

RESOLUTION NO. 2025- 54

A RESOLUTION TO OPT-IN TO PARTICIPATE IN PROPOSED OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH PURDUE PHARMA L. P. AND THE SACKLER FAMILY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WILLOWICK TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THESE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, a national opioid settlement has been proposed with Purdue Pharma L. P. and the Sackler Family pertaining to those companies' share of the distribution of opioids that was a significant cause of the national opioid crisis that lead to mass addiction and overdose deaths that affected both the State of Ohio, Lake County and the City of Willowick; and

WHEREAS, under the proposed settlement Purdue Pharma L. P. and the Sackler Family will pay funds to the State of Ohio and its political subdivisions over various periods of time, with most of the money received restricted in use and earmarked for abatement of the opioid epidemic; and

Whereas, the Council agrees that it is in the best interests of the City and its residents to authorize the Mayor to opt-in to participate in the lawsuit and enter into settlement agreements with Purdue Pharma L. P. and the Sackler Family.

Now therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Willowick, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1. The Council of the City of Willowick, Ohio hereby accepts and opts-in to the opioid settlement agreements and execution of the agreements and related documents on behalf of the City of Willowick on or before the deadline currently set for September 30, 2025.

Section 2. That this Council hereby authorizes the Mayor of Willowick to execute the opioid proposed settlement agreements with Purdue Pharma L. P. and Sackler Family and to execute any documents related thereto in accordance with the terms of the settlement agreements.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were conducted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such actions were conducted in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 123 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willowick.

Section 4. This Resolution constitutes an emergency measure in that the same provides for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Willowick and further provides for the usual and necessary daily operation of the City; wherefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon its passage by Council and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____, 2025

SUBMITTED to the Mayor for his
approval on _____, 2025

ATTEST:

Alyssa Moran, Clerk of Council

Monica Koudela, President of
Council

APPROVED by the Mayor on
_____, 2025

Michael J. Vanni, Mayor