



ORDINANCE O-17-2026

AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE THE IMPROVEMENT TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY TO BE A PUBLIC PURPOSE, EXEMPT 100% OF THAT IMPROVEMENT FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXATION, REQUIRE THE OWNERS OF THOSE PARCELS TO MAKE SERVICE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES, PROVIDE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE APPLICABLE PORTION OF THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS TO THE JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION CENTERS OF LICKING COUNTY (C-TEC), PROVIDE FOR THE DEPOSIT OF THE REMAINDER OF THOSE SERVICE PAYMENTS INTO A MUNICIPAL PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TAX INCREMENT EQUIVALENT FUND, SPECIFY THE PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS THAT DIRECTLY BENEFIT THOSE PARCELS, AND APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF ONE OR MORE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, Sections 5709.40, 5709.42 and 5709.43 of the Ohio Revised Code (collectively, the “*TIF Statutes*”) authorize this council to declare the improvement to certain parcels of real property located within the city of New Albany, Ohio (the “*City*”) to be a public purpose and exempt from taxation, require the owner of those parcels to make service payments in lieu of taxes, provide for the distribution of the applicable portion of those service payments to the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District and the Career and Technology Education Centers of Licking County (C-TEC), (each, a “*School District*”), provide for the deposit of the remainder of those service payments into a municipal public improvement tax increment equivalent fund, and specify public infrastructure improvements made, to be made or in the process of being made that directly benefit, or that once made will directly benefit, those parcels; and

WHEREAS, the parcels of real property identified and depicted in Exhibit A attached hereto (each, as now or hereafter configured on the tax list and duplicate of real and public utility property, a “*Parcel*”, and collectively, the “*Parcels*”) are located in the City, and this council has determined to declare the Improvement (as defined in Section 1 of this Ordinance) to each Parcel to be a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, this council has determined that it is necessary and appropriate and in the best interest of the City to exempt from taxation one hundred percent (100%) of the Improvement to each Parcel as permitted and provided in Section 5709.40(B) of the Ohio Revised Code for thirty (30) years and to simultaneously direct and require the current and future owner of each Parcel (each such owner individually, an “*Owner*,” and collectively, the “*Owners*”) to make annual Service Payments (as defined in Section 2 of this Ordinance); and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that a portion of the Service Payments shall be paid directly to each School District in an amount equal to the real property taxes that the School District would have received if the Improvement to the Parcels had not been exempted from taxation pursuant to this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5709.43(A) of the Ohio Revised Code, this Council has previously established a municipal public improvement tax increment equivalent fund in which there shall be deposited the remaining Service Payments distributed to the City; and

WHEREAS, this council has determined to designate the public infrastructure improvements described in Exhibit B attached hereto (the “*Public Infrastructure Improvements*”) as public infrastructure improvements made, to be made or in the process of being made that directly benefit, or that once made will directly benefit, the Parcels; and

WHEREAS, this council has determined to provide for the execution and delivery of one or more Tax Increment Financing Agreements (each, a “*TIF Agreement*”), which will more fully provide for the collection of Service Payments; and

WHEREAS, the Boards of Education of Johnstown-Monroe Local School District and the Career and Technology Education Centers of Licking County (C-TEC) have waived any and all requirements for notice from the City under Sections 5709.40 and 5709.83 of the Ohio Revised Code in furtherance of the commitment made by the City in the Compensation Agreements entered into between the City and those Boards of Education;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the council for the city of New Albany, Counties of Franklin and Licking, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. Authorization of Tax Exemption. Pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Section 5709.40(B) of the Ohio Revised Code, one hundred percent (100%) of the increase in assessed value of each Parcel that is used or to be used for non-residential purposes and that would first appear on the tax list and duplicate of real and public utility property after the effective date of this Ordinance (which increase in assessed value is hereinafter referred to as the “*Improvement*”, as further defined in Section 5709.40(A) of the Ohio Revised Code) is hereby declared to be a public purpose and shall be exempt from taxation for a period commencing with the first tax year that begins after the effective date of this Ordinance and in which an Improvement attributable to a new structure on that Parcel first appears on the tax list and duplicate of real and public utility property for that Parcel and ending on the earlier of (a) thirty (30) years after such commencement or (b) the date on which the City can no longer require service payments in lieu of taxes, all in accordance with the requirements of the TIF Statutes. The real property tax exemption granted pursuant to this Section and the payment obligation established pursuant to Section 2 are subject and subordinate to any real property tax exemption granted pursuant to Sections 3735.65 to 3735.70 or Sections 5709.61 to 5709.69 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 2. Service Payments and Property Tax Rollback Payments. Pursuant to Section 5709.42 of the Ohio Revised Code, this Council hereby directs and requires the Owner of each Parcel to make annual service payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Improvement allocable thereto to the Treasurer of Licking County, Ohio (the “*County Treasurer*”) on or before the final dates for payment of real property taxes. The service payment in lieu of taxes for each Parcel, including any penalties and

