

**COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA**

In Council Chambers @6:00 P.M.

Monday, April 20, 2026

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tim Dawson, Executive Director Regional Planning & Coordinating Commission of Greene County re: Available Services

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of April 6, 2026 Regular Meeting
2. Credit Card Report for March, 2026

REVIEW OF AGENDA

I. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS (6:10)

The Clerk will receive and file:

Barbara Mann re: Handicap Parking
Phillip O'Rourke re: Art Stroll (2)
Jacob Schmidt re: East Enon Safety Concerns
Laura Skidmore re: Opposition to Parking Expansion
Mayor's Clerk re: Mayor's Reports (3)

II. CITIZEN CONCERNS (6:15)

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS/LEGISLATION (6:30)

First Reading of Ordinance 2026-06 Amending Chapter 252.06 "Personnel Policy Manual" of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio
Reading of Resolution 2026-19 Approving a One-Time Grant to the Yellow Springs Senior Center

IV. SPECIAL REPORTS (6:45)

Quarterly Financials (Robinson: 10 min.)
Treasurer Report (Kintner: 5 min.)

V. MANAGER'S REPORT (7:00)

VI. OLD BUSINESS (7:15)

Board and Commission Goals (DeVore Leonard: 25 min.)
Follow Up Discussion re: Housing Committee (DeVore Leonard: 15 min.)
Clarification and Prioritization of Housing Goals (Hsu: 15 min.)

VII. NEW BUSINESS

VIII. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS (8:10)

Planning Commission	Leonard	Brown
Finance Committee	Leonard	Semere
Yellow Spring Development Corporation (YSDC)	Brown	Semere
Public Arts & Culture Commission	Brown	Pearce

NOMINATIONS

Library Commission (LC)	Hsu	Semere
Environmental Commission (EC) (TBD)	Brown	Hsu
Village Mediation Program (VMP)	Brown	
YS School Liaison	Pearce	
YS Chamber Liaison	Leonard	
Active Transportation Liaison	Pearce	
Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (MVRPC)	Semere	Brown
Greene County Regional Planning Commission (GCRPC)	Brown	Semere
Housing Committee	Hsu	TBD

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS* (8:15)

May 4:	5pm: Executive Session Second Reading and Public Hearing of Ordinance 2026-06 Amending Chapter 252.06 “Personnel Policy Manual” of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio Emergency Reading of Ordinance 2026-07 Approving a Second Quarter Supplemental Appropriation and Declaring an Emergency Reading of Resolution 2026-20 Authorizing the Village Manager to Enter into an Agreement with XXX for 2026 Utility Line Clearance (Section 4) of the Village Request for Approval to Apply for ODNr Nature Works Grant Reading of Resolution 2026-21 Approving Update of Housing Goals Parking Expansion Discussion Economic Development Discussion
May 18:	5pm Work Session: Information Session with Craig Kleinhenz of AMP re: Power Contracts and PJM Capacity Charges Discussion of Village Mediation Program Coordinator Job Description 6pm Regular Session Residential Sidewalk Discussion Discussion of Fewer Meetings During Summer
June 1:	Executive Session re: Clerk and VM Pre-Evaluation Check-In Set Joint Meeting with Township and School Board (School Board availability?) Well Ordinance-?
June 15:	

*Future Agenda items are noted for planning purposes only and are subject to change.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Council for the Village of Yellow Springs will be held at 6:00 p.m. on **Monday, May 4, 2026**.

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**Council for the Village of Yellow Springs
Regular Session Minutes**

In Council Chambers @ 5 P.M.

Monday, April 6, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

President of Council Gavin DeVore Leonard called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present were Council President Gavin DeVore Leonard, Council Vice President Angie Hsu and Council members Senay Semere and Stephanie Pearce. Solicitor Amy Blankenship, Finance Director Michelle Robinson and Tiffany Hiser of Shared Resources were also present. The Village Manager was not present. Brown arrived at 5:03pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:02, Hsu MOVED TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION under Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(1): To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee and Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(2) to consider the purchase of property for public purposes. Semere SECONDED, and the MOTION PASSED 4-0 ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

Brown entered the session at 5:03.

Present in the session were Solicitor Blankenship, FD Robinson and Tiffany Hiser of Shared Resources. Robinson and Hiser left the session at 5:30, and Johnnie Burns entered session.

At 6:01, Brown MOVED and Hsu SECONDED a MOTION TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

MOTION TO ENTER REGULAR SESSION

At 6:05 Hsu MOVED and Pearce SECONDED a MOTION TO ENTER REGULAR SESSION. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pearce noted attendance at the Greene County Food Council, urging other Council members to attend in the future.

Council received advice regarding attendance at a village event that evening. They informally decided that only Pearce and Semere would attend to avoid Sunshine Law concerns.

Burns announced Spring Clean Up week the first week of May.

Brown announced an America 250 event for April 11th.

Brown announced that the Corry Street garden lottery is now open.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of March 16, 2026 Regular Meeting

Brown MOVED and Hsu SECONDED a MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

There were no changes made.

PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS

The Clerk will receive and file:

Gavin DeVore Leonard re: Final Antioch Grant Support Letter
Marcia Wallgren re: Vernay Property

Hsu reviewed communications.

CITIZEN CONCERNS

Mitzie Miller spoke in support of revisiting parking options.

Laura Curliss read a memo urging Council to request a wetland delineation study. She stated that there is funding available for this. She opined that housing should be directed to land with existing infrastructure.

Carrie Stogler noted a gravel hazard on the Village basketball courts and asked if these could be cleared periodically.

Jacob Schmidt asked for Council support to address safety concerns on the road south of YS High School. This land is in the Township, so is in the purview of the county, but Schmidt is working to get alignment on addressing these concerns.

Sarah Strong offered information related to water flow into and out of the Glass Farm.

Sam Eckenrode read an excerpt from The Sneetches.

Ben Miller suggested the closure of Short Street for viewing of the World Cup.

Judith Hempfling requested that residential sidewalks remain the responsibility of the Village and asked that Council gather a number of data points.

Heather Stewart complained that she is not receiving an explanation as to why the Village “seems to be opposed to food truck rallies”.

DeVore Leonard commented that as part of discussion around economic development, Council will discuss food trucks and pop-up businesses. He responded to Miller, advising checking in with Village staff if requesting a street closure.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/LEGISLATION (6:20)

Reading of Resolution 2026-16 Approving a One Year Extension to The Windsor Group, LLC for the Final Development Plan for a Proposed PUD for 275 East North College Street. Brown MOVED and Hsu SECONDED a MOTION to APPROVE.

Blankenship explained that the zoning code allows for one-twelve-month extension for submission of the final development plan if granted by Council.

Eric Alfieri, The Windsor Group, stated that it is not Windsor Group’s intention to delay the final plan any longer than needed, which, he opined, would likely be fewer than twelve months.

Alfieri commented that his intention is to provide staff with ample time to review the final plan and work with Windsor should there be any need for adjustment prior to bringing the plan to Planning Commission. He noted that progress on the final plan had been put on hold pending approval of a CRA, which was approved by Council in mid-December.

Semere asked whether there were financial issues affecting completion of the final plan.

Pearce asked for an explanation as to the need for an extension.

Alfieri responded to Pearce, stating that prior to engaging with their engineers, consultants and designers, they wanted to know that a CRA would be in place.

Responding to a follow-up from Pearce, Alfieri stated that from Windsor's perspective, the development would not have been possible without the tax abatement, hence the delay as they waited on a decision from Council regarding a CRA.

Hsu asked whether less than one year approval was permitted.

The Clerk commented that normally whatever time period was requested was what was considered and approved.

Burns stated that the process is normal, that Spring Meadows, Cascades and Glen Cottages developments all received extensions. He added that had Windsor submitted on time, the Village, which is currently seeking a Planning and Zoning Administrator, would have had to contract out the review work, which would have been costly.

DeVore Leonard asked that any updates be provided to Council.

DeVore Leonard CALLED THE VOTE and the MOTION PASSED 4-1 with Pearce voting against.

Reading of Resolution 2026-17 Approving a One Year Extension to The Windsor Group, LLC for the Final Development Plan for a Proposed PUD for 150 East South College Street. Brown MOVED and Hsu SECONDED a MOTION to APPROVE.

Alfieri confirmed that the same information just provided for the 275 East North College PUD is accurate for the 150 East South College PUD.

DeVore Leonard CALLED THE VOTE and the MOTION PASSED 4-1 with Pearce voting against.

Reading of Resolution 2026-18 Authorizing the Village Manager to Enter into an Agreement for the Sale of Village Owned Renewable Energy Credits and the Purchase of Green E-Certified RECs. Brown MOVED and Hsu SECONDED a MOTION to APPROVE.

Burns explained that this would be the Village's third sale of RECs with funds used to make improvements to the Village electric utility and to improve sustainable practices. Burns commented that sale price as well as cost to purchase the Green e-RECs to offset the sale are constantly moving targets.

Semere asked whether there is any urgency to approval of the sale.

Burns stated that there has been a \$26,000 reduction in sale price between his request to bring the issue to Council and tonight's meeting, opining that a decision should be made rapidly. Once Council approval is obtained, he said, he can lock in the price.

Burns advised that proceeds from this year's sale would go to supporting creation of a center circuit, the purpose of which is to stabilize the village grid.

Responding to a question from Hsu, Burns confirmed that 2020 was the first year the Village sold RECs, and that it was viewed at the time as a way to control electric utility costs by offsetting the cost of capital projects.

DeVore Leonard and Hsu both acknowledged that the issue is complex and should be viewed critically.

Hsu commented that she would like to have more sources to consult regarding the ethics of REC sale and the specifics around different types of RECs. The system is flawed, she said.

Brown stated that this is an issue that can be studied by EC.

Hsu received confirmation that the next sale of RECs would be in 2029.

Responding to a question from Pearce, Burns said that while all proceeds are directed to the center circuit for this sale, in the future at least 15% would be directed to specific renewable initiatives.

Burns responded to a question from Hsu, who asked why there is benefit to purchase of the Green e-RECs. He said that while this does not benefit the Village beyond maintaining Green municipality status, local companies and village schools are able to receive a status deduction because of the Village's status.

Hsu asked about abstaining from a vote.

Blankenship explained that aside from not having the information needed to make a decision, abstaining from a vote is not legally recognized.

DeVore Leonard CALLED THE VOTE, and the MOTION PASSED 5-0 on a ROLL CALL VOTE.

SPECIAL REPORTS

There were no Special Reports.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Burns noted that Giardullo will be sitting in for him on April 20th, since he will be out of town.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

DeVore Leonard explained that the overall topic is what matters to place on upcoming agendas, and that Council should consider what information is needed and when to place the topic on the agenda.

Parking Expansion Proposals. DeVore Leonard stated that the issue was raised during the Short Street conversation, asking how walkability and density factor into the conversation, along with cost and accessibility.

Hsu asked that staff provide information differentiating between residential and business district parking so that these can be separately addressed if appropriate.

Semere commented that the parking issue seems to come up regularly.

Pearce stated that Mills Lawn should be consulted as to their opinion on the possibility of parking around the school's property.

Economic Development. Semere opined that the Village needs to look into its partners in economic development and that he is starting that process with members of YSDC. He commented further that there is no ED plan on file with YSDC, and getting that plan in place is a key step forward.

DeVore Leonard asked that a chart identifying key players, their role as documented and role in practice be produced. Following the chart, he said, Council should identify whether there are gaps in expectation.

DeVore Leonard responded to a question from Brown, stating that Council should identify their view of stakeholders' roles and speak with those entities to determine whether there is alignment.

DeVore Leonard acknowledged that staff's role within YSDC has shifted over the years and that this is one area that should be clarified.

Status of Residential Sidewalks. Pearce asked for information as to what the Village spends on residential sidewalks annually.

DeVore Leonard asked Burns to weigh in on the equity question and any information regarding staff time vis a vis sidewalk maintenance.

Burns asked that both Parking and Economic Development be moved to May 4th, since he will be out of town on April 20th.

Burns noted that sidewalk work has been funded for 2026, and that discussion of a change in status is relevant to the 2027 budget. For this reason, he said, the matter should be considered and a decision made prior to the 2027 budget process, but is not immediately urgent.

The sidewalk discussion was accordingly moved to May 18th.

Strategic Plan Scope of Services. DeVore Leonard referenced his provided memo, asking whether anyone had additions to the proposed scope or appetite to add this to the budget.

Council expressed general approval for the proposed scope and for bringing a supplemental once a general cost is determined.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- April 20: Announcements: RPCC Director
 Reading of Resolution 2026-XX Approving a One-Time Grant to the Yellow Springs Senior Center
 Board and Commission Goals
 First Reading of Ordinance 2026-06 Amending Chapter 252.06 "Personnel Policy Manual" of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio
 Well Ordinance-?
- May 4: 5pm: Executive Session
 Second Reading and Public Hearing of Ordinance 2026-06 Amending Chapter 252.06 "Personnel Policy Manual" of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio
 Reading of Resolution 2026-XX Authorizing the Village Manager to Enter into an Agreement with XXX for 2026 Utility Line Clearance (Section 4) of the Village
 Parking Expansion Discussion
 Economic Development Discussion
- May 18: 5pm Work Session: Information Session with Craig Kleinhenz of AMP re: Power Contracts and PJM Capacity Charges
 Residential Sidewalk Discussion
 6pm Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:46pm Semere MOVED and Brown SECONDED a MOTION TO ADJOURN. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

Signed:_____

Gavin DeVore Leonard, Council President

Attest: _____
Judy Kintner, Council Clerk

Date	Transaction	Name	Memo	Amount
3/4/2026	DEBIT	SAMS CLUB.COM 800-966-6546 AR	24445006062200205758643;I	\$199.20 WATER FOR ELECTRIC AND WATER GUYS/ADMINISTRATION
3/4/2026	DEBIT	METAL SUPERMARKETS DAY DAYTON OH	24013396062000568030227;I	\$54.68 DIVING BOARD/STREETS DEPT.
3/5/2026	DEBIT	MEIJER STORE #241 HUBER HEIGHTS OH	24445006063200189124423;I	\$15.99 FOOD/POLICE DEPT.
3/5/2026	DEBIT	PAYPAL *PRESTIGEPAP 402-935-7733 CA	24027626063067156467601;I	\$118.55 APPA SAFETY AWARD PLAQUE/ELECTRIC DEPT.
3/6/2026	DEBIT	EB *OHIO EPA ENVIRONME 801-413-7200 CA	24036296064712888859894;I	\$75.00 OEPA TRAINING CLASS/WATER DEPT.
3/9/2026	DEBIT	LOWES #02603* XENIA OH	24692166065100021109576;I	\$235.52 SUMP PUMP LINE AND ELECTRIC CORDS/WATER DEPT.
3/12/2026	DEBIT	APA OHIO 330-8146295 OH	24121576070000069100020;I	\$65.00 APA OHIO MEMBERSHIP DUES/PLANNING AND ZONING DEPT.
3/12/2026	DEBIT	THE UPS STORE 3844 937-7549999 OH	24000976070400200923454;I	\$65.50 SHIPPING METERS TO ITRON/ELECTRIC DEPT.
3/12/2026	DEBIT	HARBOR FREIGHT TOOLS30 SPRINGFIELD OH	24231686071677087961435;I	\$139.99 WELDING CART/STREETS DEPT.
3/12/2026	DEBIT	MENARDS 3369 FAIRBORN OH	24137466070100292346055;I	\$207.28 DRILL BITS/STREETS DEPT.
3/16/2026	DEBIT	BENTINO'S OF YELLOW SP 937-7672500 OH	24695236074900010300046;I	\$92.21 FOOD FOR CREW/ELECTRIC DEPT.
3/16/2026	DEBIT	KROGER 838 FAIRBORN OH	24445716074300721823374;I	\$22.49 SNACKS/POLICE DEPT.
3/19/2026	DEBIT	SPO*BILL'SDONUTSHOP CENTERVILLE OH	24137466077501102424896;I	\$321.75 COMMUNITY OUTREACH/POLICE DEPT.
3/23/2026	DEBIT	LABORLAWCENTER LLC 800-745-9970 CA	24692166079102632040780;I	\$186.86 OHIO LAW LABOR POSTERS/ADMIN.
3/23/2026	DEBIT	DLX FOR SMALLBUSINESS 800-865-1913 MN	24692166081104326892514;I	\$162.82 DEPOSIT SLIPS/UTILITY OFFICE
3/24/2026	DEBIT	FRGN TRANS FEE-NOTEHOUSE LO	74208476083100003149858;I	\$5.76 TRANSACTION FEE/NOTEHOUSE/POLICE DEPT.
3/24/2026	DEBIT	AATRIX SOFTWARE LLC 701-746-6814 GA	24493986083203883046520;I	\$29.99 1099 E-FILE/FINANCE DEPT.
3/24/2026	DEBIT	VISTAPRINT 866-207-4955 MA	24036296082712075191513;I	\$173.97 BUSINES CARDS FOR SPARKS, STEWART AND MEDITATION/ADMIN.
3/24/2026	DEBIT	NOTEHOUSE LONDON GB	74208476083100003149858;I	\$288.00 NOTEHOUSE YEARLY PLAN/POLICE DEPT.
3/26/2026	DEBIT	AATRIX SOFTWARE LLC 701-746-6814 GA	24493986085204466049871;I	\$18.99 1099 CORRECTION/FINANCE DEPT.
3/26/2026	DEBIT	AATRIX SOFTWARE LLC 701-746-6814 GA	24493986085204466048311;I	\$18.99 1099 CORRECTION/FINANCE DEPT.
3/26/2026	CREDIT	ICMA ONLINE 2029623542 DC	74027626084067349536023;I	-\$395.00 REFUND FROM ICMA/JB
3/26/2026	DEBIT	OHIO RURAL WATER ASSOC 750-455-3911 OH	24801976084692709495969;I	\$1,200.00 OH RURAL WATER CONFERENCE/WATER DEPT.
3/27/2026	DEBIT	VISTAPRINT 866-207-4955 MA	24036296085712579866542;I	\$256.98 EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION CARDS/ADMIN.
3/30/2026	DEBIT	MENARDS 3369 FAIRBORN OH	24137466087100448799547;I	\$96.95 NO TRESSPASS SIGN FOR WELL AND WATER PL/ELECTRIC DEPT.
3/30/2026	DEBIT	PAYPAL *PRESTIGEPAP 402-935-7733 CA	24027626086067439387231;I	\$225.55 PLAQUES FOR RELIABILTY/ELECTRIC DEPT.
3/30/2026	DEBIT	MENARDS 3369 FAIRBORN OH	24137466087100448799471;I	\$99.99 SUMP PUMP FOR DIAMONDS/STREETS DEPT.
				\$3,983.01



The Village of Yellow Springs

LEGISLATIVE MEMO

Agenda Item:	First Reading of Ordinance 2026-06
Title:	First Reading of Ordinance 2026-06 Amending Chapter 252.06 “Personnel Policy Manual” of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio
Submitted by:	Johnnie Burns, Village Manager; Elyse Giardullo, Assistant Village Manager
Scope/Description:	Village Administration has completed a comprehensive review and redline of the Village’s Personnel Policy Manual (PPM). The purpose of this review was to clarify existing policies, ensure alignment with current administrative practices, improve recruitment and retention efforts, and update provisions where appropriate. The proposed amendments include a range of administrative, procedural, and policy updates intended to modernize the PPM and ensure consistency across departments. The redline version reflects collaborative input and review from the Village Manager, Assistant Village Manager, Village Solicitor, HR Director, Finance Director, and Chief of Police. This item represents the first reading of the ordinance.
Stakeholder Impact:	Village Employees: The fully redlined Personnel Policy Manual, along with a supporting memorandum outlining all significant changes, was shared with staff for review. Employees were invited to provide feedback and attend open office hours to discuss the proposed updates. Feedback received was limited and did not indicate significant concerns with the proposed revisions. The feedback provided was spread across various policy areas rather than focused on any single provision, suggesting no widespread concern with a particular change. The current version reflects the updates identified through the administrative review process, along with consideration of staff input.
Budget Impact:	While many updates are administrative, several changes may have financial implications, including paid parental leave, increased vacation accrual, and potential cellular phone reimbursements. These may be partially offset by anticipated savings from medical insurance opt-out incentives and reduced leave payout obligations. Certain provisions are proposed to take effect January 1, 2027, to avoid impacts to the current year budget. Overall, the fiscal impact will depend on the extent to which employees utilize the updated benefits; however, the Village anticipates a minimal net impact to the budget. Any remaining impacts will be managed within existing appropriations or addressed through future budget planning.
Exhibits:	Exhibit A: Ordinance 2026-06 (Redlined Personnel Policy Manual Updates)
Recommendation:	First Reading; no action required at this time. Any substantive changes made following this reading would require an additional first reading of the ordinance.

**VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO
ORDINANCE 2026-06**

**REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 252.06 “PERSONNEL POLICY
MANUAL” OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF
YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO AND APPROVING REVISED PERSONNEL
POLICY MANUAL**

WHEREAS, at the recommendation of the Village Manager and Village department heads, the Village’s Personnel Policy Manual required thorough review and revision; and,

WHEREAS, Village department heads invested many hours in the review and proposed revisions and now recommend same to Village Council; and,

WHEREAS, Approval authority of the Village’s Personnel Policy Manual rests with Village Council per Section 82 of the Village Charter; and,

WHEREAS, the Village Solicitor recommends revision of Section 252.06 of the Village’s Codified Ordinances to eliminate the need to revise the codified ordinances whenever the Personnel Policy Manual is updated; and,

WHEREAS, Village Council accepts the recommendations of staff and the Village Solicitor to approve the revised Personnel Policy Manual and revise Section 252.06 of the Village’s Codified Ordinances as set forth herein,

NOW, THEREFORE, COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO HEREBY ORDAINS THAT:

Section 1. Section 252.06 entitled “Personnel Policy Manual” of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio be repealed.

Section 2. A new Section 252.06 entitled “Personnel Policy Manual” of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio be enacted to read as follows with new language underlined and **bolded** and deleted language in ~~strikethrough~~.

~~Council does hereby approve and adopt the revised Personnel Policy Manual dated January 2022, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.~~

In accordance with Section 82 of the Village Charter, Council has approved a Personnel Policy Manual, along with updated versions from time to time. Revisions to the Personnel Policy Manual are to be approved by Council by ordinance, with the most current version hereby incorporated by reference

in its entirety. The most current version of the Personnel Policy Manual will be made available for review in the office of the Clerk of Council.

