



ORDINANCE: 09 – 26

PASSED: February 2, 2026

**AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO TRANSFER LAND TO THE BIG WALNUT AREA COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, Section 3.01 of the City Charter provides that Council has the power to acquire and to sell or otherwise convey interests in real property; and to lease, as the lessor or lessee, or otherwise grant or receive interests in real property; and,

**WHEREAS**, Section 157.04(j) of the City of Obetz Codified Ordinances provides that Council may authorize the purchase and sale of real property with or without public bidding, on such terms and for such value as Council, in the exercise of its discretion, may deem reasonable and in the best interest of the City; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Obetz owns approximately 14.2 acres northeast of Industrial Center Drive, more particularly identified as Franklin County Auditor Parcel No: 186-000005; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Obetz desires to facilitate the development of this land for economic development purposes; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Big Walnut Area Community Improvement Corporation (BWACIC) is a community improvement corporation organized pursuant to Chapter 1724 of the Ohio Revised Code and supports the economic activities of the City of Obetz; and,

**WHEREAS**, this Council hereby finds and determines that the above listed parcel is not required by the City of Obetz for its purposes, and that conveyance of the land to the BWACIC, whether for nominal or other consideration, will serve a valid public purpose and improve the economic welfare of the people of the City of Obetz.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OBETZ, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:**

Section 1: Council authorizes and directs the Mayor to convey to the Big Walnut Area Community Improvement Corporation the 14.2 acres northeast of Industrial Center Drive (Franklin County Auditor Parcel No: 186-000005), upon such terms and conditions, including consideration, as may be approved by the Mayor and the Administrator and are consistent with this Ordinance.

Section 2: This Council further hereby authorizes the Mayor, the Administrator, the Law Director, 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 transfer the property.

Section 3: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety or welfare of this City and for the further reason that this Ordinance must take immediate effect in order to allow the BWACIC to pursue time-sensitive economic development opportunities that promote job creation and economic growth within the City of Obetz; WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

Passed this 2 day of February, 2026.

**ATTESTS:**

Stacey Boumis  
Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council

Angela M. Kirk  
Angela M. Kirk, Mayor

[Signature]  
Derek Varney, Council President Pro-Tem

**APPROVED AS TO FORM**

Eugene Hollins  
Eugene Hollins, Esq., Law Director

**CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION**

Pursuant to the City Charter, I, Stacey E. Boumis, Clerk of Council of the City of Obetz, Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance 09-26 was duly posted at 5:00 PM (time) on the 9 day of February, 2026, at the Obetz Government Center, Obetz Athletic Club, and Obetz Community Center as well as on the Obetz website.



Stacey Boumis  
Stacey Boumis, Clerk

2/9/26  
Date