

**COUNCIL OF THE  
VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND HILLS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-36**

For the September 16, 2026  
Council Meeting

Introduced by: Mayor Michael L. Booker  
Supported by:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORIGINAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE  
2026-11 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026 BY MAKING  
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERRING APPROPRIATIONS  
BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS:** Council is authorized by ORC 5705.40 to amend its appropriation ordinance for calendar year 2026 and to submit same to the County Auditor or Budget Commission, and

**WHEREAS:** Council desires to amend the original appropriation ordinance, Ordinance 2026-11, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, by making additional appropriations, transferring appropriations within departments and providing for transfers between funds in order to comply with Ohio law concerning appropriation ordinances.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND HILLS, OHIO:**

Section 1: That Ordinance 2026-11 and Schedule A of Ordinance 2026-11 is hereby amended by making additional appropriations, transferring appropriations within departments and providing for transfers between funds. The Budget for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026 shall be amended as set forth in the amended Schedule A, the appropriations budget, which is attached hereto and incorporated fully herein by reference.

Section 2: A certified copy of this Ordinance shall be submitted by the Clerk of Council to the Finance Director, who shall submit the certified ordinance and exhibit to the Fiscal Officer of Cuyahoga County, Ohio as required by law.

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

Section 4: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary to provide for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the

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Village of Highland Hills, and for the reason that it is necessary to re-align appropriations in accordance with Ohio law and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed in Council this 16th day of September, 2026.

First Reading ✓ Second Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Third Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: Pride ✓ yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_ Greene ✓ yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_ Mills ✓ yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_

McManus ✓ yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_ Wright ✓ yea \_\_\_ nay \_\_\_

Cassandra Pride

Cassandra Pride  
President of Council

9/16/26  
Date

Attest: Margaret Sikon  
Margaret Sikon, Clerk of Council

9/16/26  
Date

Filed with the Mayor: ✓

9/22/26  
Date

Approved By: M-LB  
Michael L. Booker, Mayor

9/22/26  
Date

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# Village of Highland Hills

## 2026 Appropriation Review — Council Summary

Budget activity through 7/31/2026. Every General Fund department is shown. Only Council-level appropriation changes appear in the Adjustment column.

| Fund / Department / Category           | Current Annual        | Adjustment          | Proposed Annual       | Brief Detail                                                                               |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>101-701 — Administration</b>        |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Personnel                              | \$480,210.00          | \$0.00              | \$480,210.00          |                                                                                            |
| Others                                 | \$1,062,760.00        | \$0.00              | \$1,062,760.00        |                                                                                            |
| Capital Outlay — Fire Engine           | \$355,000.00          | \$620,705.20        | \$975,705.20          | \$655,000 fire engine; uses \$34,294.80 of existing Administration Capital capacity first. |
| Administration Total                   | \$1,897,970.00        | \$620,705.20        | \$2,518,675.20        |                                                                                            |
| <b>101-702 — Village Council</b>       |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Personnel                              | \$122,270.00          | \$0.00              | \$122,270.00          |                                                                                            |
| Others                                 | \$47,750.00           | \$0.00              | \$47,750.00           |                                                                                            |
| Village Council Total                  | \$170,020.00          | \$0.00              | \$170,020.00          |                                                                                            |
| <b>101-703 — Legal</b>                 |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Others                                 | \$144,855.00          | \$0.00              | \$144,855.00          |                                                                                            |
| Legal Total                            | \$144,855.00          | \$0.00              | \$144,855.00          |                                                                                            |
| <b>101-101 — Police Department</b>     |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Personnel                              | \$910,627.00          | \$3,025.81          | \$913,652.81          | Projected year-end Personnel shortfall after permitted internal reallocations.             |
| Others                                 | \$154,800.00          | \$0.00              | \$154,800.00          |                                                                                            |
| Capital Outlay                         | \$5,000.00            | \$0.00              | \$5,000.00            |                                                                                            |
| Police Department Total                | \$1,070,427.00        | \$3,025.81          | \$1,073,452.81        |                                                                                            |
| <b>101-301 — Building Department</b>   |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Personnel                              | \$59,965.00           | \$3,223.03          | \$63,188.03           | Projected salaries / OPERS shortfall after permitted internal reallocations.               |
| Others                                 | \$40,000.00           | \$0.00              | \$40,000.00           |                                                                                            |
| Building Department Total              | \$99,965.00           | \$3,223.03          | \$103,188.03          |                                                                                            |
| <b>101-302 — Community Development</b> |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Personnel                              | \$31,760.00           | \$0.00              | \$31,760.00           |                                                                                            |
| Community Development Total            | \$31,760.00           | \$0.00              | \$31,760.00           |                                                                                            |
| <b>101-601 — Public Works</b>          |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Personnel                              | \$514,961.20          | \$0.00              | \$514,961.20          |                                                                                            |
| Others                                 | \$211,650.00          | \$0.00              | \$211,650.00          |                                                                                            |
| Public Works Total                     | \$726,611.20          | \$0.00              | \$726,611.20          |                                                                                            |
| <b>101-602 — Public Properties</b>     |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Personnel                              | \$218,728.10          | \$0.00              | \$218,728.10          |                                                                                            |
| Others                                 | \$150,735.00          | \$0.00              | \$150,735.00          |                                                                                            |
| Public Properties Total                | \$369,463.10          | \$0.00              | \$369,463.10          |                                                                                            |
| <b>101-705 — Mayor / Court</b>         |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Personnel                              | \$50,601.01           | \$0.00              | \$50,601.01           |                                                                                            |
| Others                                 | \$32,800.00           | \$2,021.12          | \$34,821.12           | Projected year-end operating shortfall after permitted internal reallocations.             |
| Mayor / Court Total                    | \$83,401.01           | \$2,021.12          | \$85,422.13           |                                                                                            |
| <b>101-706 — Senior Department</b>     |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                            |
| Personnel                              | \$61,800.00           | \$0.00              | \$61,800.00           |                                                                                            |
| Others                                 | \$6,500.00            | \$0.00              | \$6,500.00            |                                                                                            |
| Senior Department Total                | \$68,300.00           | \$0.00              | \$68,300.00           |                                                                                            |
| <b>FUND 101 — GENERAL FUND TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$4,662,772.31</b> | <b>\$628,975.16</b> | <b>\$5,291,747.47</b> | <b>Includes fire engine and projected General Fund year-end appropriation needs.</b>       |