interest at the then current rate established under Sections 323.121(B)(1) and 5703.47 of the Ohio Revised Code, as the same may be amended or supplemented from time to time, or any other applicable provisions of the Ohio Revised Code (collectively, the “*Service Payments*”), shall be charged to each Parcel and collected in the same manner and in the same amount as the real property taxes that would have been charged and payable against the Improvement to that Parcel if it were not exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 1 of this Ordinance, all in accordance with Section 5709.42 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Service Payments, and any other payments with respect to the Improvement that are received by the county treasurer in connection with the reduction required by Sections 319.302, 321.24, 323.152 and 323.156 of the Ohio Revised Code, as the same may be amended from time to time, or any successor provisions thereto as the same may be amended from time to time, or any other applicable provisions of the Ohio Revised Code (collectively, the “*Property Tax Rollback Payments*”), shall be allocated and distributed in accordance with Section 4 of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Tax Increment Equivalent Fund. This council previously established, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Section 5709.43 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Oak Grove II Public Tax Increment Equivalent Fund (the “*Fund*”) to be maintained in the custody of the City and receive all distributions to be made to the City pursuant to Section 4 of this ordinance. Those Service Payments and Property Tax Rollback Payments received by the City with respect to the Improvement to each Parcel and so deposited pursuant to Section 5709.42 of the Ohio Revised Code shall be used solely for the purposes authorized in the TIF statutes and this ordinance, as the same may be amended from time to time. The Fund shall remain in existence so long as such Service Payments and Property Tax Rollback Payments are collected and used for the aforesaid purposes, after which time the Fund shall be dissolved and any incidental surplus funds remaining therein transferred to the City’s General Fund, all in accordance with Section 5709.43 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. Distribution of Funds. Pursuant to the TIF Statutes, the county treasurer is hereby requested and directed to distribute the Service Payments and Property Tax Rollback Payments as follows:

(i) to each School District, an amount equal to the amount the School District would otherwise have received as real property tax payments (including the applicable portion of any Property Tax Rollback Payments) derived from the Improvement to each Parcel if the Improvement had not been exempt from taxation pursuant to this Ordinance; and

(ii) to the City, all remaining amounts for further deposit into the Fund for payment of costs of the Public Infrastructure Improvements upon appropriation for that purpose by this Council. If so appropriated, such costs may but shall not be required to include, without limitation, all debt service payable on debt issued by the City or The New Albany Community Authority or The New Albany East Community Authority (each an “*Authority*”) to pay for Public Infrastructure Improvements, all amounts owed to any fund of the City or an Authority to reimburse that fund for the costs of any Public Infrastructure Improvements previously paid from that fund, including interest payable on those amounts, and all amounts owed by the City or an Authority to any third party for the construction of Public Infrastructure Improvements, including interest payable on those amounts.

Section 5. Public Infrastructure Improvements. This council hereby designates the Public Infrastructure Improvements described in Exhibit B attached hereto, and any other public infrastructure improvements hereafter designated by ordinance, as public infrastructure

improvements made, to be made or in the process of being made by the City that directly benefit, or that once made will directly benefit, the Parcels.

