



City of Lakewood
City Council

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Noticed 02/04/2026

PUBLIC NOTICE – FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee will meet Monday February 9, 2026 immediately following Committee of the Whole in the Auditorium at Lakewood City Hall, 12650 Detroit Ave. The meeting is open to the public.

The meeting will be livestreamed on the City’s website at the following link:

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PUBLIC COMMENT PROTOCOL (Updated 4/2025)

The public is invited to comment on agenda items by submitting a written comment in advance of the meeting using the eComment platform available [HERE](#). New users must create an eComment account. Committee Chairs may also accommodate in person public comment.

The agenda is as follows:

Approval of the minutes of the December 15, 2025 Finance Committee meeting.

ORDINANCE 04-2026 - AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, authorizing the transfer and advance of certain funds. (1st read & referred to Finance 1/20/26; 2nd reading 2/2/26)

ORDINANCE 05-2026 - AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, authorizing the Director of Finance to enter into Equipment Leases in forms approved by the Director of Law on behalf of the City of Lakewood (“City”). (1st read & referred to Finance 1/20/26; 2nd reading 2/2/26)

ORDINANCE 37-2025A - AN ORDINANCE to take effect January 1, 2026, provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law, to provide for creating positions and rates of pay for full-time and certain part-time annual salaried employees and hourly rate employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement in the several departments, divisions and offices of the City of Lakewood, including the Chief of Fire, Chief of Police and Civil Service Commissioners and superseding all prior salary ordinances. (1st read & referred to Finance 1/20/26; 2nd reading 2/2/26)

Communication from Councilmembers Bullock, Hamilton Steiner, and Evans regarding continued work on 2026 Council budget priorities. (referred to Finance 1/20/26)

ORDINANCE 33-2025A - AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, to establish appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Lakewood, State of Ohio, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026. *(1st read & referred to Finance 1/20/26; 2nd reading 2/2/26)*

ORDINANCE 34-2025A - AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, authorizing the Mayor, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, the Director of Public Works, the Director of Planning & Development, the Director of Human Services, the Director of Human Resources, or the Procurement Officer to enter into contracts for professional services, and to advertise for bids and enter into contracts for the purchase of repair, maintenance and operating supplies, services and equipment as authorized by the 2026 Appropriation Ordinance and the Administrative Code of the City of Lakewood with the lowest and best bidder or bidders or as otherwise provided by law. *(1st read & referred to Finance 1/20/26; 2nd reading 2/2/26)*

ORDINANCE 36-2025A - AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, authorizing the Mayor (Director of Public Safety), the Director of Public Works, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, the Director of Planning & Development, and/or the Purchasing Manager to enter into service contracts in accordance with the Administrative Code of the City of Lakewood for the Department of Planning & Development in accordance with the Administrative Code of the City of Lakewood, contracts not to exceed the specified amounts shown without separate resolution of Council. *(1st read & referred to Finance 1/20/26; 2nd reading 2/2/26)*

Kyle Baker, Chair

Tom Bullock, Cindy Strebiger; Members

FINANCE COMMITTEE

ORDINANCE NO. 4-2026

BY:

AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, authorizing the transfer and advance of certain funds.

WHEREAS, as set forth in Section 2.12 of the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, this Council by a vote of at least two thirds of its members determines that this ordinance is an emergency measure and that it shall take effect immediately, and that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public property, health, and safety and to provide for the usual daily operation of municipal departments to provide for the usual daily operation of the City in that the City must record all financial transactions within the appropriate fiscal period. Now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, OHIO

Section 1. That the Director of Finance be and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers:

		2026	
		1st Quarter	
	Fund	Transfers Out	Transfers In
101	General Fund	\$ 325,000.00	
	Special Revenue Funds		
250	Office on Aging IIB		\$ 225,000.00
530	Winterhurst		\$ 100,000.00
	Debt Service Payments		
512	WWTP Improvements	\$ 500,000.00	
301	Debt Service Fund		\$ 500,000.00
512	WWTP Improvements	\$ 325,000.00	
511	WWTP		\$ 325,000.00
	Fund	Advances Out	Advances In
240	CDBG	\$ 150,000	
241	Emergency Shelter Grant	\$ 80,000	
277	Help to Others	\$ 50,000	
279	Juvenile Diversion	\$ 30,000	
242	HOME Fund	\$ 1,120,000	
281	Family to Family	\$ 120,000	
101	General Fund		\$ 1,550,000

Section 2. The Third Amended Charter published in the Codified Ordinances is the official charter of the City of Lakewood.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 4. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this ordinance, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by the Council and approval by the Mayor, or otherwise it shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: _____

Sarah Kepple, President of Council

Maureen M. Bach, Clerk of Council

Approved: _____

Meghan F. George, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 05-2026

BY:

AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, authorizing the Director of Finance to enter into Equipment Leases in forms approved by the Director of Law on behalf of the City of Lakewood (“City”).

WHEREAS, the City is an Ohio political subdivision and is organized and existing under the Constitution and laws of Ohio and its Charter; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with applicable law, including without limitation its home rule authority under Ohio Constitution Article XVIII, the City has the power to acquire personal property, including without limitation, acquisition by lease-purchase agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City has requested proposals for the lease-purchase acquisition of certain property, and the authorized representatives of the City will assess each proposal and determine which proposal is lowest and best, and most responsive; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in Section 2.12 of the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, this Council by a vote of at least two thirds of its members determines that this ordinance is an emergency measure and that it shall take effect immediately, and that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public property, health, and safety, and to provide for the usual daily operation of municipal departments in that these equipment leases are necessary for the operation of various departments and divisions. Now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, OHIO:

Section 1. This Council makes the following findings and determinations:

