW 01130 Fitness on High. (Jessica Greene, Assistant City Manager)

C. A Resolution Of Council Authorizing Alcoholic Beverages To Be Sold And Consumed Annually At The Freedom Festival On July 2nd (Rain Date July 3rd), From 5:00 P.M.–9:00 P.M. To Be Held At The Oxford Community Park Located At 6801 Fairfield Road Oxford, Ohio 45056. (Chad Smith, Parks and Recreation Director)

6. Resolutions.

A. A Resolution Consenting To The Annexation To The City Of Oxford, Ohio Of Certain Territory Proposed To Be Annexed To The City Of Oxford, Ohio Pursuant To A Petition

Filed With The Board Of County Commissioners Of Butler County, Ohio By Douglas R. Elliott Jr., Agent For Petitioners, As Provided By Ohio Revised Code Section 709.023. (Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager)

- B. A Resolution Adopting A Statement Indicating The Services The City Of Oxford, Ohio Will Provide To The Territory Proposed To Be Annexed To The City Of Oxford, Ohio Pursuant To A Petition Filed With The Board Of County Commissioners Of Butler County, Ohio, As Provided By Ohio Revised Code Section 709.023(C). (Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager)
- C. A Resolution Regarding Zoning Buffers In A Proposed Annexation Of Property Containing 6.753 Acres From Oxford Township, Butler County, Ohio To The City Of Oxford, Butler County, Ohio Pursuant To The Requirement Of Section 709.023(C) Of The Ohio Revised Code. (Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager)
- D. A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Sign A Settlement Agreement With Weisman Enterprising Holdings, Inc. (Chris Conard, Law Director)

7. Ordinances.

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A. First Reading

- 1. An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No.3844 Supplemental Budget Ordinance Number 2 To Make Supplemental Appropriations For Fiscal Year 2026. (Heidi Ridenour, Finance Director)

B. Second Reading

- 1. An Ordinance Repealing Oxford Codified Ordinance Chapter 181, Entitled "Income Tax" (Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager)

8. Announcements & Communications.

A. Remarks from City Council and City staff.

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B. Future Meetings.

(Note: Meetings are held at the Court House unless otherwise indicated.)

DATE	Meeting		
1. May 6	Environmental Commission	Municipal Building	7:00 p.m.
May 7	Housing Advisory Commission	College@Elm	5:00 p.m.
May 11	Oxford Recreation Board	Municipal Building	12:30 p.m.
May 11	Public Arts Commission of Oxford	Municipal Building	5:30 p.m.
May 12	Planning Commission	Courthouse	7:00 p.m.
May 13	Charter Review Commission	Courthouse	4:30 p.m.
May 13	Historic & Architectural Preservation Commission	Courthouse	6:00 p.m.
May 19	City Council Work Session	Courthouse	6:30 p.m.
May 19	City Council	Courthouse	7:30 p.m.
May 20	Board of Building Appeals	Courthouse	5:30 p.m.
May 21	Police Community Relations and Review Commission	Courthouse	7:00 p.m.
May 26	Board of Zoning Appeals	Courthouse	6:30 p.m.
Jun 2	City Council	Courthouse	7:30 p.m.

9. Adjourn.

Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas:

historic preservation is an effective tool for managing growth and sustainable development, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and maintaining community character while enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation is relevant for communities across the nation, both urban and rural, and for Americans of all ages, all walks of life and all ethnic backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people; and

WHEREAS, “All People Are Created Equal” is the theme for National Preservation Month May 2026, cosponsored by the City of Oxford and the National Trust for Historic Preservation; and

WHEREAS, historic preservation in Oxford was formally established in 1979; and

WHEREAS, there are two districts and 12 individually listed historic structures listed on the National Register of Historic Places, in Oxford; and

WHEREAS, one of the listed structures is also a National Historic Landmark, the former home of Lorenzo Langstroth, located at 303 South Patterson Ave, the inventor of the modern beehive; and

NOW, Therefore, I, Michael Smith, Mayor of the City of Oxford, Ohio, do hereby proclaim May 6, 2026, as:

“Oxford Historic Preservation Day”

and call upon the people of Oxford to join their fellow citizens across the United States in recognizing and participating in this special observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Oxford to be affixed this 5th day of May 2026

Michael Smith
MICHAEL SMITH, MAYOR



MINUTES

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1. Roll Call.

Motion – To Enter Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. O.R.C. Section 121.22 (G)(3) To Consider Pending And Threatened Litigation.

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Mr. Snavely

AYE # 6

Ms. Franklin, Ms. French, Ms. Ornelas, Mr. Snavely, Mr. Vinch, and Mayor Smith

NAY # 0

ABS # 0

Motion – To Return from Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. O.R.C. Section 121.22 (G)(3) To Consider Pending And Threatened Litigation.

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

AYE # 7

NAY # 0

ABS # 0

A regular meeting of the Oxford City Council was called to order by Mayor Smith on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. Members in attendance were Alex French, Amber Franklin, William Snavely, Jim Vinch, and Roxanne Ornelas. Jason Bracken arrived at 7:05 pm.

Staff Members in Attendance

Mr. Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager; Ms. Jessica Greene, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Michael Dreisbach, Service Director; Mr. Geoff Robinson, Police Lieutenant; Mr. Sam Perry, Community Development Director; Mr. Chad Smith, Parks and Recreation Director; Ms. Reena

Murphy, Sustainability Coordinator; Mr. Scott Liberman, Assistant Law Director; and Ms. Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Agenda.

Motion – To Approve the Agenda.
(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Ms. Franklin
AYE # 7
NAY # 0
ABS # 0

4. Public Participation.

A. Proclamation "Arbor Day"

Ms. Murphy accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the Environmental Commission.

B. Art Community Engagement Survey Presentation

Ms. Greene introduced the Public Value of Art, the Policy & Advocacy in Arts, Institute for Innovation in Arts & Design students who had already given a presentation to the Public Arts Commission of Oxford (PACO).

The presentation on April 21 to Oxford City Council summarized findings from a public survey (March–April) conducted in partnership with PACO to evaluate the public value of Oxford’s public art. A total of 175 community members responded, representing a broad age range and primarily Oxford-based residents who frequently engage with the uptown area. Results indicate that public art is widely perceived as having a positive impact on community well-being, contributing to a strong sense of belonging and connection, although respondents noted a distinction between simply being in a community and actively feeling part of it. Public art was

also found to foster empathy, which supports greater social and economic engagement; however, its ability to drive deeper critical reflection or shift personal beliefs appears more limited. Overall, while public art is clearly valued, it is not being fully leveraged, presenting opportunities to expand access, increase visibility, and better communicate its role in community integration—particularly in bridging gaps between student and non-student populations. Community members expressed interest in more public art, inclusive creation processes, and works that spark conversation. The presentation emphasized that public art functions as civic infrastructure by strengthening trust and shared experiences, and suggested next steps including expanding live arts events, increasing collaboration with Miami University, activating vacant retail spaces for pop-up initiatives, and establishing a PACO student liaison to support partnerships. (slides included in minutes) Mayor Smith thanked the class for their presentation.

