# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA April 15, 2024 7:30 p.m.

The meeting convenes at City Hall, in Council Chambers 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 538 N. Market Street, Wooster, Ohio.

- I. ROLL CALL & ORDERING OF AGENDA
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION
- IV. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS; PUBLIC HEARINGS

Finance Committee Report – Mr. Abernathy

#### VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Third Reading -

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-09 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$4,030,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING AND EXPANDING THE CITY'S SANITARY SEWERAGE SYSTEM BY CONSTRUCTING AND RECONSTRUCTING SANITARY SEWERS, FORCE MAINS AND LIFT STATIONS, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Abernathy)

2. Third Reading -

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-10 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$565,000 TO PAY THE PROPERTY OWERNS' PORTION, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS HERETOFORE LEVIED, OF THE COSTS OF IMPROVING MELROSE DRIVE BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI BY GRADING, DRAINING, WIDENING, PAVING, RESURFACING, CONSTRUCTING CURBS, GUTTERS, A MULTI-USE PATH, SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAY APPROACHES, INSTALLING STORM SEWERS, CATCH BASINS, MANHOLES, WATER MAINS, FIRE HYDRANTS, AND TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS, AND ACQUIRING ANY REAL ESTATE AND INTERESTS THEREIN REQUIRED THEREBY, ALL TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Abernathy)

3. Third Reading -

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-11 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$5,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, FURNISHING, EQUIPPING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING A MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL AND RELATED RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND IMPROVING THE SITE THEREOF, AND TOGETHER WITH NECESSARY AND INCIDENTAL APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Abernathy)

4. Third Reading -

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-12 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$4,655,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING STREETS AND ROADS IN THE CITY INCLUDING OAK HILL ROAD, MILLTOWN ROAD AND COMMERCE PARKWAY BY PURCHASING A RIGHT OF WAY, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, WIDENING, GRADING, DRAINING, PAVING, CREATING A ROUNDABOUT AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Abernathy)

5. Third Reading -

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-13 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$3,100,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING AND MAINTAINING THE CITY'S SANITARY SEWERAGE SYSTEM PLANT INCLUDING UPGRADES TO THE BIOSOLIDS, BIOGAS AND HEADWORKS SYSTEMS, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Abernathy)

6. Second Reading -

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 160, BIDDING PROCEDURES AND CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO, BY INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE LIMIT FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING (Warden)

7. Second Reading -

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-14 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 539.04 LIQUOR PROHIBITED WITHOUT A PERMIT OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Warden)

### VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. First Reading -

ORDINANCE NO. 2024- AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART ELEVEN, ZONING, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO, TO RE-ZONE LAND TO C-3 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF EAST SMITHVILLE-WESTERN AND CLEVELAND ROADS (Warden)

2. First Reading -

RESOLUTION 2024-30 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ODOT COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT (Warden)

#### VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

### ORDINANCE NO. 2024-09

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$4,030,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING AND EXPANDING THE CITY'S SANITARY SEWERAGE SYSTEM BY CONSTRUCTING AND RECONSTRUCTING SANITARY SEWERS, FORCE MAINS AND LIFT STATIONS, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2022-09, passed on May 2, 2022, there were issued \$1,800,000 of notes, issued in anticipation of bonds for the purposes stated in Section 2, as part of a consolidated issue of \$2,360,000 Various Purpose Improvement Notes, Series 2022, which notes were retired at maturity with the proceeds of \$4,030,000 of notes (the Outstanding Notes) issued in anticipation of bonds pursuant to Ordinance No. 2023-15, passed on April 3, 2023, as part of a consolidated issue of \$4,750,000 Various Purpose Improvement Notes, Series 2023, which Outstanding Notes mature on June 7, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines that the City should retire the Outstanding Notes with the proceeds of the Bonds described in Section 2 and other funds available to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance, as fiscal officer of the City, has certified to this Council that the estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement described in Section 2 is at least five years and the estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds described in Section 2 is 40 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1: <u>Definitions and Interpretation</u>. In addition to the words and terms elsewhere defined in this Ordinance, unless the context or use clearly indicates another or different meaning or intent:

"Authorized Denominations" means (subject to any limitations in Section 3) the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

"Bond proceedings" means, collectively, this Ordinance, the Certificate of Award, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and such other proceedings of the City, including the Bonds, that provide collectively for, among other things, the rights of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds.

