



WHITEHALL CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2026

**ADMINISTRATION/COUNCIL OF THE WHOLE MATTERS:**

**THERE ARE EIGHT PIECES OF DRAFT LEGISLATION ON THE AGENDA.**

**PRESENTATION:**

The Family of Megan Keleman

ORDINANCE NO. 050-2026

AMENDING SECTION 1111.10 OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE TO PROMOTE THE SAFETY OF DRIVE-THRU FACILITIES BY REQUIRING BY-PASS LANES AND EMERGENCY VEHICLE EGRESS IN THE CITY OF WHITEHALL; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE LEGISLATION/ISSUES:**

**DRAFT # 1**

**RESOLUTION NO. 023-2026 (Comm of the Whole–1st Reading-ADOPT 06/16/2026- / )**

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A GRANT ACCEPTANCE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO, FOR FUNDING AWARDED THROUGH THE OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the City of Whitehall, Ohio, is committed to enhancing public safety and reducing violent crime within the community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Whitehall has been awarded grant funding through the Office of Criminal Justice Services for Twenty-One Thousand One Hundred Thirty-One and 22/100 Dollars (\$21,131.22) to support the implementation of evidence-based violent crime reduction strategies; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be used to increase police manpower presence and to acquire technologically advanced evidence-collection hardware; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant requires the City of Whitehall to comply with all applicable terms and conditions; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO:**

**SECTION 1:** The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all necessary documents to apply for, receive, accept, and administer the grant funds on behalf of the City of Whitehall, Ohio.

**SECTION 2:** The funds received shall be used exclusively for the purchase of an advanced imaging system and for personnel costs for officers assigned to a Task Force within the Whitehall Division of Police.

**SECTION 3:** This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Requested and prepared by: David Plesich, Esq., Deputy Chief of Police  
Approved as to form: Bradley S. Nicodemus, City Attorney BSN 6/8/26

**DRAFT # 2**

**RESOLUTION NO. 024-2026 (Comm of the Whole–1st Reading-ADOPT 06/16/2026- /)**

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ENTER INTO A GRANT ACCEPTANCE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO, FOR THE 2026 OHIO LAW ENFORCEMENT BODY ARMOR PROGRAM GRANT.

WHEREAS, the City seeks authorization and support from the Council of the City of Whitehall to accept funding through the Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Program, recognizing the importance of providing its law enforcement officers with protective equipment necessary to ensure their safety in the line of duty; and WHEREAS, the City of Whitehall has been awarded grant funding through the Ohio Law Enforcement Body Armor Program in the amount of Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Eight and 00/100 Dollars (\$10,908.00), to be used toward the purchase of bulletproof vests; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this grant requires the City of Whitehall to comply with all applicable terms and conditions; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1: The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all necessary documents to apply for, accept, receive, and administer the grant funds on behalf of the City of Whitehall, Ohio.

SECTION 2: The funds received shall be used exclusively for the purchase of bulletproof vests for the Whitehall Division of Police.

SECTION 3: This resolution shall go into full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Requested and prepared by: David Plesich, Esq., Deputy Chief of Police

Approved as to form: Bradley S. Nicodemus, City Attorney BSN 6/8/26

**DRAFT # 3**

**RESOLUTION NO. 025-2026 (Comm of the Whole–3rd Reading-ADOPT 07/21/2026- /)**

ADOPTING THE TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF WHITEHALL, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2027 AND SUBMITTING SAME TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Auditor have prepared a budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2027; and

WHEREAS, said budget has been made conveniently available for the public inspection for at least ten (10) days by having two (2) copies thereof on file in the Office of the Auditor; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Whitehall, Ohio, has held a public hearing on said budget on July 21, 2026, and the Mayor has given notice by publication according to law; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1: That the budget of the City of Whitehall, Ohio, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2027, submitted by the Mayor and the City Auditor to this Council, be and is hereby adopted as the Tax Budget of the City of Whitehall for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2027.