Section 6. Tax Increment Financing Agreement. The form of TIF Agreement presently on file with the fiscal officer is hereby approved and authorized with changes therein and amendments thereto not inconsistent with this ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and which shall be approved by the city manager. The city manager, for and in the name of the City, is hereby authorized to execute and deliver one or more TIF Agreements with one or more owners of a Parcel or Parcels in substantially that form along with any changes therein and amendments thereto, provided that the approval of such changes and amendments by the city manager, and the character of those changes and amendments as not being substantially adverse to the City or inconsistent with this ordinance, shall be evidenced conclusively by the city manager's execution thereof.

Section 7. Further Authorizations. This council hereby authorizes and directs the city manager, the director of law, the director of finance or other appropriate officers of the City to make such arrangements as are necessary and proper for collection of the Service Payments from the owners, including the preparation and filing of any necessary exemption applications. This Council further hereby authorizes and directs the city manager, the director of law, the director of finance or other appropriate officers of the City to prepare and sign all agreements and instruments and to take any other actions as may be appropriate to implement this ordinance.

Section 8. Filings with Ohio Department of Development. Pursuant to Section 5709.40(I) of the Ohio Revised Code, the city manager or other appropriate officer of the City is hereby directed to deliver a copy of this ordinance to the Director of Development of the State of Ohio after its adoption. Further, on or before March 31 of each year that the exemption set forth in Section 1 of this Ordinance remains in effect, the city manager or other appropriate officer of the City shall prepare and submit to the director of Development of the State of Ohio the status report required under Section 5709.40(I) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 9. Tax Incentive Review Council. This council hereby designates the Tax Incentive Review Council created pursuant to Resolution No. R-46-2009 as the tax incentive review council responsible for reviewing annually all exemptions from taxation resulting from the declarations set forth in this Ordinance and any other such matters as may properly come before that council, all in accordance with Section 5709.85 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 10. Open Meetings. This council finds and determines that all formal actions of this council and any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this council or its committees, and that all deliberations of this council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 11. Effective Date. Pursuant to Article 6.07(b) of the New Albany Charter, this Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after adoption.

CERTIFIED AS ADOPTED this 02 day of JUNE, 2026.

Attest:


Sloan T. Spalding
Mayor


Jennifer H. Mason
Clerk of Council

Approved as to form:


Benjamin S. Albrecht
Law Director

Legislation dates:

Prepared: 05/08/2026

Introduced: 05/19/2026

Revised:

Adopted: 06/02/2026

Effective: 07/02/2026

Exhibit A - O-17-2026

PARCEL MAP

The colored areas on the attached map specifically identify and depict the Parcels and constitutes part of this Exhibit A.



Oak Grove II TIF • Clover Valley East District

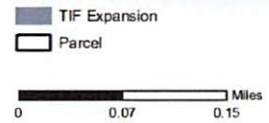


Exhibit B - O-17-2026

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

The Public Infrastructure Improvements include the construction of the following improvements that will directly benefit the Parcels and all related costs of permanent improvements (including, but not limited to, those costs listed in Section 133.15(B) of the Ohio Revised Code), along with any other improvements subsequently designated by Village Council:

- public roads and highways (including street realignments);
 - water and sewer lines;
 - leisure trails and connections;
 - parks and public facilities;
 - environmental remediation projects;
 - stormwater and flood remediation projects, including such projects on private property when determined to be necessary for public health, safety and welfare;
 - gas, electric and communications services facilities, including fiber optics;
 - land acquisition, including acquisition in aid of industry, commerce, distribution, or research;
 - demolition, including demolition on private property when determined to be necessary for economic development purposes;
 - landscaping and signage, including brick retaining walls at roadway intersections; including in each case, design and other related costs (including traffic studies); any rights-of-way or real estate acquisition; curbs and gutters, medians, sidewalks, bikeways, and landscaping (including scenic fencing and irrigation); traffic signs and signalization (including overhead street signage); street lighting and signs; burial of utility lines (including fiber optics); erosion and sediment control measures; grading, drainage and other related work; survey work, soil engineering, inspection fees and construction staking; and all other costs and improvements necessary and appurtenant thereto.
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