

**Hamilton County General Health District
FOOD FEE PUBLIC HEARING – BOARD OF HEALTH
1701 Patricia McCollum Way; Cincinnati, Ohio 45237
September 14, 2026**

1. Call to Order

At 3:45 p.m., Dan Meloy called to order the public hearing of the Board of Health.

2. Roll call of Members

Members Present:

- Dan Meloy - President
- Max Miller – Vice President
- Elizabeth A. Kelly, M.D.
- Eric Knapp
- Mark Rosenberger

District Staff Present:

- Greg Kesterman, Health Commissioner
- Jackie Lindner, Assistant Health Commissioner
- Craig Davidson, Assistant Health Commissioner
- Nee Fong Chin, Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney
- Stephen Feagins, M.D. Medical Director
- Greg Varner, Financial Officer
- Allison Babka, Public Information Officer
- Christa Hyson, Director of Emergency Preparedness

Guests Present:

- Alexndra DeAndrea, Maggie Cosker, Fidele Koumanimben, Katherine Jones, Braden Cheesman, Angela Hubel, Theresa Souer, Hannah Carithers, Paige Simpson, Adam Shafer, Kristen Gebart, Katrina Apolinario, Emma Edgar, Daniel Betancourt, Lien Dip, Lindsey Washington, Elizabeth S. Ha, Mia M. Nguyen, Taylor Swann

3. Proposed Fees Presentation

Mr. Davidson provided the Board with an overview of the process required by the Ohio Revised Code to adjust the fees for the Food Service Operations and Retail Food Establishment Program. He explained that fees are reviewed annually as required by

code, and that HCPH has nearly 3,000 establishments that are categorized and charged based on the risk of the facility and the complexity of the inspection.

Mr. Davidson indicated that, as part of the annual review, he surveys other similarly sized jurisdictions to compare fees. He reported that HCPH's fees are generally in the middle of the range.

4. Public Comment

Mailings were sent to all licensed entities. No members of the public were present to provide public comment and no written comments were received.

5. Adjournment

Dr. Kelly moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

Mr. Knapp seconded the motion

Roll Call Vote – All Aye



Dan Meloy, President



Greg Kesterman, Secretary
Health Commissioner