



City of Gahanna

200 South Hamilton
Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

Signature

Ordinance: ORD-0003-2026

File Number: ORD-0003-2026

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION; AND WAIVING SECOND READING - General Fund Claims and Judgments Related to the Central Ohio Health Care Consortium

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2025, City Council approved resolutions authorizing the Administration to end the City of Gahanna's participation in the Central Ohio Health Care Consortium (COHCC) and to begin a self-funded employee health benefits program; and

WHEREAS, following Council approval, the Administration provided formal notice of withdrawal to the COHCC in September 2025; and

WHEREAS, in November 2025, the COHCC Board voted to issue an assessment totaling One Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,400,000.00) to its current members in order to maintain reserve funding levels as permitted under the Joint Self Insurance Agreement; and

WHEREAS, although the City of Gahanna voted against the assessment, the assessment was approved by a majority vote of the COHCC Board, and because the City remained a member during calendar year 2025, the City was assessed its proportional share in the amount of Two Hundred Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars (\$207,939.00); and

WHEREAS, the Administration, with the support of the City Attorney, requested additional information from the COHCC and sought discussion regarding a reduced payment prior to the original December 31, 2025 deadline; and

WHEREAS, in January 2026, the City received a response from the COHCC providing additional information and extending the payment deadline to January 23, 2026; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds it necessary and in the best interest of the City to authorize a supplemental appropriation to satisfy the assessment, avoid penalties and late fees, and meet the extended payment deadline.

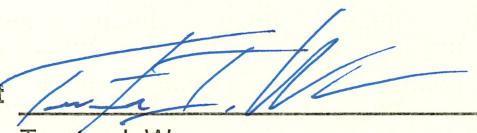
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That funding in the amount of Two Hundred Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars (\$207,939.00) is hereby supplementally appropriated from the unappropriated and unencumbered balance of the General Fund (1010) to 101.06.250.5230 - Admin & Op Services Claims & Judgements for the purpose of paying the COHCC assessment.

Section 2. That Council hereby waives the requirement of a second reading in order to allow timely payment of the assessment by the January 23, 2026, deadline and to avoid penalties and late fees.

Section 3. That pursuant to City Charter Section 4.14, whereas the 30-day referendum period does not apply to ordinances providing for the appropriation of money, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage by this Council and upon approval by the Mayor.

President

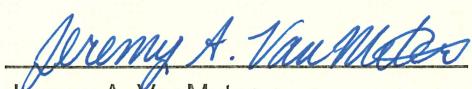


Trenton I. Weaver

Date

1/20/26

Attest by

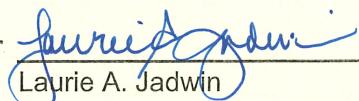


Jeremy A. VanMeter
Clerk of Council

Date

1/20/2026

Approved by the Mayor



Date

1.20.2026

Approved as to Form



Priya D. Tamilarasan
City Attorney

Date

1/20/26

At a regular meeting of the City Council on January 20, 2026, a motion was made by Bowers, seconded by Padova, that the Second Reading be Waived. The vote was as follows:

Ms. Bowers, yes; Ms. Jones, yes; Ms. McGregor, yes; Ms. Padova, yes;
Mr. Renner, Absent; Mr. Schnetzer, Absent; Mr. Weaver, yes.

A motion was made by Bowers, seconded by Jones, that the Ordinance be Adopted. The vote was as follows:

Ms. Bowers, yes; Ms. Jones, yes; Ms. McGregor, yes; Ms. Padova, yes;
Mr. Renner, Absent; Mr. Schnetzer, Absent; Mr. Weaver, yes.