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Motion – To Approve the Consent Agenda.
(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Mr. Snaveley
AYE # 7
NAY # 0
ABS # 0

A. Minutes from the April 7, 2026, City Council Meeting. (Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council)

6. Resolutions.

- A. A Resolution Approving Changes To The Tree List Within Oxford's Urban Tree Management Plan. (Reena Murphy, Sustainability Coordinator)

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7813.
(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Mr. Snaveley
AYE # 7
NAY # 0
ABS # 0

Ms. Murphy presented her staff report and addressed questions and comments from the Council.

Public Comment - None.

- B. A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Sign The Second Amended Subgrant Agreement Detailed In Exhibit A, Between Butler County, Ohio, And The City Of Oxford For \$1,000,000.00 Of American Rescue Plan Act/State And Local Fiscal Recovery Funds To Assist With Affordable Housing Infrastructure, As Allocated By The Butler County Board Of Commissioners. (Jessica Greene, Assistant City Manager)

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7814.
(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Mr. Snaveley
AYE # 7
NAY # 0
ABS # 0

Ms. Greene presented her staff report and addressed questions and comments from the Council.

Public Comment - None.

- C. A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Apply For Up To \$3,100,000.00 To The Ohio Housing Finance Agency For Single Family Tax Credits In Partnership With Habitat For Humanity Of Greater Cincinnati For The Clarence Place Project. (Jessica Greene, Assistant City Manager)

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 8715.
(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Mr. Snavely
AYE # 7
NAY # 0
ABS # 0

Ms. Greene presented her staff report and addressed questions and comments from the Council.

- D. A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Contract With Tim Lally Chevrolet For The Purchase Of A 2026 Chevrolet 2500HD Crew Cab At A Cost Not To Exceed \$53,071.00. (John Detherage, Fire Chief)

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7816.
(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Mr. Snavely
AYE # 7
NAY # 0
ABS # 0

Mr. Elliott presented Chief Detherage's staff report and addressed questions and comments from the Council.

Public Comment - None.

- E. A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Explore A New Agreement With The Talawanda Recreation Incorporated Board (TRI Board) Regarding The Future Ownership And Management Of The TRI Community Center And TRI Community Park. (Chad Smith, Director of Parks and Recreation)

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7817
(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Ms. Ornelas
AYE # 7
NAY # 0
ABS # 0

Mr. Smith presented his staff report and addressed questions and comments from the Council.

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Mr. Elliott presented his staff report and addressed questions and comments from the Council.

Public Comment - None.

B. Second Reading

1. An Ordinance To Approve Current Replacement Pages To The Oxford Codified Ordinances. (Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager)

Motion – To Adopt Ordinance No. 3862.
(Roll Call Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Mr. Snavely

AYE # 7

Ms. French, Ms. Ornelas, Mr. Snavely, Mr. Vinch, Mr. Bracken, Ms. Franklin, and Mayor Smith

NAY # 0

ABS # 0

Mr. Elliott reported no changes since the first reading and offered to answer any questions.

Public Comment - None.

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9. Adjourn.

Motion – To Adjourn at 8:17 p.m.
(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. French 2nd Ms. Ornelas
AYE # 7
NAY # 0
ABS # 0



CCA308 Policy & Advocacy in the Arts, Institute for Innovation in Arts & Design

Public Value of Oxford's Public Art

April 21 @ Oxford City Council

Evaluating Public Art in Oxford

In partnership with PACO, we measured

1. Participation and access
 - Perceived value of the arts

2. Human outcomes
 - Critical Reflection
 - Empathy
 - Sense of Belonging

- Data collected through a public survey March-April

Assessing the Value of Public Art in Oxford

Study Title: Assessing the Value of Public Art in Oxford

Principal Investigator/Faculty Advisor: Dr. Youngaah Koh, Institute for Innovation in Arts & Design, Miami University

Research Team: Students of CCA 308: Policy & Advocacy in the Arts, and External Facilitator Angela Meleca, Meleca Creative Advisors

Introduction and Purpose: You are invited to participate in a research study assessing the impact and public value of the arts in Oxford, Ohio. This project is being conducted by a student research team from Miami University in partnership with the Public Arts Commission of Oxford. The purpose of this study is to understand how public art—such as murals, sculptures, and community arts events—shapes community connection, fosters empathy, and encourages personal and civic reflection.

Who Can Participate? To participate in this study, you must be 18 years of age or older and have some affiliation with the Oxford community (e.g., resident, student, local employee, or frequent visitor).

Procedures: If you agree to participate, you will be asked to complete a brief online survey. The survey will ask for basic demographic information and have you rate your experiences and perspectives regarding public art in Oxford. The survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete.

Risks and Discomforts: There are no anticipated risks associated with participating in this study. The questions ask for your general opinions and experiences regarding public art and community belonging.

Benefits: There are no direct benefits to you for participating in this study. However, your feedback will provide valuable data to the Public Arts Commission of Oxford, helping to inform their understanding of the arts' role in the community and measure the sustainability of local arts initiatives.

Confidentiality and Anonymity: Your participation in this survey is completely anonymous. We will not collect your name, email address, IP address, or any other directly identifying information. The anonymous data collected will be used exclusively as described.

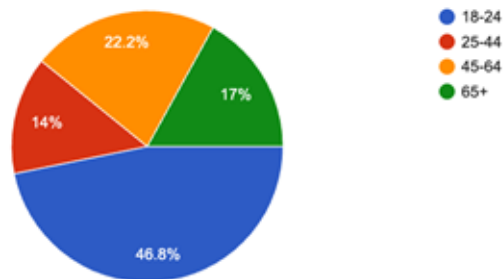
Who Responded

- 175 Oxford community responses (as of today)
- Broad age representation
- Majority Oxford-based
- Frequent uptown exposure

Demographics

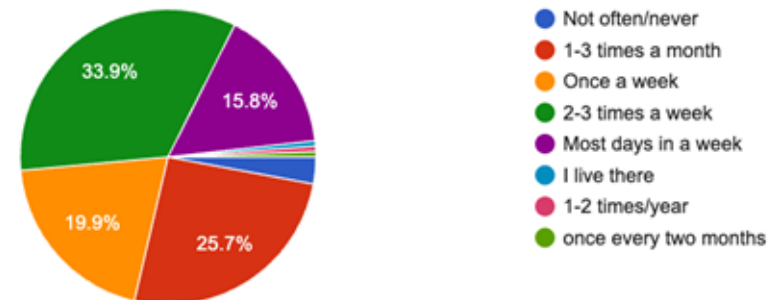
Choose your age group

171 responses



How often do you spend time in uptown Oxford?