- (a) It is appropriate and necessary to the functions and operations of the City, to enter into one or more lease-purchase agreements (the “Equipment Leases”) in the principal amount not exceeding **\$2,375,000**, for the purpose of acquiring the vehicles, equipment, and other personal property generally described in Exhibit A to this ordinance (the “Leased Property”) and to be described more specifically in the Equipment Leases.
- (b) The authorized representatives of the City will determine which proposal for the respective vehicle, equipment, or other personal property is lowest and best, and most responsive to the City’s request for proposals.
- (c) The City is entering into the Equipment Leases in accordance with its power and authority under the Ohio Revised Code, the Ohio Constitution, and its Charter, to acquire the Leased Property and the Equipment Leases constitute “public obligations” as defined in Chapter 133.01(GG), Ohio Revised Code.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance acting on behalf of the City is hereby authorized

to negotiate, enter into, execute, and deliver one or more Equipment Leases in the form approved by the Director of Law. The Director of Finance is hereby authorized to negotiate, enter into, execute, and deliver such other documents relating to the Equipment Leases (including, but not limited to, escrow agreements) as the Director of Finance deems necessary and appropriate. All other related contracts and agreements necessary and incidental to the Equipment Leases are hereby authorized. By a written instrument signed by the Director of Finance, the Director of Finance may designate specifically identified officers or employees of the City to execute and deliver agreements and documents relating to the Equipment Leases on behalf of the City.

Section 3. The aggregate original principal amount of the Equipment Leases shall not exceed **\$2,375,000**. The payments under the Equipment Leases shall include interest at the rates determined in accordance with the proposal, but in no event exceed an annual rate of 8%. The Equipment Leases shall be for the term or terms selected by the Director of Finance, in accordance with the proposal of the selected lender/lessor, but in no event to exceed 20 years. The Equipment Leases shall contain such options to purchase by the City as set forth in the proposal and the Equipment Leases and approved by the Director of Finance.

Section 4. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Ordinance to the selected lender/lessor upon notification from the authorized representative of the City of Lakewood.

Section 5. The Third Amended Charter published in the Codified Ordinances is the official charter of the City of Lakewood.

Section 6. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 7. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this ordinance, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by the Council and approval by the Mayor, or otherwise it shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: _____

Sarah Kepple, President of Council

Maureen M. Bach, Clerk of Council

Approved: _____

Meghan F. George, Mayor

2026 Municipal Leases
Exhibit A

2026 Projects to be Financed using Municipal Capital Leases	Amount
	\$ 2,375,000
Fire Medical squad	\$ 385,000
Fire Special Op Truck	\$ 600,000
5 Police Vehicles	\$ 420,000
Refuse-Side Load Packer Truck	\$ 415,000
Streets Vehicle #111- Salt Truck	\$ 285,000
Sewer #819 truck	\$ 135,000
Sewer #633 van	\$ 135,000

ORDINANCE NO. 37-2025A

BY:

AN ORDINANCE to take effect January 1, 2026, provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law, to provide for creating positions and rates of pay for full-time and certain part-time annual salaried employees and hourly rate employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement in the several departments, divisions and offices of the City of Lakewood, including the Chief of Fire, Chief of Police and Civil Service Commissioners and superceding all prior salary ordinances.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Ohio, the Ohio Revised Code and the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, municipalities have the power to enact laws that are for the health, safety, welfare, comfort and peace of the citizens of the municipality, and to provide for local self-government, including establishing salaries and rates of pay; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in Section 2.12 of the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, this Council by a vote of at least two thirds of its members determines that this ordinance is an emergency measure and that it shall take effect immediately, and that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety, and to provide for the usual daily operation of municipal departments in that these changes need to be in place effective January 1, 2026; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, OHIO:

Section 1. Classifications, rates of pay, pay grades, levels and certain other supplemental compensation for non-probationary full-time and certain part-time, annual salaried and hourly employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement are hereby authorized, effective on the effective date of this ordinance, in the several departments, divisions and offices of the City of Lakewood, as modified herein, and with the approval of the Department Director, Director of Finance, Director of Human Resources and Mayor as follows.

Section 2. Classifications/Pay Grade Assignments and Pay Schedules.

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Classification Assigned to Pay Grade</u>	<u>Minimum Rate</u>	<u>Maximum Rate</u>
26	Deputy Clerk of Council I	\$ 42,044.00	\$ 59,376.00
27	Project Specialist I	\$ 44,632.00	\$ 63,191.00
28	Civil Service/Mediation Program Coordinator	\$ 47,218.00	\$ 66,709.00
	Legal Secretary		
	Deputy Clerk of Council II		
29	Chief Prosecutor (Part Time)	\$ 49,806.00	\$ 71,840.00
	First Assistant Law Director		
31	Budget Analyst	\$ 57,569.00	\$ 80,987.00
	Clerk of Council		
	Project Specialist II		
	Public Information Officer		
	City Planner		
	Plans Examiner (Part Time)		
	Administrative Assistant to the Mayor		
	Human Resource Specialist		
32	Nutrition Supervisor	\$ 60,155.00	\$ 83,905.00
	Grants Administrator (Part Time)		
	Climate Action & Sustainability Coordinator		
33	Assistant Law Director/Prosecutor I	\$ 64,034.00	\$ 90,313.00
	Manager, Community Center / Senior Services		
	Tax Office Supervisor		
	Finance Manager		
	Clinical Manager		
	Budget Manager		
	Senior City Planner		
	Urban Designer		
	Public Information Officer		

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Classification Assigned to Pay Grade</u>	<u>Minimum Rate</u>	<u>Maximum Rate</u>
34	Programs Manager	\$ 68,563.00	\$ 100,000.00
	Development Officer		
	Principal City Planner		
	Urban Forester		
	Assistant Law Director/Prosecutor II		
35	Assistant Building Commissioner	\$ 74,385.00	\$ 104,975.00
	Assistant Director/Human Services		
	Assistant Director/Planning and Development		
	Executive Assistant to the Mayor		
	Project Inspector		
	Project Administrator		
	Project Manager		
	Public Works Manager		
36	IS Project Manager	\$ 80,853.00	\$ 114,802.00
	Chief Prosecutor (Full Time)		
37	Assistant Director of Finance	\$ 82,400.00	\$ 131,685.00
	Chief Assistant Law Director		
	Assistant Public Works Director		
38	City Architect	\$ 95,289.00	\$ 145,088.00
	City Engineer		

Section 3. Pay Grade Assignments for Certain Unclassified & Classified Positions.

