

**City of Fairfield Minutes  
Regular Meeting of City Council  
March 23, 2026**

**Council-Manager Briefing**

Mayor Miller called the briefing to order at 6:00 PM. Councilmembers present: Leslie Besl, Dale Paullus, Debbie Pennington, Adam Kraft, Tim Meyers and Matt Davidson. Staff members present: Scott Timmer, Steve Wolterman, Alisha Wilson, Adam Sackenheim, Mandi Brock, Jason Hunold, Ben Mann, Greg Kathman, Laurie Murphy, Diana Davenport, Tami Moore, Chad Cooper and Steve Maynard.

Assistant City Manager Sackenheim presented the Marsh Parks Phase I update. See attached slides.

**Business Meeting Call to Order**

Mayor Miller called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**Prayer/Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilmember Davidson led in prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Councilmembers present included:

Councilmember, 1st Ward Leslie Besl  
Councilmember, 2nd Ward Dale Paullus  
Councilmember, 3rd Ward Debbie Pennington  
Councilmember, 4th Ward Adam Kraft  
Councilmember, At-Large Tim Meyers  
Councilmember, At-Large Matt Davidson

Councilmembers excused included:

Councilmember, At-Large Gwen Brill

Councilmember Davidson, seconded by Councilmember Meyers, moved to excuse Councilmember Brill. Motion carried 6-0.

**Agenda Modifications**

None.

**Executive Session Requests**

Councilmember Besl, seconded by Councilmember Davidson, moved for Executive Session to discuss the employment, appointment and/or compensation of a public employee or official. Roll call vote. Motion carried 6-0.

**Special Presentations**

1. Butler County Board of Developmental Disabilities - Jenny Mann

Jenny Mann presented an overview of the Butler County Board of Developmental Disabilities. See attached slides.

2. Fairfield Optimist Club & Mid-American Soccer Classic - John Harmon

John Harmon presented an overview of the annual MASC tournament that will be held April 10-12 and announced the Fairfield Optimist Club field and fishing day in collaboration with the Fairfield City School District Special Education Department on April 28. See attached slide.

3. Fairfield Prevention Coalition - Safe Prom Proclamation

Students from the Fairfield Prevention Coalition presented their projects to promote a safe prom and graduation season within the Fairfield City Schools. Mayor Miller presented a proclamation in recognition of their efforts.

### **Citizen Comments**

None.

### **Council Reports**

Councilmember Pennington announced that the curbside brush program starts in April. See the website for details. She also noted that brush dumpsters are available to residents.

Councilmember Kraft announced that the Marsh Park Bait House season begins on Friday and the Groovin' on the Green lineup will be announced on Wednesday.

### **Public Hearing(s)**

None.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The presented minutes were approved as written and submitted.

1. Special Meeting Minutes - March 7, 2026
2. Regular Meeting Minutes - March 9, 2026

### **Old Business**

None.

### **New Business - Motion to Read All New Business by Title Only**

Councilmember Kraft, seconded by Councilmember Besl, moved to read all New Business by title only. Motion carried 6-0.

1. **Community & Public Relations - Councilmember Matt Davidson**

a. Simple Motion: Motion to approve the following nominations to the Charter Review Commission:

Edward Kammerer, 1st Ward (by Councilmember Leslie Besl)  
Edward Swain, 2nd Ward (by Councilmember Dale Paullus)  
Teresa Durbin, 3rd Ward (by Councilmember Debbie Pennington)  
Lori Brown, 4th Ward (by Councilmember Adam Kraft)  
Terry White, At-Large (by Councilmember Tim Meyers)  
Ron Snell, At-Large (by Councilmember Gwen Brill)  
Don Moser, At-Large (by Councilmember Matt Davidson)

Councilmember Davidson, seconded by Councilmember Pennington, moved to approve the 2026 Charter Review Commission nominations. Motion carried 6-0.

SIMPLE MOTION NO. 11-26. APPROVED 6-0.

b. Simple Motion: Motion to approve the following 2026 Boards/Commissions Appointments effective April 1, 2026:

Larry Bagford - Board of Zoning Appeals, term expires 3/31/31  
John Kinkade - Civil Service Commission, term expires 3/31/29  
Doug Meece - Parks & Recreation Board, Third Ward, term expires 3/31/29  
Dona Canaan - Sustainability Commission, term expires 3/31/29  
Lauren Duncan - Sustainability Commission, term expires 3/31/29

Daniel Vitale - Cultural Arts Advisory Commission, term expires 3/31/29  
Kathryn Green-Meyers - Environmental Commission, term expires 3/31/29  
Marie Wiegand - Environmental Commission, term expires 3/31/29

Councilmember Davidson, seconded by Councilmember Meyers, moved to approve the 2026 Boards and Commissions appointments. Motion carried 6-0.

SIMPLE MOTION NO. 12-26. APPROVED 6-0.

**2. Development Services - Councilmember Gwen Brill**

a. Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to execute the Ohio Division of Liquor Control Economic Development Transfer Request Form for the transfer of a liquor license for Multinicks Inc. and declaring an emergency.

Multinicks Inc., which does business as Minnick's Drive Thru, recently received zoning approval for a new drive thru business at 5000 River Road. Minnick's is designing the site now and plans to open the facility in late 2026 or early 2027.

As part of the project, Minnick's has applied to the State of Ohio for a C-1 and a C-2 liquor license. C-1 allows for retail carryout only sales of beer. C-2 allows for retail carryout only sales of wine and prepackaged low-proof mixed beverages. At present time, there are no C-1 or C-2 licenses available. Minnick's plans to submit an Economic Development Transfer (TRES) request to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control. If approved, this would transfer the

liquor licenses from elsewhere in the state of Ohio to Fairfield. As part of the TREX application process, a local official from Fairfield must sign off on the application form. Approval of the ordinance would authorize the City Manager to execute the application.

Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Tim Meyers, seconded by Debbie Pennington, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Tim Meyers, seconded by Dale Paullus, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 30-26. APPROVED 6-0.

- b. Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 166-84, the Codified Ordinances of Fairfield, Ohio, Section 1130.01(B)(2), the City of Fairfield, Ohio, Zoning Map.

Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance and announced the Joint Public Hearing date on April 13, 2026.

### **3. Parks & Recreation - Councilmember Adam Kraft**

- a. Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Century Equipment for the purchase of Golf Maintenance Equipment and declaring an emergency.

This is to purchase a cab for the 500 Multi Pro, two green mower cutting reels, and to purchase a new Toro Reelmaster 5410 Fairway mower and replace one that has outlived its lifespan. Equipment will be procured from Century Equipment, under SOURCEWELL Partners Participant Contract # 112624-TTC. All of the above equipment will be used at both South and North Trace. The funding for these projects is programmed in 2026-2030 as CIP 6RC04.

Councilmember Kraft presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Adam Kraft, seconded by Dale Paullus, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Adam Kraft, seconded by Debbie Pennington, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 31-26. APPROVED 6-0.

### **4. Public Safety - Councilmember Dale Paullus**

- a. Simple Motion: Motion to not request a hearing regarding a liquor permit application in the name of QuikTrip Corp, QuikTrip 7091, 7330 Dixie Highway, Fairfield, OH 45014 (Permit Class C1 & C2).

Councilmember Paullus, seconded by Councilmember Pennington, moved to not request a hearing regarding the liquor permit application. Motion carried 6-0.

SIMPLE MOTION NO. 13-26. APPROVED 6-0.

- b. Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Vance's Law Enforcement to purchase new Glock firearms and accessories and declaring an emergency.

The project will fund the purchase of 85 new Glock generation 6 firearms, holographic sights, weapon-mounted flashlights and holsters for our police officers.

Councilmember Paullus presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Dale Paullus, seconded by Adam Kraft, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Dale Paullus, seconded by Tim Meyers, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 32-26. APPROVED 6-0.

- c. Resolution to authorize the City Manager or his designee to sign and submit the Participation Form for participation in a settlement of claims with six Remnant Defendants pursuant to a Settlement Agreement dated February 23, 2026 related to opioid claims and declaring an emergency.

The City is a participant in the national opioid litigation. The proposed nationwide settlement will result in \$97,625,000 being paid by the Remnant Defendants'. Counsel for the plaintiffs is recommending that the City of Fairfield participate in this settlement with the Remnant Defendants'.

Councilmember Paullus presented the first reading of this resolution. Councilmember Dale Paullus, seconded by Tim Meyers, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Dale Paullus, seconded by Tim Meyers, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 6-26. APPROVED 6-0.

##### **5. Public Utilities - Councilmember Tim Meyers**

- a. Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Bain Enterprises for the purchase of a Valve Maintenance Trailer for the Public Utility Department Water Division and declaring an emergency.

The current Valve Maintenance Trailer in the Water Division's fleet is over 16 years old and past its useful life as a front line unit. The water division depends on this unit on almost a daily basis, and during all emergencies.

The EPA sets a goal of exercising 20% of the valves in the City's water distribution system each year. This unit assists in that effort by assisting in the routine exercising of water main valves, and can also operate 'stiff' valves in an effective and efficient manner. In addition to operating and maintaining valves, the unit also has a vacuum unit to remove debris from valve boxes and curb boxes when filled with mud or debris from the roadway. It can also be used as a vacuum excavation tool.

The Public Works fleet staff has performed numerous repairs on the existing unit over the past several years and has also advocated for its replacement.

Bain Enterprises is the sole source provider/authorized dealer for this item. A sole source letter has been provided for review.

Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Tim Meyers, seconded by Adam Kraft, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Tim Meyers, seconded by Dale Paullus, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 33-26. APPROVED 6-0.

- b. Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Bayer Becker for Engineering Services related to Lake Manor Sewage Lift Station Replacement for the City's Wastewater Collection System.

Engineering services are necessary for detailed design for the replacement of the City's Wastewater Collection System Lake Manor sewage lift station.

The City intends to replace the lift station in 2027 as the existing 1970's era station and control systems are nearing the end of their useful life. Additionally, the upgrade will address safety concerns associated with the existing station and increase pumping efficiencies to support future residential developments in the Gray Road corridor area.

The project includes the following work: design engineering for the construction of a new wet well and duplex pump station facility and associated structural, process piping, connections, electrical, control systems and mechanical interface to existing structures, asphalt paving, new fence and any required landscape restoration. To include details and specifications for demolition and removal/abandonment existing infrastructure.

Councilmember Meyers presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Tim Meyers, seconded by Adam Kraft, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Tim Meyers, seconded by Debbie Pennington, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 34-26. APPROVED 6-0.

## **6. Public Works - Councilmember Debbie Pennington**

- a. Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with JW Brennan of Ross, Ohio to perform Emergency Drainage Repair – Pleasant Run Creek Wall and declaring an emergency.

This area has a wall along both sides of the Pleasant Run Creek that was constructed in the early 2000's that is being undermined in a couple of locations and needs reinforced to prevent future failures. The existing wall consists of H piles driven to depths up to 36 feet

with concrete panels between the steel beams. The concrete panels were buried a few feet and, in the locations, where the failures are occurring, the creek has scoured the area below the panels. This has caused a large sinkhole in one area already.

The City's drainage crew has routinely made repairs to storm sewers and in eroded areas of the creek on occasion but the lack of practical access, the need for a larger excavator, and the specialized nature of the work to make this repair warrants some help from an outside contractor.

We solicited a proposal from contractors that have done this work for us in the past. Brennan was responsive, gave reasonable prices, and was willing to work with us on means and methods to come up with what appears to be a practical repair method.

