



AGENDA
ATHENS CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2026 AT 7:00 PM

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Establish Quorum

Disposition of Minutes:

- Regular Session of City Council held January 5, 2026

Communications

Reports and Communications from Other Elected Officials

Ordinances for First Reading:

0-01-26

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL RIGHT-OF-WAY USE PERMIT AT 35 ELLIOTT STREET TO PLACE AN IN-GROUND SIGN IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING IN THE CITY'S RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Introduced by Council Member Swank

0-02-26

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL PURCHASE OF WATER SOFTENING SALT FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

Introduced by Council Member Isherwood

0-03-26

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2026 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 120-25, AND AUTHORIZING INTERFUND TRANSFERS.

Introduced by Council Member Thomas

Resolutions for First Reading:

- **R-01-26**

A RESOLUTION ESTIMATING THE AMOUNT OF INTERIM MONIES FOR DEPOSIT IN PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES; DIRECTING THE TREASURER TO TAKE PERIODIC APPLICATIONS AND TO AWARD INTERIM DEPOSITS AS MONIES

BECOME AVAILABLE.

Introduced by Council Member Thomas

- **R-02-26**

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Introduced by Council Member Thomas

Announcements & Other Business:

- Motion(s) to Amend City Council Rules
- Motion to confirm the Mayor's Appointment to the Athens Municipal Arts Commission
- Motion to Accept the November 2025 Credit Card Transactions

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

Adjournment

Micah McCarey
President of Council

The City of Athens supports the Americans with Disabilities Act. Requests for reasonable accommodation may be made with the ADA Coordinator in the City Building or by calling 592-3367.

0-01-26

Introduced by Alan Swank, Chair
Planning & Development Committee

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL RIGHT-OF-WAY USE PERMIT AT 35 ELLIOTT STREET TO PLACE AN IN-GROUND SIGN IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING IN THE CITY'S RIGHT-OF-WAY.

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

SECTION I: Having satisfactorily met the regulations established pursuant to Title 49, Management, Administration, and Control of the Use of the City's Public Rights-of-Way, a special right-of-way use permit is hereby granted at 35 Elliott Street, owner, TAM-ASM Properties, LLC, by and through Robert Prebe Uptown Realty Group, LLC, applicant, to place an in-ground sign in front of the building in the City's right-of-way, as attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION II: Owner TAM-ASM Properties, LLC, shall agree to indemnify, and save the City of Athens harmless from all claims, demands, costs, expenses, real estate taxes, if any, and compensation which might arise from the encroachment of permittee upon property of the City of Athens that is the subject of this ordinance.

SECTION III: Said permit shall be subject to the following conditions:

1. This special right-of-way permit is personal in nature and will be in effect for a maximum of seven (7) years from the date of issuance unless revoked by City Council ordinance, or there is a change of ownership or use, whichever comes first.
2. Owner TAM-ASM Properties, LLC, shall be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of said right-of-way.

SECTION IV: 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

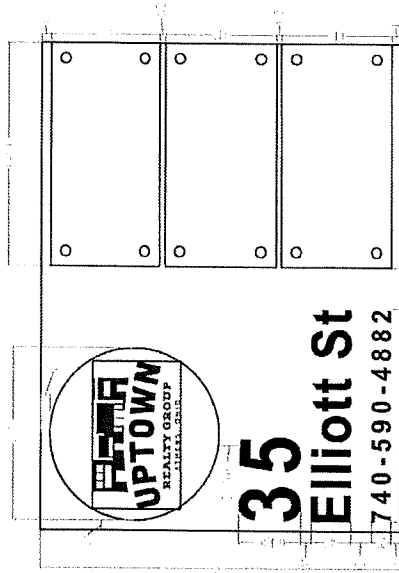
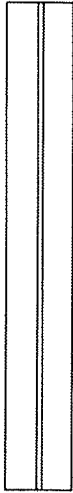
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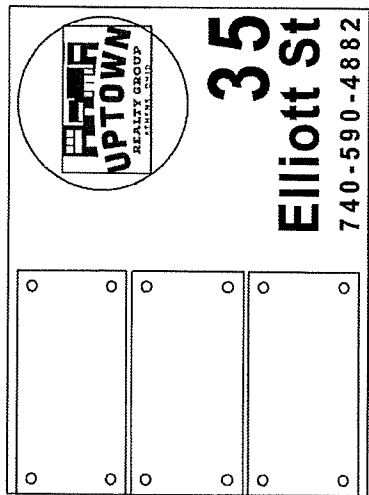
Clerk of Council

Mayor

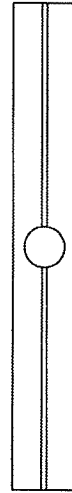
TOP VIEW



FRONT/
BACK



SIDE VIEW



BOTTOM VIEW

APPROVER NOTE:
PLEASE INDICATE THE
HEIGHT OF THE POST
AND IF THERE IS AN EMBED
OR SURFACE MOUNT PLATE.

