

**YOUNGSTOWN CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2025**  
**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**AGENDA**  
**5:30 PM**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

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| COM-25-89  | 1. Board of Control meeting was held June 5, 2025.  |
| COM-25-90  | 2. Mahoning County Commissioner's meeting was held June 5, 2025.  |
| COM-25-91  | 3. Mahoning County Commissioner's meeting was held June 12, 2025.   |
| COM-25-92  | 4. Mahoning Valley Sanitary District meeting was held June 18, 2025.  |
| COM-25-93  | 5. Covelli Centre 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Income Statement ending March 31, 2025.   |
| COM-25-94  | 6. Press Release City of Youngstown Moody's Credit Rating Increase with A2.   |
| COM-25-95  | 7. Ohio Division of Liquor Control notice re: NEW to: AVI Food Systems Inc., 1 Tressel Way, Youngstown, Ohio 44555. Permit #03363520165.  |
| COM-25-96  | 8. Ohio Division of Liquor Control notice re: TRFO to: CALJLEG LLC, DBA Sons, 2702 Dearborn St., Youngstown, Ohio 44510. Permit # 1234368. From: Lawrence E. Groves Jr., DBA Sons, 2702 Dearborn St., Youngstown, Ohio 44510. Permit # 3412375. |
| COM-25-97  | 9. Ohio Division of Liquor Control notice re: TRFO to: New Baragora LLC, 1739 Wilson Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio 44506. Permit# 6368904. From: 1739 Wilson LLC, DBA Check-N-Go, 1739 Wilson Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio 44506. Permit# 8003598.       |
| COM-25-98  | 10. Samantha Turner, Councilmember unable to attend City Council June 4, 2025.  |
| COM-25-99  | 11. Mayor Brown unable to attend City Council June 18, 2025.  |
| COM-25-100 | 12. Nikki Posterli, Chief of Staff unable to attend City Council June 18, 2025  |
| COM-25-101 | 13. Barry Finley, Fire Chief unable to attend City Council June 18, 2025  |
| COM-25-102 | 14. Nina Shutack request permission to speak before Council on June 18, 2025.   |
| COM-25-103 | 15. Jan Nelson request permission to speak before Council on June 18, 2025.   |

**REPORTS**

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| REP-25-21 | 16. Committee on Public Health signed out ORD-25-72 entitled: "Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve payment to No Kut Meals, LLC., not to exceed \$50,000.00 for the collection of discarded mattresses throughout the City, for calendar year 2025."                           |
| REP-25-22 | 17. City Planning Commission letter recommending <b>denial</b> of Ordinance 25-106, "Changing the zone classification of property located at 1727 Richmond Ave., parcel 53-034-0-183.00.0, City Lot number 44047, currently zoned RS- 7.2 (Single Family Residential) to RT 5.5 (Residential 1- and 2- Family)." |

**ORDINANCES**

**MAYOR BROWN:**

- ORD-25-236      1. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to Century Equipment-Twinsburg not to exceed \$49,056.60, for the purchase of a Ventrac Tractor to be used by the Park Department for the Stambaugh Golf Course greens.
2. ***OFF AGENDA***
- ORD-25-237      3. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve a purchase, for an amount not to exceed \$73,500.00 to SoundThinking, Inc., for the annual renewal of the operating and maintenance agreement on the ShotSpotter Gunshot Location and Detection System expansion for the period August 25, 2025 through August 24, 2026.
- ORD-25-238      4. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to approve a purchase order, for an amount not to exceed \$89,384.00, to ShotSpotter Inc., for the annual renewal of the operating and maintenance agreement on the ShotSpotter Gunshot Location and Detection System expansion for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. Further authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to execute all required contracts and agreements necessary to finalize the operating and maintenance agreement.
- ORD-25-239      5. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a professional engineering services agreement with Arcadis U.S., Inc., to assist with engineering and construction administration services for the replacement of a portion of water main on Gypsy Lane from Logan to Goleta. Total cost will not exceed \$297,500.00.
- ORD-25-240      6. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to submit an application, and enter into a joint agreement with the Ohio EPA and the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA), for a Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) in an amount not to exceed \$8,995,000.00. Loan funds will be used to install a new factory-built booster station while adding waterline redundancy.
- ORD-25-241      7. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to submit an application, and enter into a joint agreement with the Ohio EPA and the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA), for a Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) in an amount not to exceed \$9,000,000.00. Loan funds will be used to fund the Crandall Park Water Main and Lead Service Line Replacement Project.
- ORD-25-242      8. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a professional services agreement with CS Public Affairs for the purpose of developing a strategic communications plan to assure coordinated communication from city to present a positive image. Cost will not exceed \$60,000.00.
- ORD-25-243      9. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to advertise for proposals and enter into all necessary agreements for parking enforcement services for the downtown area in the Central Business District. Total cost will not exceed \$100,000.00.
- MOVED TO PARKING COMMITTEE**
- ORD-25-244      10. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to waive the formal bidding process, pursuant to Section 735.051 of the Ohio Revised Code, and make payment to various local vendors in the amount not to exceed \$825,000.00 for emergency repair and replacement of sanitary lines, storm lines, manholes, and catch basins that are in such disrepair they are causing backups throughout the collection system.