# Village of Highland Hills

## 2026 Appropriation Review — Other Funds

All expenditure funds outside Fund 101 are shown below. Blank Adjustment amounts mean no Council-level appropriation change is proposed.

| Fund / Department / Category                | Current Annual        | Adjustment          | Proposed Annual       | Brief Detail                                                                                                                        |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Fund 212 — Fire Levy Fund</b>            |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                                                                     |
| 212-150 Fire — Others                       | \$98,000.00           | \$0.00              | \$98,000.00           |                                                                                                                                     |
| 212-150 Fire — Personnel                    | \$878,500.00          | \$0.00              | \$878,500.00          |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 212 Total</b>                       | <b>\$976,500.00</b>   | <b>\$0.00</b>       | <b>\$976,500.00</b>   |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 216 — Law Enforcement Drug Fund</b> |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                                                                     |
| 216-101 Police — Capital Outlay             | \$6,250.00            | \$11,090.00         | \$17,340.00           | Reclass \$11,090 of restricted law-enforcement proceeds from General Fund to Fund 216 for Police equipment; GL cleanup will follow. |
| 216-101 Police — Others                     | \$500.00              | \$0.00              | \$500.00              |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 216 Total</b>                       | <b>\$6,750.00</b>     | <b>\$11,090.00</b>  | <b>\$17,840.00</b>    |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 240 — Lighting Assessment Fund</b>  |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                                                                     |
| 240-701 Administration — Others             | \$54,816.80           | \$16,141.24         | \$70,958.04           | Projected lighting / electricity costs exceed the current annual appropriation.                                                     |
| <b>Fund 240 Total</b>                       | <b>\$54,816.80</b>    | <b>\$16,141.24</b>  | <b>\$70,958.04</b>    |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 301 — General Obligation Note</b>   |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                                                                     |
| 301-701 Administration — Others             | \$294,532.00          | \$0.00              | \$294,532.00          |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 301 Total</b>                       | <b>\$294,532.00</b>   | <b>\$0.00</b>       | <b>\$294,532.00</b>   |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 520 — Rental Operations Fund</b>    |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                                                                     |
| 520-650 Shaker House — Capital Outlay       | \$200,000.00          | \$0.00              | \$200,000.00          |                                                                                                                                     |
| 520-650 Shaker House — Others               | \$249,000.00          | \$30,817.63         | \$279,817.63          | Projected year-end Shaker House operating / utility costs exceed the current appropriation.                                         |
| 520-650 Shaker House — Personnel            | \$135,591.00          | \$0.00              | \$135,591.00          |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 520 Total</b>                       | <b>\$584,591.00</b>   | <b>\$30,817.63</b>  | <b>\$615,408.63</b>   |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 901 — Contractors Deposits Fund</b> |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                                                                     |
| 901-301 Building Department — Others        | \$63,750.00           | \$19,537.39         | \$83,287.39           | Projected contractual activity exceeds the current annual appropriation.                                                            |
| <b>Fund 901 Total</b>                       | <b>\$63,750.00</b>    | <b>\$19,537.39</b>  | <b>\$83,287.39</b>    |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 905 — Tenants Deposits Fund</b>     |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                                                                     |
| 905-650 Shaker House — Others               | \$10,000.00           | \$0.00              | \$10,000.00           |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 905 Total</b>                       | <b>\$10,000.00</b>    | <b>\$0.00</b>       | <b>\$10,000.00</b>    |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 908 — Mayors Court Fund</b>         |                       |                     |                       |                                                                                                                                     |
| 908-705 Mayor / Court — Others              | \$135,000.00          | \$0.00              | \$135,000.00          |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fund 908 Total</b>                       | <b>\$135,000.00</b>   | <b>\$0.00</b>       | <b>\$135,000.00</b>   |                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>OTHER FUNDS TOTAL</b>                    | <b>\$2,125,939.80</b> | <b>\$77,586.26</b>  | <b>\$2,203,526.06</b> | All non-General Fund appropriations shown above.                                                                                    |
| <b>ALL FUNDS TOTAL</b>                      | <b>\$6,788,712.11</b> | <b>\$706,561.42</b> | <b>\$7,495,273.53</b> | Total proposed Council appropriation actions.                                                                                       |