



AGENDA
ATHENS CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, AUGUST 4, 2025 AT 7:00 PM

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1. CITY & SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE:

- Fire Station Headquarters, Project #346
- West State Park Restroom Facility, Project #349

2. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

- SR682/56 Intersection Improvements, Project #357

3. FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

- Amend Ordinance 23-24, Reallocating Income Tax Revenues
- 2025 Appropriations and Interfund Transfer
- Then and Now Certificates

4. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

- Amend Ordinance 47-24, Hocking River Study

5. REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL

6. Establish Quorum

7. Disposition of Minutes:

- Regular Session of City Council held June 16, 2025
- Special Session of City Council held June 17, 2025

8. Communications

9. Reports and Communications from Other Elected Officials

10. Ordinances for First Reading:

0-73-25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 63-25 THAT AUTHORIZED CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW FIRE HEADQUARTERS, PROJECT #346.

Introduced by Council Member McCarey

0-74-25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 115-24, AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 15-22 TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURE FOR A NEW RESTROOM FACILITY AT THE WEST STATE PARK, PROJECT #349.

Introduced by Council McCarey

0-75-25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 23-24; REALLOCATING REVENUES FROM THE CITY INCOME TAX; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

0-76-25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE; AND AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO MAKE AN INTERFUND TRANSFER.

Introduced by Council Member Risner

0-77-25

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THEN-AND-NOW CERTIFICATES FOR PAYMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Introduced by Council Member Risner

0-78-25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AND ORDINANCE 47-24; AUTHORIZING THE LOCAL SHARE OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS HOCKING RIVER STUDY.

Introduced by Council Member Swank

0-79-25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 34-25; AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE AND ACCEPT BIDS, WHERE NECESSARY, AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT(S) FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATE ROUTE 682/56 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, PROJECT (#357).

Introduced by Council Member Spjeldnes

11. Announcements & Other Business:

- Motion to Accept May and June 2025 Financial Reports
- Motion to Accept April, May, and June 2025 Credit Card Transactions

12. Opportunity for Citizens to Speak on Legislative Items and City Services Not Covered on the Agenda

13. Executive Session: Pending Litigation (2 items)

14. Adjournment

Sam Crowl
President of Council

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0-73-25

Introduced by Micah McCarey, Chair
City & Safety Services Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 63-25 THAT AUTHORIZED
CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW FIRE HEADQUARTERS, PROJECT #346.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: Sections I, II, III, and IV of Ordinance 63-25 are hereby amended
to read as follows:

(Section I): The 2025 Appropriation Ordinance is hereby amended by appropriating
from the unappropriated balance the following sums:

~~Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00)~~ **Four Hundred Thousand Seven
Hundred Seventy and 19/100 Dollars (\$400,770.19)** to Safety Services Fund, 206,
T.C. 500; and

~~Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) to Capital Improvements Fund, 580, T.C. 600,~~
and increasing the total appropriations by said amounts.

(Section II): The 2025 Appropriation Ordinance 115-24 is further amended by
decreasing General Fund, Fire, 101.208, T.C. 200, supplies and services, by Twenty-
Seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000.00) and increasing General Fund, Fire, 101.208,
T.C. 600, for transfer, by the same amount, and decreasing General Fund 101.120,
Other Administrative, T.C. 200, supplies and services, by Twenty-Five Thousand
Dollars (\$25,000.00), and increasing General Fund 101.120, Other Administrative
Services, T.C. 600, for transfer, by the same amount, **decreasing Capital
Improvements Fund, 580.580, T.C. 500, by Five Hundred Thousand Dollars
(\$500,000.00), and increasing Capital Improvements Fund, 580.580, T.C. 600, for
transfer, by the same amount,** and increasing and decreasing the total appropriations
by said amounts.

(Section III): The Auditor is hereby authorized to make the following interfund
transfers:

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
General Fund, 101.208	Safety Services Fund, 206	\$ 27,000
General Fund, 101.120	Safety Services Fund, 206	\$ 25,000
Capital Improvs.Fund, 580	Safety Services Fund, 206	\$530,000 \$479,229.81

(Section IV): Section III of Ordinance 145-23, authorized expenditure, is hereby
amended to read as follows:

(Section III): The Service-Safety Director is hereby authorized to expend up to ~~Fourteen Million Three Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$14,352,000.00)~~ **Thirteen Million Five Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Dollars (\$13,572,000.00)** as follows:

Three Million Six Hundred ~~Seventy~~ **Forty** Thousand Dollars (~~\$3,670,000.00~~) **(\$3,640,000.00)** from General Fund, Fire, 101.208, T.C. 500, that includes ~~(\$70,000.00)~~ **(\$40,000.00)** authorized by Ordinance 18-22, for planning/preliminary engineering; and (\$600,000.00), authorized by Ordinance 84-22, for design and construction management services;

~~Nine Million Dollars (\$9,000,000.00)~~ **Nine Million Nine Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand (\$9,932,000.00)** from Safety Services Fund, Fire, 206.208, T.C. 500, that includes (\$600,000.00) for land purchase and site preparation, authorized by Ordinance 121-22; and

~~Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) from ARPA Fund, 286, T.C. 500, for said Project #346.~~

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect at the earliest moment permitted by law upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

0-74-25

Introduced by Micah McCarey, Chair
City & Safety Services Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 115-24,
AND AMENDING ORDINANCE 15-22 TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED
EXPENDITURE FOR A NEW RESTROOM FACILITY AT THE WEST STATE PARK,
PROJECT #349.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: The 2025 Appropriation Ordinance 115-24 is hereby amended by appropriating from the unappropriated balance the sum of Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.00) to APR Income Tax Fund, 273, T.C. 500, and increasing the total appropriations by said amount.

