



# City of Gahanna

200 South Hamilton  
Road  
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

## Signature

Ordinance: ORD-0049-2025

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### AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, on October 31, 2025, the Administration delivered the Proposed Budget for 2026 to City Council; and

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2025, and December 1, 2025, the City Council held two public hearing opportunities for comment on the Proposed Budget for 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that appropriations are required to provide for current expenses and other expenditures for all funds of the City for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026.

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

**Section 1.** That to provide for the current operating expenses and other expenditures for all funds of the City of Gahanna during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, the sums listed in EXHIBIT A are hereby set aside and appropriated as shown.

**Section 2.** That any sums which shall be expended from the attached appropriations and which are a proper charge against any other department or against any firm, or person, or corporation, which, if repaid within the period covered by such appropriations shall be credited to the fund from which such payment was made and shall be considered reappropriated for such original purposes provided that the net total of expenditures under any item of such appropriations shall not exceed the amount of such item.

**Section 3.** That the Director of Finance is authorized to transfer appropriations within each department in an amount up to \$3,000 without the separate approval of Council.

**Section 4.** That the Director of Finance of the City of Gahanna is hereby authorized to draw checks for payments of any of the foregoing appropriations upon the receiving of the proper approval of the officers or heads of departments authorized by law to make expenditures; provided that no checks shall be drawn or paid for salaries or wages except to persons employed by authorized authority and in accordance with the laws or ordinances.

**Section 5.** That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after passage by this Council and on date of signature approval by the Mayor.

At a regular meeting of the City Council on December 15, 2025, a motion was made by Weaver, seconded by Renner, that the Ordinance be Adopted as Amended. The vote was as follows:

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

President Merisa K. Bowers  
Merisa K. Bowers

Date 12.15.25

Attest by Jeremy A. Van Meter  
Jeremy A. Van Meter  
Clerk of Council

Date 12/15/2025

Approved by the Mayor

Laurie A. Jadwin  
Laurie A. Jadwin

Date 12.15.2025

Approved as to Form

PDT  
Priya D. Tamilarasan  
City Attorney

Date 12/15/25

ORD-0049-2025  
**APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**  
 (REVISED CODE SEC. 5705.38)

AN ORDINANCE to make appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures for all funds during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026 for City of Gahanna, State of Ohio.

**Sec. 1.** Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Gahanna, State of Ohio, that to provide for the current expenses and other expenditures for all funds during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026 the following sums are hereby set aside and appropriated, as follows:

**Sec. 2.** That it be appropriated from the GENERAL FUND

**101-General Fund**

**Community Environment**

**Information Technology**

Salaries & Benefits	\$ 1,146,968
Contractual Services	\$ 1,034,676
Supplies & Materials	\$ 293,150
<b>Information Technology Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,474,794</b>

**Economic Development**

Salaries & Benefits	\$ 407,274
Contractual Services	\$ 440,800
Supplies & Materials	\$ 34,300
<b>Economic Development Total</b>	<b>\$ 882,374</b>

**City Planning**

Salaries & Benefits	\$ 1,316,978
Contractual Services	\$ 306,200
Supplies & Materials	\$ 10,000
<b>City Planning Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,633,178</b>

**Community Environment Total**

**\$ 4,990,346**

**Debt Service**

**Finance**

Principal Retirement	\$ 510,000
Interest & Fiscal Charges	\$ 33,125
<b>Finance Total</b>	<b>\$ 543,125</b>

**Debt Service Total**

**\$ 543,125**

**General Government**

**Council Office**

Salaries & Benefits	\$ 532,683
Contractual Services	\$ 104,039
Supplies & Materials	\$ 28,940
<b>Council Office Total</b>	<b>\$ 665,662</b>

**Department of Law**

Salaries & Benefits	\$ 265,807
Contractual Services	\$ 216,000
Supplies & Materials	\$ 19,000
<b>Department of Law Total</b>	<b>\$ 500,807</b>

**Finance**

Salaries & Benefits	\$ 1,767,859
Contractual Services	\$ 3,048,300
Supplies & Materials	\$ 178,725
<b>Finance Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,994,884</b>