Section 3. The revised Personnel Policy Manual dated April 2026 is hereby approved in a form substantially similar to Exhibit A.

Gavin Devore Leonard, President of Council

Passed:

Attest: _____
Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council

ROLL CALL:

Gavin DeVore Leonard____ Angie Hsu____ Carmen Brown____
Senay Semere____ Stephanie Pearce____



The Village of Yellow Springs

LEGISLATIVE MEMO

Agenda Item:	Resolution 2026-19: Council consideration of funding for Senior Center purchase of property for use as new Senior Center
Title:	Approving a One-Time Grant to the Yellow Springs Senior Center as Appropriated in the Village of Yellow Springs 2026 Budget for the Purpose of Purchase of Property
Submitted by:	Council Clerk
Scope/Description:	As part of the 2026 budget process, Council voted approval of \$32,000 to the YS Senior Center (YSSC) to assist with a deficit budget. Since that approval, the YSSC has changed their request, and is now asking that Council award the YSSC a grant to assist in the purchase of a property for use as a new Senior Center. The resolution references an agreement: The Village Solicitor will craft an agreement which satisfies both the Village and Senior Center and which must be signed by both parties prior to issuance of the grant.
Stakeholder Impact:	The resolution describes donation to the Senior Center as contributing to the overall good of the community, particularly as a contributor to the social engagement of and service provision to Village senior citizens.
Budget Impact:	Funds in the amount of \$32,000 were appropriated as earmarked towards a grant to the YSSC during Council's 2026 budget process.
Exhibits:	None
Recommendation:	Council must determine whether you agree with the change in use of the funds appropriated by the 2025 Council and whether you wish to uphold the budgeted contribution either in part or in whole.

**VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO RESOLUTION
2026-19**

**APPROVING A ONE-TIME GRANT TO THE YELLOW SPRINGS SENIOR CENTER AS
APPROPRIATED IN THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS 2026 BUDGET FOR THE
PURPOSE OF PURCHASE OF PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, Council affirms that the existence of a Senior Center is a valuable asset to the community, providing resources, a social gathering space and ongoing educational and entertainment options for the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, during their 2026 budget process Council approved the inclusion of \$32,000.00 for a one-time grant to the Senior Center to support the Senior Center in 2026; and,

WHEREAS, the Senior Center has identified a property located at 108 Cliff Street, and will pursue purchase of that property in order to relocate operations to a larger space and Village Council desires to support the purchase of that property,

NOW, THEREFORE, COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS OHIO HEREBY RESOLVES THAT:

Section 1. Village Council hereby authorizes the issuance of grant funds in the amount of \$32,000.00, in accordance with the terms set forth herein, to be taken from Council's budget line #101101054109.

Section 2. Village Council hereby recognizes the existence and operation of the Senior Center as a community good serving the established public purpose of promoting and supporting the social engagement and wellbeing of village senior citizens.

Section 3. Council hereby directs staff to enter into an agreement with the Senior Center, in a form approved by the Village Manager and Solicitor, committing to the donation of \$32,000.00 if the Senior Center acquires the property as described herein.

Gavin DeVore Leonard, President of Council

PASSED:

Attest: _____
Judy Kintner, Council Clerk

ROLL CALL:

Gavin DeVore Leonard____ Angie Hsu____ Carmen Brown____
Senay Semere____ Stephanie Pearce____



Our Mission is to enhance the dignity and quality of life for seniors in Yellow Springs and Miami Township and to foster interaction among them with the total community.

April 7, 2026

Village of Yellow Springs
100 Dayton Street
Yellow Springs, OH 45387

To Manager Burns and Council Trustees,

Thank you for including support of Yellow Springs Senior Citizens, Inc. "YSSC" in the Village budget for 2026. As presented during the Council meetings last fall, YSSC supports the good of the entire community in ways that no other organization could easily replace. I am enclosing with this letter a list of our services, activities and linkages that help people of all ages make connections, get support to navigate challenges and have access to services that support their needs.

In 1959, as YSSC was being initiated, YS Village Council provided our first facility, the former Opera House. That building was demolished the following year, but the Village continued to provide funding to pay rent elsewhere in town until we were able to purchase 227 Xenia Avenue in 1978 thanks to generous support of donors. For nearly 50 years, the building has provided a home for Senior Center programs and classes, while serving the broader community by hosting weekend markets, community meetings, lectures and more. The building has undergone numerous expansions and renovations to better serve the community, including the addition of the Great Room in 1994, but Senior Center programs outgrew the current location over 20 years ago.

At just 3,700 square feet, the current building is inadequate to effectively serve the community's growing senior population. The layout of the building creates logistical challenges and with only two classrooms, the space limits program offerings. Additionally, anyone with a mobility device must use the outdoor ramp to transition between levels of the building, including to the restroom. Limited handicapped parking reduces access for many of our members.

The Yellow Springs Senior Center has a contract to purchase the former lumberyard at 108 Cliff Street. The location is along the bike path and will include a large deck for outdoor recreation activities. The 10,000 square foot building will be repurposed into a new Senior Center. Additionally, the potential exists to add an upper level, providing space for future expansion or to allow community partners to co-locate. Making use of this vacant building will also revitalize a segment of the central business district while expanding YSSC's capacity to serve the community.

YSSC requests that the Village of Yellow Springs provide financial support for the purchase of 108 Cliff St as the next home of YSSC. The designated amount of \$32,000 from the Village would help us get close to the Phase I goal of \$850,000 which will cover the purchase of the lot, schematic design phase and consultant fees. There are incentives in our purchase contract to close the sale as quickly as possible. As we progress through the design phase the final project budget will be developed. There will be future opportunities for naming rights and giving levels to be recognized, as yet to be identified. This grant from the Village would be considered as a part of such a giving level in the final project.

This project will support the Village's goal of creating a welcoming community, particularly as the Center is a place where all are welcome. YSSC's services and programs help to support those with physical, financial, or other struggles. We look forward to being in a location that strengthens our affiliation with the Village and allows us to increase opportunities for residents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Caroline Mullin".

Caroline Mullin
Executive Director, Yellow Springs Senior Citizens, Inc.
cmullin@ysseniors.org

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Sponsorship of Major Projects or Initiatives – Request Form

Deadline: Monday, September 22, 2025 at 5:00 PM

IMPORTANT: Requests of this type must be sponsored by a Council Member, and only the sponsoring Council Member may submit this form.

Date: September 19, 2025

Council Member Sponsor Name: Brian Housh

Applicant / Organization Name: YS Senior Citizens, Inc.

Organization Contact Person: Caroline Mullin

Email: cmullin@ysseniors.org

Phone: 937.767.5751

Project / Initiative Title: Senior Services & Support

Project Description (Include target population, timeline, location, tools, expertise, etc.):

Yellow Springs Senior Citizens, Inc, initiated in 1959 from a Village Council charge, has ever since been an integral part of the community. Services provided to hundreds of individuals each month (about 40% of 45387 are 60+) help maintain health, improve access to benefits, increase social ties and provide meaningful engagement. Our Mission is to enhance the dignity and quality of life for seniors in Yellow Springs and Miami Township and to foster interaction among them with the total community.

Alignment with Village Goals & Values (Which Village goal or value does this project help fulfill? Please identify objectives and expected outcomes):

Community inclusiveness is at the heart of YSSC and we are a welcoming place for all people. Free classes, rides, meals, recreation and most services provide that anyone is eligible to participate. All walks of life are comfortable and accepted without judgment. Free membership is provided as needed. YSSC's help links the community to service and fiscal assistance programs, providing help that maintains independence or helps through life's transitions, often addressing affordability challenges. YS Village supports recreation specifically for youth, but is not supporting similar recreation for seniors.

Collaboration (Are there additional organizations or individuals involved? If yes, provide details):

YSSC has working partnerships with the Village and Township (particularly emergency services), dozens of non-profit agencies, Antioch College and provides volunteer opportunities for people of all ages (176 volunteers provided 5500 hours of service in 2024). There were over 16,000 visits to YSSC in 2024. YSSC has been integral in the process of becoming an Age Friendly Community and the ongoing work to maintain the credentials, funding and progress because of that linkage. Potential shared use of our Transit van, future building and wider access to supportive services will benefit anyone in the community. YSSC is a reason many people move to the community.

Support Requested:

☒ Financial Sponsorship – Amount requested: \$ 60,000

☐ In-Kind Support – Describe needs:

Sustainability & Funding (What funds will be required to sustain this project? How will ongoing support be achieved?):

The Village was the key supporter of YSSC for the first third (over 20 years) of our agency. Since 1982 there has been little to no support from the Village. \$60,000 from the Village would help YSSC recover from running a deficit since 2022, using our reserves to meet operating expenses. Higher expenses include costs to operate vehicles, new technology for remote programming, increased professional fees (audit, consultants) higher staffing costs (aiming for competitive wages and sufficient hours to match the growing demand and population needing our services).

Other Funding Sources (Detail other funding sources supporting this project, if any):

For annual operating expenses, YSSC relies on the generosity of the community and grants (36%), County Senior Services Levy funding (26%), apartment rental (4%), dues (3%) and income from homemaker services (28%). Dividends from endowments, when available, supplement our income (3%). YSSC is the only senior center in Greene County without some form of civic funding (not including Senior Services Levy funds which are provided to all Greene County communities in proportion to the population). \$60K would be about 7% of our 2026 budget.

Submission Instructions

Please submit your form to Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council, but no later than Monday, September 22, 2025 at 5PM. Email: judy.kintner@yellowsprings.gov



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History of Village Support of YSSC

1959

YSSC opened. Keys of the Opera House given to Senior Citizens Committee, rent free for one year. Village Council's challenge to Dr. Arthur Morgan: "turn on the heat, give him the keys and see what he can do". Up until that time the Township had half a share in the Opera House

1967

Federal funding of 3-year \$18,000 grant required matching funds from the community. Village Council match counted as paying rent and utilities of YSSC's facility

1970

Village Council allocated \$10,000 (about 1/3 of YSSC budget) to continue program through December 1970. Miami Twp Community Chest also allocates \$2,000 annually

1978

YSSC purchases current facility at 227 Xenia Ave. Village Council debates how to support program other than rent. Nov, 1978 Village Council allocated \$4,031 to YSSC for 1979, the amount YSSC stated was minimum needed to meet expenses

1981

Village halted support to YSSC stating a Council policy excluding private organizations from awards of public money

1968

1960

Opera House deemed unfit and was torn down, YSSC moved to current location of the Emporium Café, opened a thrift shop. Village seems to have continued to cover rent & utilities

YSSC profiled nationally by Associate Press as a model agency "one of the best in the country"

"The reason for its excellence lies in the involvement of so many different parts of the community...young people, business people, government people, almost everyone"

1972

YSSC selected as one of 300 model communities to serve as demonstration for expansion of the Older Americans Act. Matching funds from the community are required

1979

Village Council grants \$4,400 to YSSC for 1980 budget. YSSC's first Executive Director, Rev. Dr Wesley Matthews, initiates Greene County's Council on Aging

1987

Community Council (Twp?) allocated United Way funds of \$10,650 for Motor Meals / YSSC

Comparison of Greene County Community Support of Senior Centers

Community	Population Total (2023)	% 60+	Senior Center	Transport Services	Support Services	Homemaker Services	Activities & Classes	Municipal Support	What Type of Support
Beavercreek	56,277	24.7%	y	y	n	n	y	y	Umbrella of Parks and Recreation, Staff are city employees
Fairborn	34,506	20.9%	y	y	y	y	y	y	6.2% of annual budget
Xenia	25,555	26.6%	y	y	y	y	y	y	Bldg. shared w/ YMCA and Clark State, City garage for vehicle fleet
Bellbrook	7,344	25.6%	y	n	n	n	y	y	Included in Community Parks & Rec
Cedarville	3,759	7.8%	y	n	n	n	y	y	2K each year and part own bldg.
Yellow Springs / Miami TWP	3,655 4,949	39.7% 40%	y	y	y	y	y	NO	
Jamestown	2,241	24.8%	y	n	n	n	y	y	Run by GCCOA, Silvercreek Twp owns Historical Soc. Utilities
Spring Valley	598	32%*	y	n	n	n	y	y	Township owns bldg.; Spring Valley covers 22% of their budget
Bowersville	237	10%	y	n	n	n	y	y	Village owns bldg.—CLOSED
Clifton	136	24%*	y	n	n	n	y	y	Space owned by the Village

References: Karen Puterbaugh, Executive Director, Greene County Council on Aging; www.data.census.gov 2023 data

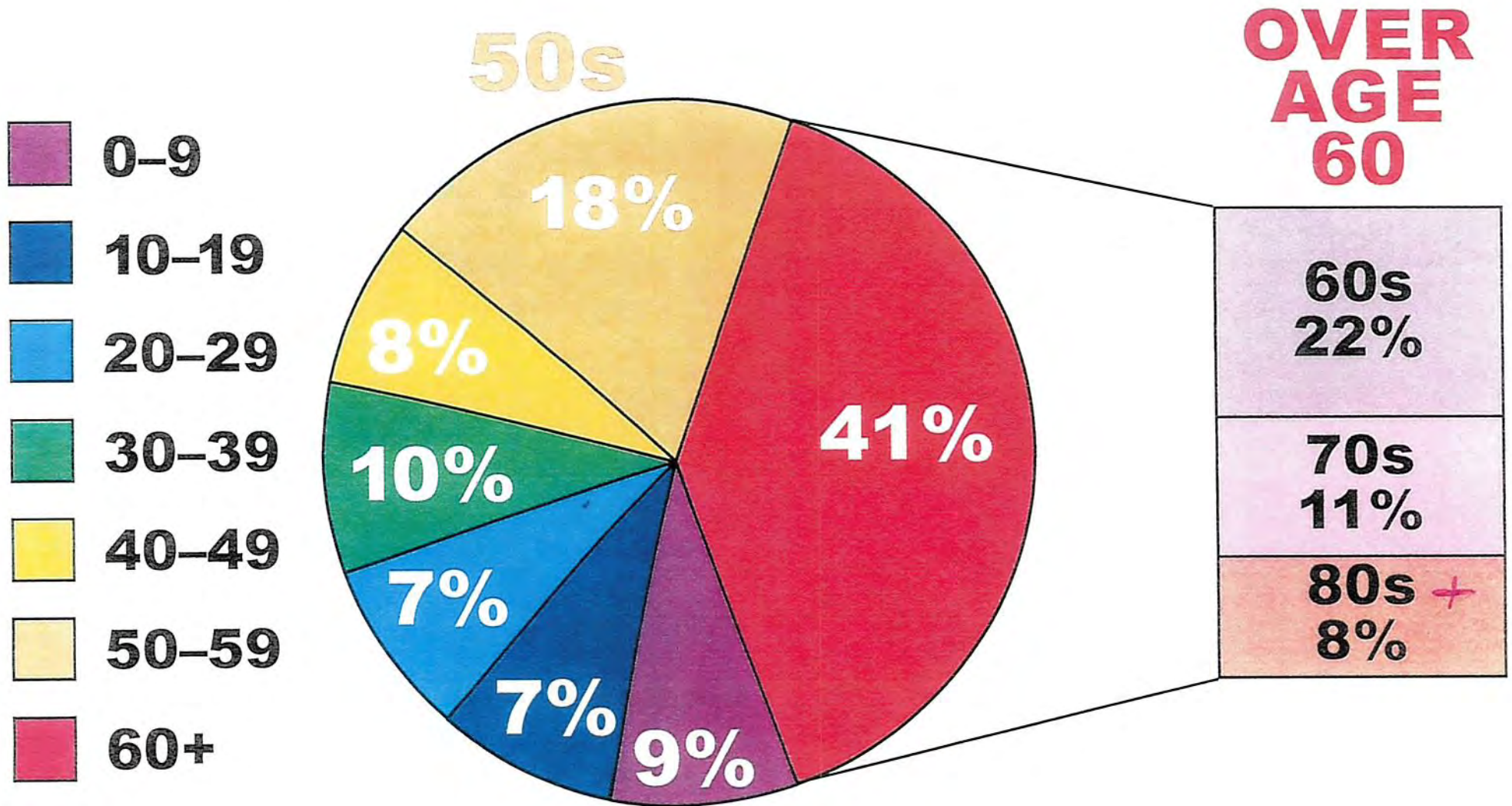
*Denotes large margin of error in data

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Miami Valley Age-Friendly Network

Summary of Economic Benefits of Over 50 Population

Compiled by A. Biondo, Del Mar Encore Fellow, The Dayton Foundation

Source

NOTE: The information provided is not original work by The Dayton Foundation or Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission, but rather a digest version of work done by American Association of Retired People (AARP) and their sources.

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Age-Friendly Communities are beneficial in many ways to older adults and those who aspire to be older adults someday. Communities are Age-Friendly because they make themselves more “livable” for all ages through opportunities for Transportation, Socialization, Housing, Civic Engagement and more.

Yes, but what is the ROI? The Return On Investment of time and resources?
The answer is sometimes less obvious. This summary intends to bring to light some of the Economic Benefit to communities by becoming Age-Friendly.

The premise of being an Age-Friendly Community is to have citizens *remain in the community* as they age, or to *move there* as they age.

“As people live longer and healthier lives, they are contributing to communities and fueling economic growth well past the traditional retirement age.” (Age Friendly Rhode Island, January 30, 2020)

Evidence compiled by AARP shows that when older adults reside in a community, they can have a significant economic benefit. Following is a brief **summary of the highlights** of research done by AARP and others illustrating this economic benefit.

The Over 50 Segment Is Growing

- There are four generations aged over 50 in the USA.
- The millennials will be there in 5 years, 2030.
- Gen Z hits age 50 in 25 years, 2050.
- About 35% of the US population is over 50, or about 117.4 million people. This is projected to grow to 132.3 million by 2030.

Economic Might and Contribution

“If you ask where the money is—in America, 70% of disposable income is held by people 60 and over.” (Michael W. Hodin, CEO of Global Coalition on Aging.)

Of each \$1.00 spent, 56 cents is from those over 50.

“Consumer spending contributes nearly 70% of GDP, and the 50-plus population is driving a disproportionately high share of this expenditure.”

The 35% of the population over 50 contributes \$8.3 Trillion to the US GDP, as of 2018. Projected to reach \$12.6 Trillion in five years.

Direct spending by people age 50 and older amounted to \$7.6 Trillion of the total of \$13.5 Trillion 2018 GDP.

“Each and every business stands to gain from tapping into the 50-plus market opportunity.”

Taxes

“The 50-plus population has an outsized impact on GDP, jobs and wages and salaries, which in turn drives the tax revenue of federal, state and local governments.”

Older adults contribute to tax revenues both directly (paid by individuals) and indirectly (result of all their economic activities).

“The growing reliance of...governments on the 50-plus taxpayer—both directly...and indirectly—provides a factual counter-narrative to the presumption that aging economies pose a risk to public finances. In reality, this outlook suggests entirely the opposite.”

Direct income tax revenue from this cohort is forecast to increase by an annual average of 4.7% in 2020-2050.

Work Force

In 2018, people age 50 and older supported 88.6 million jobs in the U.S. By 2050 that number is projected to be 102.8 million jobs.

Over 5.1 million people over 50 work in education.

Some 40% of people over age 65 want to work into their 70's.

In a 2017 survey of 1802 corporate employers...72% agreed that many of their employees intended to work past 65.

The Transamerica Center for Retirement Studies shows that just 39% of employers accommodate flexible work schedules and arrangements.

Societal Contributions from Older Adults

The 50-plus cohort plays a central role in supporting families and communities, whether it is through volunteering, caregiving or contributing charitable donations.

The AARP Longevity Economy outlook found that people aged 50-plus contributed \$745 Billion worth of unpaid activities such as volunteering and caregiving.

In addition, people aged 50-plus made \$97 Billion in charitable contributions in 2018. They spent \$135 Billion on educational services, including for their children and grandchildren.

Summary Conclusion of Potential Economic Benefits

To restate, the expected and natural question from community leaders may be, *“Why should our community (city, township, county) put time and resources into becoming Age-Friendly?”*

The answer lies in the sheer size of the older population, that is only getting larger, and, the volume of economic contributions made by that segment of the population. The “pie” is huge. Perhaps, community leaders want to ask a follow up question, *“Why would we **not** want a slice of that huge pie?”*

The potential, beneficial economic impact of being Age-Friendly—to attracting and keeping older adult residents—seems to be obvious from the information summarized in this paper. By taking conscientious, purposeful steps to make a community age-friendly, for all ages, a community should expect long-term financial and economic returns on their investment to become Age-Friendly.

Not Yet an Age-Friendly Community? Steps to Become Age-Friendly

It is not hard. A few simple steps with support from the top of the municipal organization, and a community is well on its way. Following are the simple steps to getting started, and to implementing Age-Friendly improvements:

1. Register with AARP <https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/network-age-friendly-communities/info-2014/sample-letters.html>
 - a. Fill out online application: providing community details, policies, programs and services, interest in joining the network, etc.
 - b. Provide a letter of commitment signed by the community's highest elected leader.
 - c. Pass a resolution to reflect council, board or commission support necessary to pursue the work
2. Organize a Core Team/Steering Committee and Stakeholder Group
 - a. You will need community support to establish and implement goals over the next 3-5 years. It's especially useful to consider engaging early on to establish your core team/steering committee and stakeholders
 - b. Involve older people
 - c. Assess current age-friendliness of the community
3. Conduct a community needs assessment
 - a. Implement a stand-alone age-friendly survey, or
 - b. Incorporate into existing community survey or planning effort (Comprehensive or Strategic Plan), or
 - c. Hold public listening sessions or focus groups
4. Create an Action Plan- Year 2
5. Implement Action Plan- Years 3-5
6. “Rinse” and Repeat!