LEVEL I (Minimum \$82,297 - \$165,00)

Director of Finance	Chief Information Officer
Director of Law	Fire Chief
Director of Human Resources	Police Chief
Director of Human Services	Building Commissioner
Director of Planning and Development	Tax Commissioner / Deputy Finance
Director of Public Works	Director
Chief of Staff to the Mayor	

LEVEL II (Minimum as required in accordance with section 113.02 of the Codified Ordinances - Maximum \$31.00/hour)

Bus Driver
 Cleaning Aide
 Clerk/Receptionist
 Complaint Investigator
 Education Specialist
 Kitchen Aide
 Law Clerk
 Legal Assistant I
 Photo Lab Technician
 Programmer/Scheduler
 School Guard
 Security Guard
 Student Laborer
 Student Police Cadet
 Student Technician
 Utility Inspector

LEVEL III (Minimum as required in accordance with section 113.02 of the Codified Ordinances - Maximum 3-year rate of applicable position as established by the collective bargaining agreement)

(Classifications contained in the AFSCME II labor agreement)

Part-Time Administrative Assistant
 Part-time Assistant Home Health Aide
 Part-time Customer Service Representative
 Part-time Human Services Case Manager
 Part-time Juvenile Diversion Program Coordinator
 Part-time Office Assistant
 Part-time Staff Assistant
 Part-time Tax Auditor
 Part-time Tax Collection Specialist

LEVEL IV (Minimum \$28.47/hour - Maximum \$38.80)

Part-time Police Officer

LEVEL V

Civil Service Commissioner \$5,150/year

LEVEL VI (Minimum as required in accordance with section 113.02 of the Codified Ordinances - Maximum 3-year rate of applicable position as established by the collective bargaining agreement)

Part-Time Dispatcher
 Part-time Corrections Officer

All full time employees are in a classification that has been assigned to a specific grade or level within the compensation system as identified herein. Newly hired full-time employees shall be placed at a pay rate within the pay grade of level to which their classification has been assigned in accordance with the Human Resources Department Policy and Procedures.

Section 4. Additional Annual License/Certification Supplement.

Full time administrative employees working in a classification that have a listed license/certification below shall receive the following license/certification supplements in a one-time, bi-weekly or hourly increments as applicable:

<u>License/Certification</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
Chief Building Official License (BO)	\$2,500.00	\$2,750.00
Master Plumbers License	\$1,750.00	
Plumbing Inspectors's License	\$2,000.00	\$2,250.00
Electrical Inspector's License	\$2,000.00	\$2,250.00
Class III Building Inspector's License	\$2,500.00	\$2,750.00
Class III Field Inspector's License	\$2,000.00	\$2,250.00
State Residential Building Inspector (RBI or equivalent)	\$1,500.00	\$1,750.00
ICC Property Maintenance Certification (or equivalent)	\$1,500.00	\$1,750.00
Master Plans Examiner (MPE)	\$1,500.00	\$1,750.00
Residential Building Official (RBO)	\$1,500.00	\$1,750.00
Building Plans Examiner (BPE)	\$1,250.00	
Permit Technician	\$1,000.00	
Professional Engineer (PE)	\$2,000.00	
Certified Professional Erosion & Sediment Control (CPESC)	\$1,000.00	
Class I Wastewater License Treatment	\$1,450.00	
Class II Wastewater License Treatment	\$1,750.00	
Class III Wastewater Treatment License	\$2,250.00	
Class IV Wastewater Treatment License	\$2,750.00	
Class I Water Distribution License	\$1,450.00	
Class II Water Distribution License	\$1,750.00	
Class I Water/Wastewater Collection License	\$2,250.00	
Class II Water/Wastewater Collection License	\$2,750.00	
Class I Laboratory Technician License	\$1,450.00	
Class II Laboratory Technician License	\$1,750.00	
Class III Laboratory Technician License	\$2,250.00	
ISA Certified Arborist	\$1,250.00	
Licensed Independent Social Worker	\$1,750.00	
Licensed Social Worker	\$1,250.00	
Licensed Professional Counselor	\$1,000.00	\$1,250.00
Communication Technician License	\$1,000.00	
Certified Chemical Dependency Counselor III	\$1,000.00	\$1,250.00
Certified Human Resources Professional (SHRM-CP, IPMA-HR, or PHR)	\$1,000.00	

<u>License/Certification</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Senior Certified Human Resources Professional (SHRM-SCP, IPMA-SCP, or SPHR)	\$1,500.00
Registered Sanitarian	\$500.00
Certified Lead Risk Assessor	\$500.00
Certified Pool Operator	\$600.00
Two or more ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) Certifications	\$500 each up to max of \$6,000
Notary Public (part-time eligible)	\$600.00
Certified Municipal Clerk	\$1,000.00
Master Municipal Clerk	\$1,500.00
Commercial Driver's License (CDL)	\$50.00
American Planning Association Professional (AICP)	\$1,000.00
Certified ADA Professional	\$1,000.00
Certified Public Accountant (CPA)	\$1,000.00
LEADS Certification	\$600.00
Backflow Certification	\$750.00
Certified Municipal Clerk	\$1,000.00
Master Municipal Clerk	\$1,500.00
Local Public Agency (LPA)	\$2,000.00
Manhole Assessment Certification Program (MACP)	\$750.00
Lateral Assessment Certification Program (LACP)	\$750.00
Pipeline Assessment Certification Program (PACP)	\$750.00
Boiler Operator License	\$500.00
EPA 608 Refrigerant Capture	\$500.00
Commercial Herbicide	\$500.00
International Municipal Signal Association I	\$1,000.00
International Municipal Signal Association II	\$1,500.00
Tree Risk Assessment Qualified (TRAQ)	\$1,250.00
Master Plumber License	\$1,500.00
ACI Flatwork (3 steps)	\$750/\$1,000/\$1,250
Certified Electrician	\$2,000.00
GIS Professional License	\$1,500.00
Unmanned Aircraft General - Small (UAG) Drone License	\$1,000.00
Euthanasia Certification	\$1,000.00
Nuisance Wildlife Certification	\$500.00

Section 5. Compensation for full-time salaried employees for Level V part-time employees provided for herein shall be paid in equal biweekly installments. Compensation for part-time employees provided for herein shall be at an identified hourly rate of all hours worked in a particular pay period.