<b>Human Resources</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 503,738
Contractual Services	\$ 533,544
Supplies & Materials	\$ 151,050
<b>Human Resources Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,188,332</b>
<b>Office of the Mayor</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 696,006
Contractual Services	\$ 283,000
Supplies & Materials	\$ 12,000
<b>Office of the Mayor Total</b>	<b>\$ 991,006</b>
<b>Public Service</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 1,196,281
Contractual Services	\$ 1,166,850
Supplies & Materials	\$ 1,062,500
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,425,631</b>
<b>Clerk of Courts</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 332,128
Contractual Services	\$ 78,200
Supplies & Materials	\$ 1,200
<b>Clerk of Courts Total</b>	<b>\$ 411,528</b>
<b>General Government Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,177,850</b>
<b>Leisure Time Activities</b>	
<b>Parks &amp; Recreation</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 3,425,435
Contractual Services	\$ 1,541,950
Supplies & Materials	\$ 434,000
<b>Parks &amp; Recreation Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,401,385</b>
<b>Leisure Time Activities Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,401,385</b>
<b>Other Uses of Funds</b>	
<b>Finance</b>	
Transfers	\$ 706,262
<b>Finance Total</b>	<b>\$ 706,262</b>
<b>Other Uses of Funds Total</b>	<b>\$ 706,262</b>
<b>Security of Persons &amp; Property</b>	
<b>Public Safety</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 13,963,521
Contractual Services	\$ 1,587,450
Supplies & Materials	\$ 257,300
<b>Public Safety Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,808,271</b>
<b>Security of Persons &amp; Property Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,808,271</b>
<b>Transportation</b>	
<b>Public Service</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 567,593
Contractual Services	\$ 25,000
Supplies & Materials	\$ 743,000
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,335,593</b>
<b>Transportation Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,335,593</b>
Sec.3. That there be appropriated from the GENERAL FUND for CONTINGENCIES for purposes not otherwise provided for, to be expended in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5705.40, R.C., the sum of	
	\$ -
<b>101 - Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$ 40,962,832</b>

Sec. 4. That there be appropriated from the SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

**220-Street Fund**

<b>Public Service</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 580,646
Contractual Services	\$ 57,080
Supplies & Materials	\$ 359,000
Capital	\$ 550,000
Transfers	\$ 596,854
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,143,580</b>

**220-Street Fund Total**

**\$ 2,143,580**

**222-State Highway Fund**

<b>Public Service</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 400
Contractual Services	\$ 12,120
Supplies & Materials	\$ 53,900
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 66,420</b>

**222-State Highway Fund Total**

**\$ 66,420**

**224-Tax Increment Fund**

<b>Finance</b>	
Contractual Services	\$ 450,401
Principal Retirement	\$ 27,816
Capital	\$ 555,000
Transfers	\$ 295,000
<b>Finance Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,328,217</b>

**224-Tax Increment Fund Total**

**\$ 1,328,217**

**225-State Law Enforcement Trust Fund**

<b>Public Safety</b>	
Contractual Services	\$ 92,300
<b>Public Safety Total</b>	<b>\$ 92,300</b>

**225-State Law Enforcement Trust Fund Total**

**\$ 92,300**

**226-Enforcement & Education Fund**

<b>Public Safety</b>	
Capital Outlay	\$ 25,000
<b>Public Safety Total</b>	<b>\$ 25,000</b>

**225-State Law Enforcement Trust Fund Total**

**\$ 25,000**

**229-Clerk Computer Fund**

<b>Clerk of Courts</b>	
Contractual Services	\$ 62,000
<b>Clerk of Court Total</b>	<b>\$ 62,000</b>

**229-Clerk Computer Fund Total**

**\$ 62,000**

**235-Federal Law Enforcement Seizure Fund**

<b>Public Safety</b>	
Supplies & Materials	\$ 4,000
<b>Public Safety Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,000</b>

