



## COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY SHEET

**MEETING DATE:** April 27, 2026

**TOPIC** Police Services Special Assessment Proposal

### BACKGROUND BRIEF:

During the recent Council budget work sessions, Council discussed the option of transitioning from levying the two police millages to levying special assessments for police services and capital needs. Public Act 33 of 1951 allows townships, villages, and certain qualified cities to specially assess for police and fire services as an alternative to levying taxes. Administration is requesting final direction from the Council on whether to continue the tax millage levies or transition to special assessments. If transitioning to special assessments, a public hearing will be necessary prior to adopting the special assessment roll. Council need not take any action if it wishes to continue to levy the tax millages for police services.

The Village Manager will give a brief presentation on the proposal during Monday's meeting. Attached is a copy of the presentation.

### SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:

None

### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Please refer to the attached presentation for more information.

### RECOMMENDED MOTION:

#### IF WISHING TO TRANSITION TO POLICE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:

#1 - To direct the Village Manager to prepare the final Proposed FY 2026-27 Budget reflecting the levy of special assessments for police services and capital needs rather than tax levies in accordance with the Village Manager's presentation.

#2 - To schedule a public hearing in accordance with Michigan Public Act 33 of 1951 on the cost and expenses of police protection, motor vehicles, equipment, and housing, and on the question of creating a special assessment district and defraying the expenses of the special assessment district by

special assessment on the property to be especially benefitted, for Monday, May 11, 2026, at 6:30 PM;  
and to direct the Village Clerk to publish the required public hearing notices as required.