For more information--

- Age-Friendly Network Training Videos: <https://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/network-age-friendly-communities/age-friendly-training-videos/>

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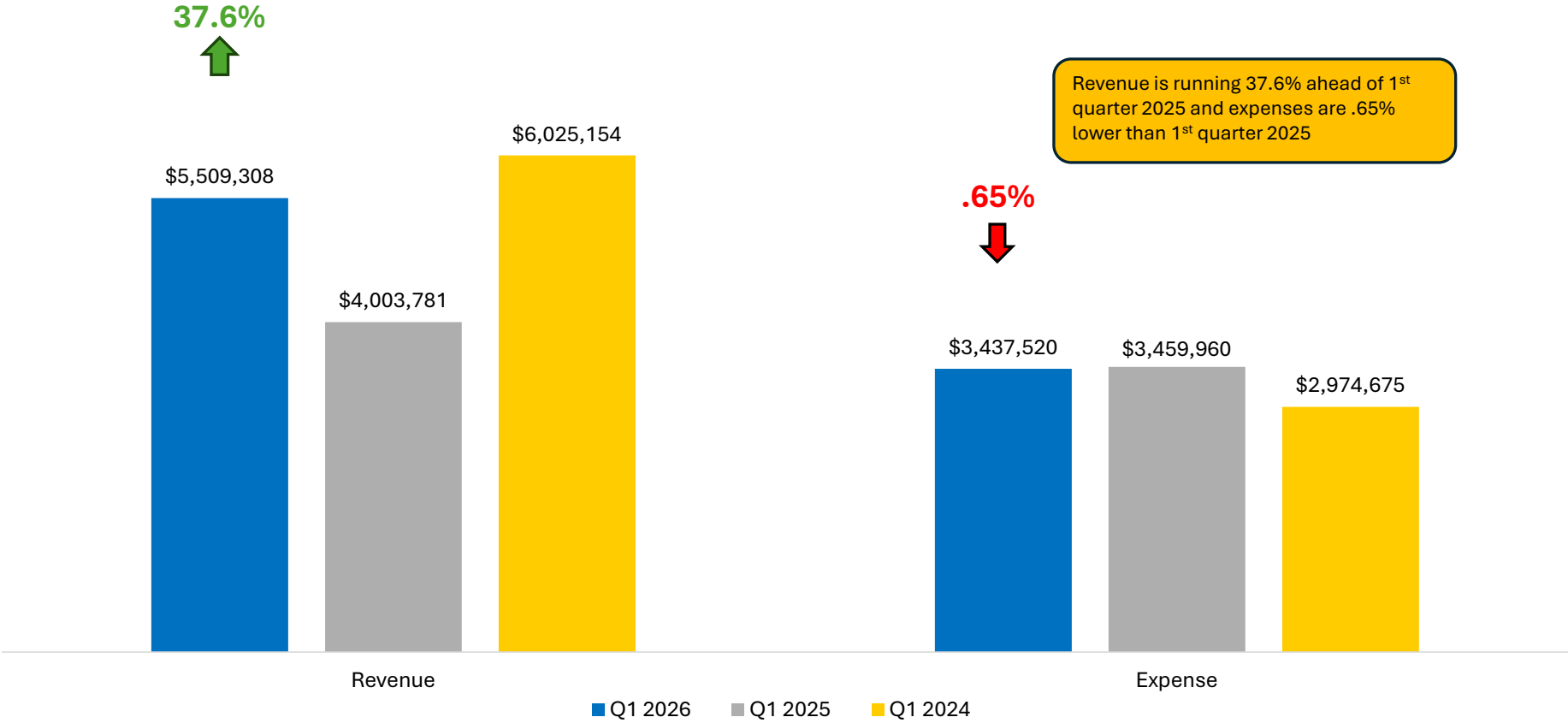
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First Quarter Financials

January – March 2026

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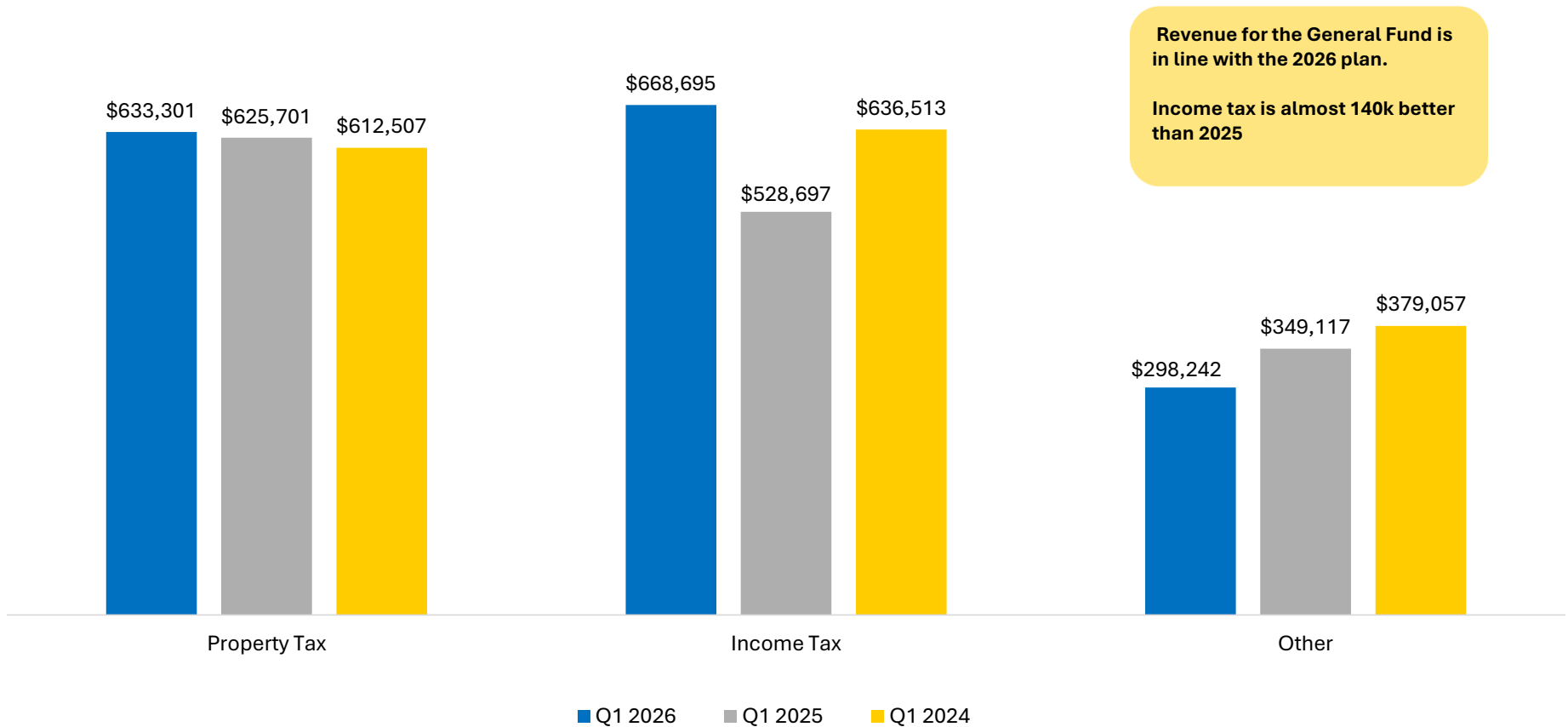


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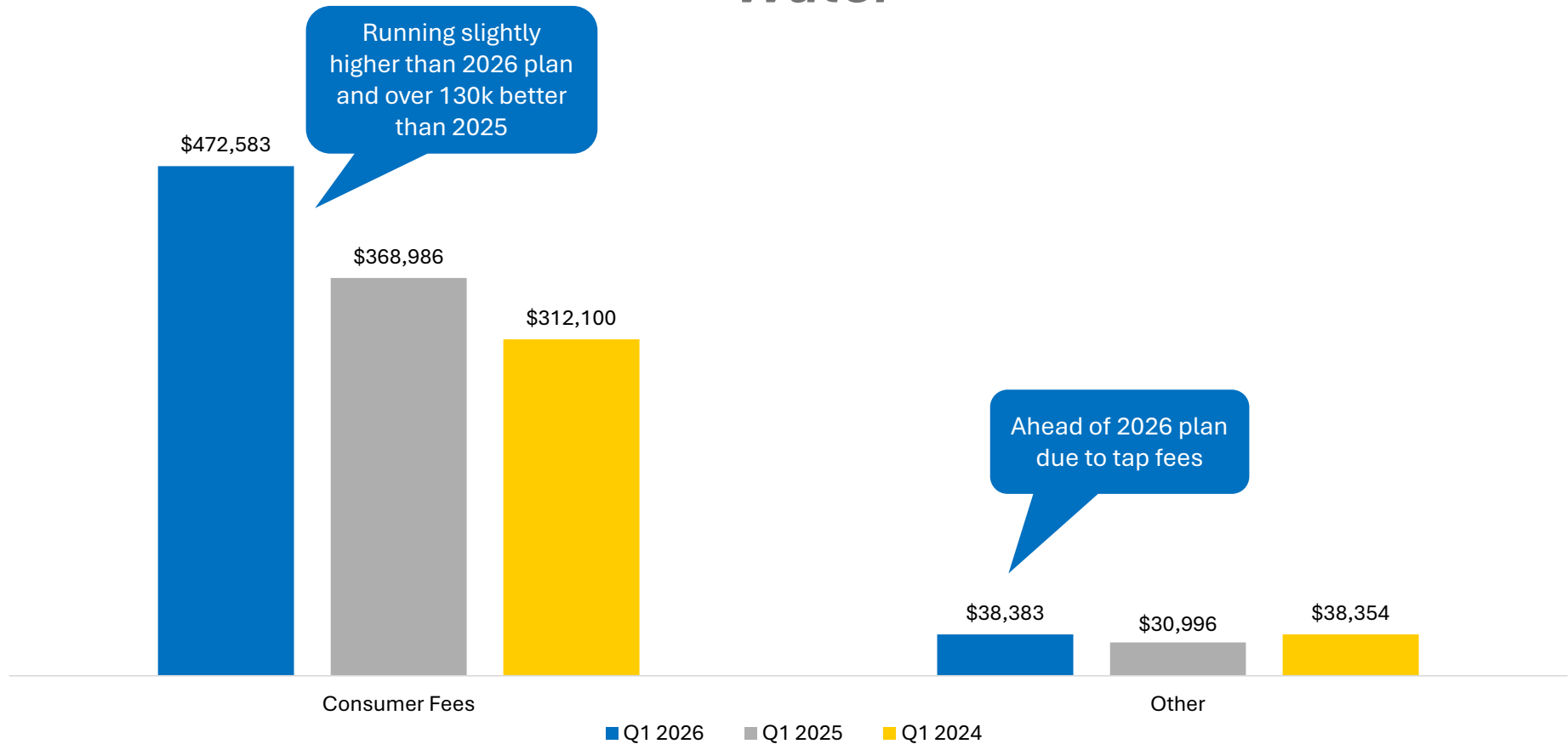
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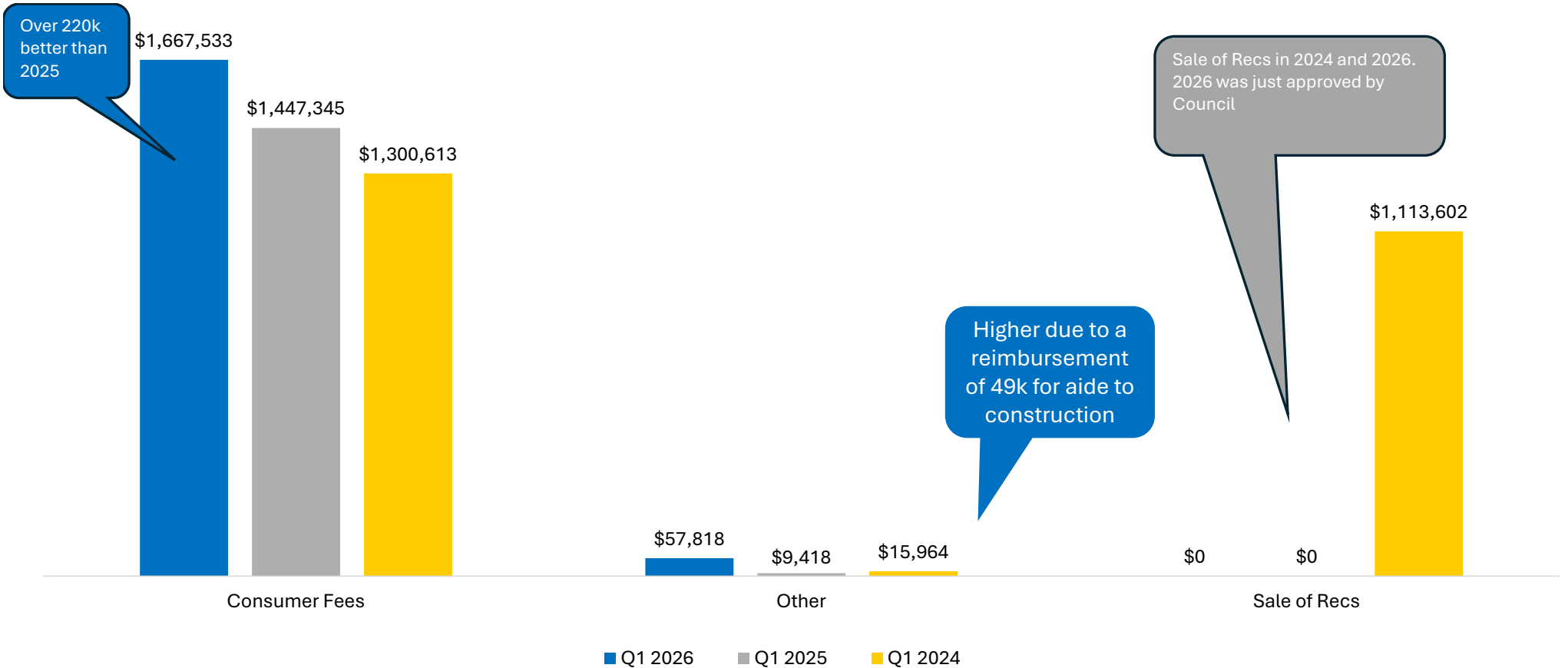
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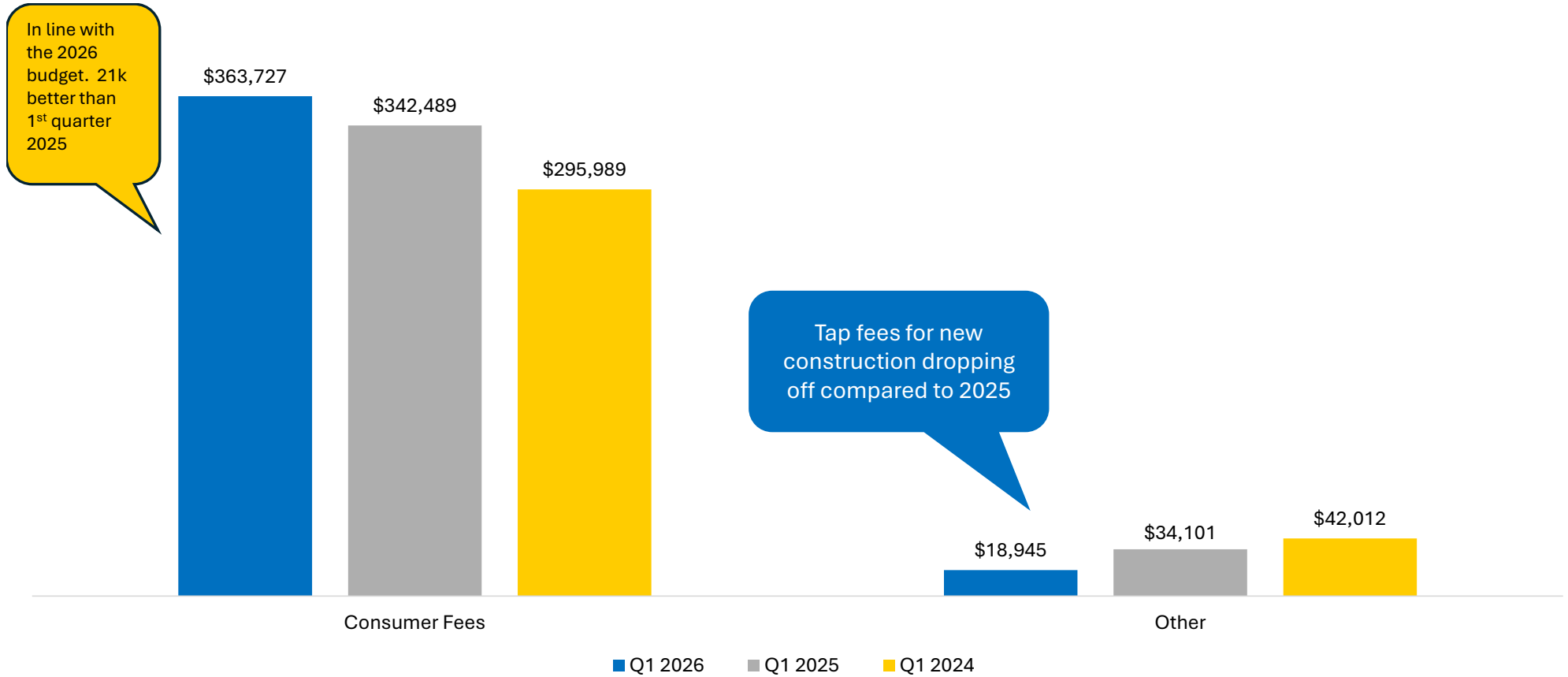
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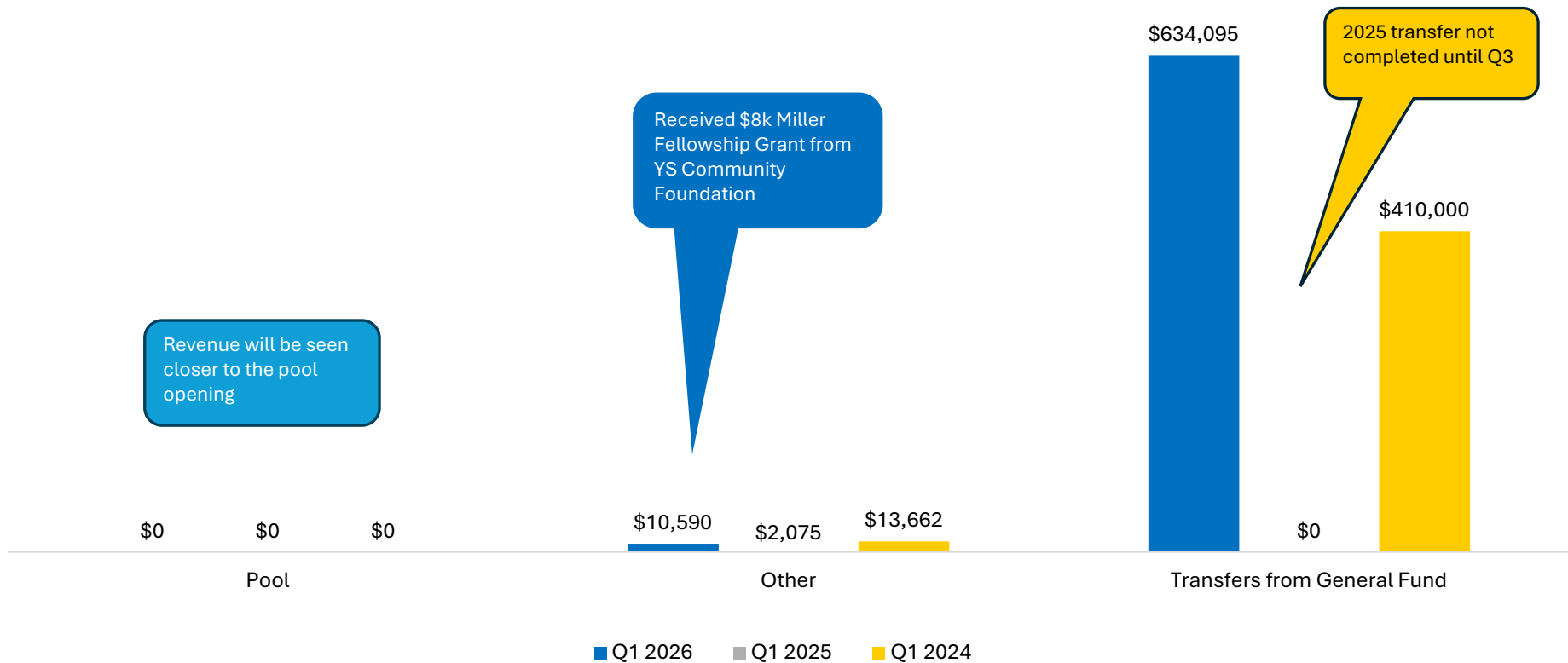
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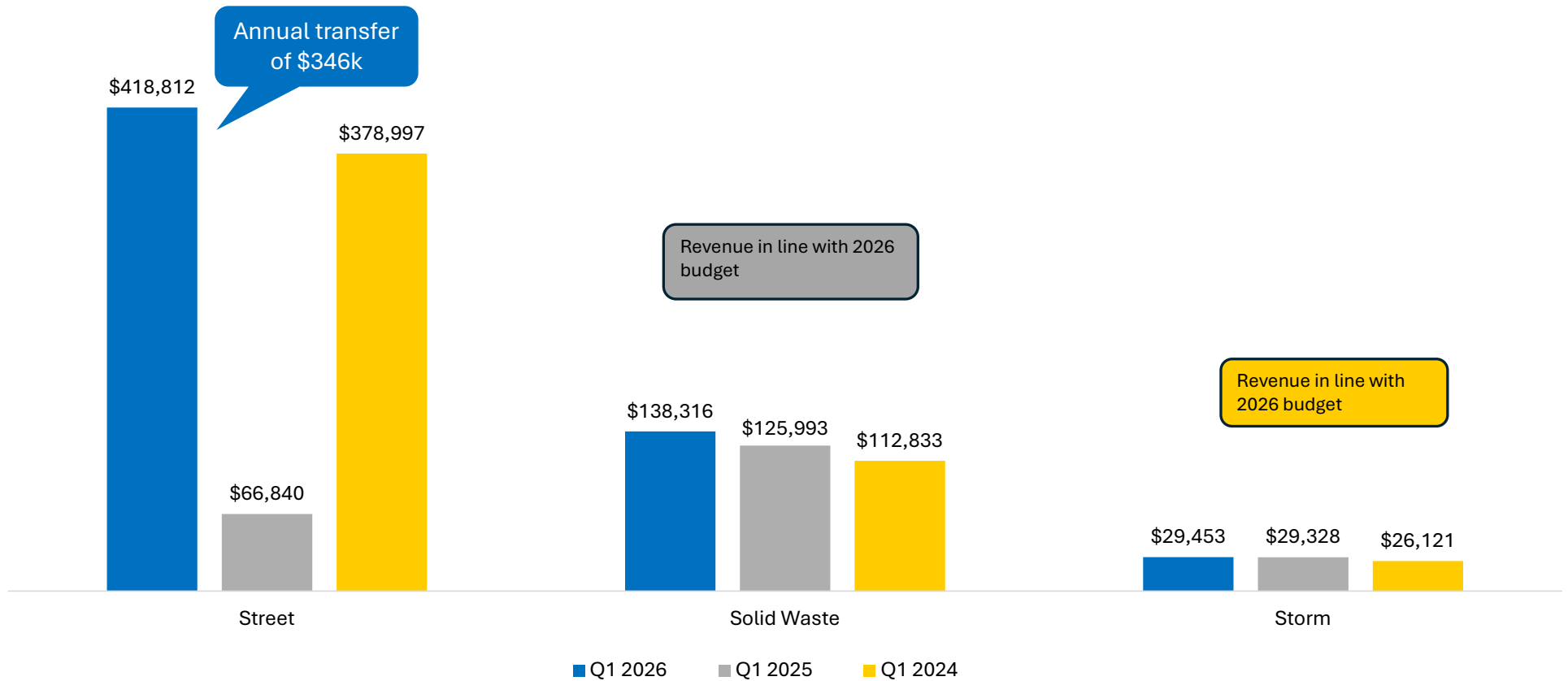
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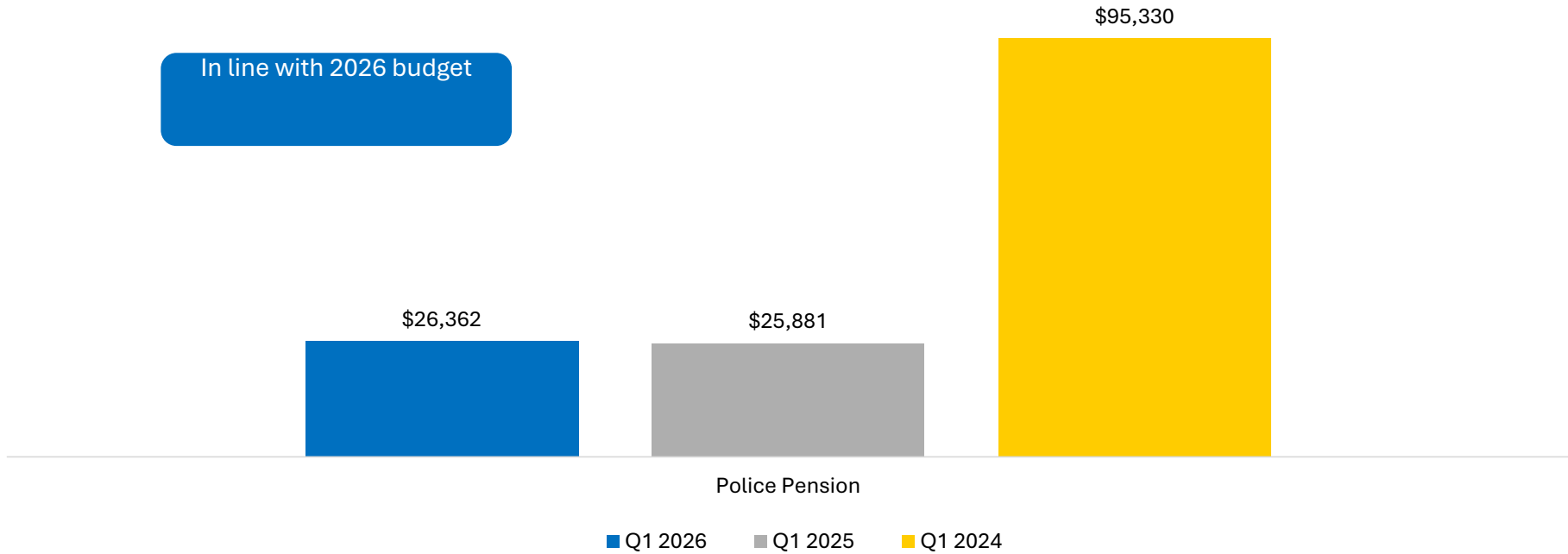
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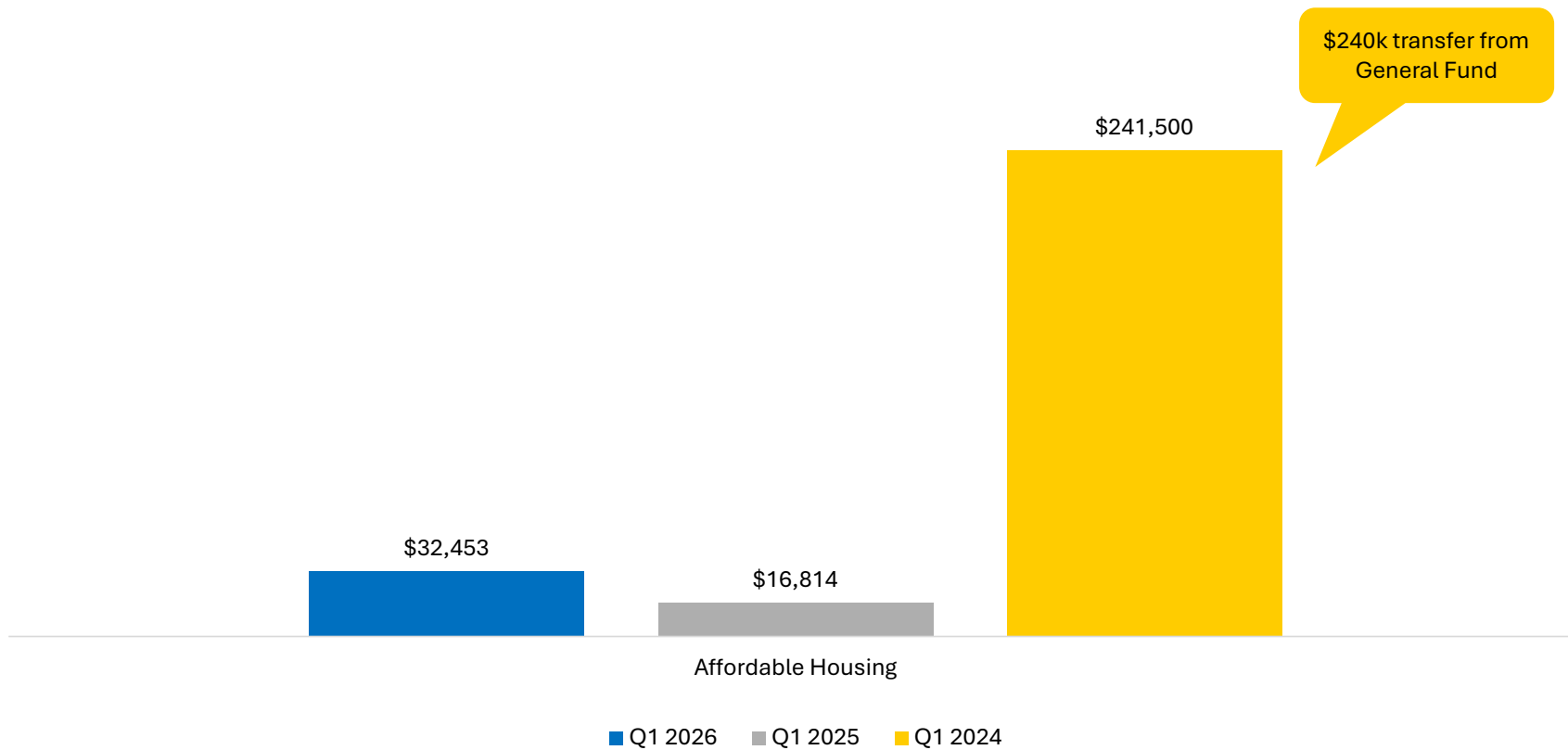
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Revenue – 3 Year Comparison

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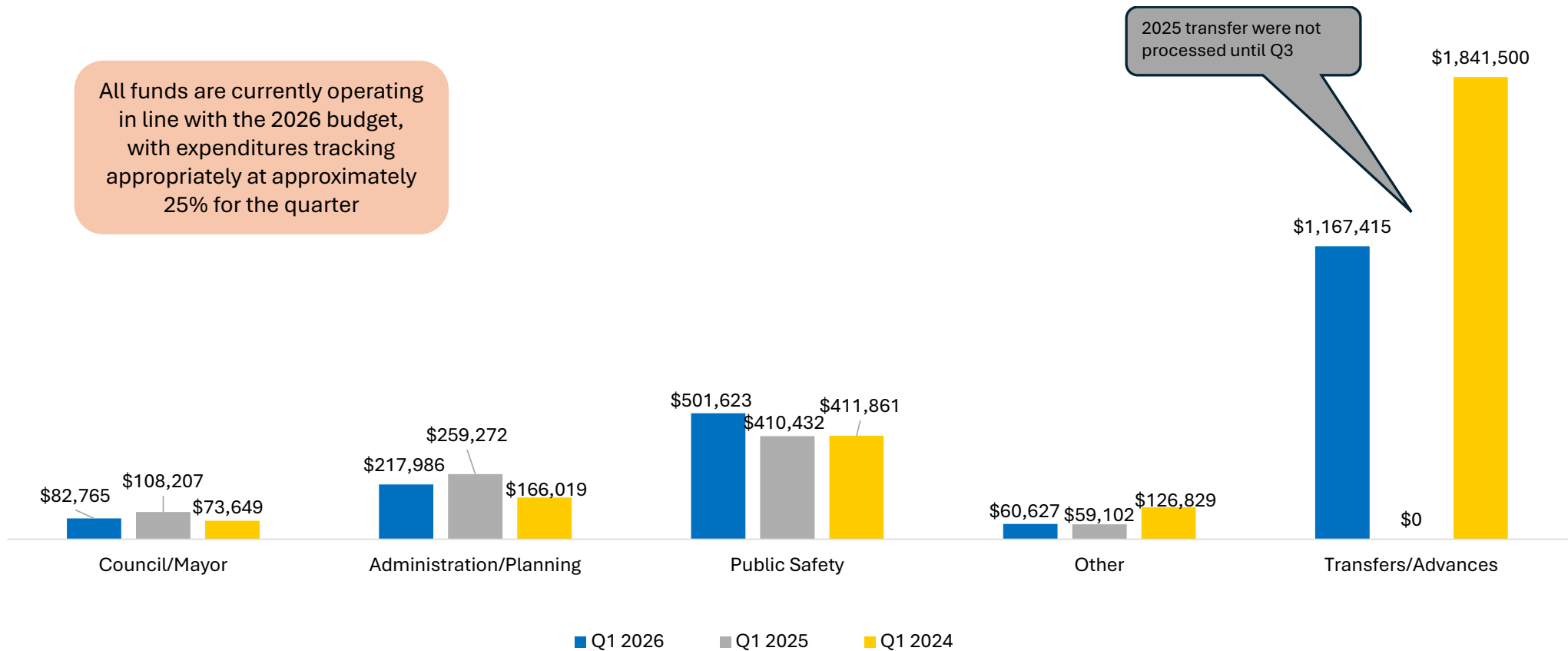


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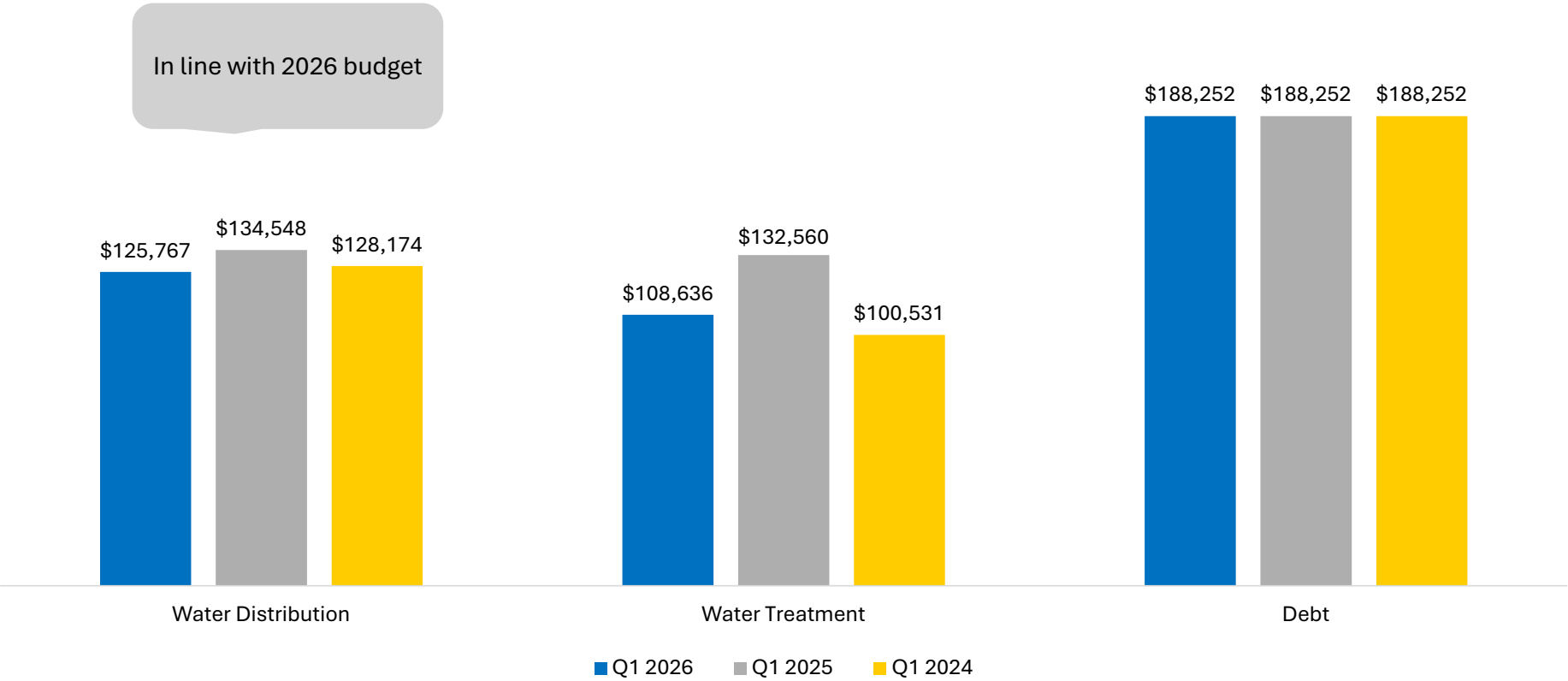
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All funds are currently operating in line with the 2026 budget, with expenditures tracking appropriately at approximately 25% for the quarter



