

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-08

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Bodnar and Council as a Whole

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE CHARTER TO UPDATE THE PUBLIC NOTICE AND HEARING PROVISIONS FOR CERTAIN ORDINANCES TO REQUIRE NOTICE ON DIGITAL PLATFORMS AS WELL AS IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION

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 update the public notice and hearing provisions for certain ordinances to require notice on the Village's preferred digital platform(s) as well as in a newspaper of general circulation 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 III (The Council), Section 12 (Public Notice and Hearing on Certain Ordinances) 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 III, SECTION 12 BE AMENDED TO UPDATE THE PUBLIC NOTICE AND HEARING PROVISIONS FOR CERTAIN ORDINANCES TO REQUIRE NOTICE ON THE MUNICIPALITY’S PREFERRED DIGITAL PLATFORM(S) AS WELL AS IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION?

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: _____, 2025

Second Reading: _____, 2025

Third Reading: _____, 2025

PASSED: _____, 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

(Update on notice provision to newspaper of general circulation)

Article III- The Council

Section 12. Public Notice And Hearing On Certain Ordinances.

Before any ordinance or resolution may be enacted by the Council amending or repealing any: (a) platting ordinance, (b) the zoning map of the Municipality, (c) zoning or use classification or district, (d) restrictions on height of buildings and other structures, (e) the size of parcels in any zoning or use classification, or (f) the percentage of lot occupancy of buildings and other structures; the Council shall (i) refer such ordinance or resolution to the Planning and Zoning Commission for report and recommendation as required by Section 11 of this Article III; (ii) read the same in full or by title at two successive Council meetings, (iii) thereafter hold a public hearing thereon (which public hearing shall be held at least thirty days after the second reading and prior to the third reading thereof), and (iv) shall give thirty days notice of the time and place of such public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the Municipality and on the Municipality's preferred digital platform(s). No such ordinance or resolution shall be enacted or adopted unless passed or approved after the third reading thereof by not less than a majority of the members of Council, and, if such ordinance or resolution has been disapproved by the Planning and Zoning Commission, by not less than two-thirds of the members of Council. Thereafter, any such ordinance which has been approved by the Council shall be submitted to a vote of the electors of the Municipality, and shall become effective only upon approval thereof by such electors in accordance with the provisions of Section 13 of this Article III. However, the approval of a "Use" variance pursuant to Article V, Section 12(A) will not require approval of the Electors.

(Amended 11-3-15.)