Section 6. To the extent it is inconsistent with any other ordinance or resolution previously adopted by Council with respect to the salary and wages of employees of the City, this Ordinance is meant to and shall supersede such previously-adopted legislation.

Section 7. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and of any of the committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 8. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this ordinance, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by the Council and approval by the Mayor, or otherwise it shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: _____

Sarah Kepple, President of Council

Maureen M. Bach, Clerk of Council

Approved: _____

Meghan F. George, Mayor



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January 20, 2026

Lakewood City Council
12650 Detroit Avenue
Lakewood, Ohio 44107

Re: Continued work on 2026 Council Budget priorities

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

In November and December of last year, City Council began deliberations on 2026 Council Budget Priorities as part of the budgeting process. We received information from the Administration about how a portion of these Priorities were included in the Administration's budget proposal, and we took action to add contracting authority for an additional Priority not included.

Extensive discussion both in Committee and during the Council meeting identified a preference by some to conduct work on the remaining, unfunded Council Budget Priorities in the form of legislation proposed in the new year rather than via amendments proposed during the meeting.

Following this communication is proposed legislation to allow us to proceed as discussed: amendments to several pieces of 2026 budget legislation that incorporate, as a starting point, the proposals previously identified. These are intended to facilitate further deliberation by Council on whether to allocate funds, on which Priorities, at what levels, and from what source of funds. It is likely that amendments will be made to these initial versions.

A summary of the Priorities and their amounts can be found in this chart:

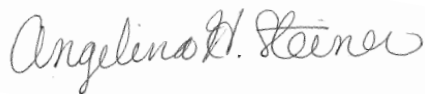
Name of Council Priority	Amount	Budget offset / pay-for	Proposal Summary	Explanation
Affordable Housing Strategy / study & price relief	\$ 50,000	From Econ Dev account line	For LakewoodAlive add an additional \$50,000 for Safe, Accessible, and Affordable Housing to keep older adults safely in their homes.	Appropriations: Amend 33-2025, Exhibit A to add \$50,000 to amount appropriated for the General Fund. Amend 33-2025, Exhibit B to add \$50,000 to the amount appropriated for Planning & Development, Other. Contracting Authority: Amend Sub 36-2025, which already funds LakewoodAlive, striking \$290,000 and replacing with \$340,000.
Block/Community Clubs	\$ 100,000	From Econ Dev account line	Funds for communication, recruitment, management, and support of Block/Community Clubs for emergency response, neighbor support, add \$100,000. Joint effort by multiple Departments/Divisions.	Appropriations: Amend 33-2025, Exhibit A to add \$100,000 to amount appropriated for the General Fund. Amend 33-2025, Exhibit B to add \$100,000 to the amount appropriated for Council, Other. Contracting Authority: Amend 34-2026 to add \$100,000 in contracting authority: \$75,000 for Communications Services, \$5,000 for Advertising, \$20,000 for Printing Services.
Complete Streets & CASE: Short term interventions	\$ 210,000	From Econ Dev account line	Add \$60,000 for Traffic Calming projects to be installed at the City's initiative to support safe routes to schools and add \$150,000 for new 2026 pedestrian and bike safety interventions that may be recommended by the CASE Board.	Appropriations: Amend 33-2025, Exhibit A to add \$210,000 to amount appropriated for the General Fund. Amend 33-2025, Exhibit B to add \$160,000 to the amount appropriated for Planning & Development, Other. Contracting Authority: Amend 36-2025 to add \$160,000 in additional contracting authority for "Pedestrian and Bike Safety Improvements"
Public Art	\$ 160,000	From Econ Dev account line	For expanded public art initiatives, provide \$160,000 for the following purposes: \$30,000 for maintenance and additional public art + \$30,000 for performance art + \$100,000 for Bernice Pyke Park monument design, public engagement, and plan development)	Appropriations: Amend 33-2025, Exhibit A to add \$160,000 to amount appropriated for the General Fund. Amend 33-2025, Exhibit B to add \$160,000 to the amount appropriated for Planning & Development, Other. Contracting Authority: Amend 36-2025 to add \$160,000 in additional contracting authority for "Public Art Projects"
Total:	\$ 520,000			
Budget Offset / Pay-fors	\$627,500		Offsetting (by \$627,500) any increased expenditures enacted by Council amendments to maintain structural balance of the General Fund.	Allocating more dollars to Economic Development account line and obligating a portion of these amounts for expenditure while maintaining a year-end 2026 reserve higher than than projected for year-end 2025.

Please refer this to the Finance Committee for further discussion.

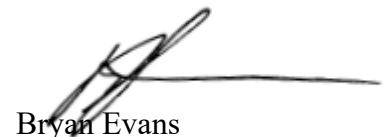
Sincerely,



Tom Bullock
Councilmember At-Large



Angelina Hamilton Steiner
Councilmember At-Large



Bryan Evans
Councilmember, Ward 2

ORDINANCE NO. 33-2025A

BY: BULLOCK

AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, to establish appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Lakewood, State of Ohio, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026.