**235-Federal Law Enforcement Seizure Fund Total**

**\$ 4,000**

**236-US Treasury Seizure Fund**

<b>Public Safety</b>	
Supplies & Materials	\$ 15,000
<b>Public Safety Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>

**236-US Treasury Seizure Fund Total**

**\$ 15,000**

**237-AG Training Fund**

<b>Public Safety</b>	
Contractual Services	\$ 100,000
<b>Public Safety Total</b>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>
<b>237-AG Training Fund Total</b>	<u>\$ 100,000</u>

**239-OCJS Grant Fund**

<b>Public Safety</b>	
Contractual Services	\$ 10,000
<b>Public Safety Total</b>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>
<b>239-OCJS Grant Fund Total</b>	<u>\$ 10,000</u>

**240-Public Safety Fund**

<b>Public Safety</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 720,119
Contractual Services	\$ 10,000
Transfer Out	\$ 1,194,529
<b>Public Safety Total</b>	<u>\$ 1,924,648</u>
<b>240-Public Safety Fund Total</b>	<u>\$ 1,924,648</u>

**241-Right of Way Fund**

<b>General Government</b>	
Contractual Services	\$ 295,000
<b>General Government Total</b>	<u>\$ 295,000</u>
<b>243-Public Service Fund Total</b>	<u>\$ 295,000</u>

**242-Parks & Recreation Fund**

<b>Leisure Time Activity</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 2,732,160
Contractual Services	\$ 415,000
Supplies & Materials	\$ 432,615
<b>Leisure Time Activity Total</b>	<u>\$ 3,579,775</u>
<b>242-Parks &amp; Recreation Fund Total</b>	<u>\$ 3,579,775</u>

**243-Public Service Fund**

<b>General Government</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 1,212,526
Contractual Services	\$ 747,082
Supplies & Materials	\$ 65,400
<b>General Government Total</b>	<u>\$ 2,025,008</u>
<b>243-Public Service Fund Total</b>	<u>\$ 2,025,008</u>

**244-Opioid Settlement Fund**

<b>General Government</b>	
Supplies & Materials	\$ 50,000
<b>General Government Total</b>	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
<b>244-Opioid Settlement Fund Total</b>	<u>\$ 50,000</u>

**510-Police Pension Fund**

<b>Finance</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 1,694,958
Contractual Services	\$ 6,860
<b>Finance Total</b>	<u>\$ 1,701,818</u>
<b>510-Police Pension Fund Total</b>	<u>\$ 1,701,818</u>

**515-Police Duty Weapon Fund**

Public Safety	
Supplies & Materials	\$ 22,000
Public Safety Total	\$ 22,000
515-Police Duty Weapon Fund Total	\$ 22,000

**750-Reserve for Sick & Vacation Fund**

Finance	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 258,625
Finance Total	\$ 258,625
750-Reserve for Sick & Vacation Fund Total	\$ 258,625
<b>TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 13,703,391</b>

Sec. 5. That there be appropriated from the **CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS AS**  
**FOLLOWING:**

**325-Capital Improvement Fund**

Finance	
Capital	\$ 14,244,500
Transfer Out	\$ 3,914,650
Finance Total	\$ 18,159,150
<b>325-Capital Improvement Fund Total</b>	<b>\$ 18,159,150</b>
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 18,159,150</b>

Sec. 6. That there be appropriated from the **DEBT SERVICE FUND AS**  
**FOLLOWING:**

**431-General Bond Retirement Fund**

Finance	
Principal Retirement	\$ 3,052,150
Interest & Fiscal Charges	\$ 2,933,120
Contractual Services	\$ 6,620
Finance Total	\$ 5,991,890
<b>431-General Bond Retirement Fund Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,991,890</b>
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND</b>	<b>\$ 5,991,890</b>

Sec. 7. That there be appropriated from the **ENTERPRISE FUNDS AS**  
**FOLLOWING:**

**631-Stormwater Fund**

Public Service	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 781,614
Contractual Services	\$ 611,800
Supplies & Materials	\$ 52,000
Capital	\$ 1,033,000
Transfers	\$ 158,700
Public Service Total	\$ 2,637,114
<b>631-Stormwater Fund Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,637,114</b>