The project funding for this work is in the Capital Improvements Program for 2026-2030 under 6PW57 Pleasant Run Creek Wall Repair.

Councilmember Pennington presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Debbie Pennington, seconded by Leslie Besl, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Debbie Pennington, seconded by Tim Meyers, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 35-26. APPROVED 6-0.

- b. Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with the Southeastern Equipment Co. for the purchase of a 2026 Case 590 Super N 4WD Backhoe and declaring an emergency.

This request is for the purchase of a 2026 Case 590 Super N 4WD Backhoe for the Street Division of the Public Works Department to replace Unit #200 (2002 Case Back-Hoe) due to age and condition. This equipment is being purchased through the Southeastern Equipment Co. using the Sourcewell joint purchasing program, contract #011723-CNH, utilizing Ohio Revised Code Section 9.48 (B)(2) allowing for the purchase of contract items through a joint purchasing program operated by or through a national or state association of political subdivisions in which the City is a member thereof. We requested a trade-in value for the old unit and found the offer to be in-line with recent Govdeals purchase prices of comparable equipment, so the old unit will be traded in.

Councilmember Pennington presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Debbie Pennington, seconded by Dale Paullus, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Debbie Pennington, seconded by Adam Kraft, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 36-26. APPROVED 6-0.

**7. Finance & Budget - Councilmember Leslie Besl**

- a. Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Mobilcomm for the purchase of hardware and licensing for the Avigilon surveillance system and declaring an emergency.

The implementation of a centralized video surveillance storage system has been planned and approved in the 2026–2030 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). This project includes the purchase of a dedicated video surveillance storage platform, perpetual camera licensing, and professional installation services necessary to support the City’s expanding network of security cameras across municipal facilities and public spaces. Equipment and services will be procured utilizing Ohio State bid or contract pricing when it offers a more cost-effective option than other available pricing. The City maintains a growing network of video surveillance cameras used to enhance public safety, protect City assets, support law enforcement investigations, and monitor critical infrastructure. As camera deployments continue to expand and video resolution standards increase, the demand for reliable, high-capacity storage and licensing has grown significantly, along with the need for user-friendly access to the system. Implementing a centralized storage solution ensures that video data is securely retained, efficiently managed, and easily accessible for authorized personnel.

Councilmember Besl presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Dale Paullus, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Debbie Pennington, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 37-26. APPROVED 6-0.

- b. Ordinance to establish salaries and hourly rates for certain salaried and hourly employees of the City of Fairfield, Ohio and to authorize and limit the numbers and types of certain employees, to repeal Ordinance No. 9-26 and all amendments thereto and declaring an emergency.

The Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBA) with the FOP Union, Patrol Officers and Supervisors, establish that FOP members shall receive a base wage increase of 2.5% and 2% lump sum effective April 1, 2026. The Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) with the IAFF establishes that IAFF members shall receive a 3% base wage increase effective the first pay period following April 1, 2026.

Councilmember Besl presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Adam Kraft, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Dale Paullus, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 38-26. APPROVED 6-0.

- c. Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 148-25 entitled “An Ordinance to make estimated appropriations for the expenses and other expenditures of the City of Fairfield, Ohio, during a period beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026.”  
- Supplemental Appropriations

These are requests for transfers for the General Fund appropriations for amounts approved

through the 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Program. The Building Division superintendent position is currently vacant, and we are using an outside contractor to complete some of the duties, which results in the need for additional funding.

Councilmember Besl presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Adam Kraft, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Debbie Pennington, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 39-26. APPROVED 6-0.

- d. Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 148-25 entitled “An Ordinance to make estimated appropriations for the expenses and other expenditures of the City of Fairfield, Ohio, during a period beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026.”
- Contractual Appropriations: \$857,083 total (\$94,944 Firearms Upgrade (Police); \$155,000 Video Surveillance System Upgrade (IT Services); \$100,000 Emergency Drainage Repair (Public Works); \$170,328 Purchase of Back-Hoe (Public Works); \$119,111 Golf Maintenance Equipment Upgrade (Parks & Recreation); \$125,000 Replacement Valve Maintenance Trailer (Public Utilities); \$92,700 Lake Manor Sewage Lift Station Engineering (Public Utilities))

Councilmember Besl presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Dale Paullus, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Adam Kraft, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 40-26. APPROVED 6-0.

- e. Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 148-25 entitled “An Ordinance to make estimated appropriations for the expenses and other expenditures of the City of Fairfield, Ohio, during a period beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026.”
- Non-Contractual Appropriations: \$597,710 (see below for description)

- Legislation - First Reading
- Motion - Suspend Second and Third Readings
- Motion - Adoption

Councilmember Besl presented the first reading of this ordinance. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Debbie Pennington, moved to suspend second and third readings. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0. Councilmember Leslie Besl, seconded by Dale Paullus, moved to adopt. Motion carried Yes 6, No 0, Abstained 0.

ORDINANCE NO. 41-26. APPROVED 6-0.

\$50,000 - Emergency Drainage Repair, Additional Appropriation – Pleasant Run Creek Wall (Public Works)

\$40,000 - Trip Hazard Sidewalk Repair Via Cutting funding appropriation for 2026 Sidewalk Program (Public Works)

\$20,000 - CCTV (Closed Circuit Television) Cameras for Central Traffic System (Public Works)

\$8,000 - 2026 Street Light Installation Program (Public Works)

\$90,000 - Various Parks Site Amenities and Improvements (multiple vendors; Public Works)

\$20,000 - Replacement and Repair of Playground Equipment (Public Works)

\$20,450 - Water Division - Hydra Stop Valve (Public Utilities)

\$62,000 - Sustainability Unit - 250 Trees (General Government - CMO)

\$85,260 - Municipal/Annex Repairs and Upgrades - emergency repairs (multiple vendors; Public Works)

\$40,000 - Purchase of Ventrac Sidewalk Tractor #217 (Streets Division, Public Works)

\$8,100 – Wastewater Division – Raw Sludge Realignment (Public Utilities)

\$80,000 - purchase and installation of ballistic panels (multiple vendors; Police)

\$47,000 - Aquatic Center Repairs (Parks & Recreation)

\$8,900 - Utility Cart at Marsh Park (Parks & Recreation)

\$18,000 - Huffman Parks Garden refresh (Parks & Recreation)

**Meeting Schedule**

Monday, April 13: Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 PM; Regular Meeting, 7:00 PM

Monday, April 27: Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 PM; Regular Meeting, 7:00 PM

Monday, May 11: Council-Manager Briefing, 6:00 PM; Regular Meeting, 7:00 PM

Clerk Wilson read the meeting schedule.

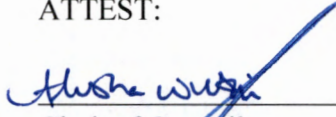
**Executive Session of Council (if Needed)**

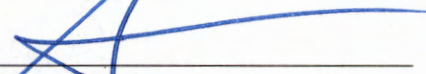
Council recessed to Executive Session at 8:04 PM.

**Adjournment**

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of Council

  
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Mayor's Approval

Date Approved: 4/13/26



# Marsh Park – Project Update

March 2026



## **TIMELINE – Recent events**

- 2/11/2023 – City Strategic Offsite identifies Marsh Park Master Plan as key strategic initiative
- 2/26/2024 – Contract approved with Designing Local to help develop Marsh Park Master Plan
- Spring and Summer 2024 – Community engagement and plan development
- Fall 2024 – Spring 2025 – Plan refinement
- 4/15/2025 – Plan adoption by Parks Board
- 4/28/2025 – Plan adoption by City Council
- August 2025 – Contract approved with MKSK for engineering and architectural services → plan implementation



The vision for Marsh Park is to create a premier **recreational** destination that provides the **community** with a meaningful **connection** to a unique **natural environment**.

## PLAN GOALS

1. Enhance the environment as a natural destination
2. Promote connection between users and the park
3. Support community through events and programming
4. Encourage recreation with thoughtful improvements





## Existing Conditions



Great Miami River Trail (existing)



Great Miami River Trail (2027)



Existing tree cover



100-Year floodplain (1% annual chance) 500-



Year floodplain (0.2% annual chance)





### Overall Site Amenities - Proposed

- 3a Parking (120 spaces)
- 3b Parking (120 spaces, 12 trailer spaces)
- 3c Parking (80 spaces)
- 7 Nature-based play and recreation areas
- 3a Boat launch (vehicular)
- 3b Boat launch (ADA)
- 3c Boat launch (at-shore; typical of 2 locations)
- 4 Fishing boardwalk (typical of 5 locations)
- 5 Overlook area (typical of 5 locations)
- 6a Reservable shelter (see also 7a): Adjacent to
- 6b Reservable shelter: within 200' of parking
- 6c Reservable shelter: within 500' of parking
- 6d Reservable shelter: Adjacent to parking
- 7a Public restroom (see also 6a): 6-7 stalls total
- 7b Public restroom: 6-7 stalls total
- 7c Private restroom
- 300'/500' distance from public restrooms

Total price tag of all amenities in Master Plan:  
**\$25M-30M**

MASTER PLAN figure; April 2025





### Southwest Area

- A Vehicular entry
- B Great Miami River Trail access point
- C Neighborhood pedestrian access point
- 1a Parking (120 spaces)
- 1b Parking (90 spaces)
- 1c Parking (30 spaces; 12 trailer spaces)
- 2 Nature-based play and recreation areas
- 3 Shelter with public restroom
- 4 Bathhouse with public restroom
- 5 Restaurant space with private restroom
- 6 Reservable Shelter structure (capacity for 15-30 people; typical of 2 locations)
- 7 Overlook area (seating capacity for 15-30 people; typical of 2 locations)
- 8 Fishing pier/boardwalk (capacity for 12-15 people)
- 9a Vehicular boat launch
- 9b Secondary boat launch (typical of three locations)
- 10 Amphitheater area and event space
- 11 Great lawn (4 acres)

