CITY OF OBERLIN, OHIO

RESOLUTION No. R23-11 CMS

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF A RENEWAL TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE OBERLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY TO THE ELECTORS OF THE TERRITORY SERVED BY THE LIBRARY, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.19(D) and 5705.23 OF THE REVISED CODE AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. R23-10 CMS

WHEREAS, at the election held on May 7, 2019, the electors of the territory served by the Oberlin Public Library approved a renewal tax levy totaling 1.5 mills for the purpose of current expenses of the Oberlin Public Library for a period of five years, the last collection of which will occur in calendar year 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees of the Oberlin Public Library has determined that the renewal of said tax levy upon its expiration is necessary for the proper operation of the Library; and

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2023 and November 9, 2023, the Board of Library Trustees of the Oberlin Public Library duly adopted Resolutions carrying out statutory procedures and declaring that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the tax list and duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the Oberlin Public Library, a municipal public library serving the City of Oberlin and the territory of the Oberlin City School District not in the City and the residents thereof; and

WHEREAS, those Resolutions request this Council, as the taxing authority for the Oberlin Public Library and pursuant to Sections 5705.19(D) and 5705.23 of the Revised Code, submit the question of renewing the existing tax levy of 1.5 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 15 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, to the electors of the territory served by the Library at an election to be held therein on March 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this Council is in receipt of a certificate of the Lorain County Auditor, dated November 7, 2023 provided at the request of the Oberlin Public Library in connection with these tax levy proceedings, which states that the total current tax valuation of the territory served by the Oberlin Public Library is \$281,364,020 and that the amount of revenue that would be generated by the proposed 1.5 mill levy would be \$348,000 annually during the life the levy, assuming that the total current tax valuation of the territory served by the Library remains the same throughout the life of the levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Oberlin, Ohio:

SECTION 1. In accordance with the aforesaid Resolutions of the Board of Library Trustees of the Oberlin Public Library, a municipal public library, it is hereby found, determined and declared that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the tax list and duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the Oberlin Public Library and it is therefore necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation for the purpose of the current expenses of the Oberlin Public Library in the total amount of 1.5 mills for ten years.

SECTION 2. The question of a renewal tax levy of 1.5 mills for the purpose of the current expenses of the Oberlin Public Library for ten years, beginning with the tax list and duplicate for the year 2024, the proceeds of which levy first would be available to the Board of Library Trustees in calendar year 2025, shall be submitted under the provisions of Sections 5705.19(D) 5705.23 of the Revised Code to the electors residing within the boundaries of the territory served by the Oberlin Public Library, as defined by the State Library Board and set forth in the preambles hereto, at an election to be held therein on March 19, 2024, as authorized by law, and that the election shall be held within the territory served by the Library at the regular places of voting established by the Board of Elections of Lorain County, or otherwise, within the times provided by law and shall be conducted, canvassed and certified in the manner provided by law.

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

OBERLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL)

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.

A renewal of 1.5 mills of an existing levy to constitute a tax for the benefit of the Oberlin Public Library for the purpose of the current expenses of the Oberlin Public Library at a rate not exceeding 1.5 mills for each \$1 taxable value which amounts to \$41 for each one \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value for ten years.

FOR THE TAX LEVY
AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

SECTION 4. The Clerk of this Council be and is hereby authorized and directed to give or cause to be given notice of said election as provided by law.

SECTION 5. In accordance with Resolution No. R-23-11-7 of the Board of Library Trustees of the Oberlin Public Library, approved on November 9, 2023, said Board of Library Trustees determined and declared that it would pay or reimburse the City for the costs, as certified by the Board of Elections, of placing the 1.5-mill renewal tax levy on the March 19, 2024 ballot, and that in accordance with the policies of the Budget Commission this Council directs that such that such election costs be deducted from moneys of the Oberlin Public Library instead of the City's general fund.

SECTION 6. The Clerk of Council be and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution, the two Resolutions of the Board of Library Trustees and the certification of the Lorain County Auditor referred to in the preambles hereto to the Board of Elections of Lorain County, Ohio, not later than 4 pm on December 20, 2023.

SECTION 7. That Resolution No. R 23-10 CMS be and is hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning or 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 all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 9. That in accordance with Section 5705.23 of the Revised Code, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED:	1 st Reading: November 20, 2023
	2 nd Reading:
	3 rd Reading:

ATTEST:

BELINDA B. ANDERSON, MMC CLERK OF COUNCIL

POSTED: 11/21/2023

BRYAN BURGESS PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

EFFECTIVE DATE:11/20/2023