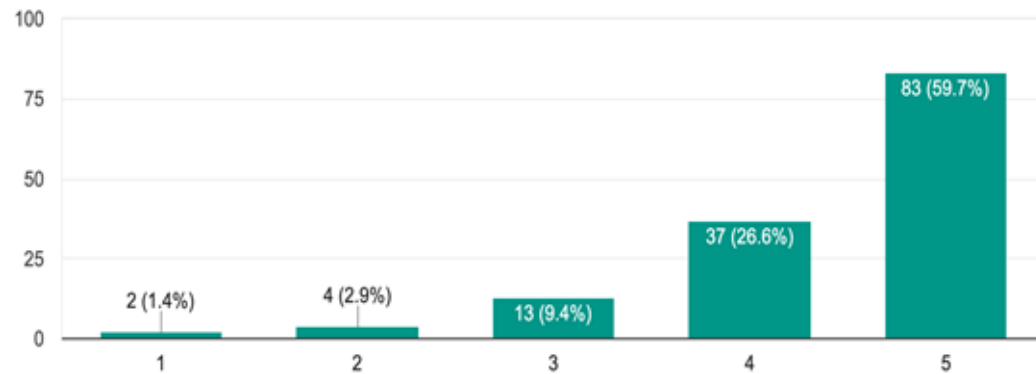
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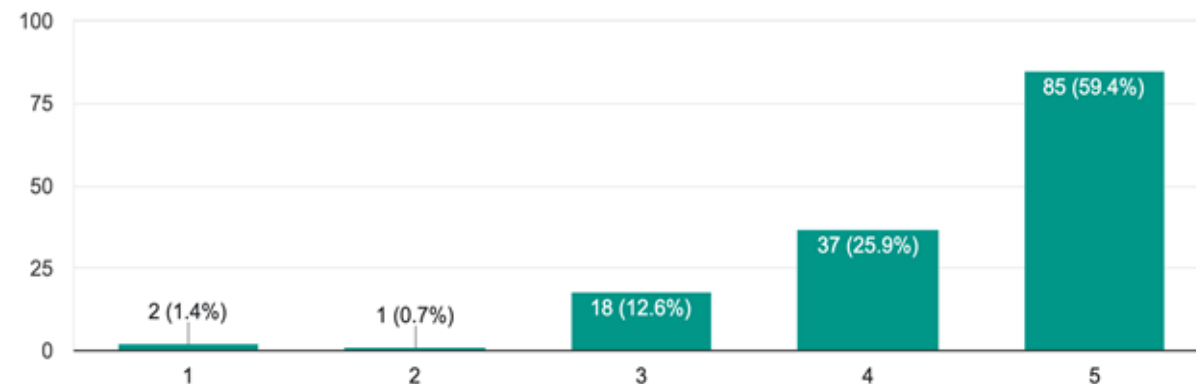
Perception of Public Art in Oxford

A overwhelming majority of survey participants agreed that public art has a positive impact on Oxford and its residents.

Public art in Oxford demonstrates the positive way the arts improve Oxford's health and well-being.
139 responses



Public art in Oxford demonstrates how the arts bring Oxford together in meaningful ways.
143 responses

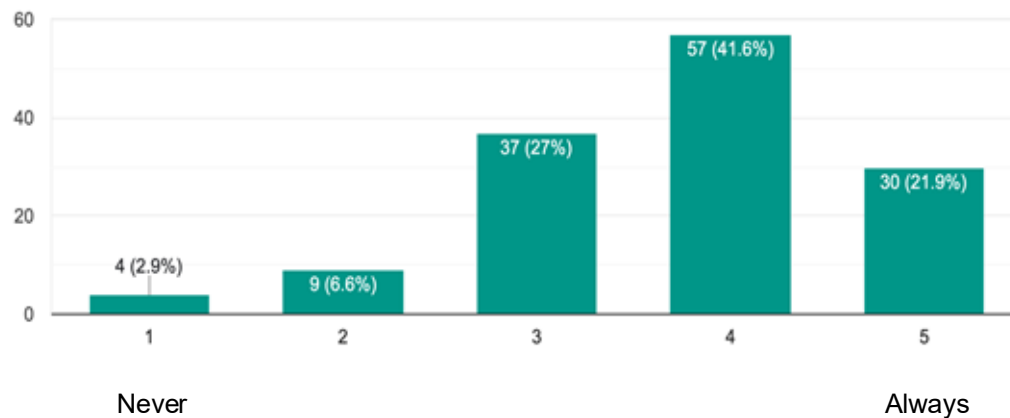


Sense of Belonging

- High levels of belonging and sense of community
- Distinction between being **in** a community versus being **part of** a community

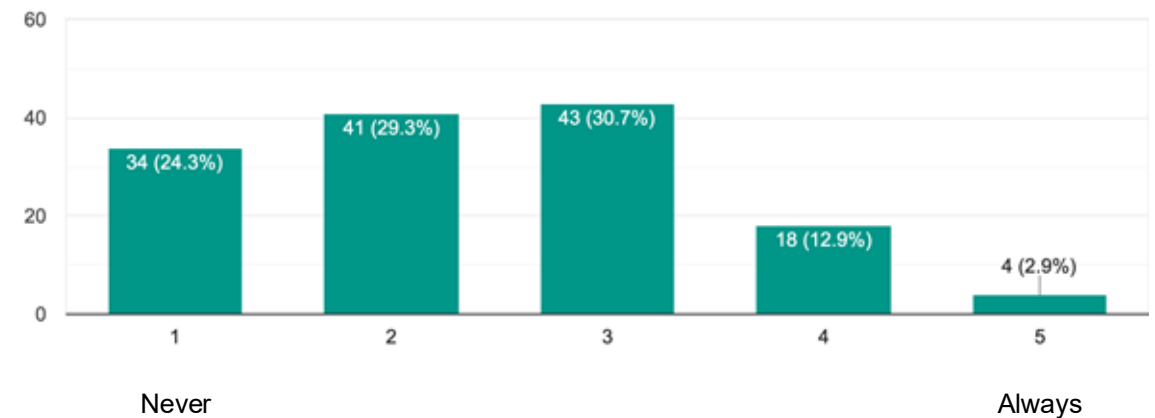
How often do you feel a strong sense of belonging in Oxford?