SECTION II: Section III of Ordinance 15-22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(Section III): The Service-Safety Director is further authorized to expend up to ~~Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00)~~ **Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.00)** from APR Income Tax Fund, 273, T.C. 500, for said Project #349.

SECTION III: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

0-75-25

Introduced by the Finance & Personnel Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 23-24; REALLOCATING REVENUES FROM THE CITY INCOME TAX; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: Effective August 1, 2025, Section I of Ordinance 23-24 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section I: That revenues from the city income tax, after deduction of 5.13% for the Street Rehabilitation Fund, 572, and 5.13% for the Arts, Parks & Recreation Debt Fund, 450, and 2.56% for payment of expenses associated with the Recreation/Community Facility Fund, 271, and 5.13% for the fire Station Debt Fund, 430, as required under tax levies, shall be allocated directly to funds as follows:

- (A) (72.5%) to General Fund, 101
- (B) ~~(14.5%)~~ (15.5%) to Street Fund, 220
- (C) ~~(8%)~~ (7%) to Recreation Fund, 270
- (D) (2%) to Capital Improvements Fund, 580
- (E) (1%) to Transportation Assistance Fund, 214
- (F) (2%) to Medical Fund, 866

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City of Athens in order to maintain fiscal integrity, and that it shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

0-76-25

Introduced by Jeff Risner, Chair
Finance & Personnel Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE; AND
AUTHORIZING THE AUDITOR TO MAKE AN INTERFUND TRANSFER.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: The 2025 Appropriation Ordinance 115-24 is hereby amended by appropriating from the unappropriated balance the following sums:

Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to General Fund, Parking Enforcement, 101.718, T.C. 600, for a refund; and

Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) to Capital Improvements Fund, 580, T.C. 600, for transfer, and increasing the total appropriations by said amount.

SECTION II: The Auditor is hereby authorized to make the following interfund transfer:

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
Capital Improvs.Fund, 580	Street Fund, 220	\$300,000

SECTION III: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect at the earliest moment permitted by law upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

0-77-25

Introduced by Jeff Risner, Chair
Finance & Personnel Committee

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THEN-AND-NOW CERTIFICATES FOR PAYMENT;
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: An Ordinance authorizing Then-and-Now Certificates for the following:

a payment to Howell Rescue Systems in the amount of \$3,952.08, for a thermal imaging camera for the Police Department; and

a payment to Mathews Insurance in the amount of \$6,047.00, that will be issued by the Auditor's office from ACIC funds for Armory insurance.

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the health, welfare, and safety of the residents of the City of Athens, Ohio, in order to maintain fiscal integrity, and it shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

0-78-25

Introduced by Alan Swank, Chair
Planning & Development Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE AND ORDINANCE 47-24; AUTHORIZING THE LOCAL SHARE OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS HOCKING RIVER STUDY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: Section II of Ordinance 47-24 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(Section I): The Service Safety Director is hereby authorized to expend up to ~~Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00)~~ **Three Hundred Eighty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$386,753.00)** from Storm Water Fund, 755.635, T.C. 500, for said local share.

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall be in effect and full force upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

0-79-25

Introduced by Solveig Spjeldnes, Chair
Transportation Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 34-25; AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO ADVERTISE AND ACCEPT BIDS, WHERE NECESSARY, AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT(S) FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATE ROUTE 682/56 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, PROJECT (#357).

WHEREAS, the City has been awarded ~~\$2.39~~ **\$3.65** million from ODOT and \$400,000 from OPWC;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATHENS, OHIO:

SECTION I: Sections II and III of Ordinance 34-25 are hereby amended to read as follows:

(Section II): The 2025 Appropriation Ordinance 115-24 is hereby amended by appropriating from the unappropriated balance the following sums:

One Million Eighty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$1,083,000.00) to Street Fund, 220, T.C. 500;

~~Two Million Thirty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$2,039,000.00)~~ **Three Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$3,650,588.00)** to Small Cities ODOT Fund, 589, T.C. 500; and

Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) to OPWC Fund, 590, **T.C. 500**, for said Project #357, and increasing the total appropriations by said amount.

(Section III): The Service-Safety Director is further authorized to expend up to ~~Four Million Six Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$4,620,000.00)~~ **Five Million Eight Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$5,883,588.00)** as follows:

One Million Eighty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$1,083,000.00) from Street Fund, 220, T.C. 500;

Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) authorized by Ordinance 25-24 from Street Rehabilitation Fund, 572, T.C. 500, for preliminary engineering services;

~~Two Million Thirty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$2,039,000.00)~~ **Three Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$3,650,588.00)** from Small Cities ODOT Fund, 589, T.C. 500; and

Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) from OPWC Fund, 590, **T.C. 500**, for said Project #357.

SECTION II: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor