

I, Mary E. Betsa, Clerk of Council of Mayfield Village, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing is a copy of original Ordinance No. 2025-12 with Exhibit A passed by Mayfield Village Council at its Regular Meeting on August 18, 2025.


MARY E. BETSA, MMC, Clerk of Council

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-12

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Bodnar and Council as a Whole

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE CHARTER
TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A PETITIONER'S COMMITTEE
FOR NOMINATING AND OTHER PETITIONS**

WHEREAS, Article XI of the Mayfield Village Charter requires that a Charter Review Commission convene every five (5) years to review the Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Commission shall review the Charter and within five (5) months after such appointment have a review session with the Mayor and Council and then recommend to the voters such amendments to the Charter, as in its judgment are desirable; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Commission reviewed the Charter and had a review session with the Mayor and Council on June 2, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Commission recommends to the voters a proposed amendment to remove the requirement for a petitioner's committee for nominating and other petitions and to make such amendments consistent therewith to the Charter in its entirety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Mayfield Village, Cuyahoga County, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. Article VII (Nominations and Elections), Section 3 (Petition Procedure) of the Mayfield Village Charter is amended to read as is set forth in Exhibit "A", a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance upon adoption by Council shall be referred to the Clerk of Cuyahoga County Board of Elections not later than sixty (60) days before the November 4, 2025 election. Upon this proposed amendment being approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon, it shall become part of the Charter of Mayfield Village, Ohio.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to the mandates of the Charter, a copy of the full text of this proposed amendment shall be delivered to the residents of the Village not less than thirty (30) days before the election and, pursuant to law, a legal notice will be published once a week for two consecutive weeks at least fifteen (15) days prior to the election.

SECTION 4. By authority of this Ordinance, the Board of Election is authorized and directed to place on the ballot for the electors of Mayfield Village, at the November 4, 2025 election, the following question:

**SHALL MAYFIELD VILLAGE CHARTER ARTICLE VII, SECTION 3 BE
AMENDED TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A PETITIONER'S
COMMITTEE FOR NOMINATING AND OTHER PETITIONS?**

YES _____

NO _____

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and upon signature of the Mayor.

SECTION 6. The Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Ordinance have been taken at open meetings of this Council and that deliberations of this Council and of its committees, resulting in such formal action, took place in meeting open to the public, in compliance with all statutory requirements including the requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.



STEPHEN SCHUTT
Council President

First Reading: June 16, 2025

Second Reading: August 4, 2025

Third Reading: August 18, 2025

PASSED: August 18, 2025



BRENDA T. BODNAR, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



DIANE A. CALTA, ESQ.,
Director of Law

ATTEST: 
MARY E. BETSA, MMC
Clerk of Council

EXHIBIT A

(Removing the Petitioner's Committee for Nominating Petitions)

Article VII- Nominations and Elections

Section 3. Petition Procedure.

A nominating, initiative, referendum or recall petition shall be either printed or typewritten and may be circulated in separate parts, but the separate parts shall be bound together and filed as one instrument. Each part shall contain in the case of the initiative or referendum, a full and correct copy of the title and text of the proposed or objectionable ordinance or resolution, and in the case of the recall, the name and office of the person whose removal is sought and a statement in not more than two hundred (200) words of the grounds for the removal.

~~Each separate part of said petition shall be either printed or typewritten and shall bear the names of at least five (5) registered electors who shall be officially regarded as filing the petition and shall constitute the Petitioners' Committee for the purpose named therein.~~

Each separate part of such petition shall bear an affidavit sworn to by the circulator thereof stating the number of signers to such part of the petition, and that each signature thereon is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be and was submitted in the presence of the affiant.

Each signer of a petition referred to shall sign the person's name in ink or indelible pencil and shall place on the petition paper after the signer's name, the signer's place of residence by street and number.