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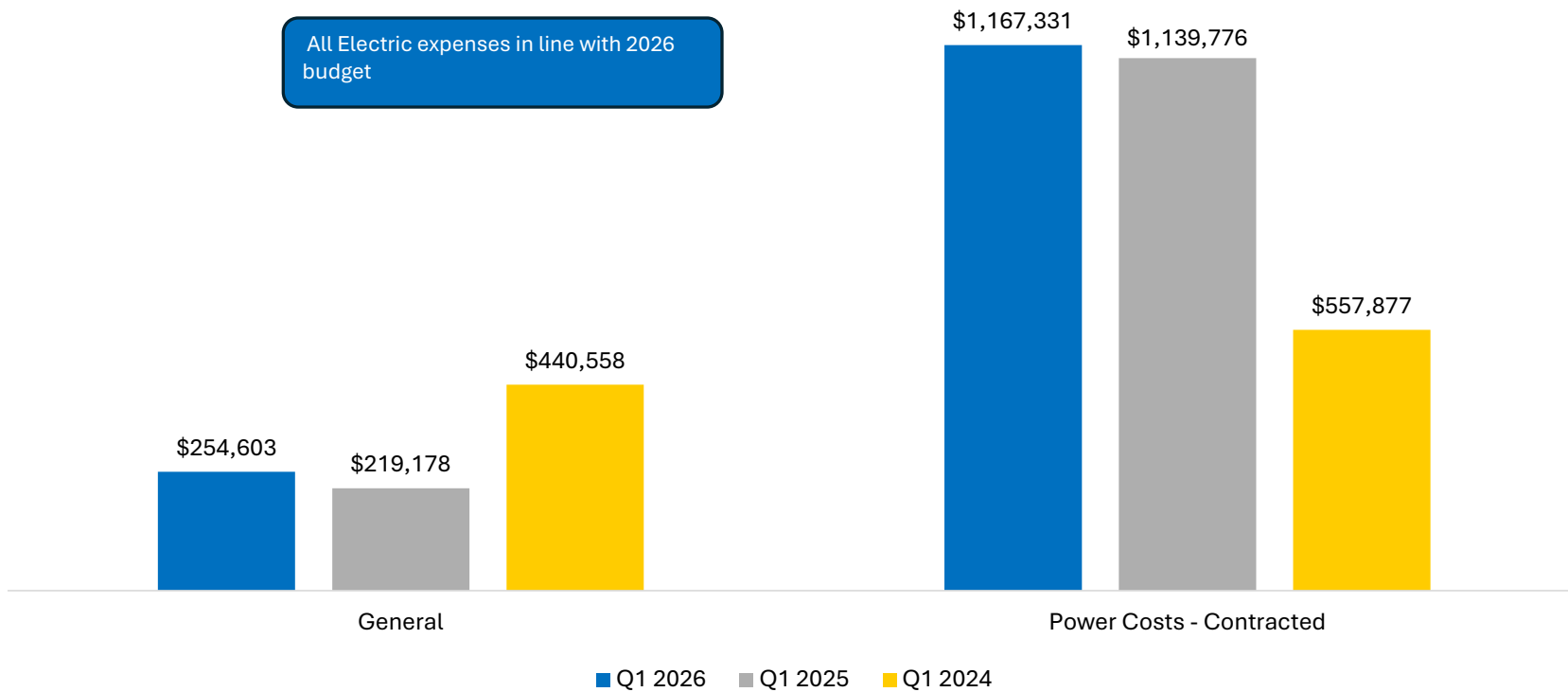
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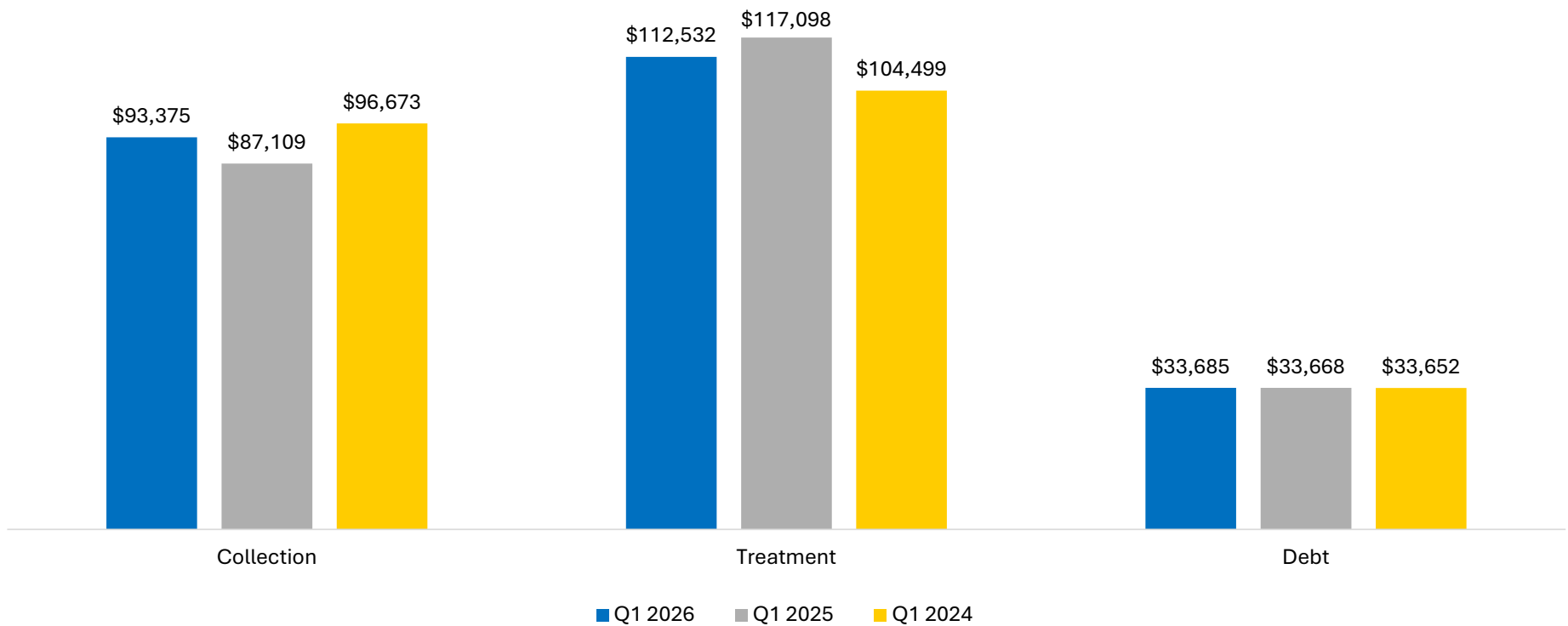
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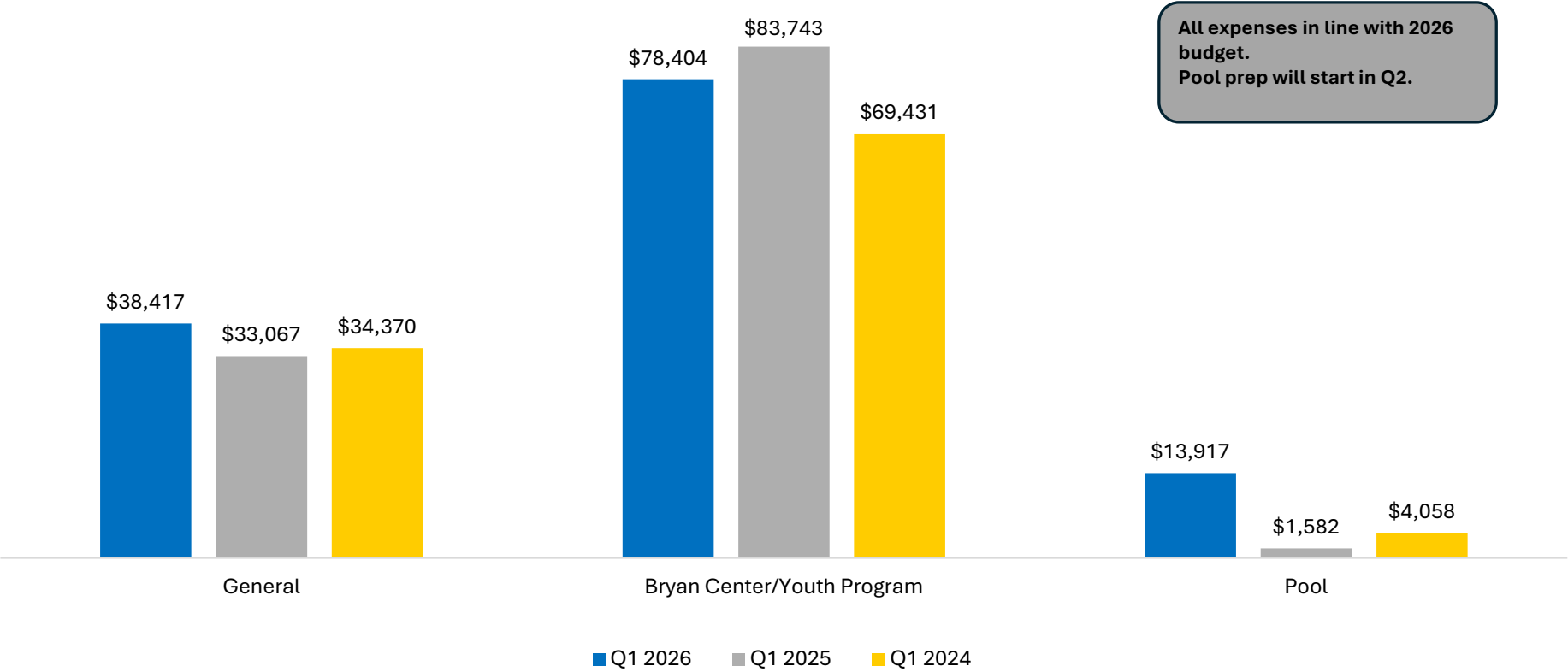
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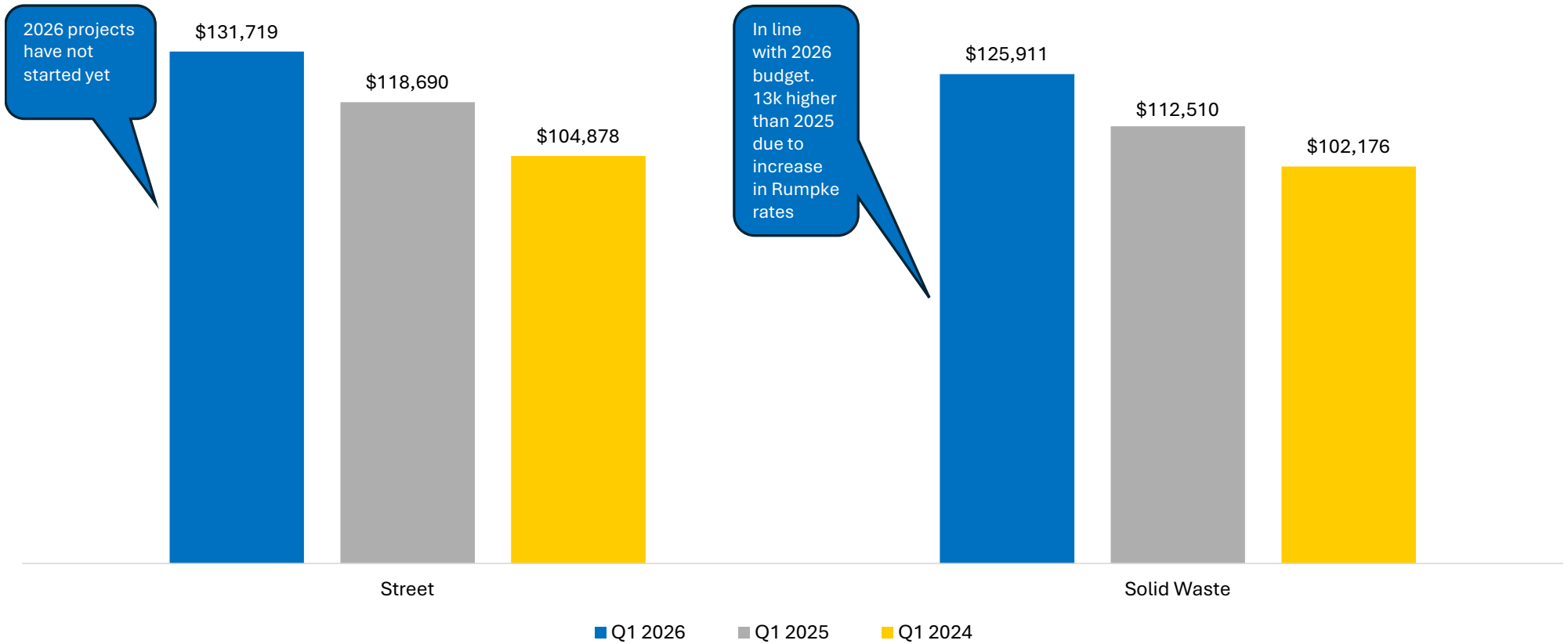
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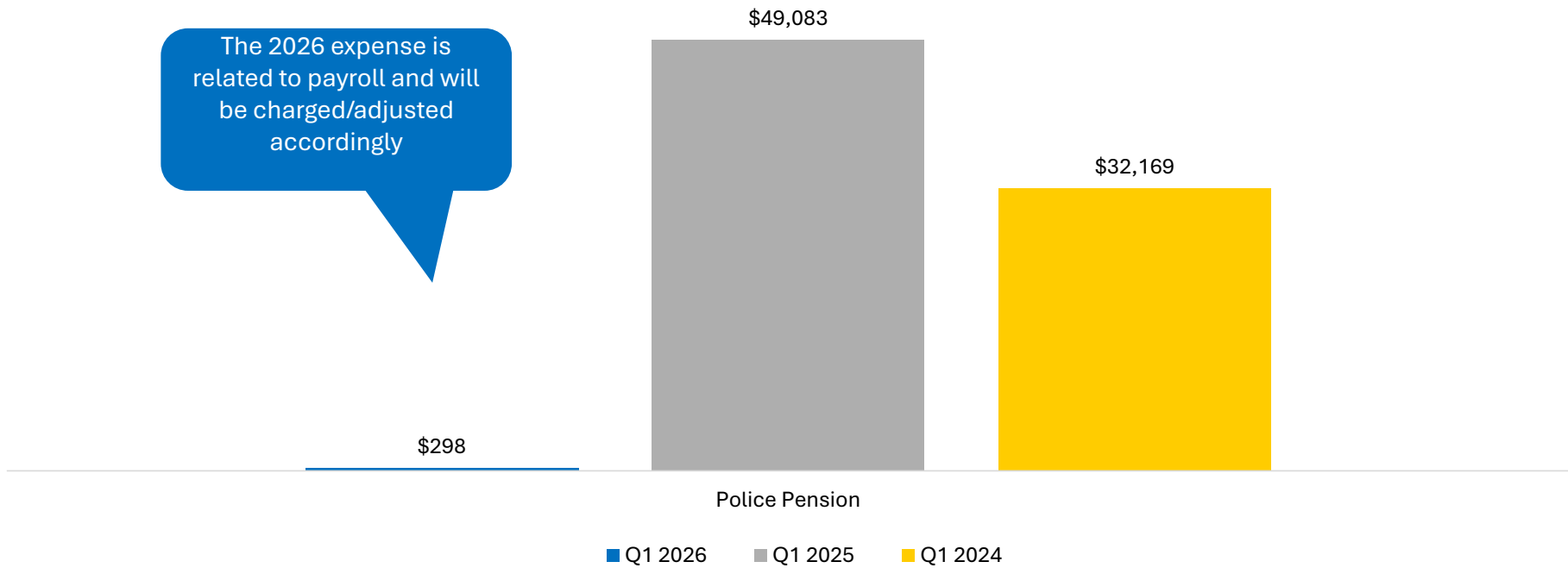
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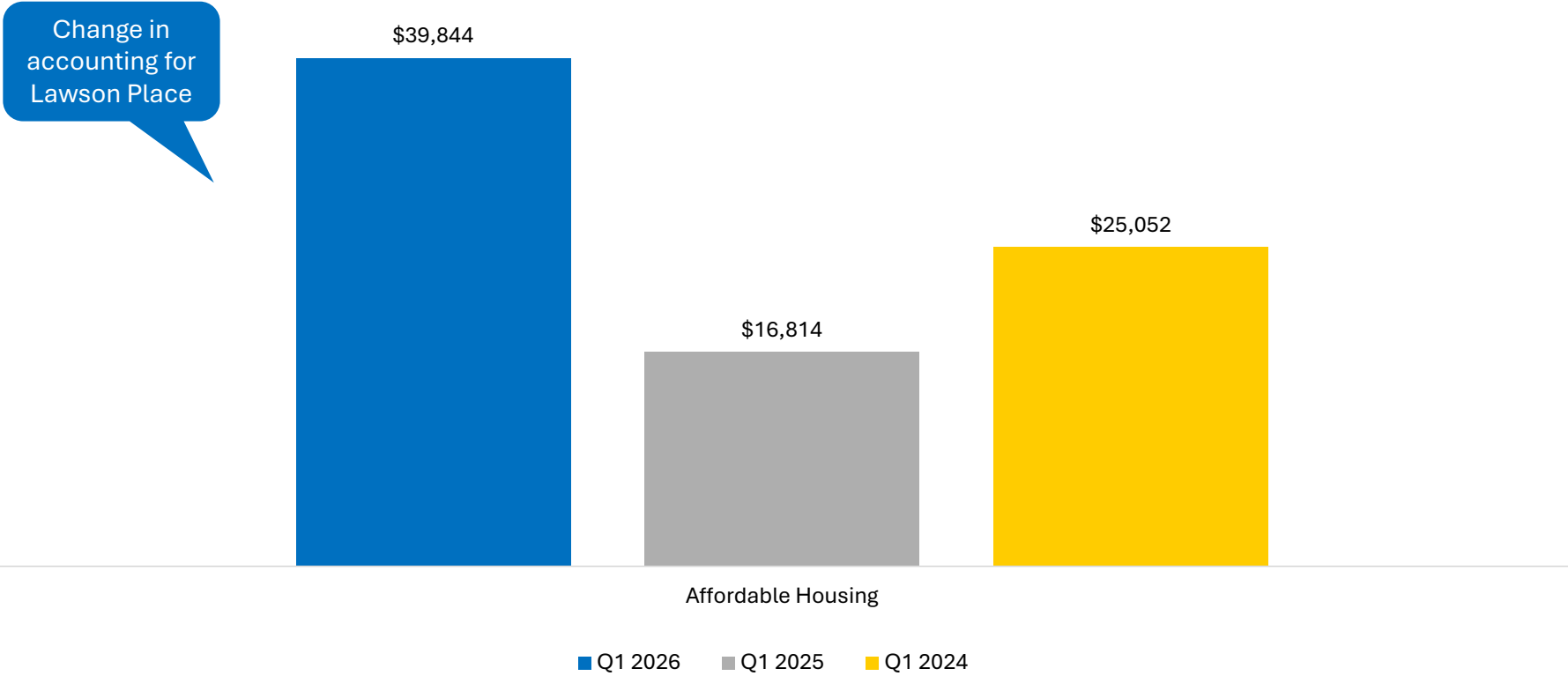
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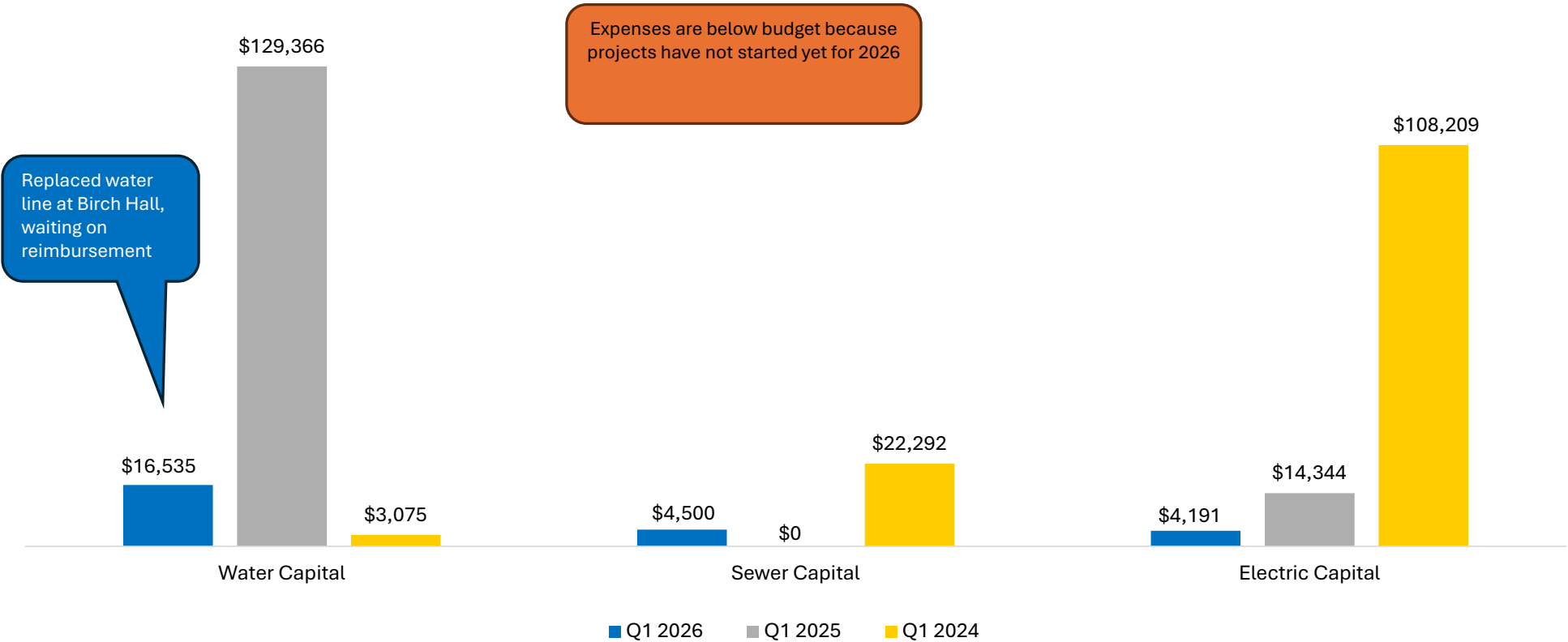
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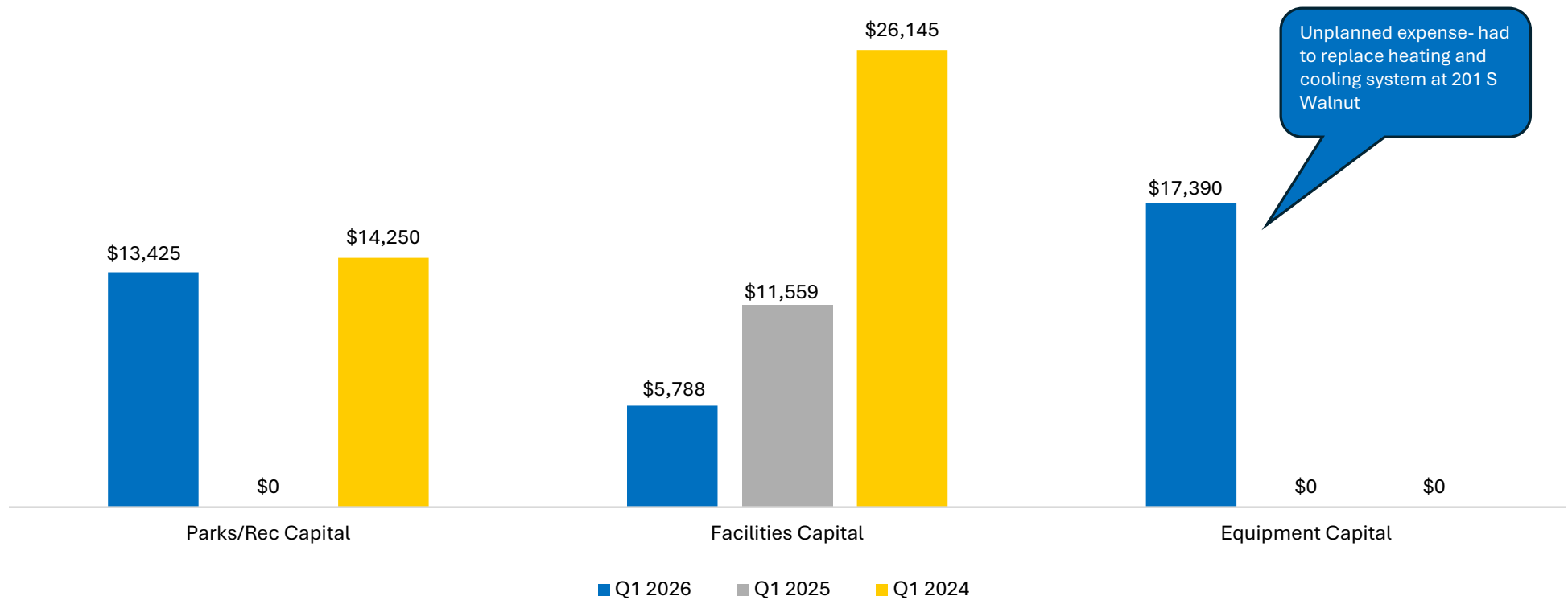
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Capital Fund



Expense – 3 Year Comparison

Capital Fund



Thank you.

Questions?

First Quarter 2026 Financial Breakdown - Operating and Enterprise Funds

GENERAL FUND - Revenue					1st Quarter 2026			1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%				
Property Tax/Allocation	633,301	1,257,914	50.3%	624,613	625,701	1,269,467	49.3%	612,507	1,235,899	49.6%	In line with 2026 budget, ahead of the 2025 and 2024 revenue			
Income Tax	668,695	2,516,438	26.6%	1,847,743	528,697	2,655,830	19.9%	636,513	2,623,729	24.3%	In line with 2026 budget, almost 140k better than 2025			
Other	298,242	1,079,460	27.6%	781,218	349,117	1,432,455	24.4%	379,057	1,612,098	23.5%	In line with 2026 budget			
Total	1,600,238	4,853,812	33.0%	3,253,574	1,503,515	5,829,752	28.1%	1,628,077	5,471,726	29.8%				
GENERAL FUND - Expense					1st Quarter 2026			1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%				
Council/Mayor	82,765	376,370	22.0%	293,605	108,207	377,148	28.7%	73,649	297,075	24.8%	In line with 2026 budget			
Administration/Planning	217,986	1,067,149	20.4%	849,162	259,272	1,239,433	20.9%	166,019	817,913	20.3%	In line with 2026 budget			
Public Safety	501,623	2,243,786	22.4%	1,742,164	410,432	1,735,525	23.6%	411,861	1,734,982	23.7%	In line with 2026 budget			
Other	60,627	557,193	10.9%	496,566	59,102	255,698	23.1%	126,829	260,908	48.6%				
Transfers/Advances	1,167,415	1,167,415		-	-	1,337,500		1,841,500	1,505,642	122.3%	The 2025 transfers weren't processed until Q3			
Total	2,030,416	5,411,913	37.5%	3,381,497	837,014	4,945,304	16.9%	2,619,857	4,616,520	56.7%				

1st Quarter 2026					1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
WATER - Revenue	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%	
Consumer Fees	472,583	1,283,100	36.8%	810,517	368,986	1,595,598	23.1%	312,100	1,407,753	22.2%	Running slightly ahead of 2026 budget, over 103k better than 2025
Other	38,383	52,525	73.1%	14,142	30,996	174,722	17.7%	38,354	141,816	27.0%	Ahead of 2026 plan due to tap fees
Total	510,966	1,335,625	38.3%	824,659	399,982	1,770,320	22.6%	350,454	1,549,569	22.6%	
1st Quarter 2026					1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
WATER - Expense	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%	
Water Distribution	125,767	608,623	20.7%	482,856	134,548	502,348	26.8%	128,174	521,259	24.6%	In line with 2026 budget
Water Treatment	108,636	566,555	19.2%	457,919	132,560	484,113	27.4%	100,531	420,102	23.9%	In line with 2026 budget
Debt	188,252	376,505	50.0%	188,253	188,252	376,504	50.0%	188,252	376,504	50.0%	In line with 2026 budget, 1st of semi-annual payments made
Transfers OUT - Capital	-	-			-	-		-	350,000		
Total	422,654	1,551,683	27.2%	1,129,029	455,360	1,362,965	33.4%	416,957	1,667,865	25.0%	

ELECTRIC - Revenue					1st Quarter 2026			1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%				
Consumer Fees	1,667,533	4,900,000	34.0%	3,232,467	1,447,345	5,587,463	25.9%	1,300,613	4,933,617	26.4%	Running slightly ahead of 2026 budget, over 220k better than 2025			
Other	57,818	55,550	104.1%	(2,268)	9,418	33,608	28.0%	15,964	379,188	4.2%	Higher than planned due to a reimbursement of 49k from Cresco for aide to construction			
Sale of Recs	-	500,000			-	-		1,113,602	1,121,996		Sale of Recs approved at 4/6 Council meeting			
Total	1,725,351	5,455,550	31.6%	3,230,199	1,456,763	5,621,071	25.9%	2,430,179	6,434,801	24.8%				
ELECTRIC - Expense					1st Quarter 2026			1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%				
General	254,603	1,350,665	18.9%	1,096,062	219,178	1,119,103	19.6%	440,558	1,508,826	29.2%	In line with 2026 budget and in line with Q1 2025			
Power Costs - Contracted	1,167,331	4,114,000	28.4%	2,946,669	1,139,776	3,984,642	28.6%	557,877	2,975,764	18.7%	In line with 2026 budget and in line with Q1 2025			
Transfers OUT - Capital	500,000	500,000			-	-		-	900,000		Annual transfer to Capital			
Total	1,921,934	5,964,665	32.2%	4,042,731	1,358,954	5,103,745	26.6%	998,434	5,384,590	18.5%				