"Bond Register" means all books and records necessary for the registration, exchange and transfer of Bonds as provided in Section 5.

"Bond Registrar" means the bank or trust company appointed pursuant to Section 4 as the initial authenticating agent, bond registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the Bonds under the Bond Registrar Agreement and until a successor Bond Registrar shall have become such pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Registrar Agreement and, thereafter, "Bond Registrar" shall mean the successor Bond Registrar.

"Bond Registrar Agreement" means the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, as it may be modified from the form on file with the Clerk of Council and signed by the Fiscal Officer in accordance with Section 4.

"Bonds" means, collectively, the Serial Bonds and the Term Bonds, each as is designated as such in the Certificate of Award.

"Book entry form" or "book entry system" means a form or system under which (a) the ownership of book entry interests in Bonds and the principal of and interest on the Bonds may be transferred only through a book entry and (b) physical Bond certificates in fully registered form are issued by the City only to a Depository or its nominee as registered owner, with the Bonds "immobilized" in the custody of the Depository or its agent. The book entry maintained by others than the City is the record that identifies the owners of book entry interests in those Bonds and that principal and interest.

"Certificate of Award" means the certificate authorized by Section 6(a), to be signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth and determining those terms or other matters pertaining to the Bonds and their issuance, sale and delivery as this Ordinance requires or authorizes to be set forth or determined therein.

"Closing Date" means the date of physical delivery of, and payment of the purchase price for, the Bonds.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Regulations (whether temporary or final) under that Code or the statutory predecessor of that Code, and any amendments of, or successor provisions to, the foregoing and any official rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and judicial determinations regarding any of the foregoing, all as and to the extent applicable. Unless otherwise indicated, reference to a Section of the Code includes any applicable successor section or provision and such applicable Regulations, rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and determinations pertinent to that Section.

"Continuing Disclosure Agreement" means the agreement authorized by Section 6(c), to be substantially in the form on file with the Clerk of Council, made by the City for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds in accordance with the Rule.

"Depository" means any securities depository that is a clearing agency under federal law operating and maintaining, with its Participants or otherwise, a book entry system to record ownership of book entry interests in Bonds or the principal of and interest on Bonds, and to effect transfers of Bonds, in book entry form, and includes and means initially The Depository Trust Company (a limited purpose trust company), New York, New York.

"Fiscal Officer" means the Director of Finance of the City.

"Interest Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, June 1 and December 1 of each year that the Bonds are outstanding, commencing December 1, 2024.

"Original Purchaser" means the original purchaser of the Bonds designated by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award.

"Participant" means any participant contracting with a Depository under a book entry system and includes securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies, and clearing corporations.

"Principal Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, December 1 in each of the years from and including 2024 to and including 2043, provided that in no case shall the total number of Principal Payment Dates exceed the maximum maturity of the Bonds referred to in the preambles hereto.

"Rule" means Rule 15c2-12 prescribed by the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Serial Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and not subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

"Term Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the date or dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

The captions and headings in this Ordinance are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof. Reference to a Section means a section of this Ordinance unless otherwise indicated.

Section 2: Authorized Principal Amount and Purpose; Application of Proceeds. This Council determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City to issue bonds of the City in one lot in the maximum principal amount of \$4,030,000 (the Bonds) for the purpose of

paying costs of improving and expanding the City's sanitary sewerage system by constructing and reconstructing sanitary sewers, force mains and lift stations, together with all necessary appurtenances thereto, and to retire, together with other funds available to the City, the Outstanding Notes.

The aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued shall not exceed \$4,030,000 and shall be issued in an amount determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award to be the aggregate principal amount of Bonds required to be issued, taking into account any premium above or discount from the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds at which they are sold to the Original Purchaser, in order to effect the purpose for which the Bonds are to be issued, including the payment of any expenses properly allocable to the issuance of the Bonds.