Total price tag of all amenities – SW area:  
**\$12M**

MASTER PLAN figure; April 2025





MASTER PLAN figure; April 2025



**Schematic design  
site plan;  
March 2026**

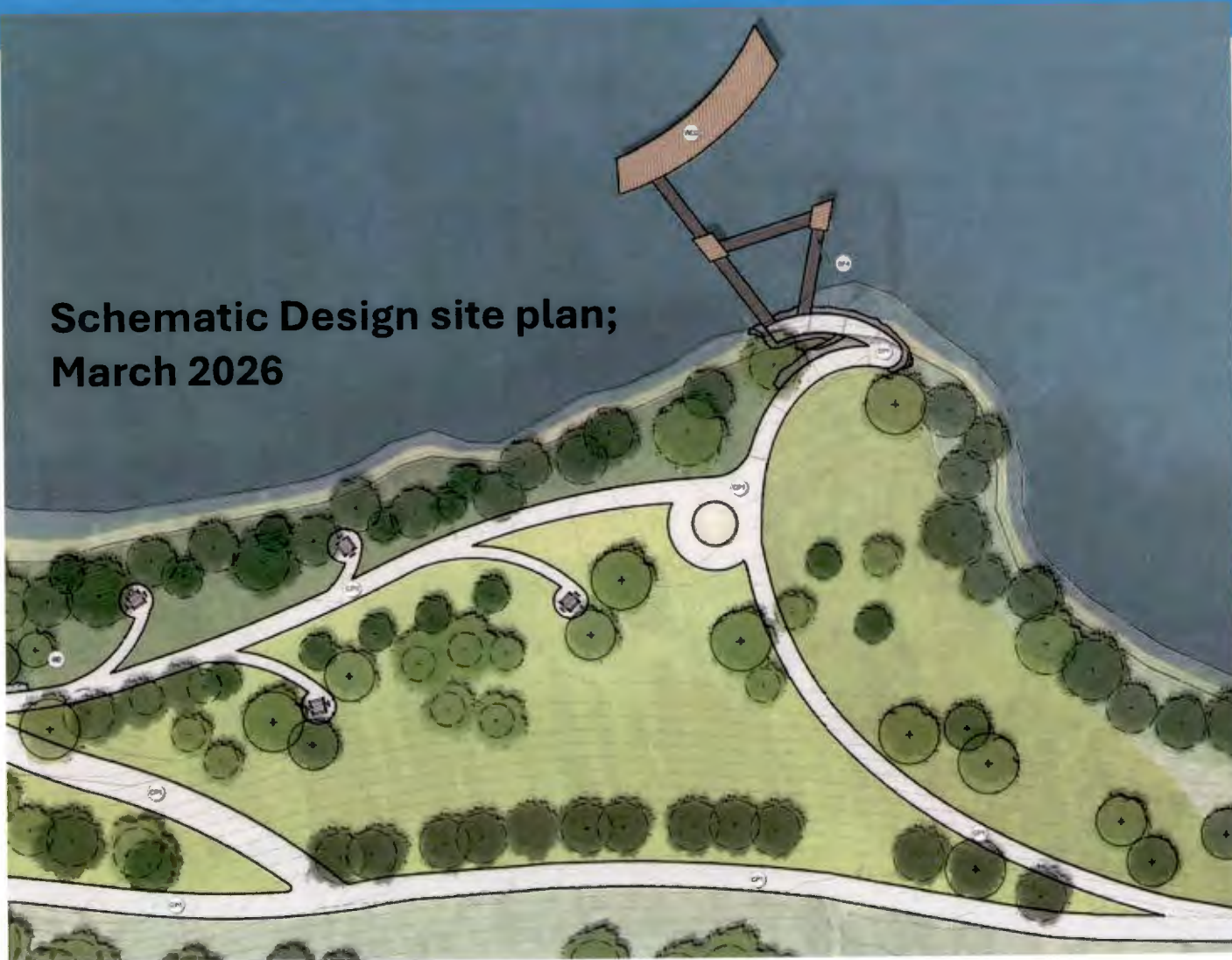


**Schematic  
Design site  
plan;  
March 2026**



**Schematic  
Design site plan;  
March 2026**

**Schematic Design site plan;  
March 2026**














- 1** Marsh Park Interior Trails  
*Construction: 2026*
- 2** Great Miami River Trail  
*Construction: 2027*
- 3** Pleasant Avenue Path  
*Construction: 2027*
- 4** River Road West Path  
*Construction: 2028*





## TIMELINE – Next steps

- 3/11/2026 – SD plan presentation to Parks Board
- 3/18/2026 – SD plan presentation to EC and Sustainability Commission
- 3/23/2026 – Council Manager Briefing, prior to City Council session
- April-May 2026 – Select Construction Manager At Risk
- Summer-Fall 2026 – Community Open House
- Q4 2026 – Present Notice to Proceed recommendation to City Council for construction



FAIRFIELD  
OHIO

**BUTLER COUNTY**  
*Board of*  
**DEVELOPMENTAL  
DISABILITIES**

**AGENCY OVERVIEW**

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# Actively partnering with people to access the world.



**4,293** Butler County residents received supports in 2025.



**1,831** Infants and young children (birth - 5)



**1,024** School-age children (ages 6 - 21)



**1,438** Adults (22 and older)

**511** received Family Focus Supports



**1,329** babies and toddlers received Early Intervention Services



**2,958** were assigned to Service & Support Administrators



**57** Employment Navigation supports



These numbers may be duplicated if the individual received multiple supports or services

# WHAT IS A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY?

According to Ohio law, a developmental disability is a severe and chronic disability that is likely to last a person's lifetime, and developed before the age of 22, and is due to "a mental or physical impairment or a combination of mental and physical impairments".

This can include but is not limited to disabilities like

- Autism
- Down Syndrome
- Cerebral Palsy
- And more

# PERSON CENTERED PHILOSOPHY



# EARLY INTERVENTION

Ages 0 -3

Services include

- Physical Therapists
- Developmental Specialists
- Occupational Therapists
- Speech Therapist

Services mainly occur in one-on-one familiar settings like in the home, using a coaching model of care.



# SERVICE AND SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION

- Help navigate services that are available
- Serving about 3,000 individuals
- Initial and primary point of contact
- Develop plans to access services
- Establish budgets for needed services
- Identify qualified provider of services
- Maintain benefits



