

**YOUNGSTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**AGENDA**

**5:30 PM**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- COM-26-67 1. Board of Control meeting was held April 23, 2026.
- COM-26-68 2. Board of Control meeting was held May 7, 2026.
- COM-26-69 3. Mahoning County Commissioners meeting was held April 16, 2026.
- COM-26-70 4. Mahoning County Commissioners meeting was held April 23, 2026.
- COM-26-71 5. Mahoning County Commissioners meeting was held April 28, 2026.
- COM-26-72 6. Mahoning County Commissioners meeting was held May 7, 2026.
- COM-26-73 7. Mahoning County Commissioners meeting was held May 14, 2026.
- COM-26-74 8. Mahoning Valley Sanitary District meeting was held April 29, 2026.
- COM-26-75 9. Mahoning Valley Sanitary District meeting was held May 20, 2026.
- COM-26-76 10. Covelli Centre annual income statement for the year ending December 31, 2025.
- COM-26-77 11. Covelli Centre 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter income statement ending March 31, 2026.
- COM-26-78 12. Ohio Division of Liquor Control notice re: TRFO to: S & M Fuel Inc., 2603 Mahoning Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio 44509. Permit# 10011594-1. From: Sitaram Food Inc., 2603 Mahoning Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio 44509. Permit# 08180417-1.
- COM-26-79 13. Gerald Beulah requests permission to speak before Council on May 20, 2026.
- COM-26-80 14. Jeffrey Green requests permission to speak before Council on May 20, 2026.
- COM-26-81 15. Cecilia Howard requests permission to speak before Council on May 20, 2026.
- COM-26-82 16. Joseph Napier requests permission to speak before Council on May 20, 2026.
- COM-26-83 17. Racole Taltoan requests permission to speak before Council on May 20, 2026.
- COM-26-84 18. Atty. David Betras requests permission to speak before Council on May 20, 2026.
- COM-26-85 19. Nomination of MVSD appointment for the current term ending December 31, 2028.

**ROLL CALL**

**REPORTS**

- REP-26-05 20. Committee on Zoning signed out Ord. 25-431 entitled: "Changing the Zone classification of the property located at 1224 N. Belle Vista., Parcel #53-179-0-164.00.0, City Lot number 22043, currently zoned MU-N (Mixed-use Neighborhood District) to MC-C (Mixed-use Community District)."
- REP-26-06 21. Committee on CPED signed out Ord. 26-121 entitled: "Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to advertise for bids and enter into a contract with the lowest

and best bidder for Exal Court Sanitary Sewer Improvements project. The cost will not exceed \$1,950,000.00.”

## ORDINANCES

### MAYOR McDOWELL:

- ORD-26-132      1. Providing for the issuance and sale of notes in the principle amount not to exceed \$1,900,000.00 in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, to pay costs of renovating City Hall Annex and retire the outstanding notes.
- ORD-26-133      2. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve payment to Vialytics through TXShare Cooperative purchasing to provide software for asset management data collection. Total cost of the services will not exceed \$92,020.00.
- ORD-26-134      3. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve payment to Boak and Sons Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$39,234.00 to replace the roof at West Avenue Water Department Webb Road, Generator Building.
- ORD-26-135      4. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve payment to Boak and Sons Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$124,311.00 to replace the roof at West Avenue Water Department, Front Office.
- ORD-26-136      5. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment not to exceed \$270,000.00 to Cochran Ford Boardman for the purchase of: two (2) 2026 Ford F-150 4x4 XL regular cab, one (1) 2026 Ford F-150 4x4 XL Super Cab and three (3) 2026 Ford Transit 150 Low Roof Cargo RWD for the Youngstown Water Department.
- ORD-26-137      6. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment not to exceed \$330,000.00 to Kirila Contractors, Inc. to replace a 36-inch valve that is critical to the Water system.
- ORD-26-138      7. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve a blanket purchase order for calendar year 2026, not to exceed \$50,000.00, for Educational Enterprises, Inc., DBA New Castle School of Trades.
- ORD-26-139      8. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve a blanket purchase order for Manchester Newman and Bennett LPA, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, for legal services for calendar year 2026.
- ORD-26-140      9. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve a blanket purchase order for Brennan, Manna & Diamond, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, for legal services for calendar year 2026.
- ORD-26-141      10. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve a blanket purchase order for Clemans, Nelson & Associates, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00, for negotiation and consultation services relative to the City of Youngstown’s Collective Bargaining Agreements, for calendar year 2026.
- ORD-26-142      11. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve a blanket purchase order for Roetzel and Andress, LPA, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00, for legal services for calendar year 2026.
- ORD-26-143      12. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to advertise for proposals and enter into a professional services agreement for the 2026 Bridge Inspection Program. The cost will not exceed \$92,300.00.