First Quarter 2026 Financial Breakdown - Other Funds and Capital Summary

SEWER - Revenue	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%	
Consumer Fees	363,727	1,363,950	26.7%	1,000,223	342,489	1,409,776	24.3%	295,989	1,298,185	22.8%	In line with 2026 budget, 21k more than 2025
Other	18,945	51,510	36.8%	32,565	34,101	117,702	29.0%	42,012	150,438	27.9%	In line with 2026 budget
Transfers in	-	-			-	73,000		-			
Total	382,672	1,415,460	27.0%	1,032,788	376,590	1,600,478	24.7%	338,001	1,448,623	23.3%	
SEWER - Expense	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%	
Collection	93,375	529,298	17.6%	435,923	87,109	362,484	24.0%	96,673	404,647	23.9%	In line with 2026 budget
Treatment	112,532	617,814	18.2%	505,282	117,098	492,814	23.8%	104,499	459,751	22.7%	In line with 2026 budget
Debt Service	33,685	67,396	50.0%	33,711	33,668	67,345	50.0%	33,652	67,312	50.0%	In line with 2026 budget, 1st of semi-annual payments made
Transfers OUT - Capital	317,750	350,000			-	700,000		-	140,000		2026 annual transfer to Capital. The 2025 transfers weren't processed until Q3
Total	557,342	1,564,508	35.6%	974,916	237,875	1,622,643	14.7%	234,824	1,071,710	21.9%	

PARKS - Revenue	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%	
Transfers In (from GF)	634,095	634,095	100.0%	-	-	742,000	0.0%	410,000	410,000	100.0%	The 2025 transfers weren't processed until Q3
Pool	-	55,000	0.0%	55,000	-	55,526	0.0%	-	53,672	0.0%	No revenue until pool gets close to opening
Other	10,590	42,420	25.0%	31,830	2,075	38,840	5.3%	13,662	79,844	17.1%	In line with 2026 budget
Total	644,685	731,515	88.1%	86,830	2,075	836,366	0.2%	423,662	543,516	77.9%	
PARKS - Expense	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%	
General	38,417	161,803	23.7%	123,386	33,067	124,614	26.5%	34,370	165,267	20.8%	In line with 2026 budget
Bryan Center/Youth Program	78,404	389,588	20.1%	311,184	83,743	351,703	23.8%	69,431	340,928	20.4%	In line with 2026 budget
Pool	13,917	147,033	9.5%	133,116	1,582	125,280	1.3%	4,058	118,996	3.4%	Prep for the pool will start Q2
Transfers OUT	86,750	110,000		23,250	-	200,000		-			2026 annual transfer to Capital. The 2025 transfers weren't processed until Q3
Total	217,488	808,424	26.9%	590,936	118,391	801,597	14.8%	107,858	625,191	17.3%	

STREET	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%	
Revenue	418,812	620,100	67.5%	201,288	66,840	512,431	13.0%	378,997	607,174	62.4%	2026 includes 346k annual transfer from Gen Fund, the 2025 transfers weren't processed until Q3
Expense	131,719	816,583	16.1%	684,864	118,690	527,953	22.5%	104,878	655,271	16.0%	2026 projects have not started yet

Solid Waste	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%	
Revenue	138,316	502,800	27.5%	364,484	125,993	516,125	24.4%	112,833	428,367	26.3%	In line with 2026 budget
Expense	125,911	435,606	28.9%	309,696	112,510	466,130	24.1%	102,176	392,543	26.0%	In line with 2026 budget, 13k higher than 2025 due to increase Rumpke rates

Storm	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	Actual	Budget	%	Remaining	To-Date	Total FY	%	To-Date	Total FY	%	
Revenue	29,453	100,000	29.5%	70,547	29,328	116,895	25.1%	26,121	105,853	24.7%	In line with 2026 budget
Expense	-	92,483	0.0%	92,483	-	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%	Project has not started for Fairfield for 2026

First Quarter 2026 Financial Breakdown - Other Funds and Capital Summary

Police Pension	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>To-Date</u>	<u>Total FY</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>To-Date</u>	<u>Total FY</u>	<u>%</u>	
Revenue	26,362	52,125	50.6%	25,763	25,881	52,670	49.1%	95,330	121,363	78.5%	In line with 2026 budget
Expense	298	52,125	0.6%	51,827	49,083	51,688	95.0%	32,169	125,384	25.7%	This expense is associated with payroll and will be charged/adjusted accordingly

Affordable Housing	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>To-Date</u>	<u>Total FY</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>To-Date</u>	<u>Total FY</u>	<u>%</u>	
Revenue	32,453	109,181	29.7%	76,728	16,814	393,751	4.3%	241,500	247,502	97.6%	2024 represents transfer from general fund
Expense	39,844	311,247	12.8%	271,403	16,814	141,517	11.9%	25,052	149,903	16.7%	Most of the expenses have been loan payments, 1st half property tax, and insurance premium

Capital Fund Expenses	1st Quarter 2026				1st Quarter 2025			1st Quarter 2024			Notes
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Remaining</u>	<u>To-Date</u>	<u>Total FY</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>To-Date</u>	<u>Total FY</u>	<u>%</u>	
Water Capital	16,535	79,860	20.7%	63,325	129,366	847,192	15.3%	3,075	2,285,405	0.1%	Replaced water line at Birch Hall, waiting on reimbursement
Sewer Capital	4,500	354,750	1.3%	350,250	-	39,822	0.0%	22,292	201,183	11.1%	Projects have not started
Electric Capital	4,191	330,000	1.3%	325,809	14,344	438,940	3.3%	108,209	770,370	14.0%	Projects have not started
Parks/Rec Capital	13,425	145,750	9.2%	132,325	-	28,796	0.0%	14,250	22,662	62.9%	Projects have not started
Facilities Capital	5,788	210,980	2.7%	205,192	11,559	24,555	47.1%	26,145	106,449	24.6%	Projects have not started
Equipment Capital	17,390	4,620	376.4%	(12,770)	-	-	0.0%	-	5,500	0.0%	Unplanned expense-had to replace heating and cooling system at 201 S Walnut
Totals	61,829	1,125,960	5.5%	1,064,131	155,269	1,379,305	11.3%	173,970	3,391,569	5.1%	

Village of Yellow Springs
Treasurer's Report for Period Ending March 31, 2026

Quarterly Comparison: As of March 31, 2025, the Village had under active investment \$17,220,528. This amount represents a cash balance increase of \$1,049,574 since your last report, given in December. The total investment number is derived from combining the Star Ohio account, Raymond James account and WesBanco account information.

Interest on all investments for 2025 was \$656,665.

Short-term interest rates dropped throughout 2025, with the Fed lowering rates in September, October and December at .25 each occurrence. Through 2025, the Federal Funds Rate moved from an upper-end rate of 4.50% to an upper-end rate of 3.75% at the end of December.

CASH BALANCE as of March 31, 2026:

Account	Balance
Wesbanco	\$8,181,536
Raymond James	\$3,568,836
Star Ohio	\$5,470,156
Total	\$17,220,528

CASH BALANCE as of December 31, 2025:

Account	Balance
Wesbanco (interest rate follows Star Ohio rate)	\$7,213,009
Raymond James	\$3,538,841
Star Ohio	\$5,419,104
Total	\$16,170,954

ANNUAL COMPARISON BY MONTH: Cash Balance as of March 31, 2025 with comparison to 2026:

Account	2025 Balance (Amount over/under 2026)
Wesbanco	\$6,015,752 (-\$2,165,782)
Raymond James	\$3,414,324 (-\$154,512)
Star Ohio	\$5,245,052 (+\$225,104)
Total	\$14,675,128 (-\$2,545,400)

INTEREST INCOME First Quarter of 2026:

Account	Balance
Wesbanco (interest rate 3.86 as of Dec. 31)	\$68,241
Raymond James	\$29,995
Star Ohio	\$51,051
Total	\$149,287

Raymond James has not yet produced their quarterly fiscal report, so the totals below are those provided as of January 31, 2026.

*Face (Par) Value of Individual Securities:		\$3,460,000
Value of Money Market Funds		\$88,683
Total	Portfolio	\$3,548,683
Security Type:		
	FDIC Insured Securities	37.8%
	US Treasury Securities	62.2%
	Federal Agency Securities	0.0%
	FFCB	0.0%
	FHLB	0.0%
	FHLMC	0.0%
	FNMA	0.0%

Liquidity:

Average Weighted Maturity	1.87	Years
Modified Duration	1.49	Years

Yield:

Yield to Maturity at Purchase	4.41%
Yield to Worst at Purchase	4.41%
Current Average Coupon	4.29%
Est. Annual Cpn Cash Flow	\$148,350

Money Market Funds Estimated Yield & Annual Income	4.12%	\$3,308
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Total Portfolio Estimates	Cpn Cash Flow	YTW	Mod Duration
	\$151,658	4.39%	1.45 Years

Star Ohio rates moved lower for the first two months of this reporting period, and have held at 3.87% Annual Yield for the last month. Rates at the start of this reporting period-- January 2--were 3.98%, moved to 3.86 in mid-February, and have held steady within .01% of that amount through the end of this reporting period.

In this reporting period, Treasury rates showed a significant decrease in the one-month rate, with smaller decreases in the one, two and five year rates.

As of April 15, 2026, Treasury rates were:

1 Month:	3.72%	(3.72%)
One Year:	3.70%	(3.50%)
Two Year	3.76%	(3.47%)
Five Year	3.65%	(3.65%)

The rates from December 31, 2025 are shown to the right, in parentheses.

WesBanco sets the Village interest rate at the Star Ohio 30-day rate, which at the end of March 2026 was 3.77%., meaning that the Village's sweep account earns about the same rate as the Star Ohio 30-day rate. The rate on that account as of March 31st was 3.77%.

Submitted April 16, 2026,

Judy Kintner, Treasurer



Grand opening celebration of the new home of WYSO at the recently renovated Union Schoolhouse

Photo: Ben Guenther, Digital Media Manager

Manager's Report

Johnnie Burns, Village Manager

April 20, 2026

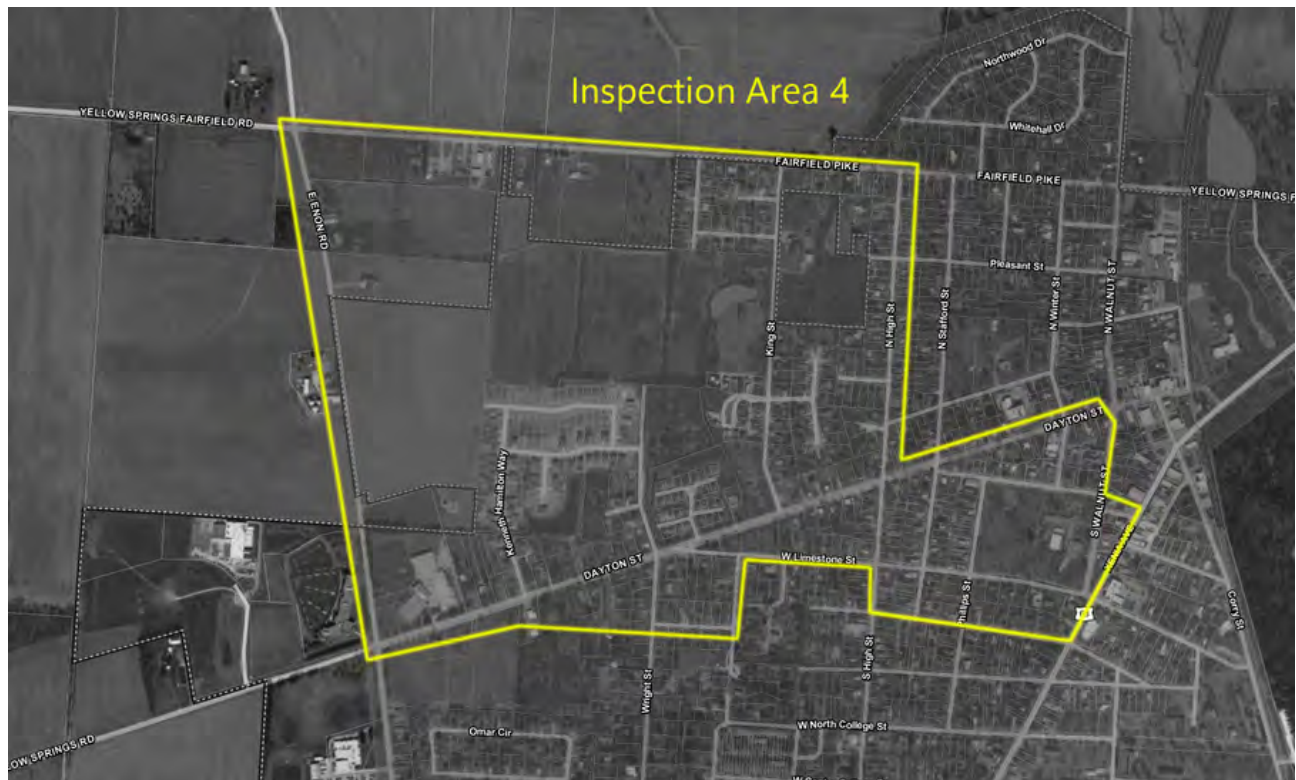
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Tree Trimming 2026

The Village has issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit qualified contractors for tree trimming services in Section 4 of the Village (see map below). The project will be advertised in the YS News during the weeks of April 13 and 20, with the RFP also posted to the Village website and Facebook. Proposals are due and will be publicly opened on April 27 at 1:00 PM. Following review of submissions, a resolution awarding a contract is anticipated to be presented to Council on May 4.



Map of tree trimming Inspection Area 4.

American Public Power Association Recognition for Electric Reliability

The Village of Yellow Springs has been recognized by the American Public Power Association for achieving exceptional electric reliability in 2025. Based on comparative reliability data, the Village's electric system ranked in the top quartile (top 25%) of utilities for System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI), using Energy Information Administration data from 2020–2024. This distinction qualifies the Village for the APPA 2025 Certificate of Excellence in Reliability, highlighting the continued strength and performance of the Village's electric utility operations.



The Village of Yellow Springs is honored to be recognized by the American Public Power Association.

American Public Power Association Safety Award of Excellence Recognition

The Village of Yellow Springs Electric Department has been recognized by the American Public Power Association as a 2025 Safety Award of Excellence recipient for outstanding safety performance and practices — marking the 8th consecutive year the Village has received this distinction. The award highlights utilities nationwide that demonstrate strong safety culture and performance, with entrants evaluated based on incident rates, OSHA-defined reportable injuries and illnesses, and overall safety program effectiveness.

More than 240 utilities participated in the 2025 Safety Awards program, with recipients ranked according to worker-hours and safety performance. This recognition reflects the Village's continued commitment to maintaining a safe working environment for employees and upholding strong operational safety standards across the utility.

Yellow Springs Community Foundation Grant Award – \$10,000

The Village of Yellow Springs Parks & Recreation Department extends its sincere appreciation to the Yellow Springs Community Foundation for its generous \$10,000 grant in support of improvements at Gaunt Park Pool and expanded access to recreational opportunities for residents. Funding will be allocated toward pool painting and the "Swimming for All" program, which provides low-income pool passes to help ensure equitable access to Village recreational facilities. This investment reflects continued community partnership in maintaining and enhancing local amenities for residents of all ages.

MANAGER'S DESK

Lucky Bunny Tattoo Donation to Parks & Recreation – \$1,000

The Village of Yellow Springs Parks & Recreation Department extends its sincere appreciation to Lucky Bunny Tattoo for its generous \$1,000 donation in support of local parks and recreation programming. This marks the second consecutive year of support from Lucky Bunny Tattoo, demonstrating a continued commitment to enhancing community recreation opportunities and investing in Village programs that benefit residents.



Thank you, Lucky Bunny Tattoo!

Scam Email Alert

It has recently come to our attention that spam emails are again being sent to applicants and contacts impersonating Village staff and departments, including Planning & Zoning. These emails may request payment, including wire transfers, related to zoning or permit approvals. A key indicator of a scam email is any request for payment via wire transfer. While Village staff may accept credit card payments over the phone in some cases, staff will never request payment via email or wire transfer.

If you receive a suspicious email claiming to be from the Village, please take the following steps:

1. Carefully check the sender's email address. All official Village email addresses end in @yellowsprings.gov and follow the format of first and last name.
2. Do not open any attachments or click any links in suspicious emails. Delete the email immediately, including from your trash folder.
3. Report suspicious emails by contacting the Village at 937-767-7202.

Please remain vigilant and exercise caution when reviewing unsolicited payment requests.

Springs 2026 Grapevine Now Arriving in Mailboxes

The Village's Springs 2026 Grapevine quarterly newsletter is now beginning to arrive in mailboxes throughout the 45387 ZIP code. The Village extends a special thank you to the local USPS team for their continued partnership and assistance in ensuring timely delivery to all residents. This edition is a special "green" issue focused on Earth Day and sustainability efforts across the community. Residents are encouraged to take a look and explore highlights of ongoing environmental initiatives and upcoming events.



Cover and center spread of the Spring 2026 edition of the Village Grapevine.

Police Update: 03/12/26 - 4/16/26

Calls for Service	2970
9-1-1 Calls	57
Non-emergency Calls	1195
Noise Complaints	3
Traffic Stops	34
Business Checks & Community Policing	1000(915/85)

Executive Summary

Community Outreach Services (COS) experienced a significant increase in activity in March, providing 374 total services between March 1 and March 31, 2026. Overall service volume increased compared to February (+75 services, +25.1%). March activity continued to reflect strong demand for basic needs assistance, particularly food distribution, along with increased transportation support and case follow-up services. Compared to February, there was a notable rise in overall engagement across multiple service categories.

Average service delivery for the month was approximately 12 services per day.

Month-to-Month Comparison

- February: 299 services
- March: 374 services
- Net Change: +75 services
- Percent Change: +25.1%

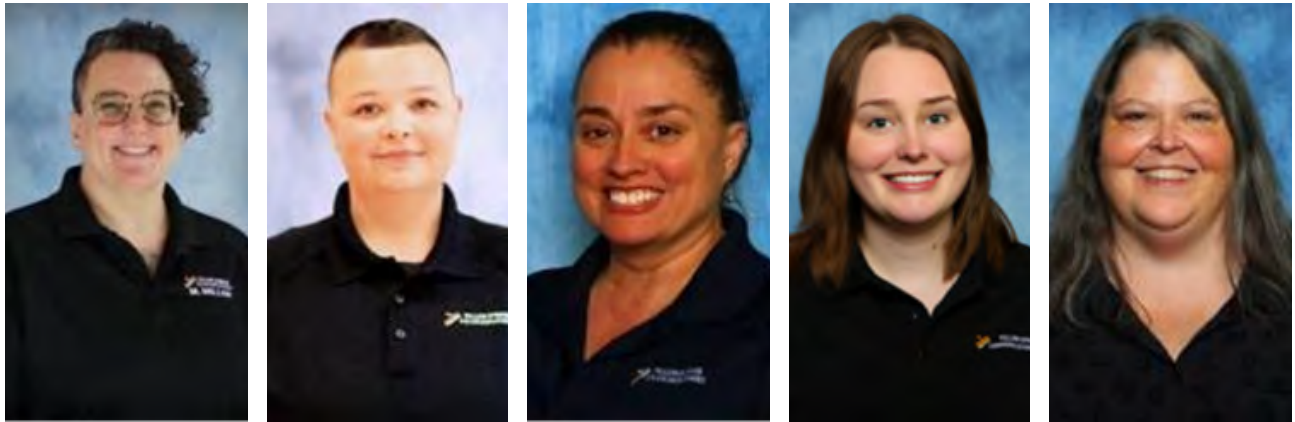
Significant Increases

- Bus Tokens / Transportation: +40 (+333%)
- Food & Vouchers: +20 (+22%)
- Mental Health Checks: +14 (+61%)
- Victim Advocacy: +9 (+41%)
- Rent Assistance: +12 (+200%)

Interpretation: March reflects expanded service demand across multiple categories, particularly transportation and mental health support. This suggests increased client mobility needs and continued stabilization efforts.

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week (NPSTW) April 12 - April 18

This past week we celebrated NPSTW. A week dedicated to honoring telecommunications personnel across the nation who serve our communities 24/7/365. We made sure to show our appreciation for our YSPD telecommunicators and their commitment, service, and sacrifice to our community.



Yellow Springs Police Department thanks our telecommunications personnel.

Lifesaving Intervention

This past month Officer Duff was recognized for providing critical, high-quality care during a cardiac arrest scene, directly contributing to the successful transport and survival of one of our community members.

Personnel

We welcome Officer Mark Steenson to the department. Officer Steenson brings extensive experience in campus policing to our municipal team. Since his hire date, we've seen Officer Steenson's campus experience translate beautifully into our community's policing philosophy, leveraging resolution-oriented policing focused on safety above all else.



Officer Duff (left), Officer Steenson (right).

Proactive Assistance

Outreach remains a core pillar of our mission. Recent successes include assisting community members with autism, resolving residential lockouts and even a stuck cat rescue at Glen Helen. Additionally, crisis diversion efforts were documented on multiple occasions this past month identifying individuals in need of medical care or sober assistance in public spaces, successfully diverting them to safe resources rather than utilizing traditional enforcement.

Youth Outreach

The Department participated in several engagement events at Yellow Springs High School and Mill's Lawn Elementary, including our annual Donut Day, Bike Bus and visits with our 4 Paws SDiT K9. Additionally, we received a visit from the Department of Youth Services and received commendations on our juvenile handling and processes, informally citing our department as the “gold standard” for agencies in the State of Ohio



Donut Day at Mills Lawn Elementary School.

Upcoming Events

Planning is underway for the National Drug Take Back Day on April 25th, 2026, coordinated by the Department to assist with safe medication disposal. As a reminder, YSPD now has a dedicated medication disposal box located in the lobby of the John Bryan Center all year long!

Community Outreach Officer Update: March 2026

SERVICE	MARCH TOTALS	YTD TOTALS
Bus Tokens	52	99
Case Follow-Ups	42	101
COS Referrals	32	173
Food Vouchers	109	213
Gas Cards	11	20
Homeless / Housing	24	69
Mental Health Needs	37	82
Rent Assistance	18	30
Utility Assistance	13	49
Use of Phone	5	13
Welfare Check	5	25
Victim Advocate	31	67

YS or Township Residents Served	302	759
Visitors or Non-Residents Served	31	58
Homeless or At-Large Served	39	145
Veteran	1	1
TOTAL SERVED	373	963

Meeting with DDC (3/25)

On March 25, Village staff met with representatives from the Dayton Development Coalition to discuss opportunities for partnership and increased regional collaboration. The discussion served as an initial introduction to the Coalition's role as a regional economic development partner within the JobsOhio network, supporting business attraction, expansion, and job growth across a 12-county region. The Coalition highlighted opportunities for engagement through participation in events, access to regional networks, and involvement in advocacy efforts supporting key industries, including aerospace, defense, and advanced manufacturing. The conversation established a foundation for exploring how the Village may strengthen its connection to regional economic development initiatives and leverage available resources moving forward.