- POST: ALUM. BLACK
- FINISH: ALL AROUND
- POWDER COATED: FROSTED GRAPE
- PERFORMANCE SIGN DESIGNS
- 1/2" ALUM. MOUNT PLATE
- ALUMINUM MATERIAL

DATE	REVISIONS
1/1/23	FOR APPROVAL

AC GREEN	
PROJECT NAME	35 ELLIOTT ST. SIGN
LOCATION	ALBANY, NY
DRAWN BY	ACG
CHECKED BY	CUG
DWG NAME	OVERALL
DWG NUMBER	401



0-02-26

Introduced by Paul Isherwood, Chair
City & Safety Services Committee

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL PURCHASE OF WATER
SOFTENING SALT FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.**

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

SECTION I: The Service-Safety Director is hereby authorized to advertise and accept bids, where necessary, and enter into contract with the lowest and best bidder for the purchase of the City's annual water softening salt for the Water Treatment Plant.

SECTION II: The Service-Safety Director is hereby authorized to expend up to Two Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$240,000.00) from Water Fund, Plant, 740.637, T.C. 300, for said purchase.

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

President of Council

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

APPROVED:

Mayor

0-03-26

Introduced by Jessica Thomas, Chair
Finance & Personnel Committee

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2026 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 120-25,
AND AUTHORIZING INTERFUND TRANSFERS.

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

SECTION I: The 2026 Appropriation Ordinance 120-25 is hereby amended by appropriating from the unappropriated balance the following sums:

Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Eleven and 84/100 Dollars (\$12,511.84) to General Fund, Fire, 101-208 T.C. 500, for State Fire Marshall grant funds;

Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) to APR Income Tax Fund, 273, T.C. 500, for pool skimmer repairs;

Two Hundred Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$214,000.00) to General Fund, Other Administrative, 101.120, T.C. 600, for transfer; and

One Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Dollars (\$161,000.00) to Capital Improvements Fund, 580, T.C. 600, for transfer, and increasing the total appropriations by said amounts.

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

FROM	TO	AMOUNT
General Fund, Other Admin., 101.120	ACIC Fund, 906	\$214,000.00
Capital Improvements Fund, 580	ACIC Fund, 906	\$161,000.00

SECTION III: The 2026 Appropriation Ordinance 120-25 is further amended by appropriating from the unappropriated balance the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) to ACIC Fund, 906, T.C. 300, for final payment on the Armory, and increasing the total appropriations by said amount.

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

President of Council

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Clerk of Council

Mayor

R-01-26

Introduced by Jessica Thomas, Chair
Finance & Personnel Committee

A RESOLUTION ESTIMATING THE AMOUNT OF INTERIM MONIES FOR DEPOSIT IN PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES; DIRECTING THE TREASURER TO TAKE PERIODIC APPLICATIONS AND TO AWARD INTERIM DEPOSITS AS MONIES BECOME AVAILABLE.

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

SECTION I: The City of Athens, Ohio, hereby declares that it will have, during the five-year period from March 1, 2026 to March 1, 2031, a maximum amount of City monies available to be awarded as interim deposits of Thirty-Five Million Dollars (\$35,000,000.00).

SECTION II: The Treasurer of the City of Athens shall accept periodic applications from eligible banks and savings and loan associations, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 135, as interim monies become available.

SECTION III: The Treasurer of the City of Athens shall award interim deposits to the eligible institution or institutions which offer to pay the highest permissible rate of interest.

SECTION IV: The Treasurer of the City of Athens shall notify the Athens City Council Finance Committee by letter on or before February 9, 2026, of the maximum amount of interim monies the City of Athens will have before the next quintuple period.

SECTION V: This Resolution 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:

Clerk of Council

APPROVED:

Mayor

R-02-26

Introduced by Jessica Thomas, Chair
Finance & Personnel Committee

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO DESIGNATE THE PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES FOR THE ACTIVE FUNDS OF THE CITY OF ATHENS; THE TERM FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS; AND THE TIME FOR DESIGNATION.

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

SECTION I: The City of Athens, Ohio, hereby declares its intent to designate the public depositories for the active funds of the City of Athens for the quintuple period from March 1, 2026 to March 1, 2031.

SECTION II: Applications from any eligible banks, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 135, for quintuple designation as active depository, shall be received by the City Council from the 1st day of February until the 7th day of February 2026, with adequate notice of this Resolution being given, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 135.10.

SECTION III: The designation of depository or depositories shall be made for a period of five years commencing on the 1st day of March 2026.

SECTION IV: The Council of the City of Athens, Ohio shall meet in regular session on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, and designate a depository or depositories.

SECTION V: This Resolution 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:

Clerk of Council

APPROVED:

Mayor