- ORD-26-144 13. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to advertising for bids and enter into a contract with the lowest and best bidder responsible for the 2026 City-wide Street Resurfacing program. Total cost of the project will not exceed \$1,800,000.00.
- ORD-26-145 14. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to advertise for proposals and enter into all necessary agreements for Mahoning River Low Head Dam Removal. The cost will not exceed \$6,125,000.00. Funds are available through Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (WRRSP).
- ORD-26-146 15. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to negotiate and acquire fee title to various parcels of land and enter into any necessary agreements for temporary access and permanent easements, as well as property acquisition of parcels or rights of entry related to the Mahoning River Low Head Dam Removal project. The cost will not exceed \$200,000.00. Funds are available through Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (WRRSP).
- ORD-26-147 16. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (WRRSP) sponsorship agreement for the purpose of implementing and sponsoring the Mahoning River Low Head Dam Removal project with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. Sponsorship amount not to exceed \$3,500,000.00.
- ORD-26-148 17. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into an agreement with CivicPlus for municipal website services, process automation and mass notification capabilities. The total initial term cost shall not exceed \$58,437.00, with annual recurring services of \$47,081.00, subject to standard annual 3% Uplift adjustments.
- ORD-26-149 18. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a two-year contract with NEOGOV beginning June 1, 2026. NEOGOV will provide onboarding resources through a cloud-based personalized self-service portal and E-forms which will convert paper forms to digital forms and streamline the manual HR workflow by automating the routing and signature process. The two-year contract will cost \$48,184.00 annually.
- ORD-26-150 19. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a renewal agreement with Courtview Justice Solutions, for annual Computer Software Support, licensing and hosting for calendar year 2026. Total cost is \$133,530.00. The Clerk of Court will share a portion of the cost in the amount of \$66,770.00 with the Youngstown Municipal Court.
- ORD-26-151 20. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a renewal agreement with Courtview Justice Solutions, for annual Computer Software Support, licensing and hosting for calendar year 2026. Total cost is \$133,530.00. The Youngstown Municipal Court will share a portion of the cost in the amount of \$66,770.00 with the Clerk of Courts.
- ORD-26-152 21. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a professional services agreement with Erica Avery for the position of Housing Coordinator for the period of May 1, 2026 through May 1, 2027. Cost will not exceed \$65,000.00.
22. **OFF AGENDA**
- ORD-26-153 23. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into the release and settlement agreement between the City of Youngstown and Ashley Lintz and Kendal Lee Dotson and make payment in the mount of \$47,500.00.

