



# CITY OF LORAIN

## Board of Control

### Meeting of April 1, 2026

#### **I. ROLL CALL**

The Board of Control meeting was called to order at 2:34 p.m. by Mayor Bradley. In attendance were Mayor Jack Bradley, Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto, Jaime Schuller, Dave Faciana, Hannah Kiraly, Capt. Jake Morris, Joe Carbonaro, Kate Golden, Mike Darnos, Mindy Stoyka, and Alonna Lopez.

#### **II. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

- a. The I.T. Department requests to purchase 3 new Rack Mounted UPSs for the three server cabinets in the City's Data Center from GHA Technology.**

**Cost not to exceed \$8,000 and paid from the I.T. Department Capital Outlay Account 1010.E350.6700.1000.**

Discussion: UPS stands for uninterrupted power supply. This is a state purchasing vendor.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. A request from the Engineering Department to enter into a Professional Services agreement with Coldwater Consulting for design services associated with the Sunset Pier Park Fish Cleaning Station in the amount of \$72,500.00 to be funded from account 4010.C401.6300.3351 ODNR Grant Expense. This work is being funded with grant dollars from a grant awarded to the City by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.**

Discussion: This request is for the building design portion of this project. The structure will be 40 x 60 feet and located on the lakefront. The total grant received for this project is about \$560,000.00. The remaining grant funds will go toward the construction portion of the project.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request as amended; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. The Lorain Police Department would like to request an increase to PO# 2026-413 for Leadsonline LLC, from the amount \$8,532.00 to \$8,873.00 due to a price increase. To be paid out of Levy Contractual Services.**

Discussion: The invoice came in slightly higher than expected due to a yearly increase.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**d. The Lorain Police Department request approval for the renewal with UKG Kronos for the continued support and Maint. for scheduling and payroll system. Amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. To be paid out of Levy Contractual account.**

Discussion: The UKG Kronos software works well for the department's scheduling and payroll needs.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**e. A request from the Lorain Utilities Department to enter into an agreement with the highest rated and ranked engineering firm, HDR Engineering, for professional services related to the planning and work associated with the City of Lorain Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study (SSES). The last SSES study was conducted over twenty (20) years ago and new data is needed to ensure proper capital improvements and capacity upgrades for future needs from within and outside the City of Lorain. Ordinance 037-26 was approved by City Council on 3/16/26. Funds will be provided by the Ohio EPA and OWDA via a Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Planning Loan in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.00.**

Discussion: This study is required to ensure the sanitary sewer system is working effectively.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**f. A request from the Lorain Utilities Department to amend the contractor for award of Sodium Fluorosilicate from the BOC dated 11/26/25, from Chemrite to Bonded, Inc. Funding GL Accounts 6020.P602.6440.6400.3200 Purification Operations – Chemical Supplies.**

Discussion: Chemrite has not responded to the Law Departments request for their bond. Bonded was the second lowest bidder. The total for this purchase is \$80,500 for 25 tons.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**g. A request from the Department of Public Property, Garage Division, for parts to repair Street unit 92 from Hill International for an amount not to exceed \$16,299.47. Funding will be through G/L account 7010.1701.6400.3500. Hill International is the sole source vendor.**

Discussion: This is a five-ton truck with a plow. During this past plow season this truck had a loss of power, and the truck was sent out for a complete scan. The work will be completed in house this request is for the purchase of parts.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**h. A request from the Department of Public Property, Parks Division, for repairs to Fields 6&7 ballfield fencing from Rabbit Landscaping and Installation for an amount not to exceed \$10,600.00. Funding will be through Campana maintenance of facilities account 1010.B200.4160.6400.2200. Rabbit Landscaping provided the original fencing on all fields at Campana Park.**

Discussion: These fences were not included in the original project scope. Most of the fence was in good shape and repairs were made to portions of the fence in need of repair. The recent windstorms have broken all the aluminum fence ties holding the fence together. This fence was not touched in the Campana Park construction and is roughly 20 – 30 years old.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**i. The Building, Housing & Planning Department requests to enter into an agreement with the Lorain County Urban League for \$70,000 for the Serving Our Streets (SOS) Initiative. SOS is a community-based violence interruption and youth engagement initiative that treats violence as a preventable public health crisis with the mission to reduce youth violence and increase opportunities for healing, stability, and reintegration for high-risk youth in Lorain County. Funds will be paid for out of CDBG Public Service Dollars (2260.R226.7210.6300.1500) contingent on compliance with other federal requirements, including environmental reviews.**

Discussion: This item will be held in abeyance pending additional information being provided to the board.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to hold this request in abeyance; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**j. A request from the Building, Housing and Planning Department to amend Item "E" from the April 30, 2025, Board of Control Meeting. To amend the contract A-25-044 amount**

**from \$75,000 to \$100,000 for a four-year contract with United Way of Greater Lorain County for the Utility Assistance Program. Council approved the expenditure of \$100,000 (\$25,000 per year) in Ordinance #244-22. Funds will be paid from account #: 401.C401.6300.1500 Capital Improvements - contractual.**

Discussion: The City has received these grant funds from Energy Harbor. The original request was for \$75,000 but the correct amount is \$100,000. The City is 1 year behind in disbursing the funds due to receiving the funds midyear. This is a four-year contract instead of a three-year contract. Lorain residents are receiving aid for gas and electric bills using these grant funds. United Way submits reports to the city for the disbursement of support to residents.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

**k. A request from the Building, Housing & Planning Department to open a purchase order with Milstone Properties for the 2026 High Grass Program for an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. Funds will be appropriated from G/L 1010.S900.6300.1500 Building Inspection-Contractual Service.**

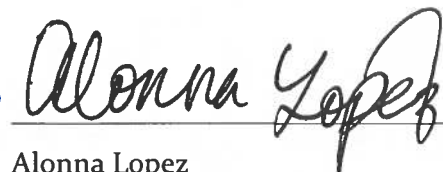
Discussion: This is the same company that was used last year. Two of the five companies contacted submitted quotes. Milstone was the lowest and best quote received.

Mayor Bradley made the motion to approve the request; Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Acting Safety/Service Director Rick Soto-aye; Mayor Bradley-aye. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Control Meeting of April 1 adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

 4/15/2026  
Jack W. Bradley, Mayor  
City of Lorain, Ohio

  
Alonna Lopez  
Secretary for Board of Control