ODOT AT Planning Scope Meeting (3/31)

On March 31, Village staff participated in a project scoping meeting with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and consultants to discuss development of the Yellow Springs Active Transportation Plan (ATP). The plan is anticipated to begin in May 2026 and conclude in early 2027, with an extended nine-month timeline to allow for more robust community engagement. The ATP will include both infrastructure recommendations, such as sidewalks and connectivity improvements, and programmatic strategies to support walking and biking. Discussion also included building upon the Village's 2019 plan by evaluating completed projects, updating priorities, and incorporating recent growth and development trends.

YSDC Meeting (4/7)

On April 7, the Yellow Springs Development Corporation held its regular meeting, which included updates on governance, financials, and ongoing redevelopment efforts. The Board welcomed a new representative from the Yellow Springs School Board and addressed administrative items including conflict of interest disclosures and contact information. Financial reports and prior meeting minutes were approved through the consent agenda. Discussion focused on continued progress at the 252–254 Xenia Avenue properties, including fire safety inspections, development of a 2026 project plan, and advancement of the leasing process through a request for proposals. The Board also considered improvements to the building, appointment of a project architect, and initial scenario planning for longer term use. Additional efforts are underway to prepare financial analysis and develop a community survey to help inform future decisions related to the properties.

Planning Commission (4/14)

On April 14, the Yellow Springs Planning Commission approved a Conditional Use application by a 5-0 vote for a group daycare at 1333 President Street. The request allows for the operation of a licensed in-home daycare within an existing single-family residence in the R-A zoning district, serving up to 12 children. The use was found to be consistent with applicable conditional use standards and compatible with the surrounding residential character.

Board of Zoning Appeals (4/15)

On April 15, the Yellow Springs Board of Zoning Appeals reviewed and approved two variance applications by 5-0 votes. The first approval granted variances at 114 S. Walnut Street to reduce the required total side yard setback and allow an accessory structure to exceed the maximum permitted size. The request supports demolition of an existing nonconforming structure and construction of a new detached garage with an accessory dwelling unit on an irregularly shaped lot in the R-C zoning district. The second approval granted a variance at 777 Xenia Avenue to reduce the required front yard setback for construction of a greenhouse on a corner lot in the R-C zoning district, addressing the unique setback requirements associated with corner lot configuration.

MVRPC TAC Meeting (4/16)

On April 16, Aaron attended the Technical Advisory Committee meeting of the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission held in Dayton. The committee reviewed several metropolitan transportation planning actions, including recommendations for adoption of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan and Revision #9 to the SFY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program. Additional informational items included updates on TRAC funding opportunities for major capacity projects and implementation tools associated with the region's "Going Places" initiative. The Executive Director also provided a regional update, and the committee is next scheduled to meet on May 21st at 9:30am.

Permits (Since last reported):

17 Zoning permits: 8 working in ROW, 4 fence, 2 single-family homes, 1 demo, 1 shed, 1 deck.

14 Building permits: 3 electric, 3 HVAC, 2 single-family homes, 1 roof, 1 fire alarm, 1 porch, 1 foundation, 1 EV charger, 1 demo.

2024 Audit Certification

The 2024 audit has been officially certified with the Auditor of State, signifying the successful completion of the audit process. Prior to certification, the Senior Audit Manager met with staff and Council members to review the audit. This achievement demonstrates the Village's commitment to sound financial management, transparency, and compliance with state requirements.

Utility Round-Up

A total of \$1,600 in Utility Round-Up assistance was processed, bringing the current fund balance to \$15,270.

Supplemental Insurance Enrollment

Open enrollment has begun for employee voluntary supplemental insurance renewals, including Accident, Critical Illness, and Hospital Indemnity coverage.

Utilities Department

Disconnects

Disconnects are on Thursday, April 23rd, and we will have extended hours (8-4:30) on April 22nd and 23rd.

Yard Waste Pickup

April is the first month for Yard Waste Pickup, and Friday, April 24th, will be the first pickup date. Yard Waste Pickup runs from April through November, the last Friday of each month. Customers MUST USE RUMPKE yard waste bags, available only at the Utility Office. The price of these bags is \$4.29/each, which includes pickup fees.

Annual Spring Clean-Up

The first full week of May (May 4th-8th) will be our Annual Spring Clean-Up event, where Rumpke picks up unlimited bulk items. Loose items should be bagged before your usual pickup day.

Water Plant Update

Completed	• Monthly lab standardizations in water lab. • Transfer pump #2 seized up and wouldn't turn or reset on SCADA. • Boone Water Systems pulled Transfer pump #2 for repair. • Motor from Transfer pump #2 taken to M&R Electric to be tested and get new bearings. • Drained North Water Tower for repairs to coating covered under warranty. • North Tower coating work completed. • North Tower refilled, awaiting Total Coliform sampling results to be able to put back online.
Ongoing	• Visit the link below to view the 2024 Water Quality Report. To request a hard copy please call 767-7208. https://www.yellowsprings.gov/egov/documents/1744898163_02282.pdf • Blew down softener and add sand to the other one. • Working with Ben Sparks on water loss. Created a new spreadsheet taking into consideration the total amount of unbilled water. • Also working on adjusting our production totals to match with billing cycle vs. Monthly as normally reported to EPA. • Working with EPA for Water Technical Assistance program on PFAS treatment plan. Attending regular monthly meetings and providing water quality data. • Conduct daily and weekly cleaning, monitoring, and sampling.
Upcoming	• Acid washing softener #1 to remove buildup hardness scaling. • Video and cleaning of well #5. • Boone to repair and install Transfer pump #2. • Working on finalizing 2025 Water Quality Report. • More PFAS testing with the Water Technical Assistance program.

Water Plant and Billing Totals (2026)

MONTH	WTP TOTAL (MG)	BILLING TOTAL (MG)	WATER LOSS (MG)	WATER LOSS %
JAN	8.184	6.625	1.559	19.05%
FEB	7.384	6.282	1.102	14.92%
MAR	8.161	7.108	1.053	12.67%
APR				
MAY				
JUN				
JUL				
AUG				
SEP				
OCT				
NOV				
DEC				
TOTAL	23.729	20.015	3.714	15.66%

Wastewater Update

Completed	• Treated 29.139 million gallons in March. • 6.29 inches of rain in March. • Covid-19 sampling for March. • Took UVT samples to give to Wessler Engineering for plant capacity study. • Got all suction and discharge lines hooked up the sludge press to prepare for the season. • Electric crew repaired some damaged underground power lines running to the headworks building. • New tire on skid steer. • Thiosulfate pump rebuilt and primed, ready for chlorine season.
Ongoing	• Looking to replace ORP probes in aeration tanks. This will help us better monitor the phosphorous treatment process. • Continuing to run microscopic bug counts on MLSS. Microorganisms look good. • Meet with Wessler Engineering to continue flow study and possible plant upgrades. • Meeting several sales reps to gather pricing and quotes for upcoming chemicals needed during the summer season. • Cleaning out and organizing work areas and storage areas in garage. • Had mixers in aeration tanks faulting out, diagnosing the problem. • Mixer D has stopped completely, pulled and prepared to send for repair.
Upcoming	• Working on getting quotes for new trucks. • Repair filtrate wet well pump. • Repair aeration gate. • Maintenance chlorine equipment. • Change oil in trash pumps.

Water Distribution Update

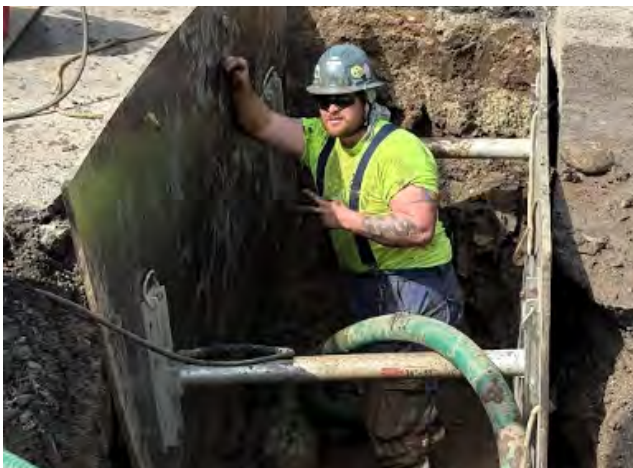
Completed	• Keep up with locates. • Continue GIS. • Clean shop and power wash floors. • Clean breakroom. • Centerpoint gas project. • Mid-Ohio fiber job. • Clean up from windstorm and power outages. • 1710 Southview hydrant repair and paint. • 137 Glen St. curb stop cut in. • 1790 Southview hydrant repair and paint. • Replaced valve cap and riser at Wellness Center. • Replace two 2' x 10" meters at Vernay. • Started draining north water tower. • Fix drainage pipe and pour concrete back for drainage line from north tower. • 321 Fairfield pike hydrant repair and paint. • Polecat rd water main break. • Mow solar field and paths. • 100 Dayton St. service leak repair. • 100 Dayton St. meter replacement. • Haul two loads of topsoil from Mad River. • 211 Fairfield pike service repair. • AMP safety training. • Water pressure check 608 Tulip Ct. • AltaFiber job. • Safe dig event.
Ongoing	• Keeping up with locates. • Finding the rest of the curb stops for meter changeout. • Installing the rest of the water meters (approximately 23). • Reading the ALFX sensors every two weeks. • Paint fire hydrants. Averaging 1 per week. • Scheduling and installing new large water meters.

WATER DISTRIBUTION

Water Distribution Update

Upcoming

- Valve exercising (Springtime).
- This is on hold currently.
- GIS more of our water system.
- Crew is GISing all assets street by street making maps more accurate.
- Painting fire hydrants all over Village.
- Dig up and replace valve that feeds old WYSO building.
- Changeout fire hydrant at Morris Bean.



Watermain break repair on Polecat Rd.

Electric Update

Completed

- Worked through windstorm with excessive tree damage.
- Worked in rear property installing guy anchor and installing new span of secondary triplex from storm damage.
- Worked out secondary on installing new span of triplex to replace open wire.
- Picked up trucks from having DOT inspections.
- Storm restoration on Stafford and Pleasant cut tree that fell on span of secondary.
- Straighten pole in alley off Davis tension from communication will be let off to get pole straight.
- Pulled pole at brookside and backfilled and removed light from pole.
- Loaded all old reclosures in container
- Loaded 37.5 KVA transformer for Kahoe mounted transformer and made up all grounds and urd connections cut down old pole to communication.
- Entered rear property at Meadow Ln. set 40 ft pole and mounted 25 KVA on pole to transfer.
- Also installed new urd secondary pedestal at Kahoe Ln.
- Responded to outages on West South College and E Enon replaced cutout on 3 phase main line and refused.
- Responded to squirrel outage on sunset refused both cutouts on Wright St.
- Installed large banners at Dayton St. and Xenia Ave.
- Opened cutouts for 3 phase primary feeding Mills Lawn School installed grounds on overhead terminations to finish secondary work by contractors.
- Replaced clips on big banner.
- Used backyard gantry at Whitehall farm to install guy anchor and install primary guy also installed anchor and primary guy on Fairfield.
- Dropped truck off for DOT inspection.

Electric Update

Completed

- Met with tree trimmer to cut large limb from tree to prevent further tree damage on overhead on Fairfield Pike.
- Removed all grounds from riser feeding Mills Lawn replaced 3 cutouts at riser pole and coordinate reenergizing Mills Lawn with contractor.
- Finished installing all banners and picked up pole pieces from pole transfer on Talus Dr.
- Worked water main break.
- Removed holiday lights from tree in green space at Limestone and Xenia
- Rolled up lights and put in storage.
- Responded to damaged secondary pedestal at Fisher Homes set out cones and caution tape until pedestal is replaced.
- Replaced secondary pedestal at Fisher Homes.
- Installed new pole ground at buck pole on Elm Street.
- Loaded material for URD work at Cresco and started preparing primary cable.
- Loaded all PPE for Cresco job made up all grounds and primary elbow terminations to feed 2500 KVA.
- Set up in Keiths Alley and removed secondary service and all communication from demo job.
- Removed 2 meters and delivered to metering.
- Installed metering at Cresco.
- Picked up brush in rear property to discard.
- Moved conduit to switch station for future work.
- Passed out outage notices for customers at Mercer and Meadow
- Transferred primary and neutral and all secondary services at Mercer Ct. made up pole ground.
- Called to low wire on Dayton St. and found communication trunk line hanging temporarily until job is complete.
- Called pole in for OUPS locate.
- Replaced large banner to earth banner.
- Attended safe digging presentation by OUPS.

Electric Update

Ongoing	• Poly phase and Demand meters are being changed. ◦ Poly phase is done. ◦ Less than 30 small meters left. • Started layout of switch station underground. ◦ Will start digging next week.
Upcoming	• Keep working on PRP (pole replacement packets). • 312 West Whiteman St. service work. • Supply power to 777 Xenia Ave. • Installing wire at Cresco. ◦ Primary is in and metering done. • Install reclosers at the switch station. ◦ Crews now have materials at switch station. ◦ Crew has started installing anchors for new pedestals. ▪ Ready to set pedestals. • Installing voltage regulators in switch station. ◦ Trying to do this all-in house to save money.



Electric crew repairing damage from the recent wind storm.

Electric Update



Various Electric Department project around the village after the wind storm.

Metering Update

Datalogging Highlights

- 97 leak tamper alarms in the last two weeks, 17 datalogged
- Working on office procedures for diagnosing, alerting and following up on leak alarms, and tracking amount of water wasted.
- Toilets and water softeners malfunctioning (even if you don't hear it) and spigots are the primary cause of high water consumption.
- Below is an example of a hose left on, data in gallons:

Data Log Report MIU#: 1579897798 for 11/14/2025 - 02/18/2026 - 5/8" - 1" T-10, GALLONS

Interval End Time	Interval Reading	Interval Consumption	Reverse Flow	Consumption Flag
02/15/2026 21:20	25200.3	281.4		Intermittent
02/15/2026 22:20	25486.6	286.3		Intermittent
02/15/2026 23:20	25773.2	286.6		Intermittent
02/16/2026 00:20	26062.8	289.6		Intermittent
02/16/2026 01:20	26355.7	292.9		Intermittent
02/16/2026 02:20	26639.9	284.2		Intermittent
02/16/2026 03:20	26924.7	284.8		Intermittent
02/16/2026 04:20	27208.2	283.5		Intermittent
02/16/2026 05:20	27492.4	284.2		Intermittent
02/16/2026 06:20	27776.5	284.1		Intermittent
02/16/2026 07:20	28064.4	287.9		Intermittent
02/16/2026 08:20	28347.7	283.3		Intermittent
02/16/2026 09:20	28628.7	281.0		Intermittent
02/16/2026 10:20	28909.0	280.3		Continuous
02/16/2026 11:20	29188.3	279.3		Continuous
02/16/2026 12:20	29466.9	278.6		Continuous
02/16/2026 13:20	29746.1	279.2		Continuous
02/16/2026 14:20	30027.7	281.6		Continuous
02/16/2026 15:20	30308.6	280.9		Continuous
02/16/2026 16:20	30590.5	281.9		Continuous

5/8" Water Meter Replacement Update

- 6 meters with bad valves, (all inside, one village owned)
- 14 inside water meter customers have been unresponsive and made no contact to schedule their meter changeout.

Metering Update

Ongoing

- Rose Pelzl is hybrid now in the Utility Billing and Meter Department, Travis is reading the manual meters and checking Tunet daily for leaks and datalogging in the field and following up on high usage.
- Potential High Water Use Causes: Toilets, Spigots left on or frozen, Water Softeners, Whole House Humidifiers, back-up sump pumps, service line leaks.
- Travis is getting trained on collecting the data from the ALFX system on Thursdays.
- Self Audit: putting eyes on each water meter once a year.
- Scheduling inspections for Material Unknown service lines, have completed 12 inspections.
- Working with Morgan Saunders from Arcadis on next steps for potholing inspections and meeting all EPA requirements for the service line inventory.
- Finish changing out FM2S electric meters – GIS Unknown Types and order any meters we're missing.
- GIS service lines – Unknown and Galvanized maps
- Add remotes to the large water meters that have wires.
- Water Reads – both manual and electronic
- Working with Mapped Out to update and streamline Water Meter - Service Line Inventory map.
- GIS new water and electric meters
- Inspect and install new water services in Spring Meadows neighborhood.
- Commercial Water Meter Change-out – inventory acquired and labeled, will schedule and create work orders for Water Dept to do changeouts.

Streets & Sewer Update

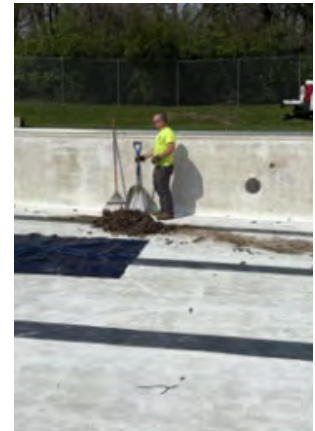
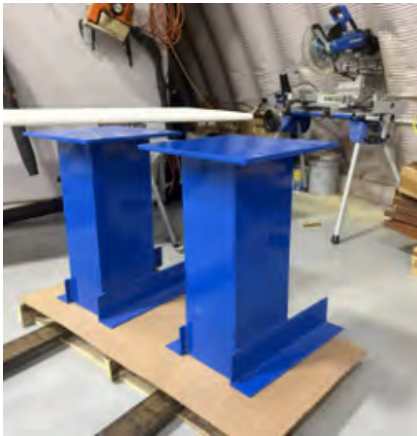
Completed

- Finished three webinars through ODOT for the Ohio Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (OMUTCD) that aligns with federal with Federal Department of Transportation.
- Powder coated newly fabricated diving board base.
- Attended first session (6 total) of CLG Leadership Academy.
- Separated materials in yard at Sutton Farm.
- Mowed municipal properties 3 times including WTP & WWTP.
- Repaired gym door closers & magnetic lock.
- Performed annual fire extinguishers certification.
- Replaced broken storm line at Gaunt Park.
- Filled potholes throughout town.
- Mowed right-of-ways.
- Trimmed trees on the Bike Path.
- Welded in patch on JBC roof.
- Installed new flush valve in women's first floor restroom.
- Cleaned out debris from pool.
- Replaced spindle on John Deere Z970R.
- Lowered/raised flag for fallen airmen.
- Removed two dead trees at Sutton Farm.
- Removed three box elders on bike path.
- Installed new PCM & BCM in vac truck.
- Rebuilt hydraulic blade motor on Jacobsen.
- Installed new onboard charger, lithium ion battery & fabricated new battery housing on village owned golf cart.
- Picked up pool pump from rebuild.
- Video sanitary main on Meadow Lane.
- Rebuilt burner on hotbox.
- Worked baseball, softball & little league diamonds for season.
- Reattached outfield fence protector on softball fence.
- Finished Corry Street Community Gardens.

STREETS & SEWER COLLECTION

Streets & Sewer Update

Ongoing	• Street sweeping. • Utility locates. • GIS information. • Empty trash/litter pickup every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. • Problematic sanitary sewer checks every Friday.
Upcoming	• Install diving boards & bases. • Install Wheeling Gaunt signs at Hilda Rahn & Gaunt Park. • Continue pool prep.



Various Streets, Parks & Sewer department accomplishments around the village.

Youth Center Update

Completed	• An average of 26 youths were served per day, with 18 dinners provided each night. • Thank you Amy and Jason Bailey for the donation to our operating supplies. • Accepted deliveries of dinners and extra grocery donations from the Food Pantry and Beloved Community Project. • Accepted prepared dinners from Who's Hungry on Monday and Wednesday. • Accepted burritos from Beloved Community Project twice. • There have been 94 rentals in the building. • Assisted 3 kids with Community service hours from the Middle and high schools. • Spring break was spent relaxing and crafting with friends and watching Hidden Figures on repeat. • Taking mini field trips to support our student athletes at Softball and Baseball games. • Finalized potential staff hiring for manager/lifeguards, lifeguards and gate attendants for the season. • Painting of the pool will begin in the next couple of weeks.
Ongoing	• Junior book group has started the Scythe series. • Craft night on Wednesday from 5:30-7pm. • Movie nights Thursday from 5:30-8pm. • Free Tutoring with Greene County Public Library Tuesdays & Thursdays 3:30-5 pm.

YOUTH CENTER & PARKS



Activities in the Youth Center.



Digital Media Update

Completed	• Covered regular Village Council meeting on Monday, April 6, 2026. • Attended AMP Safety Training on Wednesday, April 8, 2026. • Covered Village Council Housing Retreat on Thursday, April 9, 2026. • Recorded America 250 event at YS Senior Center on Saturday, April 11, 2026. • Covered Planning Commission meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2026. • Covered Board of Zoning Appeals meeting on Wednesday, April 15, 2026. • Livestreamed YS Library Association Tea on Saturday, April 18, 2026.
Ongoing	• Website redesign project.



