



LEGISLATIVE COVER MEMO

Introduction: December 1, 2025

Public Hearing: December 1, 2025

Effective Date: January 1, 2026

Agenda Item: **Ordinance 2025-28**

APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Submitted by: Jenna Trice, Finance Director

Scope/Description: A summary of the 2026 budget, upcoming projects and the appropriations for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, are attached.

This budget was discussed, and significant updates were reviewed by City Council's Finance Committee on Monday, November 17, 2025.

Emergency Legislation: Yes – Necessary to provide for the financial operations of the City through the end of the fiscal year. This ordinance will become effective on January 1, 2026.

Vote Required for Passage: Per Section 4.14 of the City Charter, the passage of this Ordinance requires the affirmative vote of not less than four members of Council.

Exhibits: Exhibit A: 2026 Budget

Recommendation: Approval.

CITY OF FRANKLIN, OHIO
ORDINANCE 2025-28

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THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Franklin finds it necessary, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the City Manager and the Finance Director, to make the following appropriations, which provides appropriations for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, in order to meet current expenses and to authorize certain other expenditures; and

WHEREAS, Section 4.14 of the City's Charter authorizes emergency appropriations, when such appropriations are made pursuant to an emergency ordinance.

THE CITY OF FRANKLIN HEREBY ORDAINS, at least four (4) members of Council elected thereto concurring, that:

Section 1. This Ordinance is an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Franklin, Ohio. The reason for such necessity arises from the need to provide appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, to ensure the continued, usual, daily operation of the City Government.

Section 2. To provide for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Franklin, Ohio, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, the sums contained within the attached Exhibit A, as amended, are hereby appropriated.

Section 3. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to make payments from any of the appropriations herein made, upon receiving proper claims, certificates and or vouchers approved by the officials, department heads, or their respective designees, authorized by law to approve the same, or upon an ordinance or resolution of Council to make expenditures; provided, however, that no payments for salaries or wages shall be made except to persons employed in accordance with the ordinances of the City of Franklin and/or laws of the State of Ohio.

Section 4. The Finance Director is hereby authorized to adjust appropriations within any Fund or Department, so long as the adjustments made do not exceed the total appropriations authorized within any Fund. In addition, the Finance Director is hereby authorized to establish additional accounts within any Fund as may from time to time be required to ensure proper accounting or by the State of Ohio.

Section 5. It is found that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council that resulted in this formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Chapter 121 of the Ohio Revised Code, and the Rules of Council.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2026, and in accordance with Sections 4.05 and 4.14 of the City's Charter, shall not be automatically repealed.

ADOPTED: December 1, 2025

ATTEST: _____
Khristi Dunn, Clerk of Council

APPROVED: _____
Brent Centers, Mayor

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Clerk of Council for the Franklin City Council, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance 2025-28 passed by that body on December 1, 2025.

Khristi Dunn, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ben Yoder, Law Director