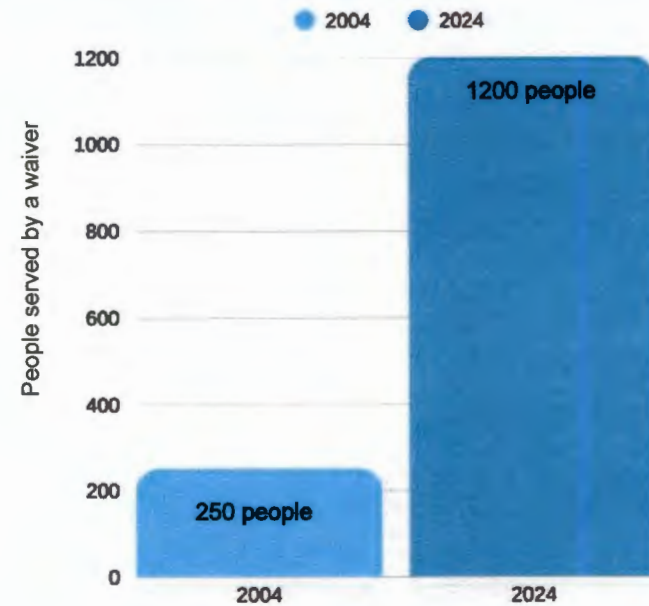
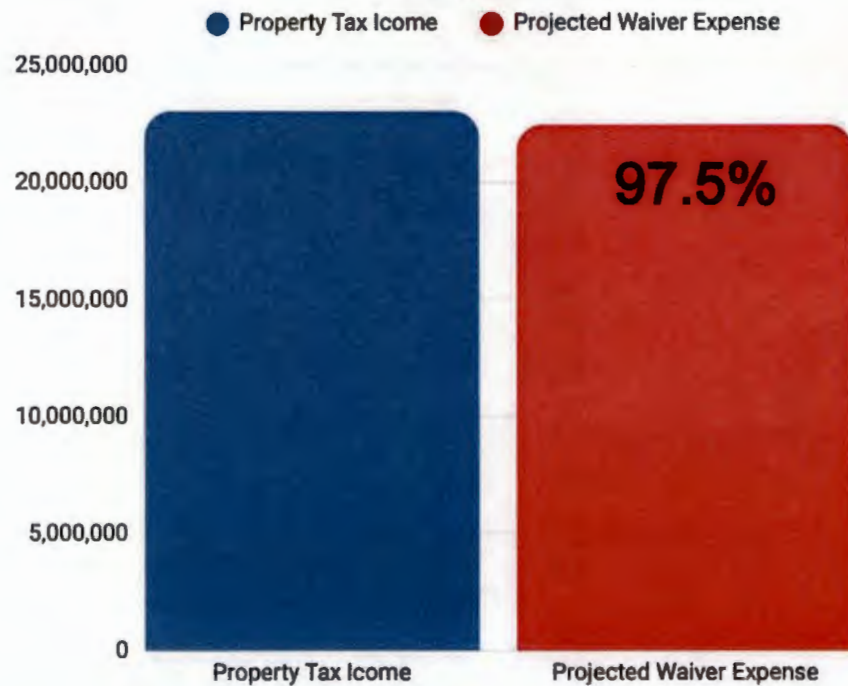
# UNDERSTANDING WAIVERS

- Transportation
- Employment supports
- Home delivered meals
- Homemaker Personal Care
- Assistive Technology
- Home Modifications
- Adult Day Supports
- Respite
- Etc.



# WAIVER OBLIGATION

2026 Projections based on current property tax income









## 380% Increase in People Supported

In 2004, we supported **250 people** through a waiver. By 2024, that number has risen to **over 1,200**. And it continues to climb at a steep ascent.

# BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS



## Jungle Jim's International Market

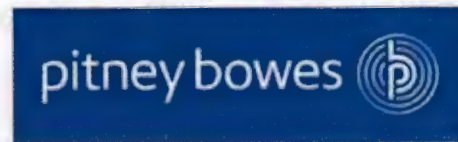
- 1  **Getting Ready:**  
I will wear comfortable clothes and shoes.  
I might bring a list if we are shopping for something specific.  
I can bring noise canceling headphones if I don't like loud sounds.
- 2  **Arriving at Jungle Jim's:**  
We will drive to Jungle Jim's International Market.  
The store is big, and there may be lots of people.  
We will enter through the entrance and get a shopping cart if we need it.
- 3  **Exploring the Store:**  
Jungle Jim's has food and items from all over the world.  
There are different sections, each with unique food and decorations.  
Some areas have fun displays, like singing animatronics or jungle animals.
- 4  **Sensory Tips:**  
The store can be busy with people talking and carts moving.  
If it gets too loud, I can wear my headphones or take a break in a quiet area.  
The store has different smells from foods, so I can cover my nose if needed.
- 5  **Checking Out:**  
When we are done shopping, we will go to the checkout lanes.  
We will wait in line and put our items on the counter.  
The cashier will scan our items, and we will pay before leaving.
- 6  **Leaving the Store:**  
When we finish shopping, we will go back to the car.  
I can help put the bags in the car.  
I can talk about my favorite things I saw at the store.

# EMPLOYMENT NAVIGATION

We make it a priority to ensure that the people we support have as many opportunities as possible to work in our community.

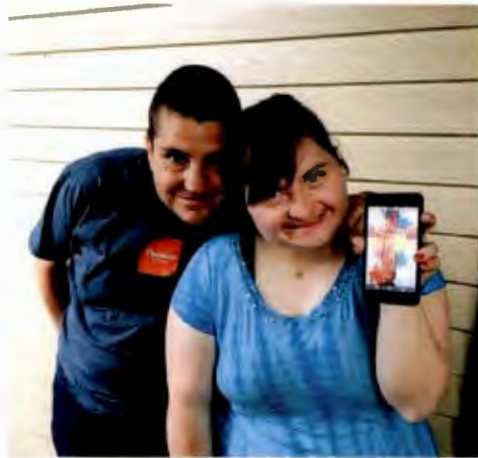


# EMPLOYMENT PARTNERS



Over 450 people with developmental disabilities employed in over 200 locations!

