

CITY OF BEDFORD

ORDINANCE NO. 053-26

AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY ASSESSMENTS FOR **REMOVAL OF WEEDS, TALL GRASS AND TREES** ON VARIOUS LOTS IN THE CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO DURING THE YEAR **2026** AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City has properly notified the owners of the real property on file with the Clerk to remove trees, weeds, and grass; and

WHEREAS, said owners failed to do so resulting in the City having to abate the nuisance at its expense.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Bedford, County of Cuyahoga, and the State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the cost of improving various lots in the City of Bedford for **removal of weeds, tall grass and trees**, which assessments together with the description of said lots are now on file in the office of the Clerk of Council are not in excess of the special benefits to said property and not in excess of any statutory limitation, are hereby approved for the tax year **2025** pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 727, Sections 731.51 thru 731.54 and Chapter 1341 of Bedford's Codified Ordinances.

Section 2. That the total cost of the above assessments shall be payable in cash within thirty (30) days from and after the passage of this ordinance. All cash payments shall be made to the City of Bedford, c/o the Director of Finance. The assessments remaining unpaid at the expiration of said thirty (30) day period shall be certified to the County Fiscal Officer by the Clerk of Council, as provided by law, to be placed on the tax duplicate to be assessed and collected on the next tax collection.

Section 3. That actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Ordinance is hereby determined to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City of Bedford, and for the further reason that it is necessary to pass this ordinance at the earliest time to place these assessments on the tax duplicate to be assessed and collected on the next tax collection.

WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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Stanley C. Koci, Mayor-President of Council

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Tracy M. Simons, CMC, Clerk of Council

Prepared and approved as to legal content by: \_\_\_\_\_  
John J. Montello, Law Director

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

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I, Tracy M. Simons, CMC, Clerk of Council, of the City of Bedford, Ohio do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of **Ordinance No. 056-25** passed on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025 by said Council.

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Tracy M. Simons, CMC, Clerk of Council

CERTIFIED: \_\_\_\_\_