137 responses



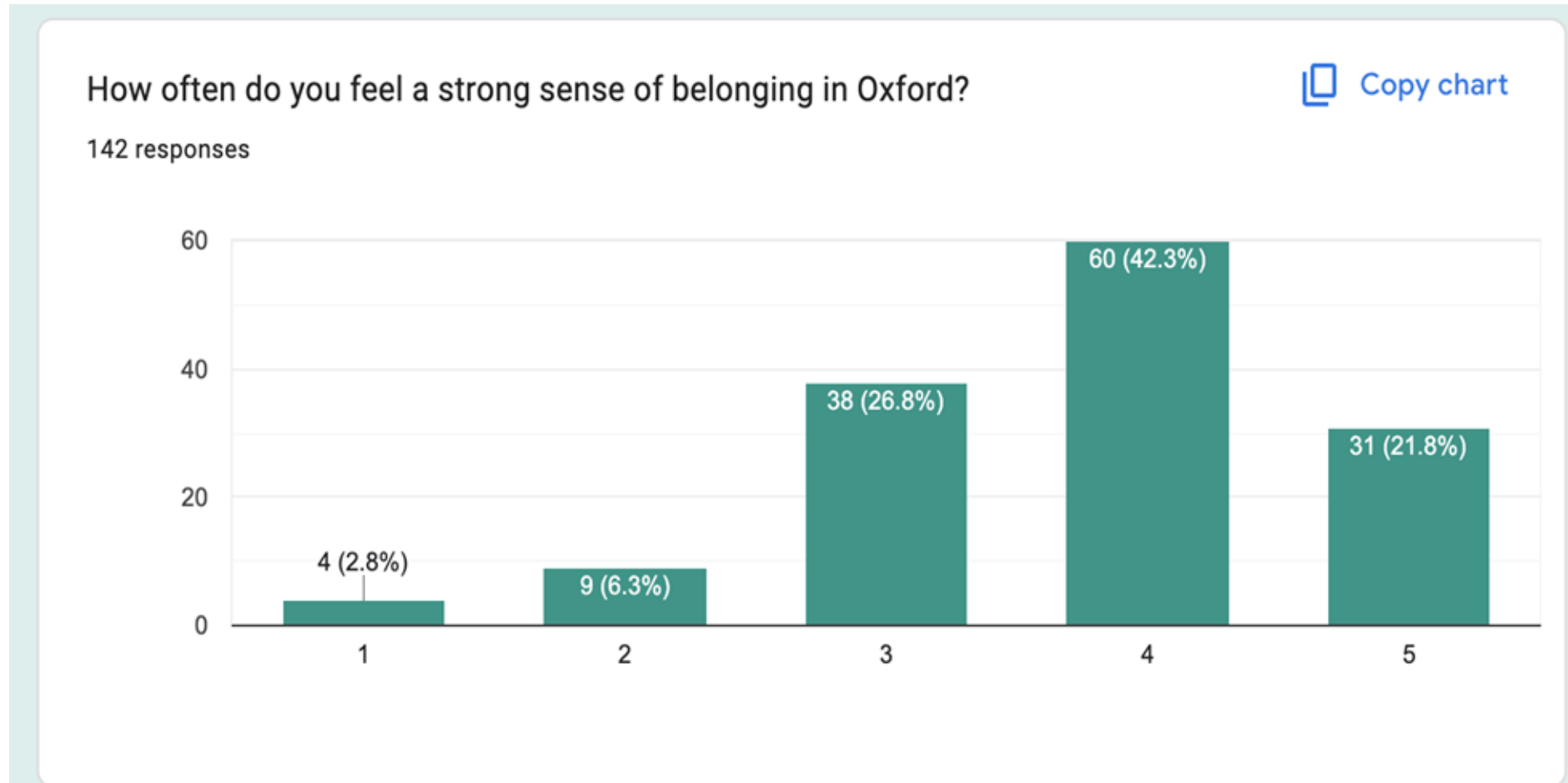
How often do you feel that people in Oxford are around you, but not with you?

140 responses



Empathy

- Empathy through art leads to **stronger community connection** which leads to **higher community engagement socially and economically.**

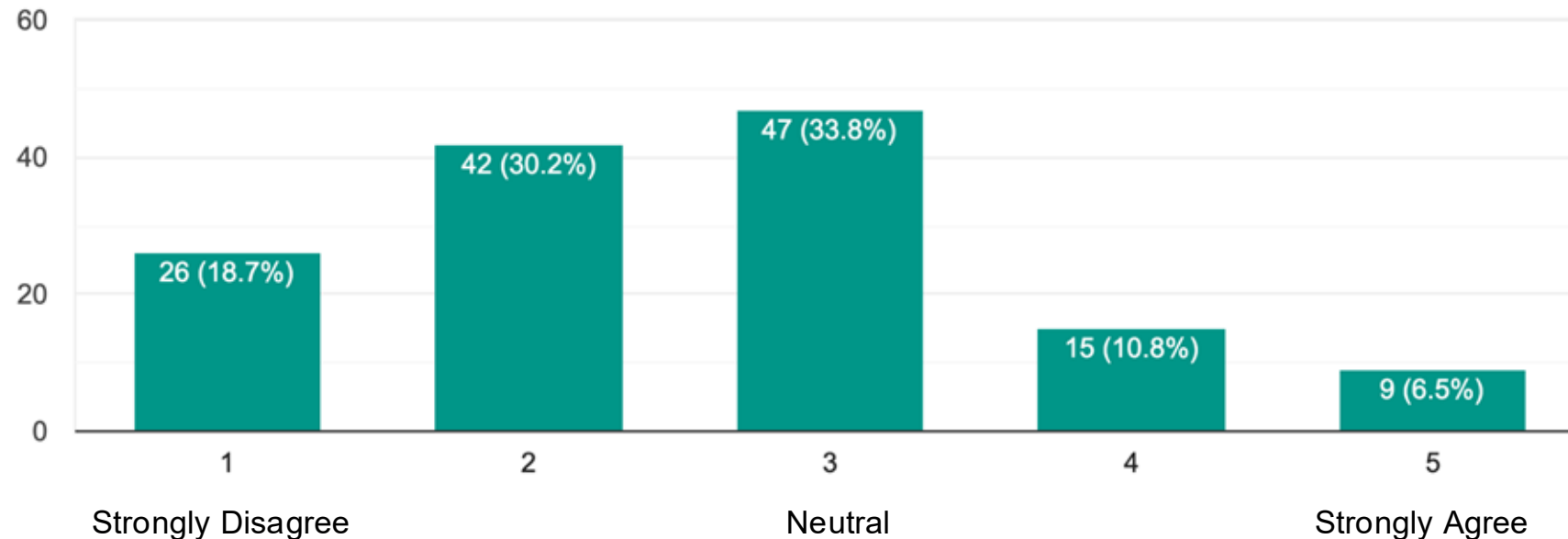


Critical Reflection

- The arts are not having **moral impact** on people
- Public art gives the opportunity to see things through different perspectives

An Oxford event/program has challenged some of my firmly held ideas.

139 responses



What the data tells us

<u><i>What we currently feel</i></u>	<u><i>What could be</i></u>
Arts are valued, but not fully leveraged.	There is a opportunity to create more and new public art.
There is a misunderstanding between art and how it can help residents feel integrated into the community.	This gives a great opportunity to shift the perspectives of residents and allows residents to add their own definition as to why art matters.
Public art in the community lacks the potential for shifts in personal thoughts or beliefs.	Creating more public art introduces residents to the opportunity to expand their beliefs and thoughts. Thus a deeper understanding between Miami student body residents and non-student residents.



What the community is asking for

Make public art an inclusive process

Art that creates conversation

More public art!

Why this matters

Our community thrives on **trust** and **connection** within our **shared life** in
Oxford

Community connection is strengthened through shared experiences.
The data shows that public art significantly supports this.

Public art is civic infrastructure

Ideas to Consider

- More public live arts events, like the bee festival
- Engage space at Miami University where residents and students are welcomed through Miami-led events
- Pop-up Arts Initiatives within empty retail spaces
- Student PACO liaison or member to coordinate partnership



Thank you!

Questions? Comments?



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

STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	City Manager
PREPARED BY:	Jessica Greene
DATE PREPARED:	4/30/2026
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	May 5, 2026
AGENDA TITLE:	Uptown Parks Permit - ROW 01130 Fitness on High. (Jessica Greene, Assistant City Manager)
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	DRE JG

DISCUSSION:

Fitness on High Summer Bash
Outdoor yoga
Memorial Park
Sat. May 9, 2026



ROW 01130

APPROVED

Uptown Parks See stipulations below

Memorial Park & Martin Luther King Jr. Park

* Organization Name Organization Phone
Fitness on High [REDACTED]

* Organization Mailing Address Are you a non-profit?
13 B E High St Oxford, OH 45056 no

. . .

