

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-35

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FROM VARIOUS FUNDS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF WOOSTER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City of Wooster provides, at §6.04, that no later than the second regular meeting of November the Mayor will prepare and present to the City Council for adoption an annual Appropriation Ordinance providing for the expenses of the municipal government for the coming fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That to provide for the current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Wooster for the Fiscal Year ending December 31, 2025, the following appropriations (detailed copy attached hereto) are hereby authorized.

SECTION 2. The budget approved by Council and the appropriation of funds to implement the budget represent the estimated expenditures needed to administer programs approved for the coming fiscal year. The budget is a work plan of the estimate of future needs for a given program as determined by Council when the budget is adopted.

In adopting the budget, Council recognizes that conditions may change during the fiscal year that may call for staff reductions or increases depending upon the facts in each instance.

In recognition of this fluid, constantly changing condition, the Mayor shall review requests for additional positions and for filling vacant positions within the limitations of the budget. After making a study of each request, he shall have the authority to approve, disallow or postpone such requests for additional personnel. In addition, he shall be responsible for resolving questions related to the staffing pattern of each department and division as determined by Council action on the annual budget.

Personnel requests in excess of the annual budget shall be studied and recommendations developed for the consideration of Council.

The Mayor shall be responsible for ascertaining that personnel requirements do not exceed those included or implied in the budget and/or Appropriation Ordinances.

SECTION 3. This Council finds and declares that all formal actions concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance occurred in an open meeting of this

Council or its committees, in compliance with law.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, safety and welfare of the City; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor; provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of Council; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

1st reading 11-18-24 2nd reading 12-2-24 3rd reading 12-16-24

Passed: December 16, 2024 Vote: 7-0

Attest: Amy Hamilton  
Clerk of Council  
[Signature]  
President of Council

Approved: 12/17, 2024  
[Signature]  
Mayor

Introduced by: Michael Abernathy