- ORD-26-154 24. Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 26-90, passed by Youngstown City Council on April 2, 2026, which established the Master Salary Ordinance for the City of Youngstown to make the following changes to position No. 0883-5020, Zoning Specialist; **Increase the number of positions from 1 authorized position (0883-5020) to 2 authorized positions (0883-5020/5019).**
- ORD-26-155 25. Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 26-90, passed by Youngstown City Council on April 2, 2026, which established the Master Salary Ordinance for the City of Youngstown to make the following changes to position No. 0883-5931, Housing & Demolition Inspector/Enforcement Officer; **Increase the number of positions from 4 authorized position (0883-5931) to 5 authorized positions.**
- ORD-26-156 26. Appropriating \$30,000.00 into the Municipal Court Probation Services Travel Fund, 2904.30\_5101.
- ORD-26-157 27. Appropriating \$36,770.00 under Clerk Computerization Fund, 4004.30\_5107, Operating Services.
- ORD-26-158 28. Appropriating \$36,770.00 into the Municipal Court Probation Services Equipment Fund 2904.30\_5205.
- ORD-26-159 29. Levying Special Assessments for the improvement of certain City Streets by Whiteway Lighting, within the corporate limits of the City of Youngstown, Ohio, during the period from April 1, 2026 to March 31,2027. A reduction of 5% shall be allowed to all property owners.
- RAY:**
- ORD-26-160 30. Authorizing the expenditure of \$1,000.00 from the Fourth Ward discretionary fund. Funds will be used to defray cost for the Youngstown May Day Festival.
- ORD-26-161 31. Authorizing the expenditure of \$3,000.00 from the President of Council's discretionary Fund. Funds will be used to defray cost for the annual Gay Pride Festival.
- KELLY:**
- ORD-26-162 32. Authorizing the Director of Finance to transfer \$5,000.00 from the Fifth Ward fund G/L 1001.01.005\_5101, Travel into 1001.01.005\_5107, Operating Services, to be used for Fifth Ward Projects.
- OLIVER:**
- ORD-26-163 33. Changing the zone classification of the property located at 1731 Glenwood Avenue, parcel #53-059-0-034.00-0, City Lot number 63105, currently zoned RT-5.5 (Residential 1 and 2 Family) to MU-I (Mixed-Use Institutional). **Moved to Planning Commission**
- McWILSON:**
- ORD-26-164 34. Changing the zone classification of the property located at E. Lucius Ave., Parcel #53-119-0-218.00-0, City Lot number 31318, Parcel # 53-119-0-219.00.0, City Lot number 31319, Parcel #53-119-0-220.00-0, City Lot Number 31320 and Parcel number #53-119-0-222.00-0, City Lot Number 31322, currently zoned RS-7.2 (Single Family Residential) to MU-C (Mixed-Use Community). **Moved to Planning Commission**

**SECOND READINGS**

**MAYOR McDOWELL:**

- ORD-26-109 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve and make payment pursuant to Section 735.051 of the Ohio Revised Code, to H & J Restoration Specialists, LLC in the total amount of \$64,329.00 for the emergency removal of loose bricks on the East Wall of the 20 Federal Street building and for the removal of all fallen brick from the adjacent buildings.
- ORD-26-110 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment. Not to exceed \$36,500.00 to #1 Cochran Ford for the purchase of one (1) 2024 Ram 1500. This vehicle will be for departmental use in the Environmental Sanitation Department.
- ORD-26-111 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to expend an amount not to exceed \$81,000.00 annually for the purchase of the support agreement from Motorola Solutions, Inc, to provide software support for the Youngstown Police Department's RMS Reporting Software for calendar years 2026 and 2027.
- ORD-26-112 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to Marucci and Gaffney Excavating Company to assist with a high volume of water breaks this winter. The cost will not exceed \$59,000.00.
- ORD-26-113 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve payment in the amount of \$50,000.00 to LB Water Service Inc. This is part of the Ohio Environmental Agency Drinking Water Assistance Grant that the Youngstown Water Department has been awarded.
- ORD-26-114 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve payment in the amount of \$200,000.00 to Core & Main. This is part of the Ohio Environmental Agency Drinking Water Assistance Grant that the Youngstown Water Department has been awarded.
- ORD-26-115 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to SealMaster of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$47,000.00, for the purchase of a Hotbox KM 4 Ton Trailer Mount with electric brake, diesel pump for the City of Youngstown Street Department. Said Hotbox will be used for patching streets located within the City.
- ORD-26-116 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to Brown Equipment Company in the amount not to exceed \$72,000.00 for the purchase of a STEPP-SMMT Trailer Mounted Asphalt Recycler for the City of Youngstown Street Department. Said Recycler will be used to repair City streets during the winter season when hot mix is not available.
- ORD-26-117 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to Total Tank Works LLC in the amount of \$82,000.00, for the purchase and installation of four (4) Wayne Select Model 3/G7202P Fuel Pumps at the City of Youngstown Street Department.
- ORD-26-118 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to Air Burners Inc., in the amount of \$300,000.00, for the purchase of a 2026 Air Burner Model S330E Refractory Walled Air Curtain Burner. This Air Curtain Burner will be used for the disposal of tree waste collected by the Street Department in accordance with EPA Rules and Regulations.