WHEREAS, as set forth in Section 2.12 of the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, this Council by a vote of at least two thirds of its members determines that this ordinance is an emergency measure and that it shall take effect immediately, and that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public property, health, and safety and to provide for the usual daily operation of municipal departments in that the City must record all financial transactions within the appropriate fiscal period. Now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, OHIO

Section 1. That to provide for the personal services and other appropriations of the City of Lakewood for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, the sums summarized on the attached Exhibit A, incorporated herein by reference, are hereby appropriated and authorized for encumbrance and/or expenditure as provided herein. **Notwithstanding any other provision of this ordinance, the Economic Development account line will be increased by \$277,500 and General Fund expenditures for Capital, as listed on page 34 of the 2026 Comprehensive Budget Document as submitted to Council on November 17, 2025, shall be reduced by this same amount. The Mayor, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, the Director of Public Works, and/or the Procurement Officer are authorized and directed to provide funds for this same amount for capital expenditures from the 2026 debt issuance. The Economic Development account line, notwithstanding any expenditures from this account made during Fiscal Year 2026, shall be allocated funds sufficient to end Fiscal Year 2026 with a balance no less than \$1,150,000.**

Section 2. That further all existing encumbrances in all funds of the City of Lakewood shall be carried forward.

Section 3. That all expenditures hereinbefore authorized and to the amount authorized shall be made in accordance with the line items of Exhibit B as adopted by the Council of the City of Lakewood and made a part hereof, and that any disbursements within any line item set forth in Exhibit B may be paid out of the appropriation.

Section 4. That any amount encumbered in a year prior to fiscal year 2026 in any and all funds of the City of Lakewood are hereby appropriated for the purpose of expenditure in 2026 or thereafter.

Section 5. That the Director of Finance be and is hereby authorized to draw checks upon the City depository for the amounts appropriated in this ordinance whenever claims are presented, properly approved by the head of the department for which the indebtedness is incurred.

Section 6. The Third Amended Charter published in the Codified Ordinances is the official charter of the City of Lakewood.

Section 7. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 8. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this ordinance, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by the Council and approval by the Mayor, or otherwise it shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: _____

Sarah Kepple, President of Council

Maureen M. Bach, Clerk of Council

Approved: _____

Meghan F. George, Mayor

City of Lakewood
 2026 Permanent Appropriations
 Exhibit A

Fund	Dec. 2025 2026 Appropriation
General Fund	\$ 64,579,630 64,059,630
Special Revenue Funds	
State Highway Improvement Fund	230,000
Street Const., Maint., & Repair Fund	3,455,841
Litter Control Grant Fund	5,000
Community Festival Fund	4,618
Police Pension Fund	2,531,771
Firemen's Pension Fund	2,909,055
Law Enforcement Trust Fund	100,450
Drug Enforcement Trust Fund	8,000
Federal Forfeiture Fund	50,000
D.A.R.E. Fund	10,000
Indigent Driver's Alcohol Treatment Fund	60,000
Enforcement & Education Fund	25,500
Political Subdivision Fund	10,000
Computer Maintenance Fund	50,000
Court Special Projects Fund	100,000
Court Probation Services Fund	43,000
Indigent Drivers Interlock & Alcohol Monitoring Fund	61,000
Community Development Block Grant Fund	3,282,334
Emergency Shelter Grant Fund	241,812
HOME Investment Partnerships Program Fund	2,024,863
Neighborhood Stabilization Fund	-
Office on Aging IIIB Fund	1,444,936
Lakewood Hospital S.R. Fund	6,678,000
Help To Others Fund	60,544
Juvenile Diversion Program Fund	41,396
FEMA Fund	-
Family to Family Fund	910,020
Opioid Settlement Fund	50,000
Local Coronavirus Relief Fund	-
ARP Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	-
Total Special Revenue Funds	\$ 24,388,139
Bond Retirement Fund	21,381,000
TIF Bond Retirement Fund	525,000
Total Debt Service Funds	\$ 21,906,000
Capital Improvement Fund	16,790,000
Land Acquisition Fund	1,500,000
City Park Improvement Fund	-
TIF Capital Improvement Fund	-
Total Capital Projects Funds	\$ 18,290,000
Water Operating Fund	38,741,362
Wastewater Collection Fund	20,057,570
Wastewater Treatment Fund	62,561,053
Wastewater Improvement Fund	3,348,000
Parking Facilities Fund	777,640
Winterhurst Ice Rink Fund	5,144,650
Total Enterprise Funds	\$ 130,630,276
Hospitalization Fund	10,252,000
Workers Compensation Fund	596,400
Total Internal Service Funds	\$ 10,848,400
TOTALS	\$ 270,642,444 270,122,444

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General Fund

General Government

Council

Personal Services	305,241
Other	163,170 63,170
Division Total	468,411 368,411

Municipal Court

Personal Services	2,100,841
Other	221,900
Division Total	2,322,741

Civil Service

Personal Services	115,703
Other	76,200
Division Total	191,903

Mayor's Office

Personal Services	398,444
Other	29,315
Division Total	427,759

Human Resources

Personal Services	279,927
Other	60,849
Division Total	340,776

Community Relations

Personal Services	240,884
Other	66,505
Division Total	307,389

Finance Department

Personal Services	730,674
Other	131,550
Division Total	862,224

Income Tax

Personal Services	743,368
Other	1,347,250
Division Total	2,090,618

Information Technology

Personal Services	615,118
Other	2,186,599
Division Total	2,801,717

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<i>General Administration</i>	
Personal Services	266,000
Other	3,215,300
Division Total	3,481,300

<i>Law Department</i>	
Personal Services	810,845
Other	124,675
Division Total	935,520

<i>Planning & Development</i>	
Personal Services	725,192
Other	477,850 57,850
Division Total	984,042 783,042

<i>Vital Statistics</i>	
Personal Services	183,596
Other	470,764
Division Total	654,360

Public Safety

<i>Police & Law Enforcement</i>	
Personal Services	14,320,298
Other	828,124
Division Total	15,148,422

<i>Police & Fire Communications (Dispatch)</i>	
Personal Services	1,328,699
Other	16,500
Division Total	1,345,199

<i>Support of Prisoners</i>	
Personal Services	262,981
Other	162,400
Division Total	425,381

<i>Animal Control</i>	
Personal Services	288,484
Other	43,900
Division Total	332,384

<i>School Guards</i>	
Personal Services	271,362
Other	1,000
Division Total	272,362