# TECHNOLOGY FIRST



REMOTE  
MONITORING



SMART  
HOME

# ENSURING HEALTH AND SAFETY



# FURTHER IMPACTS IN THE COMMUNITY



Wrap-around support with FCFC



Cost share with children services



Cost share with mental health



Direct service provider for Help Me Grow



Funding for accessible housing



Project Life and Project Search

# Lindsay Riley's Story

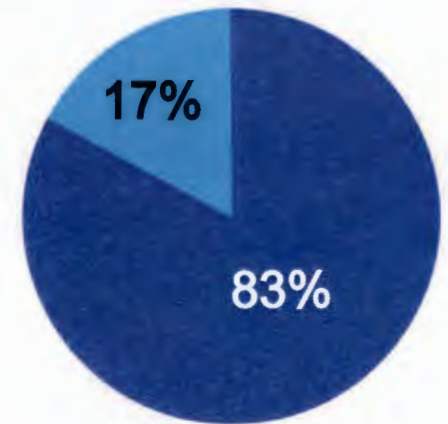


# YOUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK

## Revenues

2025 Revenues  
\$28,938,601

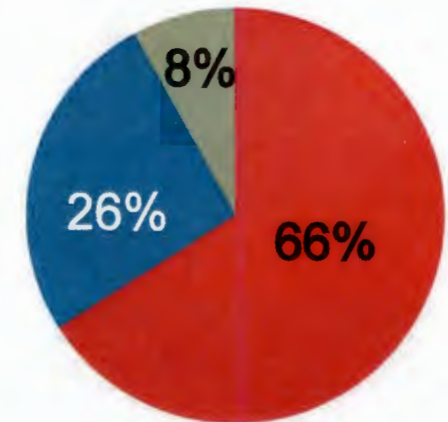
- Local Revenues: \$24,075,460
- Federal Revenues: \$4,863,141



## Expenditures

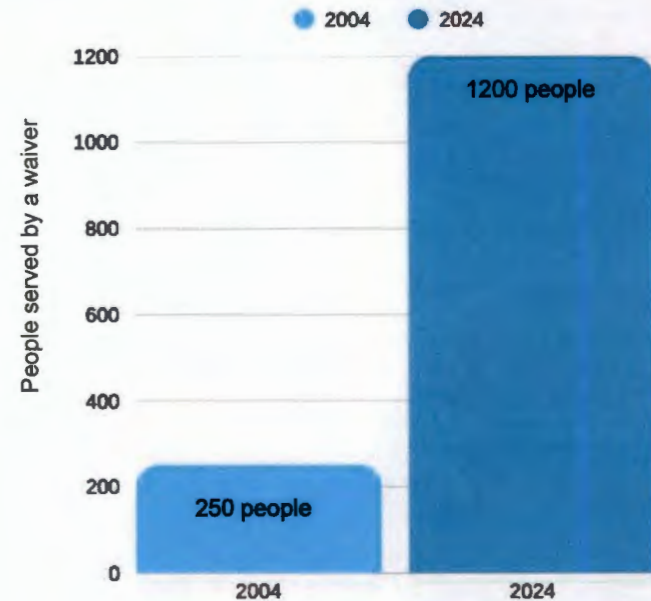
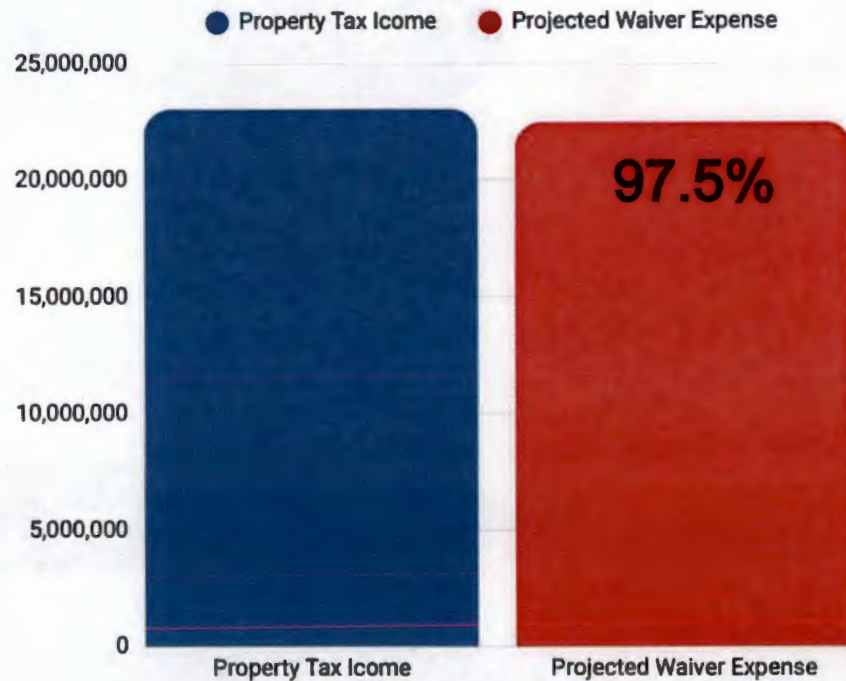
2025 Expenditures  
\$37,620,805

- Services Funded in the Community: \$24,918,888
- Supports for Individuals Served: \$9,834,857
- Other: \$2,867,060



# WAIVER OBLIGATION

2026 Projections based on current property tax income



## 380% Increase in People Supported

In 2004, we supported **250 people** through a waiver. By 2024, that number has risen to **over 1,200**. And it continues to climb at a steep ascent.

# FISCAL EMERGENCY



**Declaring a fiscal emergency:** Our Board has taken action to implement a financial savings plan and seek assistance from the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities.



**Raises and increases:** We have paused all wage increases including cost of living adjustments for our staff.



**Reduced hours:** All full-time staff will take a 2.5-hour reduction in work hours, which works out to a 6.67% decrease in pay on top of the lost cost-of-living increase.



**Promotions and vacancies:** All promotions are on freeze and all vacated positions will be scrutinized before posting.



**Family Support Services Funding (FSS):** In 2026, Family Support Services funding will be reduced by 50% and limited to camps and respite.

