

CITY COUNCIL

April 6, 2026

The April 6, 2026 City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers by Julia Lemire, President. A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. City Council members present were Kenneth Wessler, Tom Karcher, Aaron Korte, Julia Lemire, Scott Moore, Kate Niederkohr, and John Walker.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Ben Buckland, Law Director; Fred Lord, Clemans Associates; Jeff Smith, Utility Workers Union of America, Local #G555; Aaron Sawmiller, Utility Workers Union of America, Local #G555; Brian Gottfried; Mark Nutter; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the March 16, 2026 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the March 16, 2026 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the March 23, 2026 Tree Commission meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

At this time Mr. Jeff Smith introduced himself and Mr. Aaron Sawmiller, as representatives of the Utility Workers Union of America, Local #G555, covering eligible full-time employees in the Street, Sanitation, Water Plant, and Wastewater Plant departments.

A motion was made by Mrs. Niederkohr, seconded by Mr. Karcher, to place Ordinance No. 66-14 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE, ADOPT AND ENACT THE JANUARY 2026 REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES: TO REPEAL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH: TO PUBLISH THE ENACTMENT OF NEW MATTER: AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 66-14 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mrs. Niederkohr, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 66-14. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 66-14 was duly adopted.

It was noted that at the March 16, 2026 City Council meeting, a motion and second were made to place Ordinance No. 67-14 on its first reading; and following considerable discussion, a motion and second were made to table the first reading of Ordinance No. 67-14 and a unanimous vote was taken approving the measure being tabled.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Korte, to remove Ordinance No. 67-14 from the table. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried.

On the following action that was tabled at the March 16, 2026 City Council meeting: A motion was made by Mrs. Niederkohr, seconded by Mr. Moore, to place Ordinance No. 67-14 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY, OHIO.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 67-14 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Karcher, seconded by Mrs. Niederkohr, to place Ordinance No. 68-14 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN MUNICIPAL EQUIPMENT NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A 2019 FREIGHTLINER M2 GARBAGE TRUCK.”, on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 68-14 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Wessler, seconded by Mr. Moore, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 68-14. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 68-14 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Walker, to place Ordinance No. 69-14 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE UTILITY WORKERS UNION OF AMERICA, LOCAL #G555, FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2028, COVERING ELIGIBLE FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES IN THE STREET, SANITATION, WATER PLANT AND WASTEWATER PLANT DEPARTMENTS FOR THE CITY, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.”, on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 69-14 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mrs. Niederkohr, to suspend the rules of the Municipal Charter calling for separate readings on different days. Upon Roll Call, all members voted as follows:

Mr. Wessler	-	Yes
Mr. Karcher	-	No
Mr. Korte	-	Yes
Mrs. Lemire	-	Yes
Mr. Moore	-	No
Mrs. Niederkohr	-	Yes
Mr. Walker	-	Yes

The President declared the motion carried by a 5-2 vote.

A motion was made by Mrs. Niederkohr, seconded by Mrs. Lemire, to place Ordinance No. 69-14 on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 69-14 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mrs. Niederkohr, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 69-14. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 69-14 was duly adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Karcher, seconded by Mrs. Niederkohr, to place Ordinance No. 70-14 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY’S PICK UP OF THE STATUTORILY REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION TO THE OHIO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (OPERS) FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF UPPER SANDUSKY PURSUANT TO IRC SECTION 414(h)(2), AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.”, on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 70-14 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mr. Walker, to suspend the rules of the Municipal Charter calling for separate readings on different days. Upon Roll Call, all members voted as follows:

Mr. Wessler	-	Yes
Mr. Karcher	-	No
Mr. Korte	-	Yes
Mrs. Lemire	-	Yes
Mr. Moore	-	No
Mrs. Niederkohr	-	Yes
Mr. Walker	-	Yes

The President declared the motion carried by a 5-2 vote.

A motion was made by Mrs. Niederkohr, seconded by Mrs. Lemire, to place Ordinance No. 70-14 on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 70-14 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Korte, seconded by Mrs. Niederkohr, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 70-14. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 70-14 was duly adopted.

It was noted that City Council members received the Income Tax Collections and Transient Guest Tax Collections Reports as of March 31, 2026.

Mayor McColly reported that Waterworth will be conducting a remote demonstration during the April 20, 2026 Service Committee meeting.

Mayor McColly also reported that representatives from the Sexual Assault Response Network (SARN) will be attending the April 20, 2026 City Council meeting along with Mr. Bob Snively, Palmer Energy, regarding the City’s aggregation program.

There being no further business, the President declared the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Julia Lemire, President