* Applicant's First Name * Applicant's Last Name
Jennifer Kratzer

Applicant's Phone * Email
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

* Applicant's Mailing Address
510 A Sandra Drive

*If you are a student group, please include your advisor's name. *If you are a student group, please include your advisor's contact number.
n/a n/a

Day Of Contact's First & Last Name
Jennifer Kratzer

Day Of Contact's Cell Phone
[REDACTED]

. . .

- Which park(s) are you requesting? Select all that apply.
- Memorial Park (East Park Place & North Main Street - Pavilion)
 - Martin Luther King Jr. Park (West Park Place & North Main Street - Fountain)
 - Oxford Area Trail System

* Name of the Event

Fitness on High Summer Bash

* Date Requested

05/10/2026

Format: MM/DD/YYYY

* Day of Event

Sunday

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, etc...

Please check this box if your event exceeds 2 consecutive days or repeats for 2 or more sessions. This will require City Council approval.

Yes

Projected Attendance

30

Has this event been held previously?

no

Event Start Time

2p

Event End Time

5p

Set Up Time Range

1p

Tear Down Time Range

4-5p

Event Description

Outdoor class in the pavilion.

. . .

Do you need reserved parking?

no

Are you requesting a road closure for this event?

no

Will there be portable heaters/fire pits?

no

Will tents, tables and/or chairs be used?

no

Will you need police officers for this event? Depending on the event, this may be required.

no

Will you be renting portable restrooms for this event? (if yes, we recommend renting ADA compliant portable restrooms)

no

Will you need electricity?

no

Will you be bringing a sound system and/or technician?

yes

Will alcohol, food, services and/or other items be sold?

no

If yes to alcohol, food or service, please explain briefly.

no

Will you be exiting the park during the event? (i.e. for a race/run)

no

Any other information that you would like to share?

. . .

Please attach a site map sketch for this event, if possible.

No file chosen

Please attach the route map, if applicable (for parades, runs, etc...)

No file chosen

* Event Details Accuracy Acknowledgement

By checking this box, I acknowledge that all of the event details, as listed above, are accurate.

[Click here to read the Stipulations & Fees and then acknowledge below.](#)

Fee Waiver Stipulations:

- **Parking Meter Rental Fee:** Non-profit organizations may be eligible for a 50% discount on parking meter rental rates for community events. The City Manager or designee may grant approval (Please check the appropriate box below if you are requesting this fee waiver).
- **Any Fee:** Events operating for more than two consecutive weeks may request a waiver of fees from City Council (Please check the appropriate box below if you are requesting this fee waiver)..

* Are you a non-profit organization?

- Yes
 No

* Would you like to request a 50% waiver of your parking meter fees?

- Yes
 No

Check yes, if you would like to request a waiver of fees due to this event running for more than two consecutive weeks.

- Yes, this event will run for two consecutive weeks or more.
 N/A

* Event Stipulations & Fees Acknowledgement

By checking this box, I acknowledge that I have reviewed the stipulations and estimated cost for the event and agree to compensate the City for services rendered as specified in the final invoice. If the event runs past the stated end time and/or the stipulations are not adhered to, I understand that additional charges will accrue and agree to compensate the City accordingly.

Indemnification Clause: The Permittee hereby agrees to indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the City of Oxford its officers and employees from and against all suits or claims that may be based on damage or injury or death to any person or property that may occur while the City of Oxford property is being used by Permittee. Permittee further agrees to the payment of the City's attorneys' fees for all claims and damages arising directly or indirectly from or related to the use, occupancy or possession of the City of property. Damages includes all liabilities, costs, losses, fines, penalties, claims suits, actions, costs and expenses.

* Indemnification Clause Acknowledgement

By checking this box, I acknowledge that I have reviewed the indemnification clause above.

* Today's Date

04/28/2026

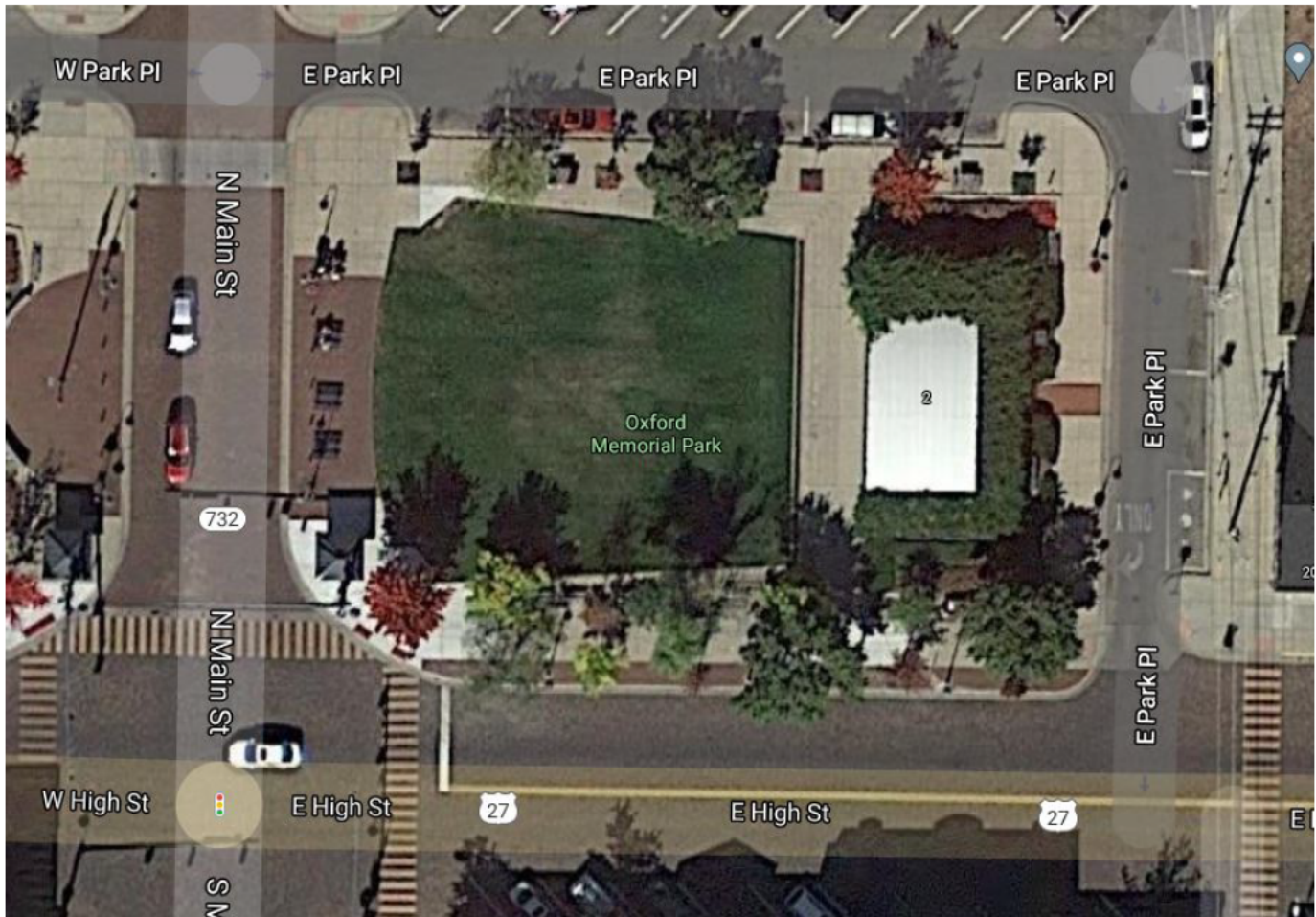
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* Electronic Signature

Jennifer Kratzer

If approved, you will receive an approved permit. If an invoice is required, it will also be sent with the approved permit. Invoice payment is due prior to the event.

