

BARBERTON CITY COUNCIL

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MEETING**

OCTOBER 5TH, 2026



Agenda
Committee of the Whole Meeting
Monday, October 5, 2026

- I. Call the Meeting to Order at _____ P. M.
- II. Stand for the Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Citizens Addressing Council
- IV. Committee Reports:
 - Mrs. Jennifer Hager - Streets, Sidewalks & Lighting
 - Mrs. Emily Beck - Planning, Annexation & Codes
 - Mr. Chris Stoll - City Utilities
 - Mrs. Tayler Thompson - Public Welfare, Safety & Public Relations
 - Mr. Dallas Moore - Rules, Marketing, Development & Information Technologies
 - Mrs. Julie Miller - Environment Health & Social Services
 - Mr. Brian Fleming - City Properties, Parks & Recreation
 - Mr. Bryan Poorman - Finance & Personnel
- V. Report From Council President
- VI. Remarks From The Body
- VII. Mayor's Report
- VIII. Adjourned at _____ p.m.



REBECCA GEARHART
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

TRINITY KELLY
COUNCIL CLERK

CHRIS STOLL
AT-LARGE

JULIE MILLER
AT-LARGE

JENNIFER HAGER
FIRST WARD

BRYAN POORMAN
SECOND WARD

DALLAS MOORE
THIRD WARD

EMILY BECK
FOURTH WARD

BRIAN FLEMMING
FIFTH WARD

TAYLER THOMPSON
SIXTH WARD



CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

MONDAY
Oct 5th

6:00 P.M. STREETS COMMITTEE MEETING
HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

WEDNESDAY
Oct 7th

5:30 P.M. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
MAYOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM

MONDAY
Oct 12th

6:00 P.M. PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING
SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
RULES COMMITTEE MEETING
UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
REGULAR LEGISLATIVE MEETING

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

THURSDAY

5:00 P.M. PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY
Oct 13th

5:30 P.M. DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MONDAY
Oct 19th

6:00 P.M. STREETS COMMITTEE MEETING
HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

TUESDAY

5:30 P.M. BOARD OF BUILDING & ZONING APPEALS
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

WEDNESDAY
Oct 21

5:30 P.M. PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MONDAY
Oct 26th

6:00 P.M. PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING
SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
RULES COMMITTEE MEETING
UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
REGULAR LEGISLATIVE MEETING

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

WEDNESDAY
Oct 28th

4:30 P.M. BARBERTON HEALTH DISTRICT MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

LEGISLATION REQUESTED

OCTOBER 5, 2026

9/23/2026	AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL CONTRACT WITH MEDMUTUAL LIFE FOR GROUP LIFE INSURANCE FROM JANUARY 1, 2027 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2027, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
9/21/2026	AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN APPLICATION TO EXPAND THE DOWNTOWN BARBERTON DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4301.82, ESTABLISHING THE EXPANDED BOUNDARIES, AUTHORIZING THE REQUIRED NOTICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
9/21/2026	AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$2,234.53 FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED ITEM OF THE GENERAL FUND TO THE LAW DEPARTMENTS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET OF THE GENERAL FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
9/18/2026	AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING THE CITY OF BARBERTON TO DONATE PARCEL ID 01.02716, 01.12845, 01.03686, 01.03021, AND 01.03020 TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY FOR RESIDENTIAL REDEVELOPMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
9/21/2026	AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 73-2026 TITLED "FEE SCHEDULE – BARBERTON CITY CODE" TO ADD SIX NEW SECTIONS OF THE CITY OF BARBERTON CODE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

LOM:hkr
09/21/2026

REFER TO: _____
Requested by: Mrs. Carr
Presented by:

ORDINANCE NO. - 2026

**TITLE: EXPANSION OF DOWNTOWN BARBERTON
DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA**

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN APPLICATION TO EXPAND THE DOWNTOWN BARBERTON DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4301.82, ESTABLISHING THE EXPANDED BOUNDARIES, AUTHORIZING THE REQUIRED NOTICES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 98-2022, passed August 1, 2022, this Council established the Downtown Barberton Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area pursuant to Section 4301.82 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 39-2025, passed March 24, 2025, this Council amended the designated hours of operation for the Downtown Barberton Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area; and