SECTION 2: That the Clerk of this Council be and is authorized and directed to certify a copy of said budget and a copy of this Resolution and to transmit the same to the Auditor of Franklin County, Ohio on or before July 21, 2026.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance shall go into full force and effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

Requested and prepared by: Shaquille Alexander, CPA, City Auditor

Approved as to form: Brad Nicodemus, City Attorney, BSN 6/8/26

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

**ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT - CHAIRPERSON ELMORE**

**DRAFT # 4**

**ORDINANCE NO. 051-2026 *Adm. & Fin Mgmt –1st Reading-ADOPT 06/16/2026-Elmore/*)**

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS AND THIRTY-SEVEN CENTS (\$27,750.37) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE BULLET PROOF VESTS (252) TO THE BULLET PROOF VESTS EXPENSE ACCOUNT (252.000.50000).

WHEREAS, additional monies are required in the Police Bullet Proof Vests Expense Account to cover expenditures related to the purchase of protective equipment; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1: The Council of the City of Whitehall hereby authorizes and approves a supplemental appropriation from unappropriated monies in the Bullet Proof Vests (252) to the Bullet Proof Vests Expense Account (252.000.50000) in the amount of Twenty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$27,750.37).

SECTION 2: The City Auditor is hereby authorized to draw a warrant upon the Treasurer of the City for these funds for the purpose stated.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall go into full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Requested and prepared by: David Plesich, Esq., Deputy Chief of Police

Approved as to financial form: Shaquille Alexander, CPA, City Auditor

Approved as to form: Bradley S. Nicodemus, City Attorney BSN 6/8/26

**DRAFT # 5**

**ORDINANCE NO. 052-2026 *Adm. & Fin Mgmt –1st Reading-ADOPT 06/16/2026-Elmore/*)**

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$45,000.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE WMPITIE FUND (279) TO THE TIF FEES EXPENSE ACCOUNT (279.000.59600).

WHEREAS, The City of Whitehall has received and posted the real estate tax revenue from the Franklin County Auditor; and

WHEREAS, The City of Whitehall is required to record the related TIF Fee expenses paid to the Franklin County Auditor's Office; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1: The Council of the City of Whitehall, Ohio authorizes and approves a supplemental appropriation in the amount of forty-five and 00/100 dollars (\$45,000.00) from unappropriated monies in the WMPITIE Fund (279) to the TIF Fees Expense Account (279.000.59600)

SECTION 2: That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer of the City for these funds for the purpose stated.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance shall go into full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Requested and prepared by: Chris Peterson, Deputy Auditor

Approved as to form: Bradley S. Nicodemus, City Attorney BSN 6/8/26

**DRAFT # 6**

**ORDINANCE NO. 053-2026 Adm. & Fin Mgmt –1st Reading-ADOPT 06/16/2026-Elmore/)**

AUTHORIZING AND MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$700,000.00) FROM UNAPPROPRIATED MONIES IN THE SELF-FUNDED INSURANCE TRUST FUND (511) TO THE SELF-FUNDED INSURANCE TRUST FUND EXPENSE ACCOUNT (511.000.50000).

WHEREAS, the City has incurred employee health insurance claims in 2026; and

WHEREAS, it is advised by the Auditor that it will be necessary to use monies in the Self-Funded Insurance Trust Fund to ensure we have adequate monies to pay employee medical claims, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1: The Council of the City of Whitehall, Ohio, approves a supplemental appropriation from the Self-Funded Insurance Trust Fund (511) to the Self-Funded Insurance Trust Fund Expense Account (511.000.50000) in the amount of seven hundred thousand dollars and no/100 (\$700,000.00).

SECTION 2: That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer of the City for these funds for the purpose stated.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance shall go into full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Requested and prepared by: Chris Peterson, Deputy Auditor

Approved as to form: Bradley S. Nicodemus, City Attorney BSN 6/8/26

**DRAFT # 7**

**ORDINANCE NO. 054-2026 Adm. & Fin Mgmt –1st Reading-ADOPT 06/16/2026-Elmore/)**

AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE REPAYMENT OF AN ADVANCE OF MONIES IN THE AMOUNT OF SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT AND 60/100 DOLLARS (\$61,228.60) FROM THE ENERGY PROJECT FUND (810) TO THE GENERAL FUND (101).

