

City of Gahanna, 200 S. Hamilton Rd., Gahanna, OH 43230

To: Members of Council; Residents of Gahanna CC: Mayor Jadwin; City Attorney Ray Mularski

Council Clerk Jeremy VanMeter

From: Councilmembers Trenton Weaver and Merisa Bowers

Re: **Resolution Supporting the Restoration of Funding of the Local Government Fund**

Date: 3/10/23

On February 21, 2022, the Ohio Municipal League issued a Call to Action to its member communities. See attachment email.

A resolution calling for the restoration of the pre-2011 funding levels of the Local Government Fund is submitted.

Per Director of Finance Joann Bury:

Since the changes to LGF began in 2011, the City has foregone approximately **\$10.26 million** in LGF revenue based on these legislative changes.

It is projected that the City will forego an additional **\$6.9 million** over the next five years if the % remains at the reduced amount of 1.66% compared to the 3.68% from 2010.

The Ohio Legislative Services Commission issued this report on February 7, 2023 regarding General Revenue Fund revenues and general economic forecast:

https://www.lsc.ohio.gov/assets/legislation/135/hb33/in/files/hb33-baseline-forecast-testimony-as-introduced-135th-general-assembly.pdf

Policy Matters Ohio issued this analysis on the 2022-2023 budget's impact on Ohio local governments which includes a chart demonstrating decline in local government funding since 2011: https://www.policymattersohio.org/files/assets/localgov.pdf

If passed, the Resolution will be forwarded to Ohio General Assembly leadership (Senate President Matt Huffman, Senate Minority Leader Nickie Antonio, House Speaker Jason Stephens, House Minority Leader Allison Russo) and Representative Mary Lightbody and State Senator Michelle Reynolds.