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<i>Firefighting, Prevention & Inspection</i>	
Personal Services	13,351,909
Other	1,110,900
Division Total	14,462,809

<i>Building & Housing</i>	
Personal Services	1,606,157
Other	365,450
Division Total	1,971,607

Public Works

<i>Public Works Administration</i>	
Personal Services	134,188
Other	7,950
Division Total	142,138

<i>Street Lighting</i>	
Other	650,000
Division Total	650,000

<i>Parks & Public Property</i>	
Personal Services	2,264,318
Other	1,290,000
Division Total	3,554,318

<i>Security</i>	
Personal Services	197,819
Other	-
Division Total	197,819

<i>Band Concerts</i>	
Personal Services	-
Other	20,000
Division Total	20,000

<i>Museums</i>	
Other	37,800
Division Total	37,800

<i>July 4th Festival</i>	
Personal Services	38,099
Other	99,500
Division Total	137,599

<i>Tennis Courts</i>	
Other	1,000
Division Total	1,000

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<i>Forestry</i>	
Personal Services	463,313
Other	407,176
Division Total	870,489

<i>Refuse & Recycling</i>	
Personal Services	2,947,696
Other	2,220,875
Division Total	5,168,571

<i>Fleet Management</i>	
Personal Services	1,227,493
Other	1,169,900
Division Total	2,397,393

<i>Engineering</i>	
Personal Services	212,970
Other	55,475
Division Total	268,445

Human Services

<i>Human Services Administration</i>	
Personal Services	365,031
Other	77,505
Division Total	442,536

<i>Early Childhood</i>	
Personal Services	111,348
Other	5,400
Division Total	116,748

<i>Youth Services</i>	
Personal Services	527,050
Other	1,800
Division Total	528,850

Total General Fund	
Personal Services	47,435,048
Other	17,144,582 16,624,582
Totals	64,579,630 64,059,630

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Special Revenue Funds

State Highway Improvement Fund

Other	230,000
Division Total	230,000
Fund Total	230,000

Street Const., Maint. Repair Fund

Personal Services	2,170,016
Other	1,285,825
Division Total	3,455,841
Fund Total	3,455,841

Litter Control Grant Fund

Personal Services	
Other	5,000
Division Total	5,000
Fund Total	5,000

Community Festival Fund

Personal Services	4,618
Other	
Division Total	4,618
Fund Total	4,618

Police Pension Fund

Personal Services	2,531,771
Other	-
Division Total	2,531,771
Fund Total	2,531,771

Firemen Pension Fund

Personal Services	2,909,055
Other	-
Division Total	2,909,055
Fund Total	2,909,055

Law Enforcement Trust Fund

Personal Services	-
Other	100,450
Division Total	100,450
Fund Total	100,450

Drug Enforcement Trust Fund

Personal Services	
Other	8,000
Division Total	8,000
Fund Total	8,000

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Federal Forfeiture Fund	
Personal Services	
Other	50,000
Division Total	50,000
Fund Total	50,000

D.A.R.E. Fund	
Other	10,000
Division Total	10,000
Fund Total	10,000

Indigent Drivers' Alcohol Treatment Fund	
Personal Services	
Other	60,000
Division Total	60,000
Fund Total	60,000

Enforcement & Education Fund	
Personal Services	
Other	25,500
Division Total	25,500
Fund Total	25,500

Political Subdivision Fund	
Personal Services	
Other	10,000
Division Total	10,000
Fund Total	10,000

Computer Maintenance Fund	
Personal Services	
Other	50,000
Division Total	50,000
Fund Total	50,000

Court Special Projects Fund	
Personal Services	-
Other	100,000
Division Total	100,000
Fund Total	100,000

Court Probation Services Fund	
Personal Services	-
Other	43,000
Division Total	43,000
Fund Total	43,000

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Indigent Drivers Interlock and Alcohol Monitoring Fund

Personal Services	
Other	61,000
Division Total	61,000
Fund Total	61,000

Community Development Block Grant

Personal Services	594,556
Other	2,687,778
Division Total	3,282,334
Fund Total	3,282,334

Emergency Shelter Grant Fund

Personal Services	6,812
Other	235,000
Division Total	241,812
Fund Total	241,812

HOME Investment Partnerships Program Fund

Personal Services	-
Other	2,024,863
Division Total	2,024,863
Fund Total	2,024,863

Neighborhood Stabilization Fund

Personal Services	-
Other	-
Division Total	-
Fund Total	-

Office on Aging Fund

Personal Services	1,086,486
Other	358,450
Division Total	1,444,936
Fund Total	1,444,936

Lakewood Hospital Special Revenue Fund
EMS

Personal Services	-
Other	28,000
Division Total	28,000

Lakewood Hospital Transition

Other	6,650,000
Division Total	6,650,000
Fund Total	6,678,000

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Help To Others Fund	
Personal Services	49,644
Other	10,900
Division Total	60,544
Fund Total	60,544

Juvenile Diversion Program Fund	
Personal Services	19,396
Other	22,000
Division Total	41,396
Fund Total	41,396

FEMA Fund	
Personal Services	
Other	-
Division Total	-
Fund Total	-

Family to Family Fund	
Personal Services	538,870
Other	371,150
Division Total	910,020
Fund Total	910,020

Opioid Settlement Fund	
Other	50,000
Division Total	50,000
Fund Total	50,000

ARP Local Fiscal Recovery Fund	
<i>ESG-CV</i>	
Personal Services	
Other	-
Division Total	-

<i>General Administration</i>	
Personal Services	-
Other	-
Division Total	-
Fund Total	-

Total Special Revenue Funds	
Personal Services	9,911,223
Other	14,476,916
Totals	24,388,139

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Debt Service Funds

Bond Retirement Fund

Personal Services	
Other	21,381,000
Division Total	21,381,000
Fund Total	21,381,000