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 037-2026, the Council of the City of Whitehall, Ohio, authorized and approved

an advance of unappropriated monies in the amount of sixty-one thousand two hundred twenty-eight and 60/100 dollars (\$61,228.60) from the General Fund (101) to the Energy Project Fund (810) to enable timely payment to the Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority pending the City's receipt of the corresponding property tax settlement monies from the Franklin County Auditor's Office; and

WHEREAS, said advance was authorized with the express provision that it be repaid in full to the General Fund upon the City's receipt of the corresponding property tax settlement monies from the Franklin County Auditor's Office; and

WHEREAS, the City of Whitehall has since received the corresponding property tax settlement monies from the Franklin County Auditor's Office into the Energy Project Fund (810); and

WHEREAS, it is now appropriate and necessary to repay the advance in full from the Energy Project Fund (810) to the General Fund (101); NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1: The Council of the City of Whitehall, Ohio, hereby authorizes and approves the repayment in full of the advance authorized by Ordinance 037-2026, in the amount of sixty-one thousand two hundred twenty-eight and 60/100 dollars (\$61,228.60), from the Energy Project Fund (810) to the General Fund (101).

SECTION 2: That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to draw his warrant upon the Treasurer of the City for these funds for the purpose stated.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance shall go into full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Requested and prepared by: Shaquille Alexander, CPA, City Auditor  
Approved as to form: Bradley S. Nicodemus, City Attorney BSN 6/8/26

**DRAFT # 8**

**RESOLUTION NO. 026-2026 Adm. & Fin Mgmt –1st Reading-ADOPT 06/16/2026-Elmore/**  
RESOLVING TO APPROVE “THEN AND NOW” CERTIFICATES.

WHEREAS, O.R.C. 5705.41(D)(1) states that “then and now” certificates of three thousand dollars and no/100 (\$3,000.00) and more must be approved by resolution or ordinance within thirty days of receipt of the “then and now” certificates; and

WHEREAS, the City has processed the attached “then and now” certificates over the sum of three thousand dollars, and now these certificates require approval by City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Auditor of the City of Whitehall, Ohio, has determined that, at the time of the making and execution of the certificates, a sufficient sum was appropriated by Council for the purpose of the requisition, and is currently deposited in the treasury and allocated to the appropriate account and free from any previous encumbrances; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

SECTION 1: That the City Council does hereby approve the attached “then and now” certificates:

SECTION 2: That the City Council of the City of Whitehall, Ohio, lawfully appropriated the expenditure, which the expense originated.

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall go into full force and effect immediately upon its passage by the

Council of the City of Whitehall and approval by the Mayor.  
Requested and prepared by: Shaquille Alexander, City Auditor  
Approved as to form: Bradley S. Nicodemus, City Attorney BSN 6/8/26

**COMMUNITY AND ELDER ADVOCACY– CHAIRPERSON HARCAR**

Members: Adkins, Dixon, Brown

No drafts or pending legislation.

**COMMUNITY STANDARDS AND ENFORCEMENT – CHAIRPERSON MCCANN**

Members: Dixon, Elmore, Harcar

**SECOND READING:**

ORDINANCE NO. 049-2026 (*Comm Stan & Enf- 3rd Reading- ADOPT-07/07/2026-McCann/Elmore*)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND 505.23 OF THE WHITEHALL CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO PROHIBIT THE FEEDING OF DEER.

ORDINANCE NO. 050-2026 (*Comm Stan & Enf- 3rd Reading- ADOPT-07/07/2026-McCann/Harcar*)  
*Planning Commission meeting on July 2, 2026*  
*Public Hearing on July 7, 2026*

AMENDING SECTION 1111.10 OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING CODE TO PROMOTE THE SAFETY OF DRIVE-THRU FACILITIES BY REQUIRING BY-PASS LANES AND EMERGENCY VEHICLE EGRESS IN THE CITY OF WHITEHALL; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – CHAIRPERSON DIXON**

Members: McCann, Morrison, Brown

**THIRD READING:**

RESOLUTION NO. 019-2026 (*Econ. Dev.-3<sup>rd</sup> Reading- ADOPT 06/16/2026-Dixon/Morrison*)

Authorizing and approving A PLAN OF INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL, DISTRIBUTION, AND RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT, AND ONE OR MORE AGENCY AGREEMENTS WITH THE WHITEHALL COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**INFRASTRUCTURE, MAINTENANCE AND SERVICES - CHAIRPERSON BROWN**

No drafts or pending legislation.

**PUBLIC SAFETY – CHAIRPERSON MORRISON**

Members: Elmore, Adkins, Harcar

No drafts or pending legislation.

**PARKS AND RECREATION – CHAIRPERSON ADKINS**

Members: Elmore, Harcar, McCann

No drafts or pending legislation.

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