

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-46

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF PATROL RIFLES, SUPPRESSORS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR USE BY THE CITY OF WILLOWICK POLICE DEPARTMENT; AUTHORIZING THE TRADE-IN AND DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN EXISTING POLICE DEPARTMENT FIREARMS AND LAWFULLY FORFEITED FIREARMS; AUTHORIZING THE USE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND MONIES FOR THE REMAINING PURCHASE COST, SUBJECT TO SEPARATE APPROPRIATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Willowick Police Department currently utilizes patrol rifles that have been in service for approximately ten (10) years or longer, and the Chief of Police has recommended that such rifles be replaced; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has recommended the purchase of nine (9) Daniel Defense DDM4V7 11.5-inch patrol rifles, nine (9) Huxwrx suppressors, and nine (9) two-point slings for use by the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the total purchase price for said equipment is Twenty-Three Thousand One Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$23,130.00); and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has identified certain firearms and weapon-related property currently held by the Department that are subject to forfeiture proceedings, which, upon final forfeiture and lawful disposition in accordance with Ohio law, are presently estimated to have a value of Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$11,325.00); and

WHEREAS, the Police Department's existing patrol rifles to be replaced have an estimated trade-in value of Three Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$3,350.00); and

WHEREAS, assuming receipt of the anticipated credits from the lawful disposition of forfeited property and the trade-in of the existing patrol rifles, the remaining net purchase price is Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$8,455.00); and

WHEREAS, Council finds that the acquisition of the replacement patrol rifles, suppressors and related equipment constitutes an appropriate law enforcement purpose and is in the best interests of the City and its Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Council desires to authorize the transaction, with the appropriation of the necessary funds to be accomplished by separate legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOWICK, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. Council hereby authorizes the purchase for the Willowick Police Department of nine (9) Daniel Defense DDM4V7 11.5-inch patrol rifles, nine (9) Huxwrx suppressors, nine (9) two-

point slings, and related equipment from TAS (Tactical Assault Specialists), at a total purchase price not to exceed Twenty-Three Thousand One Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$23,130.00), substantially in accordance with the quotation submitted to the City.

Section 2. Council hereby authorizes the trade-in and disposition of the Police Department's existing patrol rifles being replaced as part of the transaction, for an anticipated trade-in credit of Three Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$3,350.00). The Mayor/Safety Director, Chief of Police, Finance Director, and other appropriate City officials are authorized to execute such documents and take such actions as are reasonably necessary to complete the trade-in and disposition in accordance with applicable law.

Section 3. Council further authorizes the disposition of those firearms and weapon-related items presently held by the Police Department that become lawfully forfeited and eligible for disposition, with an anticipated value of approximately Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$11,325.00), provided that no such property shall be sold, transferred, traded, or otherwise disposed of until all applicable forfeiture proceedings have been completed and all requirements of Ohio Revised Code Sections 2981.12 and 2981.13, any applicable court order, and other applicable law have been satisfied.

Section 4. Council hereby determines that the acquisition of the patrol rifles, suppressors, slings and related equipment constitutes an appropriate law enforcement purpose and authorizes the use of an amount not to exceed Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$8,455.00) from the City's applicable Law Enforcement Trust Fund, including Account No. 230-810-4527, toward the remaining net cost of the purchase, provided that such monies constitute lawfully available forfeiture proceeds and their use is consistent with Ohio Revised Code Section 2981.13 and the Police Department's applicable internal control policy.

Section 5. The expenditure authorized by Section 4 of this Resolution is expressly subject to the appropriation of sufficient funds by separate legislation. Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed as making or amending an appropriation.

Section 6. The Mayor/Safety Director, Chief of Police, Finance Director, and other appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to execute all documents and take all actions necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, including all actions necessary to comply with applicable federal and state requirements relating to the acquisition, registration, possession, transfer, and use of the firearms and suppressors authorized herein.

Section 7. 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 8. 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 Police

Department by permitting the timely replacement of aging public-safety equipment; wherefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon its passage by Council and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____, 2026

SUBMITTED to the Mayor for his
approval on _____, 2026

ATTEST:

Alyssa Moran, Clerk of Council

Monica Koudela, President of
Council

APPROVED by the Mayor on
_____, 2026

Michael J. Vanni, Mayor