If you have any questions, reach out to John Buchholz at (513) 839-4781 or jbuchholz@cityofoxford.org.



Area shall be cleaned at the end of each day

It is PROHIBITED to insert anything into the ground within any park due to the irrigation system

The City of Oxford reserves the right to modify, suspend, or revoke this permit at the sole discretion of the City of Oxford.

Uptown Parks Stipulation & Fees

Memorial Park & Martin Luther King Jr. Park

Applicants should allow a minimum of five business days for the request to be processed from the time it is submitted to City Officials. *Please provide the City with as much lead time as possible. Events requiring road closures and staffing will require additional processing time. Large event requests shall be submitted no less than ninety (90) days in advance of the event.*

1. Large events (estimated at over 500 people), including all concerts and performances, will require additional approval by City Departments.
2. Events exceeding 2 consecutive days or repeat events of 2 or more sessions will require City Council approval.
3. At least one legally responsible adult must sign the request.
4. The usage may not discriminate against a given class of people.
5. All ordinances that regulate noise shall be observed, unless a variance is requested and approved.
6. The applicant is responsible for cleanup and removal of litter & trash immediately after the event. Failure to clean up may result in subsequent requests being denied or a deposit being required. In addition, a cleaning charge may be assessed.
7. Safety staffing levels will be determined by the Oxford Police Department and the applicant may be required to hire police officers.
8. All special conditions specified by department heads must be complied with. Fees will be assessed for special services.
9. No markings may be made on streets or sidewalks within the public right-of-way.
10. No motor vehicles may be parked within the area of the park or on any sidewalk.
11. Banners are only permitted on the stage area during the function and must be removed immediately after the event. Tying is the only acceptable way of affixing a banner to the stage area.
12. The applicant is responsible for damage to grass, shrubs or trees as a result of the event and agrees to compensate the City of Oxford the cost of repairs and/or replacement.
13. No structure shall be defaced and no structure shall be erected within four feet of the base of a tree or shrub.
14. No nails, spikes, tacks or adhesive material may be driven into or affixed to trees or into the ground within any park. This includes sign or flag frames, posts, spikes, etc... Applicant is financially responsible for damages to parks and infrastructure.
15. If alcohol will be sold at the event, you must obtain F2 permit from the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Liquor Control and obtain approval from either City Council or the City Manager.
 - a. Note: Event participants may use Oxford's year-round Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA). No permit is required for DORA usage, but please follow DORA rules.

16. Food for sale is allowed at events hosted by a nonprofit or charitable community organization. Food trucks or tents must have a mobile food unit license or a temporary food license through the Butler County Board of Health.
17. The applicant will be required to provide the City with a certificate of insurance naming the City as an additional insured for events with banner installation, live animals or inflated play structures with a minimum of \$1M coverage. Insurance for other events may be required and reviewed on a case by case basis.
18. The Permittee hereby agrees to indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the City of Oxford its officers and employees from and against all suits or claims that may be based on damage or injury or death to any person or property that may occur while the City of Oxford property is being used by Permittee. Permittee further agrees to the payment of the City's attorneys' fees for all claims and damages arising directly or indirectly from or related to the use, occupancy or possession of the City of property. Damages includes all liabilities, costs, losses, fines, penalties, claims suits, actions, costs and expenses.

729.05 SALES ON CERTAIN MUNICIPAL PROPERTY PROHIBITED. No person shall sell, offer to sell or solicit orders for goods, wares or merchandise for immediate or future delivery, or services to be furnished, performed or provided in the present or in the future, within parking meter zones or upon any municipally-owned or controlled property other than streets. This law shall not be applicable to nonprofit or charitable community organizations operating with the express consent of the Office of the City Manager and shall not apply to the lawful use of sidewalk space where such use is expressly authorized by the Codified Ordinances of Oxford, nor shall this section be applicable to the selling at a Farmers' Market of farm produce when such produce has been raised and grown by the vendors and provided that such selling has been specifically authorized and regulated by the Council. Any sale or use of alcohol upon any municipally-owned or controlled property shall be approved by City Council. (Ord. 3211. Passed 3-19-13.)

<u>Parking</u>	
No Parking Sign	\$1/each
Metered Parking (less than 4 hours)	\$6/each
Metered Parking (4 or more hours)	\$12/each
<u>Personnel</u>	
First Police Officer	\$65 per hour
Additional Officer (s)	\$65 per hour
Police Supervisor (required for each 4 Police Officers)	\$75 per hour
Police Command Officer (required for two squads of five Officers)	\$85 per hour
Street Department Personnel	\$30/hour
Electrician	\$120 plus materials
Event Trash cans	\$6

<p><u>Road Closure</u> Main Street US 27 Detour **includes labor</p> <p><u>Sports Fields/Gazebo</u> Contact Oxford Parks & Recreation Department at 513-523-6314</p>	<p>\$150** \$150**</p>
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		Applicant's Initials	Review Date
Area shall be cleaned at the end of each day			
The City of Oxford reserves the right to modify, suspend, or revoke this permit at the sole discretion of the City of Oxford.			
2	Management of all work zones in the Right-of-Way must comply with the Ohio Manual of Uniform Traffic Control.		
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Pre-Meeting (if applicable): Reviewed with _____ on _____.

Reviewer(s): _____

APPROVAL SECTION (with conditions)

Police Chief: Approved Not Approved ____/____

Fire Chief: Approved Not Approved ____/____

Service Director: Approved Not Approved ____/____

Recreation Director: Approved Not Approved ____/____

City Manager: Approved Not Approved

Jessica Greene, Asst City Manager
City Manager's Signature

Date: Apr 29, 2026 jfb148

Reason(s) event not approved:



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STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	Parks & Recreation
PREPARED BY:	Chad Smith
DATE PREPARED:	4/28/2026
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	May 5, 2026
AGENDA TITLE:	A Resolution Of Council Authorizing Alcoholic Beverages To Be Sold And Consumed Annually At The Freedom Festival On July 2 nd (Rain Date July 3 rd), From 5:00 P.M.– 9:00 P.M. To Be Held At The Oxford Community Park Located At 6801 Fairfield Road Oxford, Ohio 45056. (Chad Smith, Parks and Recreation Director)
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	A Thriving and Resilient Year-Round Economy
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approve
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	DRE/DCS

DISCUSSION:

The Talawanda Recreation, Inc. (TRI) will apply for a permit from the State of Ohio authorizing the sale and consumption of beer at the Oxford Community Park during the 2026 Freedom Festival event.

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL AUTHORIZING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES TO BE SOLD AND CONSUMED ANNUALLY AT THE FREEDOM FESTIVAL ON JULY 2nd (RAIN DATE JULY 3rd), FROM 5:00 P.M.– 9:00 P.M. TO BE HELD AT THE OXFORD COMMUNITY PARK LOCATED AT 6801 FAIRFIELD ROAD, OXFORD, OHIO 45056.