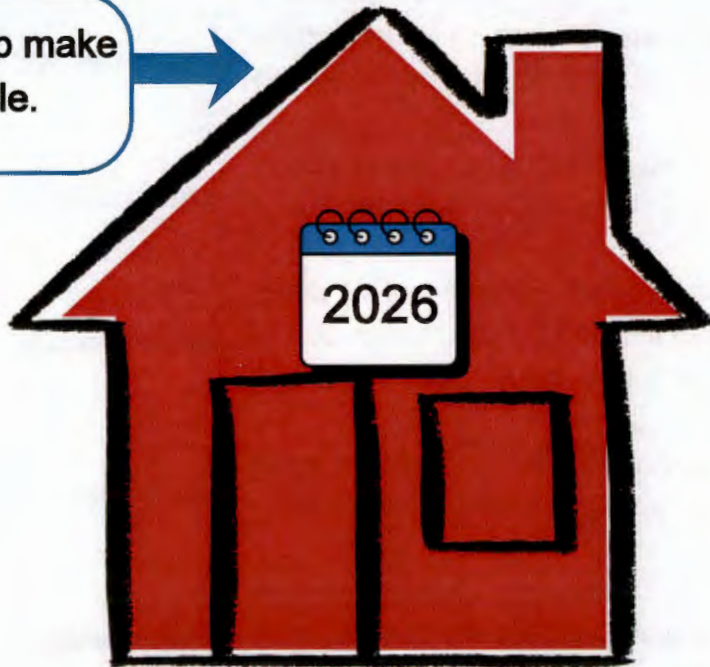


• **Pause in Locally Funded Services:** As of 12/11/2025 all requests for locally funded services are on hold indefinitely.

**\$3.7 M  
in savings**

# LEVY REQUEST

This will help make us whole.



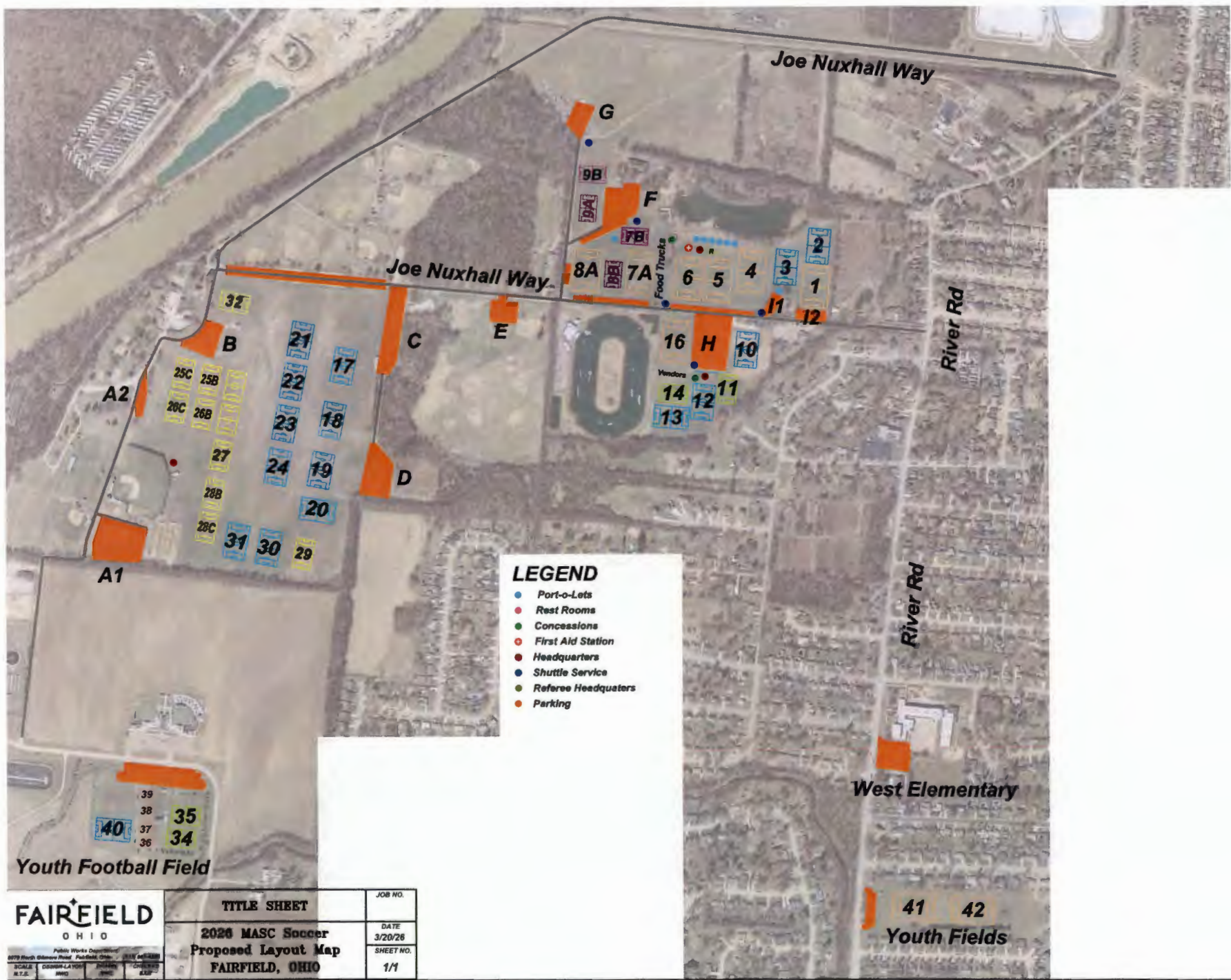
2 mill new continuing levy generating \$26,447,060 annually.

## COST PER \$100,000 VALUATION

	Annually	Monthly
Collections on current 3.0 mills	\$ 53.21	\$4.43
Collections on new 2.0 mills	\$70.00	\$5.83
<u>Total commitment to community:</u>	<u>\$123.21</u> Annually	<u>\$10.27</u> Monthly

# THANK YOU





- LEGEND**
- Port-o-Lets
  - Rest Rooms
  - Concessions
  - First Aid Station
  - Headquarters
  - Shuttle Service
  - Referee Headquarters
  - Parking

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