



City of Gahanna

200 South Hamilton
Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

Signature

Resolution: RES-0011-2018

File Number: RES-0011-2018

**TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF
GAHANNA AT THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 6, 2018, AN
ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 75-76, PASSED AUGUST, 1976, SO AS TO
INCREASE THE GAHANNA INCOME TAX FROM A RATE OF ONE AND
ONE-HALF (1.5%) PERCENT TO A RATE OF TWO AND ONE-HALF (2.5%)
PERCENT.**

WHEREAS, Section 4.06 of the Charter of the City of Gahanna provides that "the power of Council to levy taxes shall be subject to the limitations provided by the Constitution and the laws of Ohio, and nothing contained in this Charter shall be construed to authorize the levy of any taxes in excess of said limitations without a vote of the people"; and

WHEREAS, Section 718.04 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that "No municipal corporation shall levy a tax on income at a rate in excess of one percent without having obtained the approval of the excess by a majority of the electors of the municipality voting on the questions at a general, primary or special election"; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain Gahanna as a community where people want to live and businesses want to locate and remain a safe community and with nine years of economic growth, we are still facing a potential \$2.6 million dollar shortfall for 2019; and

WHEREAS, safety in our community must continue to be a priority and police protection and keeping a police presence in our schools is and will continue to be critical for Gahanna; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain our community as a place where people want to live and businesses want to locate, we must fix our aging streets, potholes and crumbling curbs, we must address traffic congestion and fix the condition of our streets to maintain property values.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 4.06 of the Gahanna City Charter and Section 718.04 of the Ohio Revised Code, the City of Gahanna hereby requests and directs that the Franklin County Board of Elections place before the voters of the City of Gahanna on the November 6, 2018 general election ballot, ORD-0061-2018, which proposes to increase the municipal income tax rate from its current one and one-half percent (1.5%) to two and one-half percent (2.5%), said Ordinance attached hereto as EXHIBIT A.

Section 2. That the amendment to Section 161.012 and 161.013 of the Codified Ordinances shall be effective January 1, 2019.

Section 3. That this amendment be digested on the voting machine with the following language subject to approval by the Franklin County Board of Elections:

"Shall ORD-0061-2018, providing for an additional one percent (1%) levy on income earned on and after January 1, 2019, such that the total rate levied on income earned per annum shall equal two and one-half percent

(2.5%), and providing that three quarters of the revenue resulting from the increase be dedicated for the purposes of capital improvements and equipment, maintenance and repair of the same, and paying debt service for such purposes, and one quarter of the revenue resulting from the increase be dedicated for the purposes of general municipal operations, be passed?"

For the Income Tax _____

Against the Income Tax _____

Section 4. The Clerk of Council is hereby authorized and directed to timely submit this Ordinance to the Franklin County Board of Elections, before 4:00 PM on August 8, 2018, for placement on the November 6, 2018 General Election Ballot for consideration by the City electorate.

Section 5. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all applicable laws.

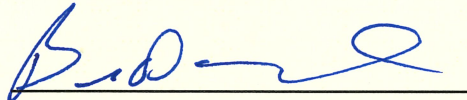
Section 6. That, pursuant to Section 4.14 of the Gahanna City Charter, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage by this Council and on date of signature approval by the Mayor.

At a meeting of the City Council on 7/2/2018, a motion was made by Michael Schnetzer, seconded by Jamie Leeseberg, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion passed.

Yes: 6 Angelou, Leeseberg, Renner, Schnetzer, Larick and McGregor

Absent: 1 Metzbower


President


Brian D. Larick

Date

7/2/18

Attest by


Kimberly Banning
Clerk of Council

Date

7/2/18

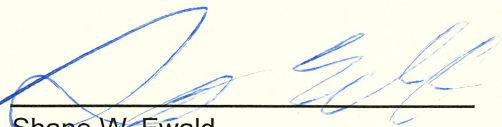
Approved by the Mayor


Thomas R. Kneeland

Date

7/2/18

Approved as to Form


Shane W. Ewald
City Attorney

Date

7/2/18