

AN26-005

(167.2 acres in Madison Township)

Status: Service Ordinance pending 4/13/2026 as emergency

Committee: Economic Development & Small & Minority Business Committee

Legislation

XXXX-2026 Service Ordinance

Principal Parties

Petitioners/Property Owners: Wildermuth Family Revocable Living Trust

Attorney/Agent: David Hodge / Underhill & Hodge LLC

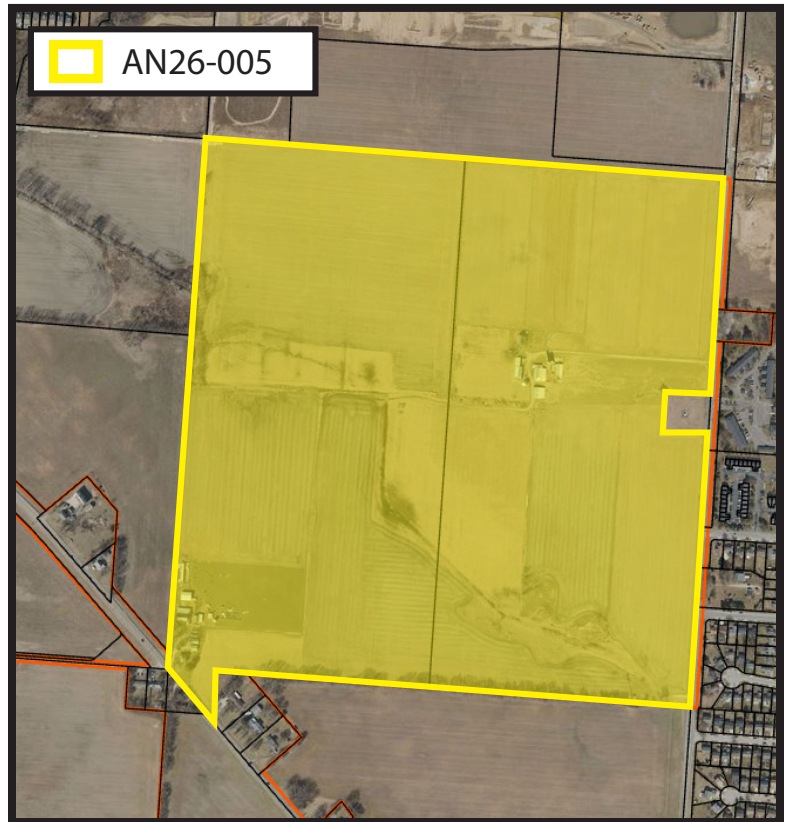
Developer: N/a

Staff: Adam Frierson (process)

Key Dates

Tentative County application date: 4/8/2026

Tentative County hearing: 5/5/2026



Site Information

- The 167.2 acre site is an infill annexation.
- The current use is Undeveloped/Agricultural. The anticipated use is Mixed Housing Development.
- The site is located within the boundaries of the South East Land Use Plan (C2P2)(2018), which recommends Private Open Space and Low-Medium Density Residential (6-10 du/ac). The Columbus Land Use Plan does not have a recommended land use at the site.
- The site is within the boundaries of the Greater South East Area Commission.
- The site does not require a boundary conformance.

Key Issues

- Annexation is sought for Mixed Housing Development with access to public utilities.
- Planning staff have conducted a preliminary review and are supportive of the proposed annexation. Staff note the proposal is consistent with the South East Land Use Plan's (2018) recommendation of Low-Medium Density Residential.
- Annexation does not guarantee a zoning application will be approved. Zoning requests require a separate application process through the Department of Building and Zoning Services.

Legislative Information

- The applicant must provide a statement of municipal services to the county for their consideration within 20 days.
- The annexation is tentatively scheduled for consideration at a Franklin County Commissioner hearing.
- The Ohio Revised Code stipulates that once an annexation has been approved by the county, it must be accepted by the receiving municipality in order for the annexation process to be completed. The acceptance process involves a second city ordinance that may be acted upon a minimum of 60 days from the date the City Clerk receives record of the commissioner's action and a maximum of 120 days of City Council's first consideration of the second city ordinance.