11. **OFF AGENDA**

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ORD-25-245 13. Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to appropriate \$140,000.00 and enter into an agreement with MS Consultants, Inc., to provide consultation and engineering services for the Belmont Corridor Plan. Funding for the BCP was provided through the Appalachian Community Grant in the amount of \$200,000.00 for technical assistance and planning management on behalf of the Mahoning Valley Commercial Corridors Initiative. Ordinance 23-297 passed by the Youngstown City Council on July 31, 2023.

ORD-25-246 14. Increasing appropriations by \$17,500.00 in the Police fund under 2101.12.202\_5817, Police Projects 052. Funds were awarded by CDA for the Lifetime Mentorship Program.

ORD-25-247 15. Authorizing the transfer of \$22,856.17 from Finance New World to Project LH18/19 Activity New Construction Assistance within the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) M-18-MC-39-0209 Grant funds.

ORD-25-248 16. Removing special assessments from Ordinance 15-284, Ordinance 16-278, Ordinance 17-334, Ordinance 18-252, Ordinance 19-279, Ordinance 20-241, Ordinance 21-286, Ordinance 22-08, Ordinance 22-88, Ordinance 22-343, Ordinance 22-457, Ordinance 23-439 or Ordinance 24-458 for costs associated with the demolition, grass cutting, excessive quantity of waste, or boarding-up of structures that were assessed by the City of Youngstown for the properties and amounts listed in attached Exhibit "A".

**WHITE:**

ORD-25-249 17. Authorizing the Director of Finance to transfer the amount of \$500.00 from the Seventh Ward discretionary fund 1001.01.007\_5107, Operating Services into CPED National Community Day Project Fund 1001.00.4820, Donations.

**SECOND READINGS**

**RESOLUTION**

**COUNCIL AS A WHOLE:**

RES-25-06 Honoring Peace Officers 2025 National Police Week and National Peace Officers' Memorial Day.

**ORDINANCES**

**MAYOR BROWN:**

ORD-25-218 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 2025.

ORD-25-219 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to Sarchione Ford Lincoln of Alliance in the amount of \$52,332.00, for the purchase of one (1) 2025 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD base for the Fire Department Battalion Chiefs replacement vehicle.

ORD-25-220 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment, not to exceed \$26,188.09, to Wadsworth Solutions for removal and re-installation of the HVAC units at the City-owned Covelli Centre.

ORD-25-221 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into the attached and incorporated settlement agreement to resolve the dispute between Lajena Solomon

individually and as the Administrator of the Estate of Landon Lockhart and the City of Youngstown. The City of Youngstown shall pay the sum of \$40,000.00. The City's prospective financial obligation in conjunction with the terms and conditions of the settlement agreement is estimated at \$20,000.00.

ORD-25-222

Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into an agreement with Arcadis for hosting, support, and expansion of the Orion Project Management Information System, to include electronic logging for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The cost will not exceed \$77,880.00.

ORD-25-223

Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a contract with the most qualified consultant to provide consulting services to ensure Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) permit compliance. The cost will not exceed \$225,000.00.

ORD-25-224

Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into professional services agreement(s) with various vendors for support during the implementation of projects included in the Long-Term Control Plan. The agreements will be used to implement Phase 2 which was mandated by the consent decree entered into by the City of Youngstown and the State and Federal Environmental Protection Agencies in Case Number 4:98CV2438. The cost of the agreement will not exceed \$275,000.00.

ORD-25-225

Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to solicit pricing from all local vendors, and purchase various pumps and pump replacement parts used by the City of Youngstown Wastewater throughout the Treatment Plant and 14 pump stations. The cost will not exceed \$400,000.00.

ORD-25-226

Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to waive the formal bidding process, pursuant to Section 735.051 of the Ohio Revised Code, and make payment to Marucci and Gaffney excavating company in the amount of \$87,864.13 for emergency replacement of two sanitary sewer manholes with damaged frames and seventy-seven feet of ten-inch sanitary sewer on Poland Ave. to Jones Street.

