

RECORD OF LEGISLATION

No. 06.25.2026

Passed June 2, 2026

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CIRCLEVILLE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TO ACCEPT AND ENTER INTO ANY NEW CONTRACTS FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES SOLELY WITH PROPERTY OWNERS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, AND TO CONVERT ALL EXISTING TENANT CONTRACTS INTO THE PROPERTY OWNERS NAME WITHIN A PERIOD OF TWELVE MONTHS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Circleville Department of Public Utilities is compelled by State, Local, and Federal laws and regulations to provide water and sewer services to its residents; and

WHEREAS, H.B. 92 was passed by the House on March 18, 2026; and

WHEREAS, an imminent change to those existing laws has necessitated the establishment and conversion of all utility accounts solely into the property owner's name; and

WHEREAS, the timing of such transition would be a period of twelve months from the time of passage for existing accounts and immediate for all new accounts; and

WHEREAS, these changes to customer accounts are necessary for the continued execution of all fiscal responsibilities, duties, and project-related expenses of the Department of Public Utilities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CIRCLEVILLE, COUNTY OF PICKAWAY, STATE OF OHIO AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: That the Department of Public Utilities of the City of Circleville is hereby authorized to establish all new contracts/accounts for water and sewer services in the property owner's name only, and to ensure the conversion of all existing contracts/accounts from tenant accounts/contracts into property owner accounts/contracts.

SECTION II. That the period of time for the execution of these changes shall be within twelve months, after which time the City will automatically convert any remaining tenant accounts into the property owner's name and add the deposit amount to the next billing cycle.

SECTION III. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety of the citizens of the City of Circleville; the emergency being to avoid unnecessary disruption of either services to our customers, or in constructing, repairing or replacing water or sanitary sewer services to the citizens of Circleville, wherefore, this resolution shall be in full force and effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED: 6-2-2026
DATE

Bruce D. Kelly
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: [Signature]
CLERK OF COUNCIL
ASSISTANT CLERK

APPROVED: 6-2-2026
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MAYOR

APPROVED AS FORM:

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KENDRA C. KINNEY - LAW DIRECTOR

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