WHEREAS, the Talawanda Recreation, Inc. (TRI) will apply for a permit from the State of Ohio authorizing the sale and consumption of beer at the Oxford Community Park for the 2026 Freedom Festival event; and

WHEREAS, this is an annual event and serves all segments of the greater Oxford community, including families, adults, and senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, section 729.10 of the Oxford Codified Ordinances prohibits the sale or use of alcohol on any municipally owned or controlled property unless approved by City Council.

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

SECTION 1: Council hereby authorizes the sale and consumption of beer for this annual event will be permitted from 5:00-9:00 pm on July 2nd with a rain date of July 3rd contingent upon approval of the permit from the State of Ohio.

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

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
INTRODUCED BY: MICHAEL SMITH
PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)



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STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	City Manager
PREPARED BY:	Douglas Elliott
DATE PREPARED:	4/29/2026
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	May 5, 2026
AGENDA TITLE:	A Resolution Consenting To The Annexation To The City Of Oxford, Ohio Of Certain Territory Proposed To Be Annexed To The City Of Oxford, Ohio Pursuant To A Petition Filed With The Board Of County Commissioners Of Butler County, Ohio By Douglas R. Elliott Jr., Agent For Petitioners, As Provided By Ohio Revised Code Section 709.023. (Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager)
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	Smart Growth and Quality Places
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	DRE

DISCUSSION:

Ambassadors’ Pointe Community Church has submitted a proposed annexation to the Butler County Commissioners to annex 6.753 acres of land. The City Manager is the statutory agent for the petitioner. It is an Expedited Type 2 Annexation. The church has plans to build a new church. Annexing this land to the City will enable water and sanitary sewer extensions.

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE ANNEXATION TO THE CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO OF CERTAIN TERRITORY PROPOSED TO BE ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO PURSUANT TO A PETITION FILED WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO BY DOUGLAS R. ELLIOTT JR., AGENT FOR PETITIONERS, AS PROVIDED BY OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 709.023.

WHEREAS, A petition for annexation has been filed with the Board of County Commissioners of Butler County, Ohio of 6.753 acres of land in Oxford Township, Butler County, Ohio.

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

- SECTION 1: Council, having received the notification of a petition for annexation from Ambassadors' Pointe Community Church (West), Inc. for 6.753 acres of land in the Township of Oxford, Butler County, Ohio, hereby accepts said petition.
- SECTION 2: Council hereby consents to the annexation petition from Ambassadors' Pointe Community Church (West), Inc. for 6.753 acres of land in the Township of Oxford, Butler County, Ohio in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 709.023(D).
- SECTION 3: The Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Board of County Commissioners of Butler County, Ohio.
- SECTION 4: This resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:
ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
INTRODUCED BY: MICHEAL SMITH
PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)



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STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	City Manager
PREPARED BY:	Douglas Elliott
DATE PREPARED:	4/24/2026
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	May 5, 2026
AGENDA TITLE:	A Resolution Adopting A Statement Indicating The Services The City Of Oxford, Ohio Will Provide To The Territory Proposed To Be Annexed To The City Of Oxford, Ohio Pursuant To A Petition Filed With The Board Of County Commissioners Of Butler County, Ohio, As Provided By Ohio Revised Code Section 709.023(C). (Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager)
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	Smart Growth and Quality Places
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	DRE

DISCUSSION:

Ambassadors’ Pointe Community Church has submitted a proposed annexation to the Butler County Commissioners to annex 6.753 acres of land. The City Manager is the statutory agent for the petitioner. It is an Expedited Type 2 Annexation. The church has plans to build a new church. Annexing this land to the City will enable water and sanitary sewer extensions.

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A STATEMENT INDICATING THE SERVICES THE CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO WILL PROVIDE TO THE TERRITORY PROPOSED TO BE ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF OXFORD, OHIO PURSUANT TO A PETITION FILED WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO, AS PROVIDED BY OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 709.023(C).

WHEREAS, a petition for annexation has been filed with the Board of County Commissioners of Butler County, Ohio of 6.753 acres of land in Oxford Township, Butler County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 921.39 E. states in part “The property or properties served by the extension of a municipal utility shall be required to annex into the City upon the official request of the City”.

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

SECTION 1: Council, having received the notification of a petition for annexation from the Ambassadors’ Pointe Community Church (West), Inc. for 6.753 acres of land in the Township of Oxford, Butler County, Ohio hereby accepts said petition.

SECTION 2: Council hereby adopts this resolution indicating what services the City will provide to the land to be annexed to the City in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 709.023(C).

SECTION 3: The City of Oxford, Ohio hereby states that it will provide, upon the finalization of the annexation, the following services to the Territory: law enforcement, recreation programming, maintenance of any and all public streets and alleyways, keeping the same open, in repair and free from nuisance, and professional planning staff; which said services shall be available immediately or as required thereafter upon finalization of the annexation. In addition, the facilitation of public utility services which include potable water, sanitary and storm sewerage, solid waste collection and disposal, street lighting and fire inspection, fire protection, paramedic and ambulance services, and any and all other services provided to or made available to the citizens of the City of Oxford, Ohio, as appropriate shall be available as the Territory is developed and such services become appropriate. Extension of all public utility services shall be subject to such regulations, conditions and fees as the City deems appropriate.

SECTION 4: The Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Board of County Commissioners of Butler County, Ohio.

SECTION 5: This resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: MICHAEL SMITH

PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)



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ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	City Manager
PREPARED BY:	Douglas Elliott
DATE PREPARED:	4/24/2026
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	May 5, 2026
AGENDA TITLE:	A Resolution Regarding Zoning Buffers In A Proposed Annexation Of Property Containing 6.753 Acres From Oxford Township, Butler County, Ohio To The City Of Oxford, Butler County, Ohio Pursuant To The Requirement Of Section 709.023(C) Of The Ohio Revised Code. (Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager)
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	Smart Growth and Quality Places
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	DRE

DISCUSSION:

Ambassadors' Pointe Community Church has submitted a proposed annexation to the Butler County Commissioners to annex 6.753 acres of land. The City Manager is the statutory agent for the petitioner. It is an Expedited Type 2 Annexation. The church has plans to build a new church. Annexing this land to the City will enable water and sanitary sewer extensions.

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION REGARDING ZONING BUFFERS IN A PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY CONTAINING 6.753 ACRES FROM OXFORD TOWNSHIP, BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO TO THE CITY OF OXFORD, BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENT OF SECTION 709.023(C) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE.

WHEREAS, A petition for annexation has been filed with the Board of County Commissioners of Butler County, Ohio of 6.753 acres of land in Oxford Township, Butler County, Ohio.

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

SECTION 1: Council, having received the notification of a petition for annexation from the Ambassadors' Pointe Community Church (West), Inc. for 6.753 acres of land in the Township of Oxford, Butler County, Ohio ("the Territory"), hereby accepts said petition.

SECTION 2: If the Territory becomes subject to zoning by the City and the City permits uses in the annexed territory that the City determines are clearly incompatible with the uses permitted under current county or township zoning regulations in the adjacent land remaining within the township from which the Territory was annexed, City Council will require, in the zoning ordinance permitting the incompatible uses, the Petitioner to provide a buffer separating the use of the Territory and the adjacent land remaining within the township.

