

VILLAGE of CASNOVIA
COUNTIES of KENT and MUSKEGON, MICHIGAN

At a regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Casnovia, held at the Village Office, 141 North Main Street, within the Village, on the 13th day of July 2026 at 6:30pm

PRESENT: Members: Morris, Kahrs, Frary, Bennitt, Palinski.

ABSENT: Members: N/A.

The following ordinance was offered by Member Frary and supported by Member Palinski.

ΔORDINANCE NO. 2026-02 Reduction of Number of Trustees on Council

AN ORDINANCE to establish Village ordinance 2026-02, to amend Ordinance 2020-11 and maintain compliance with Michigan Compiled Laws 62.1 regarding reduction of Council Trustees and maintenance of a quorum, within the Village of Casnovia, to provide civil infraction penalties for the violation thereof. (Note: The presence of the Delta symbol Δ before and after a section will denote a change to the ordinance.)

THE VILLAGE OF CASNOVIA ORDAINS:

Section 1. Purpose: To permit the Village of Casnovia to maintain its Village Council in compliance with Michigan Compiled Laws (MCL) 62.1 the Village will continue to consist of four (4) trustees who, with the President , shall constitute the Village of Casnovia Council.

Section 2. Definitions: The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this ordinance, shall have the meaning stated below in this section:

- a) Trustee - a **trustee** is a legislator entrusted by voters to act based on their own informed judgment, even if it conflicts with the immediate preferences of constituents. Trustees are chosen because voters trust their expertise, character, and ability to make complex decisions on behalf of the public.
- b) Term of Office - After October 11, 2020, the of adoption of this ordinance, two village trustees shall be elected at each succeeding biennial village election. This ordinance shall not shorten the term of any incumbent trustee. Nor shall this ordinance shorten or eliminate a prospective term unless the nomination deadline for that term is not less than 30 days after the effective date of this ordinance.

Section 3. Relationship of Village Ordinance to County Regulations: As authorized by Section (2), Chapter II of the General Law Village Act (1895 PA 3, as amended), the number of trustees on the Village Council shall be reduced from six (6) trustees to four (4) trustees who, with the president, and shall constitute the Council effective October 11, 2020, and continuing July 13, 2026.

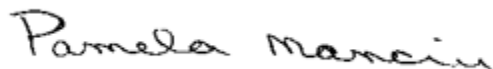
Section 4. *Repealed Ordinances:* Ordinance No 2020-11 is hereby repealed and replaced with Ordinance No. 2026-02

Section 5. *Severability:* The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or sub-section is declared to be void or ineffective for any reason, it shall not affect any other part or portion hereof.

Section 6. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days following its publication or the publication of a summary of its provisions in a local newspaper of general circulation in the Village. ▲

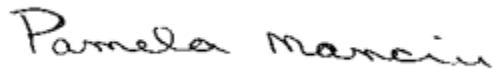
ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

AYES:	Morris, Kahrs, Frary, Bennitt, Palinski
NAYES:	N/A



Pamela Manciu, Village Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an ordinance adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Casnovia at a regular meeting held on the date first stated above, and I further certify that public notice of such meeting was given as provided by law.



Pamela Manciu, Village Clerk