The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds (except any premium and accrued interest) shall be paid into the proper fund or funds, and those proceeds are appropriated and shall be used for the purpose for which the Bonds are being issued. Any portion of those proceeds representing premium and accrued interest shall be paid into the Bond Retirement Fund.

- Section 3: Denominations; Dating; Principal and Interest Payment and Redemption Provisions. The Bonds shall be issued in one lot and only as fully registered bonds, in the Authorized Denominations, but in no case as to a particular maturity date exceeding the principal amount maturing on that date. The Bonds shall be dated as provided in the Certificate of Award, provided that their dated date shall not be more than 60 days prior to the Closing Date.
- (a) Interest Rates and Interest Payment Dates. The Bonds shall bear interest at the rate or rates per year (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 30-day months) as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award. Interest on the Bonds shall be payable at such rate or rates on the Interest Payment Dates until the principal amount has been paid or provided for. The Bonds shall bear interest from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for or, if no interest has been paid or provided for, from their date.
- (b) <u>Principal Payment Schedule</u>. The Bonds shall mature or be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (as hereinafter defined and described) on the Principal Payment Dates in principal amounts as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer, subject to subsection (c) of this Section, in the Certificate of Award, consistent with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City.

Consistent with the foregoing and in accordance with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City, the Fiscal Officer shall specify in the Certificate of Award (i) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Serial Bonds, the Principal Payment Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature and the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Term Bonds, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature, the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (Mandatory

Redemption Dates) and the principal amount thereof that shall be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Mandatory Redemption Date.

- (c) Conditions for Establishment of Interest Rates and Principal Payment Dates and Amounts. The rate or rates of interest per year to be borne by the Bonds, and the principal amount of Bonds maturing or payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Principal Payment Date, shall be such that (i) the total principal and interest payments on the Bonds in any fiscal year in which principal is payable is not more than three times the amount of those payments in any other such fiscal year and (ii) the true interest cost of the Bonds does not exceed 8%.
- (d) Payment of Debt Charges. The debt charges on the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America without deduction for the services of the Bond Registrar as paying agent. Principal of and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable when due upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar. Interest on a Bond shall be paid on each Interest Payment Date by check or draft mailed to the person in whose name the Bond was registered, and to that person's address appearing, on the Bond Register at the close of business on the 15<sup>th</sup> day preceding that Interest Payment Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and so long as the Bonds are issued in a book entry system, principal of and interest and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable in the manner provided in any agreement entered into by the Fiscal Officer, in the name and on behalf of the City, in connection with the book entry system.
- (e) <u>Redemption Provisions</u>. The Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to stated maturity as follows:
- (i) Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of Term Bonds. If any of the Bonds are issued as Term Bonds, the Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory redemption in part by lot and be redeemed pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on the applicable Mandatory Redemption Dates and in the principal amounts payable on those dates, for which provision is made in the Certificate of Award (such dates and amounts being the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements).

The aggregate of the money to be deposited with the Bond Registrar for payment of principal of and interest on any Term Bonds on each Mandatory Redemption Date shall include an amount sufficient to redeem on that date the principal amount of Term Bonds payable on that date pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (less the amount of any credit as hereinafter provided).

The City shall have the option to deliver to the Bond Registrar for cancellation Term Bonds in any aggregate principal amount and to receive a credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) of the City, as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to

mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered. That option shall be exercised by the City on or before the 45th day preceding any Mandatory Redemption Date with respect to which the City wishes to obtain a credit, by furnishing the Bond Registrar a certificate, signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth the extent of the credit to be applied with respect to the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date. If the certificate is not timely furnished to the Bond Registrar, the current Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) shall not be reduced. A credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, also shall be received by the City for any Term Bonds which prior thereto have been redeemed (other than through the operation of the applicable Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements) or purchased for cancellation and canceled by the Bond Registrar, to the extent not applied theretofore as a credit against any Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so redeemed or purchased and canceled.

Each Term Bond so delivered, or previously redeemed, or purchased and canceled, shall be credited by the Bond Registrar at 100% of the principal amount thereof against the then current or subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligations), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered, redeemed or purchased and canceled.