SECTION 3: The Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Board of County Commissioners of Butler County, Ohio.

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

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: MICHAEL SMITH

PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)



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ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	City Manager
PREPARED BY:	Douglas Elliott
DATE PREPARED:	4/30/2026
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	May 5, 2026
AGENDA TITLE:	A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Sign A Settlement Agreement With Weisman Enterprising Holdings, Inc. (Chris Conard, Law Director)
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	DRE CC

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Resolution is to obtain authorization for the City Manager to sign a contractual agreement for City staff to issue a sign permit for the installation of an LED sign at the 36 East High Street. The property owner obtained a Certificate of Appropriateness with conditions from the Oxford Historical and Architectural Preservation Committee and staff denied the sign permit application. The property owner contends that the denial of the permit and affirmance of staff’s decision by the Board of Zoning Appeals violates his First Amendment rights of commercial speech and that the City Sign Code is unconstitutional. The terms and conditions of the agreement will contractually bind the parties to the agreement.

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH WEISMAN ENTERPRISING HOLDINGS, INC.

WHEREAS, Weisman Enterprises Holdings, Inc. sought a Certificate of Appropriateness (“COA”) from the Oxford Historical Architectural Preservation Committee (“HAPC”) to obtain a sign permit to install and replace its existing signage with a new directly illuminated electronic changeable copy sign referred to as a digital LED sign ("LED Sign") on a property located at 36 East High Street, Oxford, Ohio 45056 (the "Property") because the existing dimensional lettering is becoming obsolete, replacement parts are difficult to obtain and employee safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2025 HAPC conducted an evidentiary hearing and at the conclusion thereof, unanimously approved Weisman's request for a Certificate of Appropriateness (“COA”) with four (4) conditions: 1) static signage; 2) no scrolling marquee, no moving images; 3) illumination adjustment as recommended by the sign installer to reduce distraction; and 4) attempted adherence to traditional character of the signage on the marquee (collectively the "HAPC Conditions"); and

WHEREAS, Weisman filed an Administrative Appeal Application with the Oxford Board of Zoning Appeals ("BZA") in Case No. BZA-2025-03 (the "BZA Appeal") pursuant to Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 1151.02(a) from a City staff decision denying a request to obtain a sign permit; and

WHEREAS, the BZA issued a written decision on March 24, 2026, formally denying Weisman's appeal to the BZA from the staff’s denial of the sign permit; and

WHEREAS, Weisman contends that the City's Signage Chapter 1151 is unconstitutional as applied and violative of First Amendment rights of commercial free speech, and that portions of the code are void for vagueness and were misapplied and misinterpreted by staff, and further that no variance is required for "sign maintenance" including replacement of fascia, wiring and electronic components. For those and other reasons, Weisman has threatened litigation (the "Dispute"); and

WHEREAS, the City and Weisman entered into settlement discussions to resolve the Dispute and the City Manager seeks authorization to sign a settlement agreement to avoid the time, expense and uncertainty of potential litigation.

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

SECTION 1: City Council hereby approves the terms of the settlement agreement and authorizes the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

SECTION 2: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were done in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and 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, including, but not limited to, Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after the date of its passage.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
INTRODUCED BY: MICHAEL SMITH

PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)



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STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	Finance
PREPARED BY:	Heidi Ridenour
DATE PREPARED:	4/29/2026
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	May 5, 2026
AGENDA TITLE:	An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No.3844 Supplemental Budget Ordinance Number 2 To Make Supplemental Appropriations For Fiscal Year 2026. (Heidi Ridenour, Finance Director)
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	Fiscal Responsibility
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	\$48,019.00
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	DRE HR

DISCUSSION:

Issue 1: \$12,737.00 – General Fund (110)To make adjustment to budgeted revenue and appropriations for grant awarded from COIL-2643 for hosting of sister City Dubno, Ukraine.

Issue 2: \$22,500 – General Fund Revenue (110) \$15,000 ExpenseTo make adjustment to budgeted appropriation for the deductible of \$15,000 for litigation from legal proceedings. Revenue is from HCC for reimbursement of \$22,500 for claims less deductible.

Issue 3: \$14,750 - \$5,625-General, \$2,950.00 Water, \$2,950 Wastewater, \$1,475.00 RefuseTo make adjustment to budgeted appropriation to cover the cost of full property appraisal of City of Oxford owned property.

Issue 4: \$5,532 - General Fund (110)

To make adjustment to budgeted appropriation to cover the cost of a water heater replacement at the Police Department.

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3844 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ORDINANCE NUMBER 2 TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026.

WHEREAS, additional appropriations are needed for the current fiscal year and monies are available for appropriation in those funds.

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

SECTION 1: Additional appropriations are needed for the current fiscal year and monies are available for appropriation in those funds;

SECTION 2: The following increase/(decrease)in revenue be made:

General Fund 110	12,737.00
General Fund 110	22,500.00

SECTION 3: The following increase/(decrease)in expenditures be made:

General Fund 110	12,737.00
General Fund 110	15,000.00
General Fund 110	7,375.00
General Fund 110	5,532.00
Water Fund 321	2,950.00
Wastewater Fund 331	2,950.00
Refuse Fund	1,475.00

SECTION 4: In all other respects, Ordinance No. 3844 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: MICHAEL SMITH

PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)



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STAFF REPORT

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:	City Manager
PREPARED BY:	Douglas Elliott
DATE PREPARED:	4/1/2026
COUNCIL MEETING DATE:	May 5, 2026
AGENDA TITLE:	An Ordinance Repealing Oxford Codified Ordinance Chapter 181, Entitled “Income Tax” (Douglas R. Elliott, Jr., City Manager)
COUNCIL GOAL AREA:	Essential Operations
BUDGETED AMOUNT:	
ACCOUNT CODE:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Approval
CITY MANAGER/DEPT HEAD APPROVAL:	DRE

DISCUSSION:

The State of Ohio made significant changes to the Ohio municipal income tax laws (Chapter 718 of the Ohio Revised Code) which became effective January 1, 2016. The City of Oxford adopted these mandated changes which became Chapter 182 in the City’s Codified Ordinances. The previous income tax ordinance (Chapter 181) was no longer effective after December 31, 2015. Chapter 181 was kept in the City’s Codified Ordinance after December 31, 2015 in case of appeals to recover municipal income taxes. Section 718.12 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that civil actions to recover municipal income taxes, penalties, and interest on municipal income taxes shall be brought within three years after the tax return is due or filed. It is now ten years after the effective date of Chapter 182 the current municipal income tax ordinance. It is now time to repeal Chapter 181 from the City’s Codified Ordinances.

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING OXFORD CODIFIED ORDINANCE CHAPTER 181, ENTITLED “INCOME TAX”.

WHEREAS, Chapter 718 of the Ohio Revised Code grants municipal corporations the authority to levy a tax on income; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oxford, Ohio enacted Oxford Codified Ordinance Chapter 182, entitled “Income Tax Effective January 1, 2016”; and

WHEREAS, Oxford Codified Ordinance Chapter 181 entitled “Income Tax” is no longer effective or necessary.

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

SECTION 1: Chapter 181 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Oxford, Ohio, entitled “Income Tax” is hereby repealed.

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

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: MICHAEL SMITH

PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)