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**INSPECTION PERIOD FOR THE PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT ROLL**

The Ohio County real property tax roll will be opened for inspection from May 5 through May 19, 2025. Under the supervision of the Property Valuation Administrator (PVA) or one of the deputies, any person may inspect the tax roll,

This is the January 1, 2025, assessment on which state, county, and school taxes for 2025 will be due about September 15, 2025.

The tax roll is in the office of the property valuation administrator in the county courthouse and may be inspected between the hours 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday.

Any taxpayer desiring to appeal an assessment on real property made by the PVA must first request a conference with the PVA or a designated deputy. The conference may be held prior to or during the inspection period. Written documentation supporting your opinion of value will continue to be required. However, you will be instructed on the best method to submit your documentation after contacting our office regarding your request to have a conference.

Any taxpayer still aggrieved by an assessment on real property, after the conference with the PVA or designated deputy, may appeal to the county board of assessment appeals

The appeal must be filed with the county clerk's office no later than one work day following the conclusion of the inspection period. Please contact the county clerk's office to receive instructions on the method the office is using to accept appeals this year and to obtain a form that can be used to file your appeal.

Any taxpayer failing to appeal to the county board of assessment appeals, or failing to appear before the board, either in person or by designated representative, will not be eligible to appeal directly to the Kentucky Board of Tax Appeals.

Appeals of personal property assessments shall not be made to the county board of assessment appeals. Personal property taxpayers shall be served notice under the provisions of KRS 132.450(4) and shall have the protest and appeal rights granted under the provisions of KRS 13 1.1 10.

The following steps should be taken when a taxpayer does not agree with the assessed value of personal property as determined by the property valuation administrator.

- (1) Taxpayer must list under protest for certification) what they believe to be the fair cash value of their property.
- (2) Taxpayer must file a written protest directly with the Department of Revenue, Office of Property Valuation within 30 days from the date of the notice of assessment
- (3) This protest must be in accordance with KRS 13 1.1 10.
- (4) The final decision of the Department of Revenue may be appealed to the Kentucky Board of Tax Appeals

  
Property Valuation Administrator of Ohio County

**CITY OF HARTFORD, KENTUCKY  
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-04**

**AN ORDINANCE TO CLOSE AN UNCONSTRUCTED ALLEY IN BLOCK H OF THE EAST HARTFORD ADDITION IN THE CITY OF HARTFORD BETWEEN PHILLIPS STREET AND TAYLOR AVENUE.**

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

WHEREAS, at the request of James Decker and Tonya Decker, husband and wife, it has been determined that an unconstructed alleyway located between Phillips Street and Taylor Avenue in Block H of the East Hartford Addition, being more particularly described below, was platted but never developed and will serve a more useful public purpose if the herein described portion of said roadway is officially closed; and

WHEREAS, the City Council identified the property owners in or abutting the portion of the unconstructed alley to be closed to be James Decker and Tonya Decker, husband and wife; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS 82.405(2)(b) and (c), written notice was provided to the property owners and they have agreed to the road closing, as evidenced by a signed and notarized consent attached hereto as Exhibit A.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the City of Hartford, Kentucky as follows:

1. The preambles to this Ordinance are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference.
2. The unconstructed alleyway in Block H of the East Hartford Addition, located between Phillips Street and Taylor Avenue, being more particularly described below, shall be hereinafter closed and discontinued as a public way, street, and/or thoroughfare, and shall no longer be maintained by the City of Hartford, Kentucky:

That certain 10' wide undeveloped alleyway between Phillips Street and Taylor Avenue and lying in the City of Hartford, Ohio County, Commonwealth of Kentucky and being located in Block H of the East Hartford Addition in Plat Cabinet F, slide 80 in the Office of the Ohio County Clerk. Said alley is more particularly depicted as follows:



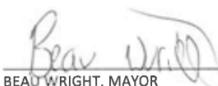
3. The City Attorney is hereby directed to take any and all necessary, and/or all of her actions with respect to this ordinance are hereby ratified pursuant to this ordinance to close said street and to convey the described portion to the abutting landowners in exchange for releasing the City from any and all further maintenance responsibilities for the closed portion of the street, and allowing the City to retain an easement for the maintenance and repair of any sewer, water, or other utility lines.

4. The City Council authorizes and directs the Mayor to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this ordinance.

5. This ordinance shall be effective upon its passage and publication according to law and the City Clerk shall make sure any necessary documents effecting the passage of this Ordinance be recorded with the Office of the Ohio County Clerk.

6. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

SIGNED AND APPROVED this 24th day of April, 2025

  
BEAU WRIGHT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
LISA MARTIN, CITY CLERK

Publicly read and approved at first reading on the 27th day of March, 2025.

Publicly read and adopted at second reading on the 24th day of April, 2025.

  
CITY CLERK

**NOTICE**

Ohio County Fiscal Court  
Will have a

**"Budget Workshop"**  
MEETING

On Monday, May 5, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

130 E Washington Street, Hartford, KY 42347  
Ohio County Community Center

If you have any questions, please call the Judge Executive's  
Office at 270-298-4400.

