

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-32

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF THE RENEWAL OF A ONE AND FIVE-TENTHS MILL TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE SAFETY FORCES OF THE CITY PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTIONS 5705.19 AND 5705.191 TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the electors of this City, on November 3, 2020, approved a one and five-tenths mill levy for the purpose of providing funds to purchase equipment and capital improvements for the safety forces of the City; and

WHEREAS, the authority to levy the aforesaid additional tax expires with the levy heretofore made on the 2024 tax duplicate for distribution to the City in 2025; and

WHEREAS, this Council adopted Resolution No. 2025- pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Revised Code declaring it necessary to renew the aforesaid tax levy for a period of five years and requesting the County Auditor to certify the total current tax valuation of the City and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by that renewal levy; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor has certified that the total current tax calculation of the City is \$403,620,401 and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by that renewal levy would be \$275,601 annually during the life of the levy, assuming that the total current tax valuation remains the same throughout the life of the levy; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds it necessary to proceed to renew said one and five-tenths mill levy in accordance with Revised Code Sections 5705.19 and 5705.191 in order to continue receiving such revenue without interruption.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOWICK, LAKE COUNTY, OHIO, two-thirds of all the members elected thereto concurring, that:

SECTION 1. It is hereby found and declared that the amount of taxes that may be raised by the City of Willowick, Lake County, Ohio, within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of this City, and it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of that limitation for the purpose of providing funds to purchase equipment and capital improvements for the safety forces of the City at the rate of one and five-tenths mill for a period of five years.

SECTION 2. The question of the renewal of the tax levy of one and five-tenths mill upon the tax list and duplicate for five years, beginning the 2025 tax list and duplicate and with the first distribution of the proceeds of said levy to this City in the calendar year 2026, for the purpose of providing funds to purchase equipment and capital improvements for the safety forces of the City pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.19 and 5705.191 shall be submitted to the electors of the City of Willowick at the election to be held therein on the 4th day of November 2025, as authorized by law, and said election shall be held at the regular places of voting in said City as established by the Board of Elections of Lake County Ohio, or otherwise, within the time provided by law and shall be conducted, canvassed and certified in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 3. The form of ballot to be cast at such election on the question of such tax shall be substantially as follows:

PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL)

CITY OF WILLOWICK

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of the City of Willowick for the purpose of providing funds to purchase equipment and capital improvements for the safety forces of the city at a rate not exceeding one and five tenths mill for each one dollar of valuations, which amounts to nineteen dollars for each one hundred thousand dollars of valuation, for five years commencing in 2025 first due in calendar year 2026.

FOR THE TAX LEVY
AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

SECTION 4. The Clerk of Council is hereby authorized and directed to request that notice of said election be given as provided by law.

SECTION 5. The Clerk of Council is directed to certify a copy of this Resolution, and the County Auditor's certificate referred to in the preambles hereto, to the Board of Elections of Lake County, Ohio on or before August 5, 2025.

SECTION 6. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

SECTION 7. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservations of the public peace, health and safety of the City and for the further

reason that the continued receipt of the proceeds of said levy is necessary to enable the City to continue to provide funds to purchase equipment and capital improvements; wherefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____, 2025

Monica Koudela, President of
Council

SUBMITTED to the Mayor for his
approval on _____, 2025

APPROVED by the Mayor on
_____, 2025

Michael J. Vanni, Mayor

Alyssa Moran, Clerk of Council