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2026, Mayor Shorter Griffin, as the executive officer of the City of Barberton, filed with this Council an Application for Expansion of the Downtown Barberton Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (the "Application") pursuant to Section 4301.82(B) of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the Application proposes adding 6.57 contiguous acres to the existing Downtown Barberton Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area, resulting in an expanded area totaling 37.49 contiguous acres, with the expanded boundaries shown on the map attached hereto as Exhibit A and the included parcels and street addresses identified in Exhibit B attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the City has a population of 25,191 according to the most recent regular federal decennial census, and the Application states that the proposed 37.49-acre expanded area is the City's only designated outdoor refreshment area and encompasses more than two qualified permit holders, thereby satisfying the applicable acreage and permit-holder limitations set forth in Sections 4301.82(B) and 4301.82(D) of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, this Council caused public notice of the Application to be published on August 22, 2026, within forty-five (45) days after the Application was filed, and such notice contained the information required by Section 4301.82(C) of the Ohio Revised Code; and

necessary to implement and enforce the expanded Downtown Barberton Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area and its applicable public health and safety requirements without delay; and provided it receives the necessary votes required by the City Charter, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval; otherwise, to be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed _____ 2026

Clerk of Council

President of Council

Approved _____ 2026

Mayor

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EXHIBIT A

RED = Existing DORA Territory; GREEN = Proposed Expansion of DORA



REFER TO: _____

LOM:hkr
09/21/2026

Requested by: Mrs. Miller
Presented by:

ORDINANCE NO. - 2026

**TITLE: APPROPRIATION
LAW DEPARTMENT**

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$2,234.53 FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED ITEM OF THE GENERAL FUND TO THE LAW DEPARTMENTS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET OF THE GENERAL FUND, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, this money is a portion of a share of the City of Barberton's remaining funds held by Roetzel following a litigation dismissal; and

WHEREAS, this appropriation will be used to pay for legal and professional services rendered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Barberton, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars and Fifty-Three Cents (\$2,234.53) is hereby appropriated from the Unappropriated Item of the General Fund to the Law Departments Operation and Maintenance Budget of the General Fund.

SECTION 2. That the Director of Finance is hereby directed to draw his warrants in payment thereof.

SECTION 3. That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken 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 meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 4. That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Barberton and the inhabitants thereof, in order to appropriate the funds as soon as possible, and provided it receives the necessary votes required by the City Charter, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval; otherwise to be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed _____ 2026

Clerk of Council

President of Council

LOM:hkr
09/18/2026

REFER TO: _____

Requested by: Mrs. Carr
Presented by:

ORDINANCE NO. -2026

**TITLE: DONATION OF PROPERTY
PARCEL ID 01.02716, 01.12845,
01.03686, 01.03021, 01.03020**

AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING THE CITY OF BARBERTON TO DONATE PARCEL ID 01.02716, 01.12845, 01.03686, 01.03021, AND 01.03020 TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY FOR RESIDENTIAL REDEVELOPMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity will combine parcels 0103686, 0112845, and 0102716 to create two buildable parcels; and

WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity will combine parcels 0103021 and 0103020 to create on buildable parcel; and

WHEREAS, each newly created parcel will have one new residential structure built on it; and

WHEREAS, the area has been a target area for redevelopment for several years with the earliest parcel being transferred to the City of Barberton in 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Barberton, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the City of Barberton is hereby allowed to donate Parcel ID 01.02716, 01.12845, 01.03686, 01.03021, and 01.03020 to Habitat for Humanity for Residential Redevelopment.

SECTION 2. That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken 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 meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 4. That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Barberton and the inhabitants thereof, in order to facilitate timeliness on the donation of the parcels, and provided it receives the necessary votes required by the City Charter, shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval; otherwise to be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

LOM:hkr
09/23/2026

REFER TO: _____

Requested by: Mrs. Iceman
Presented by:

ORDINANCE NO. - 2026

**TITLE: ENTER INTO CONTRACT
MEDICAL MUTUAL**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPROVE THE
RENEWAL CONTRACT WITH MEDMUTUAL LIFE FOR GROUP LIFE
INSURANCE FROM JANUARY 1, 2027 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2027, AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Barberton,
State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to approve the renewal contract with
MedMutual Life for group life insurance from January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2027.

SECTION 2. That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this
Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken 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 meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 3: That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure
necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and
welfare of the City of Barberton and the inhabitants thereof, due to the pending expiration of the
prior contract, and provided it receives the necessary votes required by the City Charter, shall
be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval; otherwise, to be in
full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed _____ 2026

Clerk of Council

President of Council

Approved _____ 2026

Mayor