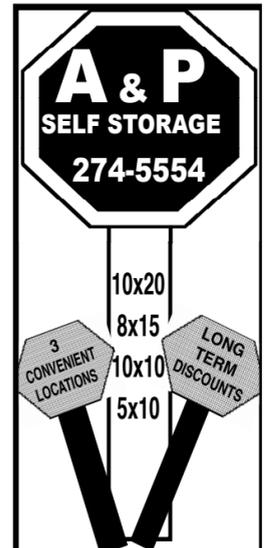
DAVID JOHNSTON, JUDGE EXECUTIVE

NOTICE: The following Estate(s) have had Settlement paperwork filed in the Office of the Ohio Circuit Court Clerk. A hearing will be held in the Ohio County District Court on the 15th day of May, 2025, at 9:00am.

Exceptions must be filed prior to the hearing.  
Estate of Charles H. Leach, deceased

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**BUDGET HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED USE OF COUNTY ROAD AID AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE (LEGA) FUNDS.**

A public hearing will be held by Ohio County Fiscal Court at the Community Center on May 13, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining citizens comments regarding the possible uses of the County Road Aid (CRA) and Local Government Economic Assistance (LGEA) Funds.

All interested persons in Ohio County are invited to the hearing to submit verbal or written comments on possible uses of the CRA and LGEA funds. Any person(s) who cannot submit written comments or attend the public hearing but wish to submit comments, should call the Office of the County Judge/Executive at 270-298-4400 by 4:00 pm, May 13, 2025 so that arrangements can be made to secure their comments.

**CITY OF HARTFORD, KENTUCKY  
ORDINANCE 2025-03**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HARTFORD, KENTUCKY, REPEALING SECTION 15 OF ORDINANCE 2018-03 KNOWN AS THE "CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD ORDINANCE" AND ESTABLISHING A NEW ORDINANCE FINE SCHEDULE FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATIONS IN THE CITY OF HARTFORD.**

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford, Kentucky previously passed Ordinance 2018-03 in which Section 15 of said ordinance set out the fines for violations; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the fine schedule needs to be revised and upgraded since the passage of that original ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF HARTFORD, KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS:

**I. Repeal of Section 15 and Amendment of Fine Schedule**

Section 15 of Ordinance 2018-03, is hereby repealed. Section 15 shall be replaced in its entirety as set out below:

**SECTION 15  
Ordinance Fine Schedule**

Violations of ordinances that are enforced by the city Code Enforcement Board shall be subject to the following schedule of civil fines:

A. If a citation for a violation of an ordinance is not contested by the person charged with the violation, the penalties set forth in this subsection shall apply; however, the Board may waive all or any portion of a penalty for an uncontested violation, if in its discretion, the Board determines that such waiver will promote compliance with the ordinance in issue. The civil fines may be assessed at the rates and amounts issued by the code enforcement officer in the citation as follows:

VIOLATION	1ST OFFENSE	2ND OFFENSE	ALL OTHERS
Animals	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Dangerous Trees or Stacks	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Garbage/Rubbish	\$50.00	\$75.00	\$100.00
Grass or Weeds	\$50.00	\$75.00	\$100.00
Open Wells/Obstructing Right of Way	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Scrap metal, Junk, or Abandoned Vehicles or Home	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Unsafe and Unfit Structures	\$100.00	\$125.00	\$150.00
Other Violation	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$100.00

B. If the citation is contested and a hearing before the Code Enforcement Board is required, the Board may impose the following maximum penalties at the discretion of the code enforcement board:

VIOLATION	1ST OFFENSE	2ND OFFENSE	ALL OTHERS
Animals	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$300.00
Dangerous Trees or Stacks	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$300.00
Garbage/Rubbish	\$75.00	\$150.00	\$250.00
Grass or Weeds	\$50.00	\$75.00	\$100.00
Open Wells/Obstructing Right of Way	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$300.00
Scrap metal, Junk, or Abandoned Vehicles	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$300.00
Unsafe and Unfit Structures	\$500.00	\$750.00	\$1000.00
Other Violation	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$300.00

C. Any ordinance violation that does not have a specified penalty set out herein shall be subject to the fine set out in that respective ordinance, if the citation is uncontested. If the citation is contested and a hearing is required, the Board may, in its discretion, impose a fine not more than double the amount set out in the citation.

**II. Validity of Remaining Ordinance**

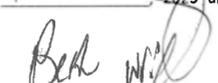
All remaining sections of Ordinance 2018-03 not amended or otherwise repealed shall remain in full force and effect.

**III. Effective Date**

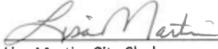
This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, adoption, and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED and publicly read on first reading held March 27th, 2025.

READ AND APPROVED on second reading held April 24th, 2025 and sent for publication.

  
BEAU WRIGHT, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Lisa Martin, City Clerk

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