CITY OF NOVI CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 10, 2025

SUBJECT: Consideration to adopt a resolution placing a question on the August 2025 ballot whether to authorize the City to issue bonds and levy a new millage specific to the acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of public safety facilities.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: City Manager

KEY HIGHLIGHTS:

- As a result of the efforts and findings of the Public Safety Building Needs Committee (PSBNC), the following is being presented
- The City engaged Plante Moran Realpoint (PMR) over the last year to assist the City in taking the recommendations from the PSBNC to develop the proposal presented in this motion
- In addition to PMR, the City has retained the services of PFM Financial Advisors and Miller Canfield to assist with the bond estimates and ballot language
- The total estimated cost to construct and rehabilitate the buildings is $120 million

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At the January 21, 2025, City Council Workshop, the Council directed Plante Moran Realpoint to continue work on the Public Safety Facilities program and prepare the ballot language for the August 2025 ballot. As a result of those efforts (background enclosed), the following language is being presented for the Council's consideration:

Shall the City of Novi, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed One Hundred Twenty Million Dollars ($120,000,000), and issue its unlimited tax general obligation bonds, in one or more series, payable in not to exceed twenty-five (25) years from the date of issue, to pay the cost of acquiring, constructing, furnishing and equipping a new public safety facility including police department and fire department facilities, two new fire department facilities to replace Fire Stations 2 and 3, and renovations and improvements to Fire Station 4, including site acquisition, demolition, and related road and site improvements. If approved, the estimated millage to be levied in 2026 is 1.00 mills ($1.00 per $1,000 of taxable value), *and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds is 0.95 mills ($0.95 per $1,000 of taxable value).*

The proceeds from the millage/bond would go toward cost of acquiring, constructing, furnishing, and equipping a new public safety facility including police department and fire department facilities, two new fire department facilities to replace Fire Stations 2 and 3, and renovations and improvements to Fire Station 4, including site acquisition, demolition, and related road and site improvements.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval of a resolution placing a question on the August 2025 ballot authorizing the City to issue bonds in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Twenty Million Dollars ($120,000,000) and to levy a new millage in the estimated amount of 1 mill for and specific to the acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of public safety facilities.