

ORDINANCE NO. 2025 – 37

**AN ORDINANCE CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL MATAS
AS DIRECTOR OF FINANCE OF THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE, OHIO;
AUTHORIZING COMPENSATION THEREFOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, effective July 28th, 2025, Michael Matas will be appointed by the Mayor of the City of Wickliffe as Director of Finance; and

WHEREAS, Council desires to confirm this appointment in accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section V-3 of the Charter of the City of Wickliffe, Ohio.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE,
COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO:**

SECTION 1. That the appointment of Michael Matas as Director of Finance, effective July 28, 2025, is hereby confirmed. Former Finance Director, Chlondra Hunter shall remain an employee of the City for an additional eighty (80) hours and continue to receive her customary salary during this time.

SECTION 2. That the salary for the full time position of Director of Finance shall be one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000.00) per year.

SECTION 3. That the duties of the Director of Finance are pursuant to Article V, Section V-3 of the Charter of the City of Wickliffe, Ohio.

SECTION 4. That any and all changes to this ordinance require amendment by Council.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance repeals any and all other ordinances or parts thereof that may be inconsistent with this ordinance.

SECTION 6. That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 7. That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety of the city and its inhabitants, and for the further reason that it is necessary to immediately confirm the appointment of the Director of Finance to provide for the daily operations of the Finance Department; wherefore, this ordinance, provided it receives an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to Council, shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: July 14th, 2025

Attest: Clerk of Council

Submitted to the Mayor for approval on

July 14th, 2025, 2025

First reading Suspended

Second reading Suspended

Third reading July 14, 2025

Edward A. Lewis
Council President – Presiding Officer

Approved: July 14th, 2025

July 14th, 2025

Mayor

Passed July 14, 2025
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I, Sandra J. Fink, Clerk of Council of Wickliffe, Ohio, hereby certify the foregoing is a true copy of
Ordinance No. 2025-37 enacted by Council at its special meeting on July 14, 2025.

Sandra J. Fink, Clerk of Council