**651-Water Fund**

<b>Public Service</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 1,129,289
Contractual Services	\$ 9,673,300
Supplies & Materials	\$ 668,200
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,470,789</b>
<b>651-Water Fund Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,470,789</b>

**652-Water System Capital Improvement Fund**

<b>Public Service</b>	
Capital	\$ 930,000
Transfers	\$ 38,712
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 968,712</b>
<b>652-Water System Capital Improvement Fund Total</b>	<b>\$ 968,712</b>

**661-Sewer Fund**

<b>Public Service</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 1,025,220
Contractual Services	\$ 9,965,560
Supplies & Materials	\$ 69,900
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,060,680</b>
<b>661-Sewer Fund Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,060,680</b>

**662-Sewer System Capital Improvement Fund**

<b>Public Service</b>	
Contractual Services	\$ 192,500
Capital	\$ 875,000
Transfers	\$ 38,712
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,106,212</b>
<b>662-Sewer System Capital Improvement Fund Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,106,212</b>

**850-Refuse Escrow Fund**

<b>Public Service</b>	
Contractual Services	\$ 2,580,850
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,580,850</b>
<b>850-Refuse Escrow Fund Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,580,850</b>
<b>TOTAL ENTERPRISE FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 29,824,357</b>

Sec. 8. That there be appropriated from the **CUSTODIAL FUNDS AS FOLLOWS:**

**860-Developers Escrow Fund**

<b>Public Service</b>	
Contractual Services	\$ 760,000
<b>Public Service Total</b>	<b>\$ 760,000</b>
<b>860-Developers Escrow Fund Total</b>	<b>\$ 760,000</b>
<b>TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 760,000</b>

Sec. 9. That there be appropriated from the INTERNAL SERVICE FUND AS  
FOLLOWS:

<b>900-Workers Compensation Self Insurance Fund</b>		
<b>Human Resources</b>		
Contractual Services	\$	314,523
<b>Human Resources Total</b>	\$	<b>314,523</b>
<b>900-Workers Compensation Self Insurance Fund Total</b>		
	\$	<b>314,523</b>
<b>901-Risk Insurance Self Insurance Fund</b>		
<b>Finance</b>		
Contractual Services	\$	120,000
<b>Finance Total</b>	\$	<b>120,000</b>
<b>901-Risk Insurance Self Insurance Fund Total</b>	\$	<b>120,000</b>
<b>902-Health Insurance Self Insurance Fund</b>		
<b>Finance</b>		
Contractual Services	\$	3,360,000
<b>Finance Total</b>	\$	<b>3,360,000</b>
<b>902-Health Insurance Self Insurance Fund Total</b>	\$	<b>3,360,000</b>
<b>TOTAL INTERNAL SERVICE FUND</b>	\$	<b>3,794,523</b>
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS</b>	\$	<b>113,196,143</b>

Sec. 10. And the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to draw warrants for payments from any of the foregoing appropriations upon receiving proper certificates and vouchers therefore, approved by the board or officers authorized by law to approve the same or an ordinance or resolution of council to make the expenditures; provided that no warrants shall be drawn or paid for salaries or wages except the persons employed by authority of and in accordance with law or ordinance. Provided, further, that the appropriation for contingencies can only be expended upon approval of a two-thirds vote of Council for items of expense constituting a legal obligation against the city, and for the purposes other than those covered by the other specific appropriations herein made.

Sec. 11. This ordinance shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed *December 15, 2025*

Attest

*Jeremy A. Van Meter*  
Jeremy VanMeter, Clerk

*Melissa K. Bowers*  
Melissa Bowers, Council Member

*Jamille J. Jones*  
Jamille Jones, Council Member

*Nancy R.M. McGregor*  
Nancy McGregor, Council Member

*Kaylee Padova*  
Kaylee Padova, Council Member

*Stephen Renner*  
Stephen Renner, Council Member

*Michael Schnetzer*  
Michael Schnetzer, Council Member

*Trenton Weaver*  
Trenton Weaver, Council Member