ORD-25-227

**Amending Ordinance Number 25-57**, passed by the Youngstown City Council on February 5, 2025, which authorized 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 \$100,000.00, for legal services for calendar year 2025. The amendment being: **to increase the amount not to exceed \$200,000.00.**

ORD-25-228

**Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 25-135**, passed by the Youngstown City Council on April 16, 2025, which established the Master Salary Ordinance for the City of Youngstown to **increase the number of positions for position #5101-4000, Construction Coordinator Wastewater, from one (1) authorized position to two (2) authorized positions.**

ORD-25-229

**Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 25-135**, passed by the Youngstown City Council on April 16, 2025, which established the Master Salary Ordinance for the City of Youngstown, position Wastewater 17, Division 174, position 8431-8435 Shift Manager Class III to **create a step Shift Manager Class II in the Wastewater Department.**

ORD-25-230

**Amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 25-135**, passed by the Youngstown City Council on April 16, 2025, which established the Master Salary Ordinance for the City of Youngstown, to **create a step to position #5174-2001, Wastewater 17, Division 174, Chief Operator Class III to Chief Operator Class IV in the Wastewater Department.**

ORD-25-231 Declaring vacant real property, under Section 3, Article XVIII of the Ohio Constitution and Section 1 and Section 2 of the City Charter, known as parcel number 53-051-0-136.02-0 (Erie Street) is no longer necessary for municipal purposes. Further, authorizing the Director of Finance to cause the sale and transfer of said vacant real property, for the appraised value of \$64,460.00, for use in connection with economic development purposes. Further, authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into and execute all necessary instruments required to accomplish the sale and transfer of the following described city-owned real property for economic development purposes, to be deeded to Valley Christian School, Inc.

**DAVIS:**

ORD-25-232 Authorizing the expenditure in the amount of \$700.00 from the Sixth Ward discretionary fund. Funds will be used by Boulevard Park Block Watch to offset costs for Pleasant Grove Peace Park Phase 3.

ORD-25-233 Authorizing the expenditure of \$1,500.00 from the President of Council's discretionary fund. Funds will be used to offset cost to support the annual Jazz in the Park Summer Music Series held at Wick Park.

**WHITE:**

ORD-25-234 Authorizing the expenditure of \$1,000.00 from the Seventh Ward discretionary fund. Funds will be used to offset cost of the community cleanup efforts in the Seventh Ward.

**THIRD READING(S)**

ORD-25-124 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, for the FY2024 Cops Hiring Program grant (15JCOPS-24-GG-03520-UHPX) in the amount of \$1,612,170.00, with a local match of \$537,390.00. Further authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to execute any necessary agreements in furtherance of said grant.

ORD-25-129 Authorizing the acceptance of the FY2024 Cops Hiring Program grant (15JCOPS-24-GG-03520-UHPX) in the amount of \$1,612,170.00, awarded to the Youngstown Police Department by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services for the period October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2029.

ORD-25-130 Appropriating \$2,149,560.00 to 2101.12.202\_5001 for the Cops Hiring Program grant, 15JCOPS-24-GG-03520-UHPX, awarded to the Youngstown Police Department by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services for the period October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2029. Further authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to execute any necessary agreements in furtherance of said grant.

ORD-25-146 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to Advanced Electronic Design, Inc., not to exceed \$42,000.00, for the purchase of eight (8) mobile data terminals and accessories for the Police Department's front-line patrol vehicles and K-9 patrol vehicles.

ORD-25-147 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment, not to exceed \$695,400.00, to Jim Shorkey Auto Group for the purchase of eleven (11) current

model year Dodge Durango or Ford Explorer police vehicles, and upfit of the vehicles by IBIS Emergency Vehicles (a subsidiary of Jim Shorkey Auto Group).

**DEFEATED**

**SIGNED OUT OF COMMITTEE**

ORD-25-72

Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to make payment to No Kut Meals, LLC., not to exceed \$50,000.00, for the collection of discarded mattresses throughout the city, for calendar year 2025.

**LATE(S)**

**DAVIS:**

ORD-25-250

L1 Increasing appropriations in the General Fund by \$120,000.00 under 1001.30.300\_5103, Professional Services. For the Ohio Auditor of State to conduct a Performance Audit into the City's Police and Fire Operations and provide recommendations for improved compliance and opportunities for efficiency.

**MAYOR BROWN:**

ORD-25-251

L2 Authorizing the Board of Control of the City of Youngstown to enter into a service agreement with MS Consultants, Inc for Professional engineering services to analyze the Water Quality of the Eastside Zones. Cost will not exceed \$250,000.00.

ORD-25-252

L3 Declaring under R.C. 5722.21 (B) that it is in the public interest for the City of Youngstown to acquire the tax-delinquent real property described in attachment A for the public purpose of redeveloping the property or otherwise rendering it suitable for productive, tax-paying use.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

ORD-25-106

Changing the zone classification of property located at 1727 Richmond Ave., parcel 53-034-0-183.00.0, City Lot number 44047, currently zoned RS- 7.2 (Single Family Residential) to RT 5.5 (Residential 1- and 2- Family).

**Public Hearing is set for Friday, July 11, 2025.**

**ADJOURNMENT**