<u>FUND</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	<u>OTHER</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
100	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>			
	<u>Public Safety</u>			
	Police Division	\$4,871,608	\$772,456	\$5,644,064
	Reserve Police	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total	\$4,871,608	\$772,456	\$5,644,064
	<u>General Government</u>			
	Economic Development	\$0	\$119,750	\$119,750
	Clerk & Council	\$219,190	\$68,955	\$288,145
	Municipal Court	\$883,310	\$261,588	\$1,144,898
	Probation Division	\$319,400	\$24,905	\$344,305
	City Manager	\$526,590	\$21,275	\$547,865
	Finance Department	\$387,570	\$125,510	\$513,080
	Income Tax Division	\$252,900	\$994,645	\$1,247,545
	Law Department	\$0	\$577,500	\$577,500
	Civil Service Commission	\$0	\$4,450	\$4,450
	Planning Commission	\$0	\$10,200	\$10,200
	Building & Grounds	\$75,880	\$147,100	\$222,980
	Other Government	\$0	\$733,875	\$733,875
	Building Division	\$324,400	\$374,985	\$699,385
	Total	\$2,989,240	\$3,464,738	\$6,453,978
	<u>Transfers</u>			
	Transfers & Advances	\$0	\$4,480,924	\$4,480,924
	Total	\$0	\$4,480,924	\$4,480,924
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$7,860,848	\$8,718,118	\$16,578,966
200	<u>STREET FUND</u>			
	Street Constr, Maint, & Repair	\$868,000	\$698,741	\$1,566,741
	Total	\$868,000	\$698,741	\$1,566,741
210	<u>STATE HIGHWAY FUND</u>			
	Street Constr, Maint, & Repair	\$0	\$57,000	\$57,000
	Total	\$0	\$57,000	\$57,000
212	<u>FIRE & EMS LEVY FUND</u>			
	Fire & EMS Division (Includes Grant)	\$2,575,060	\$693,541	\$3,268,601
	Volunteer Firefighters	\$751,907	\$1,000	\$752,907
	Transfers & Advances	\$0	\$354,001	\$354,001
	Total	\$3,326,967	\$1,048,542	\$4,375,509
215	<u>ISSUE TWO FUND</u>			
	Street Constr, Maint, & Repair	\$0	\$265,000	\$265,000
	Total	\$0	\$265,000	\$265,000
219	<u>E 9-1-1 WIRELESS FUND</u>			
	Police Division	\$113,218	\$52,500	\$165,718
	Total	\$113,218	\$52,500	\$165,718
220	<u>JOINT RECREATION FUND</u>			
	Swimming Pool	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Transfers & Advances	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0
225	<u>COMPUTER RESEARCH FUND</u>			
	Municipal Court	\$0	\$0	\$0

	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0		
230	<u>COURT SPECIAL PROJECTS</u>					
	Municipal Court	\$100,000	\$434,600	\$534,600		
	Probation Division	\$30,000	\$117,700	\$147,700		
	Total	\$130,000	\$552,300	\$682,300		
235	<u>CLERK'S COMPUTERIZATION</u>					
	Municipal Court	\$0	\$48,000	\$48,000		
	Total	\$0	\$48,000	\$48,000		
238	<u>FEMA FUND</u>					
	Fire & EMS Division	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Transfers & Advances	\$0	\$873,200	\$873,200		
	Total	\$0	\$873,200	\$873,200		
239	<u>LOCAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND</u>					
	Police Division	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Fire & EMS Division (Includes Volunteers)	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0		
240	<u>COUNTY VEHICLE TAX FUND</u>					
	Street & Road Repair	\$0	\$203,000	\$203,000		
	Transfer & Advance	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Total	\$0	\$203,000	\$203,000		
250	<u>DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT</u>					
	Police Division	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000		
	Total	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000		
255	<u>LAW ENFORCEMENT FUND</u>					
	Police Division	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000		
	Total	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000		
258	<u>ONE OHIO OPIOIOD FUND</u>					
	Police Division	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0		
260	<u>RECREATION FUND</u>					
	Parks & Recreation	\$375,700	\$255,400	\$631,100		
	Special Events	\$0	\$140,900	\$140,900		
	Beautification	\$111,780	\$71,550	\$183,330		
	Total	\$487,480	\$0	\$467,850	\$0	\$955,330
265	<u>LAW ENFORCEMENT ASST. FUND</u>					
	Police Division	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000		
	Total	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000		
270	<u>IDAT FUND</u>					
	Health	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0		
272	<u>IDIAM FUND</u>					
	Health	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0		
275	<u>ENFORCEMENT & EDUCATION FUND</u>					
	Health	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0		
277	<u>IN HOUSE MONITORING FUND</u>					
	Municipal Court	\$0	\$0	\$0		
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0		

