ORDINANCE NO. 2020-16
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Bodnar

AN ORDINANCE PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4, AND ARTICLE V, SECTION 5, OF THE CHARTER OF MAYFIELD VILLAGE SO AS TO PROVIDE GENDER NEUTRAL LANGUAGE

WHEREAS, Article XI of the Village Charter currently requires that the Charter Review Commission convene every five years to review the Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Commission is required to have a review session with the Mayor and Council and to recommend to the voters any amendments to the Charter as in its judgment are desirable; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Commission have recommended to the voters the following proposed amendments to Article IV, Section 4, and Article V, Section 5, to provide gender neutral language.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Mayfield Village, Cuyahoga County, State of Ohio that:

SECTION 1. Article IV, Section 4, and Article V, Section 5, of the Charter of the Village of Mayfield is amended to read as set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. This ordinance upon adoption by Council shall be referred to the Clerk of Cuyahoga County Board of Elections not later than sixty (60) days before the November 3, 2020 election. Upon this proposed amendment being approved by the majority of the electors voting thereon, it shall become part of the Charter of Mayfield Village, Ohio.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to the mandates of the Charter, a copy of the full text of this proposed amendment shall be delivered to the residents of the Village not less than thirty (30) days before the election and, pursuant to law, a legal notice will be published once a week for two consecutive weeks at least fifteen (15) days prior to the election.

SECTION 4. The language appearing on the ballot on November 3, 2020 shall be as follows:

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT
(MAJORITY AFFIRMATIVE VOTE REQUIRED)

SHALL ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4 AND ARTICLE V, SECTION 5, BE AMENDED SO AS TO PROVIDE GENDER NEUTRAL LANGUAGE?

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and upon signature of the Mayor.

SECTION 6. The Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Ordinance have been taken at open meetings of this Council and that deliberations of this Council and of its committees, resulting in such formal action, took place in meeting open to the public, in compliance with all statutory requirements including the requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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STEPHEN SCHUTT
Council President

First Reading: _____, 2020

Second Reading: _____, 2020

Third Reading: _____, 2020

PASSED: _____, 2020

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BRENDA T. BODNAR, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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ANTHONY J. COYNE, ESQ., Director of Law

ATTEST: _____
MARY E. BETSA, MMC, Clerk of Council

EXHIBIT A

ARTICLE VI

SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE POWERS.

The Mayor shall attend Council meetings, but shall have no vote therein except in case of a tie vote of the members of Council, and in the case of any such tie, the vote of the Mayor shall for all purposes be deemed equivalent to a vote of a member of Council. The Mayor ~~He~~ shall have the right to recommend and introduce legislation, and to take part in the discussion of all matters coming before Council.

ARTICLE V

SECTION 5. FINANCE DIRECTOR.

The Director of Finance shall be the head of the Finance Department and fiscal officer of the Municipality and shall be provided such assistants as the Council may from time-to-time deem necessary and desirable. The Director of Finance and any such assistants shall be appointed or removed by the Mayor, subject to the confirmation by a majority of the members elected to Council. Every second year, commencing in the year 1988, the Mayor shall either reappoint the Director of Finance or make a new appointment, each of which shall be subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the members of Council. The Director of Finance shall serve the Mayor and the Council as financial advisor in connection with municipal affairs. The Director of Finance shall keep the financial records of the Municipality, exhibiting accurate statements of all monies received and expended, of all property owned by the Municipality, and of all taxes and assessments. The Director of Finance shall be custodian of all public money of the Municipality, shall keep and preserve such money in the place or places authorized by ordinance, and shall disburse the same as may be required by law or ordinance. The Director of Finance shall not allow the amount set aside for any appropriation to be overdrawn or drawn for any other purpose. The Director of Finance may examine and audit the accounts of all officers, employees, and departments of the Municipality. The Director of Finance ~~He~~ may require evidence that the amount of any claim presented to the Director of Finance is due. Every two (2) years the Director of Finance will cause to be compiled, for Council, a physical inventory of municipal owned property. The Director of Finance shall perform such other duties consistent with the office as the Mayor or the Council may direct. No person shall act as Director of Finance unless duly registered with the State of Ohio as a public accountant or certified public accountant. (Amended 11-4-86.)