COMMISSION/COMMITTEE	PURPOSE	2026 Leadership/Structure	Chair/Vice Chair	Current Members & Terms	2026 Priorities/Focus Areas	Outcomes - what deliverable can be expected for this work	- when do you expect this
Planning Commission	Purpose is defined by ORC: Council may direct PC to consider planning-related matters and PC may consider amendments to the Zoning Code which are then sent to Council	Planning and Zoning Administrator provides staff reports and all materials necessary for hearings. Clerk provides packets to PC. Chair runs meetings. Solicitor consulted as needed.	Chair: Susan Stiles; Vice-Chair: Gary Zaremsky	Stephen Green02/03/31 Susan Stiles04/20/26 Gary Zaremsky02/22/27 Scott Osterholm01/18/28 Chad Runyon (Alternate) 09/17/28 Anthony Salmonson (Alternate)11/18/28 Gavin DeVore Leonard, Council Liaison Carmen Brown, Council Alternate			
Environmental Commission	Advise Council as to possible courses of action with regard to its purpose, which may include matters affecting the preservation, development and use of the natural and constructed features and conditions of the Village.	Chair and Vice Chair lead with Council Liaison engagement to aid with staff coordinationproject based sub-committees used as needed	TBD	Johanna Schultz-Herman 2/6/2027, Brian Gibson 9/3/2028, Ruth Hoff 9/16/2028, Lexi Kip 2/21/2027	Community education around sustainable building practices, conservation development and watershed protection	workshops and educational events; informational materials and resources; partnerships with	June-December 2026
Public Arts and Culture Commission	Advise Council regarding the merits of any art concept, exhibit and installation as well as issues that affect use, appearance, and experience of . . . public spaces, taking into consideration the respect for all users of public space to promote and support improvement, beautification, growth and creativity of our community	Chair and Vice Chair lead with Council Liaison engagement to aid with staff coordinationproject based sub-committees used as needed	TBD	Phoenix Fyre02/06/27 Kay Koeninger02/21/27 Kellye Pinkleton09/16/28 Kelly Carpe09/03/28 Carmen Brown, Council Liaison Stephanie Pearce, Council Alternate	America 250 programming, including speaker series, cook out and concert. Working with YSAC and other local arts organisations to feature local artists	Organised educational and entertainment events that focus on community building	ongoing
Library Commission	Established for the purpose of advising on matters related to Village responsibilities for the function and facilities of the Yellow Springs Public Library.	Head Librarian or Convener		Tracy Phillips, Y.S. Library Karl Colon, Dir. GCPL YSLA - Bette Kelley Richard Zopf 05/04/25 Dorothy Smith 05/04/25	Infrastructure and Safety Improvements	Repair front curb; lighting for Tree of Knowledge; Install One-Way signage at parking lot entrance	2026
Finance/Investment Committee	All investment decisions should be made jointly with a Finance Director, the Village Manager, one-to-two Council members and the Village Treasurer and should conform to all applicable laws and regulations governing the investment of public moneys.	Finance Director Leads Meetings		Johnnie Burns Michelle Robinson Judy Kintner Senay Semere, Council Gavin DeVore Leonard, Council	Review revenue and expenses and capital needs; align investment strategies accordingly		Ongoing
Yellow Springs Development Corporation	A collaborative body that can provide the insights and flexibility needed to advance, encourage, and promote the industrial, economic, commercial, and civic development of both the Village of Yellow Springs and Miami			Senay Semere, Council Representative Carmen Brown, Council Representative			
Active Transportation Committee	Council provides representation: Not a committee of Council.			Gary Zaremsky, Planning Commission Liaison Stephanie Pearce, Council Liaison			
Village Mediation Program	Established by and funded by VYS; used by YSPD and Zoning departments.			Carmen Brown, Liaison	Provides mediation services for VYS	ongoing	

MEMO: Summary of Housing Retreat (April 9, 2026) Next Steps

SUBMITTED BY: Angie Hsu

April 15, 2026

First, again a huge thank you to council members and staff present for taking the time to make space and energy to focus on discussing the critical housing issues as related to the work of the Village of Yellow Springs. We believe it is the first time in over 10 years such an extensive amount of time has been dedicated to the topic about options for proactive approaches taken by the Village.

One of the main discussion topics - and a thread throughout the entire day - was, “Why do we, as the Village, care about affordable housing? What is the guiding principle of why we are making this a priority topic?” The answers to this will continue to be formulated into our housing mission statement, but here is an early draft version:

The Village of Yellow Springs cares about housing because it is one of the most critical aspects of determining a resident’s sense of safety, stability, and security, both a physical and emotional determinant of well-being. Housing is by far the largest expense for most individuals and households. A particular priority is affordable housing (no more than 30% of gross income spent) for income earners making 60% or less of AMI, because that is the housing stock that is severely lacking in our community and has not been built for decades.

Because our Village cares about having a diverse population, we need diverse options for housing to ensure all types of people have real and viable ways to call Yellow Springs home. We believe that people who work here deserve to live here, and hence workforce housing must also be a priority.

The following summarizes the draft of upcoming goals and parties responsible. This version will be firmed up and then integrated into the Village goals for 2026-2027.

- Goal setting about housing
 - Set targets for types of housing needed in the Village, using updated data from the new Bowen report (i.e. X rentals at X% AMI) (received in April 2026) (AH/PZA)
 - Clarify housing mission statement, definitions, and priorities of the Village (AH/PZA)
- Rentals (SP)
 - Dedicated conversation about code enforcement in rentals
 - Dedicated conversation on rental registry
- Glass Farm
 - Appraisal -> would like to have one for all Village properties to understand options for housing projects (JB/EG)
 - Put out RFP (by Dec 2026, potentially sooner) (JB/EG)

- Community engagement process (SP)
 - Poll to understand community opinions on glass farm (GDL)
- Summary/compilation of existing documents (JB/EG)
- Zoning (AB/JK/PZA)
 - Evaluation of current zoning code to identify pain points and how to best make progress towards housing goals (2027)
 - Update definitions using Yellow Springs or Dayton statistical area data
- Lawson Place (JB/EG)
 - Develop approach based on data and full review conducted by end of 2026
- Fees on vacant properties (SS)
 - Look into options and examples and present learnings

Structure and Parties Responsible:

Discussion was around continuing the work currently as a committee as we finalize the priorities and goals and undertake background research on areas of interest. We will revisit (pending June meeting) the structure of a commission as the next phase of the work develops and more input/involvement is needed.

We agreed at the retreat to discuss at the next council meeting which council members will serve on the housing committee/future commission.

Note: The housing committee needs to be added back into the list of committees/commissions (it was previously removed when on hiatus).

Parking Lot: (future housing topics for discussion or consideration)

- Senior housing needs/down
- Downtown buildings
- Property management
- How to engage with other projects in the village (i.e. Antioch Village)



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Finance Committee Meeting 4/14/26 Summary

Gavin DeVore Leonard

We had another productive meeting, talking through long-term budget projections, reviewing 1st quarter financials, beginning conversations about utility rates and how we arrive at them, and more.

You may recall from the last meeting's summary that one of our next steps was to reduce some of the conservatism in the budget projections to try to get a more accurate picture of the outcome of realistic income and expenses over time. At this meeting, we saw the results, which are significant.

By making changes to revenue projections (primarily the income tax) and expenses projections (primarily actual staffing and benefits levels) — none of which give anyone any heartburn (as in, we are not cutting it super close or being brazen about expectations, just getting much closer to reality) — the projected 2035 cash situation goes from just over \$14m over budget to around \$1.5m over budget. \$1.5m over budget on a 9-year projection is not scary at all, so this is great news! Plus, we have not included updated projections for 2026 yet, so it's very likely there will be a very small total gap based on actuals from the 1st quarter this year. Of course, there is still work to do.

The next biggest piece of the puzzle is accurately projecting capital expenses. Large projects unsurprisingly have the biggest impact on our bottom line and are the hardest part of budgeting. Projects that are \$1m+ throw the biggest wrenches in things, but every one-time expense of any amount will add up in unpredictable ways without careful planning. So, if we can effectively map our capital expenses — the biggest of which are toward utility and infrastructure maintenance — we will have a much higher likelihood of not being caught with budget surprises in the future. So, Johnnie will be working to identify firms and prices to do this capital planning (one example that was referenced was the [Capital Improvement Plan from Miamisburg](#), if you want to get an idea of the kind of thing we might do).

Staff size remains relatively consistent, as do many of the largest income and expense categories. Major changes in the economy (a recession, a pandemic, etc.) will inevitably require adaptation, but we can make relatively safe assumptions about other costs in more steady times, and we'll keep a close eye on big state (i.e. property tax elimination

ballot initiative), national (i.e. economic indicators like inflation and wage growth/stagnation), and international trends (i.e. wars that impact the global economy) so that we shouldn't be caught flat-footed.

We'll report back as we continue to work to understand our finances, with hopes that we'll have a clear, shared understanding about where things stand as we move toward budgeting later this year.

Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

In Council Chambers @ 6:00pm

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Planning Commission members present were Susan Stiles, Chair, Stephen Green, Gary Zaremsky, Gavin DeVore Leonard and Scott Osterholm. Also present were Liz Fields, McBride Dale Clarion, serving as Planner, and Aaron Arellano, Planning and Economic Development Assistant

REVIEW OF AGENDA

There were no changes made.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of November 11, 2025 Regular Meeting

Stiles MOVED TO APPROVE the Minutes of the November 11, 2025 Regular Planning Commission meeting. Osterholm SECONDED, and the MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

COMMUNICATIONS

Sue Pfeiffer re: Purchase of Lot

Stiles reviewed communications.

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Active Transportation Committee.

Council. DeVore Leonard presented Council information as follows:

1/5/26: Council elected Gavin DeVore Leonard Council President and Angie Hsu Vice President as three new Council members were seated. Hsu, Stephanie Pearce and Senay Semere join Carmen Brown and DeVore Leonard. Liaisons for PC remain the same.

1/20/26: Council engaged in a Work Session on Short Street prior to the regular meeting.

1/23/26: Council held a retreat aimed at discussing goals and vision for a new Council.

2/2/26: Council adopted the 2025 Greene County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan; Council authorized the VM to apply for loans of up to \$100,000 from the EPA to conduct a sewer capacity study; A presentation on the Short Street project was presented, and, following extensive discussion, Council voted against continuation of the project, citing concern regarding identification of funding sources.

3/2/26; DeVore Leonard noted identification of a Smoke Shop Moratorium as a key goal originating with PC, and was told that this effort would resume following the filling of the open Planning and Zoning Director position.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no comments made.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Stiles swore in those present intending to comment or provide testimony during the hearings.

Replat: Kim Baldwin on behalf of the Robert Baldwin Family Trust, property owner of 126-138 Dayton Street, Yellow Springs, has submitted an application for a replat. Zoning district B-1, Central Business District. Greene County Parcel IDs: #F19000100110022800, -22900, -23300, -23400, -23500, -30600.

After first affirming compliance with notification requirements, Fields walked PC members through her findings for applicable code Section 1226.06 Design Standards, noting the following:

Adequate access to such lots is provided and poses no nuisance to adjoining lots. Adequate access shall accommodate emergency needs, parking and any other requirements specific to the location.

Findings: The replat is proposed to rectify an existing uncommon lot configuration to create three lots, each of which have access to Dayton Street and provide adequate access. It is not anticipated that the replat will pose a nuisance to adjoining lots.

The relation to the adjoining lots is acceptable in that required setbacks can be maintained, adequate privacy is preserved and apparent nuisances (light, noise) are avoided.

Findings: The replat will result in the creation of lots that are further in line with the configuration of adjoining lots without having an impact on the privacy of adjoining lots or creating a nuisance.

A minimum frontage of twenty feet shall be required for all lots.

Findings: The lots all provide a minimum frontage of twenty feet.

Uncommon lot configurations must be approved by the Planning Commission.

Findings: Staff believes the criteria listed above in Section 1226.06(a)(6) are met.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

AGENDA PLANNING

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:51pm, Osterholm MOVED and Green SECONDED a MOTION TO ADJOURN. The MOTION PASSED 5-0 ON A VOICE VOTE.

Susan Stiles, Chair

Attest: Judy Kintner, Clerk

Please note: These minutes are not verbatim. A DVD copy of the meeting is available at the Yellow Springs Library during regular Library hours, and in the Clerk of Council's office between 9 and 3 Monday through Friday.

Mayor's Court Training Jan 15th-16th

Went to MLK Program on Jan 19th, but couldn't lead the march due to inclement weather

1st Mayor's Court on the 26th of January

1st Senior Center Lunch on Friday, Jan 30th

Feb 9- Lead Black History tours for the rest of the month.

Feb 17-NPHC Wilberforce Panel Discussion

Feb 18- First Jam Session at Trailtown Tavern

Feb 22- Greeted the new Director of Friends Care at Foundation

March 3- Wedding

March 4- First real Office Hours due to the Black History Tours

March 6- Wedding

March 7- Wedding

March 15- Spoke at the Unitarian Church

March 23- Wedding

March 28- Glen Helen Nature Reserve Beer Release Party

March 31- Government Presentation at Days of Discovery Learning Center

April 2- Wedding

April 3- Wedding

April 9- A Proclamation was delivered and proclaimed for WYSO Day

April 9- A Proclamation was delivered and proclaimed for David Perry Sr 100th Birthday
Celebration Day



2026 Mayor's Court Report to Council

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Mayor's Court Report on 2026 YSPD Charges

Incidents Eligible for Mayor's Court

	YSPD's Total Incidents	Incidents sent to MC	Incidents Eligible but not Sent to MC	Percentage of Eligible Incidents not sent to MC	Reasons Not Sent to Mayor's Court
Jan.	13	11	0	0%	N/A
Feb.	12	11	0	0%	N/A
Mar.	11	8	0	0%	N/A
Apr.					
May					
Jun.					
Jul.					
Aug.					
Sept.					
Oct.					
Nov.					
Dec.					
Total	36	30	0	0.000%	

Incidents Ineligible for Mayor's Court and Reasons Why Ineligible

	YSPD's Total Incidents	Incidents Ineligible to be heard in MC	Lives out of area or occurred out of YS Jurisdiction	OVI	Jailed/ violent /felony	Juvenile	Child support	ORC requirement/ enhancement	Sex offense
Jan.	13	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Feb.	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mar.	11	3	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Apr.									
May									
Jun.									
Jul.									
Aug.									
Sept.									
Oct.									
Nov.									
Dec.									
Total	36	6	0	1	1	0	0	4	0

ART STROLL

THIRD FRIDAYS MAY - OCTOBER • 5PM-9PM • DOWNTOWN YELLOW SPRINGS

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YSCHAMBER
Yellow Springs Chamber of Commerce
Yellow Springs
Yellow Springs, Ohio's Heart of the Arts

Barbara L. Mann, Ph.D.
116 W. South College St.
Yellow Springs, OH 45387

April 7, 2026

Yellow Springs Village Council
100 Dayton Street
Yellow Springs, OH 45387

Dear Council Members:

I am a senior citizen who has lived in the Village since 1977, worked as the Transportation Coordinator for the Yellow Springs Senior Center for 9 years, paid taxes faithfully, and been a volunteer for several organizations in town. I also served as a member of the Active Transportation Committee. I still volunteer at the Senior Center, support businesses in the Village, and own my home in town on which I pay property taxes. I have some physical challenges because of my age and I often use a mobility scooter to get around town.

I am concerned that the Village government does not take seriously the fact that a high percentage of Village residents have physical challenges, due either to our aging bodies or physical handicaps or both. The two issues that concern me the most are handicap parking and the state of our sidewalks. I'll address both of these in this letter.

Handicap Parking

The current state of handicap parking downtown is rather shaky. Most of the downtown spaces designated as handicap are parallel parking adjacent to either Xenia Ave. or one of the side streets. Parallel parking spaces are the least accessible for people who need to unload an assistive device either from the side or the rear of the vehicle. In addition, the driver's side door must be opened into traffic, which can be a major safety issue. Except for one parking space in front of the Senior Center, the parking spaces are much too short to allow rear access for loading or unloading a wheelchair or other device and do not have curb cuts that allow a wheelchair user to get onto the sidewalk safely.

The best type of parking space which can be genuinely handicap accessible is perpendicular parking with angle parking as a 2nd choice. Either of these allows easy access for rear loading and unloading. If the parking space is at least 96" wide and has a side aisle at least 60" wide, the space is handicap accessible unless the car has a side ramp. Use of a side ramp requires the side aisle to have a width of at least 96". If perpendicular parking is used, it isn't necessary to have side aisles on both sides of the car because it is possible to back into the space to allow access to the other side of the car.

I would urge Village Council to consider the idea of converting Short Street into a parking lot with at least several genuine handicap parking spaces. What I have in mind is perpendicular

handicap parking along one side of the lot, and a couple of parallel spaces and space for bike racks on the other side. This conversion would address several problem areas at once since bicycle parking is also in short supply downtown. It would be necessary to make this new parking lot one-way with entrance either on Walnut St. or Xenia Ave. and exit on the other. To allow enough width to accommodate perpendicular parking, the sidewalks could be removed and replaced with bumper-type barriers.

Sidewalks

The biggest issue with sidewalks is that Village government simply does not see them as public rights-of-way, but as a problem for property owners to deal with. This approach isn't at all realistic nor fair and does not address the needs of the public.

It is reasonable to expect property owners to keep the public sidewalks adjoining their property clear of vegetation and other obstructions that are caused by activity or inactivity of the property owner. In this case, private property is impinging on the public right-of-way.

It is NOT reasonable for the Village to expect property owners to construct or maintain the sidewalks. The sidewalks are owned by the Village, so it should be the Village's responsibility to maintain them. Sidewalks are similar to streets. Both are public property and need to be dealt with in the same fashion.

Besides maintenance, it should be the Village's responsibility to clear the sidewalk right-of-way when we have a snowstorm, particularly like the one that occurred in February of this year. Access to the sidewalks by everyone, including school kids and seniors, was totally blocked by the huge snow piles that were put in place by the Village snowplows at the intersections. These snow piles were not put there by property owners and to expect them to clear them is totally unreasonable.

It would be financially impossible for the Village to buy and maintain equipment or pay personnel to remove snow from sidewalks since snowstorms aren't an everyday experience (thank goodness). However, it should be possible for the Village to budget for hiring local folks who are in the business of snow removal when necessary. This approach is often used in other locations, New York City being an example.

Thank you for reading my letter and I hope that you will seriously consider my suggestions.

Sincerely,

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

YS Art Stroll Returns to Downtown Yellow Springs for 2026 Season

An immersive monthly celebration of art, music, and community spirit

Yellow Springs, Ohio — The Yellow Springs Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the return of the YS Art Stroll, a signature downtown experience celebrating creativity, culture, and community.

Held every third Friday from May through October, 5:00 PM–9:00 PM; the Art Stroll invites residents and visitors to experience the artistic energy that defines Yellow Springs as a premier cultural destination.

“The Art Stroll is one of those nostalgic favorites that reminds you just how special this community is,” said Molly Lunde of Asanda Imports, one of the organizers. “When I think of the Art Stroll, I remember grabbing friends and heading downtown for an easy, breezy, affordable way to have fun. We are fortunate to live in a community with so much creativity, and once a month we get to come together and enjoy it.”

Throughout the event, downtown businesses activate their spaces in creative ways: bookstores may feature live musicians or in-house artists, boutiques may showcase local potters and demonstrations, and music venues can incorporate live visual art alongside performances. Each location contributes to a connected, immersive experience beyond everyday operations.

“The YS Art Stroll is designed as a curated, art-forward experience that brings new energy to familiar spaces, offering community members and visitors something engaging and memorable each month while strengthening the connection between art, business, and community,” said Phillip O’Rourke, Executive Director of the Yellow Springs Chamber of Commerce.

Blending creativity, commerce, and culture, the Art Stroll highlights the artistic identity of Yellow Springs while supporting local businesses and contributing to downtown vitality through experiential engagement.

The YS Art Stroll: Where art, creativity, and community come alive after 5 PM.

For details or to register a downtown business, visit:

yellowspringsohio.org/art-stroll

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Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council

From: Sent on Behalf of Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio <no-reply@egovnotices.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 5, 2026 8:09 PM
To: Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council
Subject: Contact Village Council Submitted - Receipt #2026-ACBJT0



Sun, Apr 05, 2026 20:06

Village of Yellow Springs, Ohio

Contact Village Council Submitted - Receipt #2026-ACBJT0

To: Judy Kintner <judy.kintner@yellowsprings.gov>
From: Webmaster <village-no-reply@vil.yellowsprings.oh.us>
Date: Sun, Apr 05, 2026 20:06
Subject: Contact Village Council Submitted - Receipt #2026-ACBJT0

A citizen submitted the following information for one or more item(s) for which you are on the notification list. The information sent to the citizen is as follows.

Confirmation

Thank you, your message has been received.

Council Clerk's Office

clerk@yso.com

937-767-9126

Contact Village Council

Full Name: Jacob Schmidt

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Address: 3881 E Enon Rd

Message: Village Council Members, We are reaching out to invite your support for a neighborhood effort focused on improving safety along E Enon Rd (south of the high school). We are organizing a petition to the Greene County Commissioners asking them to evaluate overall safety conditions on this section of E Enon Rd and to implement appropriate traffic-calming measures where warranted. The goal is to encourage a thoughtful review and practical steps that can help reduce risk and improve safety for residents and motorists alike. Recent traffic monitoring, conducted over two separate two-week periods, recorded nearly 25,000 vehicles on this stretch of road, with approximately 35% exceeding the posted speed limit. While this data is only one part of the picture, it helps reinforce the need for a closer look at current conditions. Examples of cost-sensitive traffic-calming measures that could be

considered include enhanced signage, speed feedback signs, pavement markings, targeted enforcement, or other low-cost design changes intended to encourage safer driving behavior. The intent is not to prescribe specific solutions, but to ensure that practical and effective options are evaluated. The strength of this effort comes from the community. Broad support from neighbors and surrounding residents will help demonstrate that improving safety on this road is a shared priority, and it can encourage county officials to take meaningful action. If you agree that this is an important step toward making our road safer, we would greatly appreciate you providing us or submitting a letter of support that we may take along to the next engagement with Greene County officials. Thank you for your time and for helping advocate for a safer community.

Include in upcoming packet?: Yes

To stay up to date you can view the status of this item [here](#).

Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council

From: Laura Skidmore <laura@skidmores.us>
Sent: Sunday, April 5, 2026 8:13 PM
To: Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council; Gavin DeVore Leonard, Council President; Carmen Brown, Council; Angie Hsu, Council Vice President; Stephanie Pearce, Council; Senay Semere, Council
Subject: RE: Parking expansion

Some people who received this message don't often get email from laura@skidmores.us. [Learn why this is important](#)

Hello,

I have comments regarding proposed parking expansion, and I'm not sure I'll be able to attend tomorrow's council meeting to share them in person.

First, I want to point out that parking spaces were added on the east side of Walnut Street on each side of Short Street when Short Street was closed. These spaces have not been removed and are still in use on a daily basis. A while ago I submitted a request through the YS Connect app for them to be removed, because they impede visibility for drivers and pedestrians at the crosswalks, especially during school pick up and drop off times. It's a safety issue, but so far nothing has been done to remove these spaces.

Second, Ohio Revised Code 4511.68 prohibits parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection. I believe multiple parking spaces on Short Street currently violate this law, and it also seems to be an issue in some of the proposed parking expansion.

Third, Yellow Springs ordinance [452.14](#) includes restrictions on parking on the east side of Walnut Street, specifically "Parking shall be prohibited on the east side of Walnut Street from the south curb line of Short Street south 124 feet." I believe multiple parking spaces currently violate this village code, and I believe it would also be an issue in some of the proposed parking expansion.

Thank you.

Laura Skidmore