

ORDINANCE NO. 74-25

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO
AN AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE LOCATED
DIRECTLY BEHIND 39771 COLORADO AVENUE, (SOUTH OF THE
FRENCH CREEK), IN THE CITY OF AVON, PPN 04-00-004-103-016,
FROM ARLENE T. GRIFFITH AND COLLEEN A. SHEPHERD,
TRUSTEES OF THE ATG TRUST DATED JULY 10, 2025
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, because the City continues to grow so does its need to acquire additional lands for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor seeks authorization from Council to enter into a Purchase Agreement with Arlene T. Griffith and Colleen A. Shepherd, Trustees of The ATG Trust dated July 10, 2025 for the purchase of a parcel of land consisting of approximately 2.75 acres located directly behind 39771 Colorado Avenue (south of the French Creek), in the City of Avon; and

WHEREAS, Council has had an opportunity to meet with the Mayor and discuss the purchase of the subject property, including the terms of the transaction as set forth in the proposed Purchase Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Council deems it to be in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the community that the City acquire the land being offered for sale located directly behind 39771 Colorado Avenue, (south of the French Creek), for use as public property and authorizes the Mayor to execute a purchase agreement to further said acquisition without delay.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON, COUNTY OF LORAIN AND STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1 - That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a Purchase Agreement with Arlene T. Griffith and Colleen A. Shepherd, Trustees of The ATG Trust dated July 10, 2025 to acquire a parcel of land owned by the Trust and located directly behind 39771 Colorado Avenue, (south of the French Creek), in the City of Avon, PPN No. 04-00-004-103-016 (2.75 acres). Said Agreement, in substantially the form as presented, is attached hereto as [Exhibit A](#) and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2 - Council hereby authorizes the payment of funds from General Fund No. 101 in an amount equal to that set forth in the Purchase Agreement, together with any costs associated with conducting inspections, etc., including the costs of closing. Payment is to be made pursuant to the directives of the Finance Director who is authorized to increase the appropriation by a reasonable amount to cover any engineering, legal and closing fees associated with this purchase.

Section 3 - That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council of the City of Avon concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of the Council of the City of Avon and that all deliberations of this City's Council and

any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, or otherwise in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4 - That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Avon, the immediate emergency being the necessity for the City to acquire additional land for public use whenever the opportunity presents itself and without delay; therefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____ DATE SIGNED: _____

By: _____
Brian Fischer, Council President

DATE APPROVED BY THE MAYOR: _____

Bryan K. Jensen, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

John A. Gasior, Law Director

ATTEST:

Barbara Brooks, Clerk of Council

Posted: _____
Electronically and at City Hall as
Provided by Council

Prepared By:

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