TIF Bond Retirement Fund

Personal Services	
Other	525,000
Division Total	525,000
Fund Total	525,000

Total Debt Service Funds

Personal Services	
Other	21,906,000
Totals	21,906,000

Capital Projects Funds

Capital Improvement Fund

Personal Services	
Other	16,790,000
Division Total	16,790,000
Fund Total	16,790,000

Land Acquisition Fund

Personal Services	
Other	1,500,000
Division Total	1,500,000
Fund Total	1,500,000

City Park Improvement Fund

Personal Services	
Other	-
Division Total	-
Fund Total	-

Total Capital Improvement Funds

Personal Services	-
Other	18,290,000
Totals	18,290,000

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Enterprise Funds

Water Operating Fund

Water Administration

Personal Services	302,837
Other	12,935,889
Division Total	13,238,726

Water Distribution

Personal Services	997,466
Other	23,357,100
Division Total	24,354,566

Water Metering

Personal Services	560,470
Other	587,600
Division Total	1,148,070
Fund Total	38,741,362

Wastewater Collection Fund

Personal Services	1,839,249
Other	18,218,321
Division Total	20,057,570
Fund Total	20,057,570

Wastewater Treatment Fund

Personal Services	2,639,687
Other	59,921,366
Division Total	62,561,053
Fund Total	62,561,053

Wastewater Improvement Fund

Personal Services	
Other	3,348,000
Division Total	3,348,000
Fund Total	3,348,000

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Parking Facilities Fund	
Personal Services	248,460
Other	529,180
Division Total	777,640
Fund Total	777,640

Winterhurst Ice Rink Fund	
Personal Services	34,650
Other	5,110,000
Division Total	5,144,650
Fund Total	5,144,650

Total Enterprise Funds	
Personal Services	6,622,820
Other	124,007,456
Totals	130,630,276

Internal Services Funds

Hospitalization Fund	
Personal Services	9,468,000
Other	784,000
Division Total	10,252,000
Fund Total	10,252,000

Workers' Compensation Fund	
Personal Services	450,000
Other	146,400
Division Total	596,400
Fund Total	596,400

Total Internal Service Funds	
Personal Services	9,918,000
Other	930,400
Totals	10,848,400

FUND TOTALS	270,642,444 270,122,444
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ORDINANCE NO: 34-2025A

BY: BULLOCK

AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, authorizing the Mayor, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, the Director of Public Works, the Director of Planning & Development, the Director of Human Services, the Director of Human Resources, or the Procurement Officer to enter into contracts for professional services, and to advertise for bids and enter into contracts for the purchase of repair, maintenance and operating supplies, services and equipment as authorized by the 2026 Appropriation Ordinance and the Administrative Code of the City of Lakewood with the lowest and best bidder or bidders or as otherwise provided by law.

WHEREAS, this Council desires to provide the authorization to the Mayor, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, the Director of Public Works, the Director of Planning & Development, the Director of Human Services, the Director of Human Resources, or the Procurement Officer to enter into contracts for professional services, and to advertise for bids and enter into contracts for the purchase of repair, maintenance and operating supplies, services and equipment as authorized by the 2026 Appropriation Ordinance and the Administrative Code of the City of Lakewood with the lowest and best bidder or bidders or as otherwise provided by law; and

WHEREAS, as set forth in Section 2.12 of the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, this Council by a vote of at least two thirds of its members determines that this ordinance is an emergency measure and that it shall take effect immediately, and that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public property, health, and safety and to provide for the usual daily operation of municipal departments in that delay could impair the City's ability to provide necessary services in a timely manner for fiscal year 2026, now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, STATE OF OHIO

Section 1. That the Mayor, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, the Director of Public Works, the Director of Planning & Development, the Director of Human Services, the Director of Human Resources, or the Procurement Officer be and are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract or contracts for supplies, services and equipment with the lowest and best bidder or bidders or as otherwise provided by law, as follows:

Professional services contracts included in the 2026 Budget are as follows:

- 1) Legal Services400,000
- 2) Recodification of Ordinances.....15,000
- 3) Financial Audit.....85,000
- 4) Hospitalization and Health Care Benefit Consulting Services.....125,000
- 5) Consultant for Workers Compensation.....40,000

6) Risk Management Consulting Services	25,000
7) Healthcare, Physicals, Drug & Alcohol Testing	70,000
8) Employee Assistance Program.....	25,000
9) Supervisor / Manager / Employee Training.....	220,000
10) Exams for Classified Positions.....	110,000
11) Housing and Building Plans Examinations	85,000
12) Lakewood Jail Medical Services.....	80,000
13) Band Concerts	33,000
14) Municipal Engineering Consultant	1,000,000
15) Debt Issuance Costs	200,000
16) Integrated Wet Weather Plan Professional Services	300,000
17) Administrative Professional Services	400,000
18) Professional Services related to Lakewood Hospital	250,000
19) Memberships.....	100,000
Sub-Total.....	\$3,563,000

Services contracts included in the 2026 Budget are as follows:

1) Government Agreements (WEB).....	350,000
2) Government Agreements (Bd of Ed/Pool; Rockport TIF).....	800,000
3) Financial Institution Service Charges	110,000
4) Electronic Payment Services.....	660,000
5) Property & Liability Insurance Contracts	920,000
6) Workers' Comp Stop Loss Insurance	220,000
7) Life Insurance.....	35,000
8) Hospitalization and Health Care Benefit Services	10,000,000
9) Medical Claims Billing Service	125,000
10) Sentenced Prisoners Full Jail Service	165,000
11) Home Delivered Meals	25,000
12) Distribution System Leak Survey	35,000
13) Disposal of Screenings and Grit (WWTP).....	50,000
14) Excavation Spoils Removal	125,000
15) Roll of Box for Street Sweeping	110,000
16) Solid Waste Disposal Site	1,800,000
17) Organic Waste Disposal.....	165,000
18) Waste Collections – Condominiums.....	156,000
19) Biosolids Disposal.....	250,000
20) Roll-Off Box for Construction Debris	80,000
21) Site to Receive & Process Yard Waste	110,000
22) Lab Analysis Service	110,000
23) Citywide Computer Hrdwr Op. Sys., & Software Maint Contracts....	2,200,000
24) Communications Services.....	245,000 170,000
25) Telephone Service.....	121,000
26) Cellular Phone Service.....	325,000
27) HVAC Maintenance.....	220,000
28) Elevator Maintenance.....	33,000

