

To: Tom Kneeland

Members of Council

City Attorney

From: Joann Bury

Date: June 10, 2019

## Department of Finance Action Item:

## Request an Ordinance for the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes

Per ORD 0046-2019 Council has authorized the Mayor to enter into a settlement agreement with Allen, Stovall, Neumann, Fisher & Ashton LLP in regards to the income tax lawsuit filed July of 2012. The agreement is pending approval by the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas and requires the City pay \$9.1 million within 14 days of the courts entry approving the settlement motion. The City has \$4.1 million available from a litigation reserve and does not have the remaining \$5 million within the limits of its other funds to pay the final judgement. As a result, I am respectfully requesting an ordinance to issue General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes not to exceed \$5.1 million for the purpose of paying the remainder of the final judgement. The type of debt instrument, Bonds or Notes, that will be issued will be based on the required payment date for the final judgement and market conditions at the time of the issuance to provide a debt structure that best suits the City's needs.