

TO: Gahanna City Council

Clerk of Council

FROM: Shannon Hamons, Director of Economic Development

Mayor Laurie A. Jadwin

Cc: Raymond J. Mularski, Esq., City Attorney

Joann Bury, Director of Finance

DATE: December 6, 2023

SUBJECT: Dept. of Economic Development - Request for Council Action (Dec. 11, 2023)

**COTW Meeting)** 

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

# ACTION ITEM #1: ORDINANCE ADOPTING 2022 TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COMMITEE (TIRC) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REVIEW IN 2023

The annual Tax incentive Review Commission (TIRC) is led by the Franklin County Auditor and reviews the various tax incentives issued by the City of Gahanna. The included reports are generated by the Ohio Department of Development's annual review of tax abatements and tax increment financing arrangements before being finalized and presented to the TIRC for final review and adoption.

These various agreements were reviewed by public meeting of the TIRC (members noted below) on August 29, 2023, and all items were tentatively approved by the body pending additional clarification of information related to several projects. Additional information was provided to the TIRC Board after the Aug. 29 meeting that was accepted as part of the TIRC's ultimate unanimous approval.

Adoption by City Council of the TIRC's recommendations is required by the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) for the City to continue to self-administer these specific programs. Upon approval by Council, the Department of Economic Development will file the adopted ordinance with the Franklin County Auditor and the Ohio Department of Development.

#### TIRC Attendees included:

- Franklin County Auditor:
  - o Michael Stinziano, TIRC Chairperson

- o Emanuel Torres, Asst. Director of Economic Development & Planning, Franklin County
- City of Gahanna
  - o Shannon Hammons, Director of Economic Development
  - o Joan Bury, Director of Finance
  - o Rachel Zarick, Economic Development Coordinator
  - o Scott Davis, City of Gahanna Citizen Representative
- Franklin County Board of Commissioner
  - o Julie Orr, Appointed Representative
  - o Kelan Craig, Appointed Representative
  - o Carlie Boos, Appointed Representative
- Jefferson Township
  - o Rich Courter, Trustee, Jefferson Township
  - o Jane Johnson, Jefferson Township Fiscal Director
- Mifflin Township
  - o Richard Angelou, Trustee, Mifflin Township, Vice Chair
  - o Nancy White, Mifflin Township Fiscal Officer
- Eastland-Fairfield Career and Technical Schools
  - o Cherelle Turner

The presented agenda for the TIRC, staff reports for the meeting, follow up report, and meeting minutes are included herein.

Based upon the foregoing, the Department of Economic Development respectfully requests that Council pass an ordinance to adopt the recommendations of the Tax Incentive Review Committee.

## Requested Legislation and Funding:

Legislation Needed: Ordinance

Emergency/Waiver: N/A
Vendor Name: N/A
Vendor Address: N/A
Already Appropriated: N/A
Supplemental/Transfer: N/A

### Attachments:

DEV-ATT Minutes of August 29, 2023 TIRC Meeting

DEV-ATT Gahanna TY 2022 TIRC Agenda and Roster

DEV-ATT Confirmation of Compliance Letter from Will Scarbrough, Franklin County Auditor, Tax Incentives Supervisor