- ORD-26-119 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to Allstate Ford of Youngstown, LLC in the amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, for the purchase of one (1) 2026 Ford F550 Crew Truck to replace a vehicle within the Street Department's aging fleet that is no longer cost effective to repair.
- ORD-26-120 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a contract through the State of Ohio's Cooperative Purchasing Contract with FYDA Freightliner Youngstown, Inc., for the build-out and purchase of one (1) Freightliner 108SD Snowplow Truck for the Youngstown Street Department. Cost will not exceed \$270,000.00.
- ORD-26-122 Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 26-90, passed by Youngstown City Council on April 2, 2026, which established the Master Salary Ordinance for the City of Youngstown to **create position of: Environmental Sanitation General Foremen, position number 5300-1311, \$31.8980 hourly/\$66,347.84 annually, Mgt. FT.**
- ORD-26-123 Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 26-90, passed by Youngstown City Council on April 2, 2026, which established the Master Salary Ordinance for the City of Youngstown to make the following changes to position no 0901-2001, Court Administrator. **Amend the annual salary for each of the following steps: Hourly/Annually: \$41.4815/\$86,281.52 (entry), \$43.2479/\$89,955.63 (1<sup>st</sup> Step), \$45.0138/\$93,628.70 (2<sup>nd</sup> Step), and \$46.7799/\$97,302.19 (3<sup>rd</sup> Step).**
- ORD-26-124 Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 26-90, passed by Youngstown City Council on April 2, 2026, which established the Master Salary Ordinance for the City of Youngstown to make the following changes to position no. 0901-4850, Grace Court Coordinator. **Amend the weekly hours allowance and annual salary for the position: \$27.000/\$35,100.00, 1300 Hours.**
- ORD-26-125 Authorizing the acceptance of the Body Worn Camera Grant program (#2026-BW-LEC-50575) awarded to the City of Youngstown Police Department by the Ohio Department of Public Safety in the amount of \$30,000.00 with no local match for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027.
- ORD-26-126 Authorizing the City of Youngstown to increase appropriations by \$30,000.00 in the Police Fund. Further, authorizing the Board of Control to make payment not to exceed \$30,000.00 to Axon Enterprise, Inc.
- RAY:**
- ORD-26-127 Authorizing the expenditure of \$1,000.00 from the Fourth Ward discretionary Fund. Funds will be used by Youngstown Creative Collection to support the planning and preparation of the Juneteenth 2026 celebration.
- WHITE:**
- ORD-26-128 Authorizing the Director of Finance to transfer \$5,000.00 from the Seventh Ward Fund G/L 1001.01.007\_5101, Travel into 1001.01.007\_5107, Operating Services, to be used for Seventh Ward projects.
- ORD-26-129 Authorizing the expenditure in the amount of \$2,000.00 from the Seventh Ward discretionary fund. Funds will be used for the cost of meeting space rental at OCCHA Inc. to hold various Ward monthly group meetings in 2026.
- ORD-26-130 Authorizing the expenditure in the amount of \$3,000.00 from the Seventh Ward discretionary fund. Funds will be used by the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward Neighborhood Coalition for Community events and Administration fees.

ORD-26-131 Authorizing the expenditure in the amount of \$3,000.00 from the Seventh Ward discretionary fund. Funds will be used to support various community-based outreach events in 2026.

**THIRD READING**

ORD-26-80 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into an Economic Development agreement with 3827 Market Gas, Inc. the agreement will provide a storm water grant of \$100,000.00 to support the Gas Station Convenience Store project at 3827 Market Street.

**SIGNED OUT OF COMMITTEE**

ORD-25-431 Changing the Zone classification of the property located at 1224 N. Belle Vista., Parcel #53-179-0-164.00.0, City Lot number 22043, currently zoned MU-N (Mixed-use Neighborhood District) to MC-C (Mixed-use Community District).

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**ADJOURNMENT**