29) Fire Alarm Maintenance	66,000
30) Generator Maintenance	33,000
31) Copier Maintenance Service	38,500
32) Postage, Mailing Services, Equipment Lease/Maintenance.....	400,000
33) Rental and Laundry of Uniforms	60,500
34) Advertising.....	55,000 50,000
35) Printing Services	220,000 200,000
36) LEADS Fees.....	25,000
37) Parking Citation Billing Service	66,000
38) Fireworks Display	85,000
39) Transportation Services	165,000
Sub-Total.....	\$20,759,000 \$20,659,000

Materials, supplies, and equipment authorized for purchase under the 2026 Budget are as follows:

1) Sand and Aggregate	100,000
2) Concrete Supplies	200,000
3) Asphalt Materials	200,000
4) Asphalt Cold Patch.....	50,000
5) Crack Sealant	100,000
6) Road Salt (Sodium Chloride).....	440,000
7) Fire Hydrants, Sewer and Water Appurtenances	330,000
8) Water Meter Supplies & Materials	650,000
9) Sign Shop-Supplies, Blanks & Reflective Material.....	165,000
10) Wastewater Treatment Chemicals.....	660,000
11) Tires and Road Service	200,000
12) Automotive Repairs, Parts and Supplies	1,100,000
13) Oil and Lubricants.....	110,000
14) Fuel (Gasoline and Diesel).....	1,100,000
15) Purchase Uniforms and Gear – Public Works.....	55,000
16) Electrical Supplies.....	66,000
17) Hardware Supplies	60,500
18) Janitorial Supplies	165,000
19) Landscape Materials.....	82,500
20) Building Supplies.....	275,000
21) Plumbing Supplies	82,500
22) Pool Supplies – Chemicals.....	165,000
23) Small Tools and Equipment.....	125,000
24) Prisoner Food Supplies	50,000
25) Purchase Uniforms & Gear – Safety Forces	100,000
26) Ammunition	150,000
27) Office Supplies.....	55,000
28) Computer Supplies.....	10,000
29) Computer Software	25,000
30) Communications Equipment.....	120,000

31) Paper Supplies.....	30,000
32) Lease Copier Equipment.....	55,000
33) Subscriptions/Publications.....	22,000
34) Reforestation	325,000
35) Police Operating Equipment	300,000
36) Fire/EMS Operating Equipment	150,000
37) Wastewater Treatment Plant Operating Equipment.....	700,000
38) Fitness Equipment/Devices	25,000

Sub-Total.....\$8,598,500

Total..... \$32,920,500 ~~\$32,820,500~~

Section 2. The Third Amended Charter published in the Codified Ordinances is the official charter of the City of Lakewood.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 4. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this ordinance, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by the Council and approval by the Mayor, or otherwise it shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: _____

Sarah Kepple, President of Council

Maureen M. Bach, Clerk of Council

Approved: _____

Meghan F. George, Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 36-2025A

BY: BULLOCK

AN ORDINANCE to take effect immediately provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, or otherwise to take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law, authorizing the Mayor (Director of Public Safety), the Director of Public Works, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, the Director of Planning & Development, and/or the Purchasing Manager to enter into service contracts in accordance with the Administrative Code of the City of Lakewood for the Department of Planning & Development in accordance with the Administrative Code of the City of Lakewood, contracts not to exceed the specified amounts shown without separate resolution of Council.

WHEREAS, as set forth in Section 2.12 of the Third Amended Charter of the City of Lakewood, this Council by a vote of at least two thirds of its members determines that this ordinance is an emergency measure and that it shall take effect immediately, and that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public property, health, and safety and to provide for the usual daily operation of municipal departments in that delay could impair the City's ability to provide necessary services in a timely manner for fiscal year 2026; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, OHIO

Section 1. That the Mayor (Director of Public Safety), the Director of Public Works, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, and/or the Purchasing Manager is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contracts in accordance with the Administrative Code of the City of Lakewood, for the Department of Planning & Development, contracts not to exceed the specified amounts shown, except as hereinafter provided:

Service Contracts ~~\$5,682,500~~ 6,102,500

CDBG Affordable Housing Programs	525,000
Childcare Scholarship Assistance Program	55,000
Commercial Property Revitalization (Storefront) Program	225,000
County Planning Commission	0
Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District	0
Economic Development Loan Fund (CDBG)	175,000
Economic Development Program (General Fund)	\$1,000,000
Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG)	225,000
HOME-ARP Homelessness Assistance Program (HOME-ARP)	400,000
Home Investment Partnerships Program (HOME)	1,500,000
Housing Research & Advocacy Center	25,000
Journey Center for Safety & Healing	25,000
Lakewood Community Services Center	125,000

LakewoodAlive	340,000 290,000
Neighborhood Family Practice	25,000
Park Improvements Program	75,000
Placemark Collaborative	20,000
Public Art Projects	202,500 42,500
Street Resurfacing Program	900,000
Pedestrian and Bike Safety Improvements	210,000
Composting Program	50,000

Section 2. That the Mayor (Director of Public Safety), the Director of Public Works, the Director of Law, the Director of Finance, and/or the Purchasing Manager is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contracts as set forth above in amounts not to exceed the specified amounts without further action from Council; and to enter into contracts in excess of specified amounts only upon consent of Council evidenced by adoption of a resolution specifying the authorized amount.

Section 3. The Third Amended Charter published in the Codified Ordinances is the official charter of the City of Lakewood.

Section 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all such deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 5. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this ordinance, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two thirds of the members of Council, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by the Council and approval by the Mayor, or otherwise it shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: _____

Sarah Kepple, President of Council

Maureen M. Bach, Clerk of Council

Adopted: _____

Meghan F. George, Mayor