280	<u>AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUND</u>			
	Other	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0
290	<u>EMPLOYEE BENEFITS RESERVE FUND</u>			
	Police Division	\$103,000	\$0	\$103,000
	Fire Division	\$87,440	\$0	\$87,440
	Parks & Recreation	\$27,238	\$0	\$27,238
	Sanitary Sewer	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000
	Water	\$8,500	\$0	\$8,500
	Stormwater Utility	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000
	Street Constr, Maint, & Repair	\$58,958	\$0	\$58,958
	Clerk & Council	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Municipal Court	\$0	\$0	\$0
	City Manager	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Finance	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Income Tax	\$5,000	\$0	\$5,000
	Building & Grounds	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Building Division	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total	\$300,136	\$0	\$300,136
310	<u>BOND RETIREMENT FUND</u>			
	Bond Retirement	\$0	\$1,065,738	\$1,065,738
	Total	\$0	\$1,065,738	\$1,065,738
320	<u>SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BOND RETIREMENT</u>			
	Bond Retirement	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0
400	<u>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND</u>			
	Police Division	\$0	\$409,600	\$409,600
	Other Government	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000
	Total	\$0	\$659,600	\$659,600
401	<u>ODOT PROGRAM FUND</u>			
	Street Constr, Maint, & Repair	\$0	\$2,824,838	\$2,824,838
	Total	\$0	\$2,824,838	\$2,824,838
403	<u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & REHABILITATION FUND</u>			
	Economic Development	\$0	\$800,000	\$800,000
	Total	\$0	\$800,000	\$800,000
410	<u>TIF FUND</u>			
	Economic Development	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0
412	<u>FIRE & EMS REPLACEMENT FUND</u>			
	Fire & EMS Division	\$0	\$257,990	\$257,990
	Total	\$0	\$257,990	\$257,990
420	<u>SEWER REPLACEMENT FUND</u>			
	Sanitary Sewer	\$0	\$48,000	\$48,000
	Total	\$0	\$48,000	\$48,000
430	<u>WATERWORKS REPLACEMENT FUND</u>			
	Water	\$0	\$430,000	\$430,000
	Total	\$0	\$430,000	\$430,000
440	<u>STORMWATER REPLACEMENT FUND</u>			
	Stormwater Utility	\$0	\$203,000	\$203,000
	Total	\$0	\$203,000	\$203,000
520	<u>STREET LIGHTING FUND</u>			

	Street Lighting	\$0	\$196,500	\$196,500
	Total	\$0	\$196,500	\$196,500
530	<u>MIAMI CONSERVANCY DISTRICT</u>			
	Flood Control	\$0	\$101,000	\$101,000
	Total	\$0	\$101,000	\$101,000
610	<u>WATER FUND</u>			
	Water Division (Includes Water Treatment Plant)	\$1,384,520	\$1,718,386	\$3,102,906
	Bond Retirement	\$0	\$196,500	\$196,500
	Transfers & Advances	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
	Total	\$1,384,520	\$2,114,886	\$3,499,406
611	<u>WATER DEPOSIT</u>			
	Other	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
	Total	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
620	<u>SEWER FUND</u>			
	Sewer Division	\$411,640	\$3,565,175	\$3,976,815
	Transfers & Advances	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
	Total	\$411,640	\$3,615,175	\$4,026,815
621	<u>SEWER DEPOSIT</u>			
	Other	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
	Total	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
630	<u>TRASH COLLECTION FUND</u>			
	Trash Collection	\$56,250	\$1,165,960	\$1,222,210
	Total	\$56,250	\$1,165,960	\$1,222,210
640	<u>STORMWATER UTILITY FUND</u>			
	Stormwater Utility	\$366,800	\$601,281	\$968,081
	Other Financing Uses	\$0	\$140,000	\$140,000
	Total	\$366,800	\$741,281	\$1,108,081
810	<u>POLICE PENSION FUND</u>			
	Police Division	\$608,911	\$1,000	\$609,911
	Total	\$608,911	\$1,000	\$609,911
820	<u>FIRE PENSION FUND</u>			
	Fire & EMS Division (Includes Grant)	\$458,300	\$1,300	\$459,600
	Total	\$458,300	\$1,300	\$459,600
825	<u>F.C. DIAL TRUST FUND</u>			
	Parks & Recreation	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
	Total	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
835	<u>UNCLAIMED MONIES FUND</u>			
	Unclaimed Funds	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
	Transfers & Advances	\$0	\$4,600	\$4,600
	Total	\$0	\$5,600	\$5,600
840	<u>INSURANCE RESERVE FUND</u>			
	Insurance Demolition	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000
	Total	\$0	\$500,000	\$500,000
845	<u>BUILDING STANDARDS FUND</u>			
	Building Division	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
	Total	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
	TOTAL BUDGET	\$16,373,070	\$27,818,119	\$44,191,189