(ii) Optional Redemption. The Bonds of the maturities, if any, specified in the Certificate of Award shall be subject to redemption by and at the sole option of the City, in whole or in part in integral multiples of \$5,000, on the dates, in the years and at the redemption prices (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount to be redeemed), plus accrued interest to the redemption date, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award; provided that (a) the earliest optional redemption date shall not be more than 10½ years after the Closing Date and (b) the redemption price for the earliest optional redemption date shall not be greater than 102%.

If optional redemption of Term Bonds at a redemption price exceeding 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed is to take place as of any Mandatory Redemption Date applicable to those Term Bonds, the Term Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed optionally shall be selected by lot prior to the selection by lot of the Term Bonds of the same maturity to be redeemed on the same date by operation of the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements. Bonds to be redeemed pursuant to this paragraph shall be redeemed only upon written notice from the Fiscal Officer to the Bond Registrar, given upon the direction of this Council through a resolution or an ordinance. That notice shall specify the redemption date and the principal amount of each maturity of Bonds to be redeemed, and shall be given at least 45 days prior to the redemption date or such shorter period as shall be acceptable to the Bond Registrar.

- (iii) Partial Redemption. If fewer than all of the outstanding Bonds are called for optional redemption at one time and Bonds of more than one maturity are then outstanding, the Bonds that are called shall be Bonds of the maturity or maturities selected by the City. If fewer than all of the Bonds of a single maturity are to be redeemed, the selection of Bonds of that maturity to be redeemed, or portions thereof in amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, shall be made by the Bond Registrar by lot in a manner determined by the Bond Registrar. In the case of a partial redemption of Bonds by lot when Bonds of denominations greater than \$5,000 are then outstanding, each \$5,000 unit of principal thereof shall be treated as if it were a separate Bond of the denomination of \$5,000. If it is determined that one or more, but not all, of the \$5,000 units of principal amount represented by a Bond are to be called for redemption, then, upon notice of redemption of a \$5,000 unit or units, the registered owner of that Bond shall surrender the Bond to the Bond Registrar (a) for payment of the redemption price of the \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount called for redemption (including, without limitation, the interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption and any premium), and (b) for issuance, without charge to the registered owner, of a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unmatured and unredeemed portion of, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date as, the Bond surrendered.
- (iv) Notice of Redemption. The notice of the call for redemption of Bonds shall identify (a) by designation, letters, numbers or other distinguishing marks, the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, (b) the redemption price to be paid, (c) the date fixed for redemption, and (d) the place or places where the amounts due upon redemption are payable. The notice shall be given by the Bond Registrar on behalf of the City by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first class mail, postage prepaid, at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owner of each Bond subject to redemption in whole or in part at the registered owner's address shown on the Bond Register maintained by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the fifteenth day preceding that mailing. Failure to receive notice by mail or any defect in that notice regarding any Bond, however, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond.
- (v) Payment of Redeemed Bonds. In the event that notice of redemption shall have been given by the Bond Registrar to the registered owners as provided above, there shall be deposited with the Bond Registrar on or prior to the redemption date, moneys that, in addition to any other moneys available therefor and held by the Bond Registrar, will be sufficient to redeem at the redemption price thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, all of the redeemable Bonds for which notice of redemption has been given. Notice having been mailed in the manner provided in the preceding paragraph hereof, the Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date, and, upon presentation and surrender thereof at the place or places specified in that notice, shall be paid at the redemption price, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. If money for the redemption of all of the Bonds and portions thereof to be redeemed, together with accrued interest thereon to the redemption date, are held by the Bond Registrar on the redemption date, so as to be available therefor on that date and, if notice of redemption has been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, then from and after the redemption date those Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption

shall cease to bear interest and no longer shall be considered to be outstanding. If that money shall not be so available on the redemption date, or that notice shall not have been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, those Bonds and portions thereof shall continue to bear interest, until they are paid, at the same rate as they would have borne had they not been called for redemption. All money held by the Bond Registrar for the redemption of particular Bonds shall be held in trust for the account of the registered owners thereof and shall be paid to them, respectively, upon presentation and surrender of those Bonds, provided that any interest earned on the money so held by the Bond Registrar shall be for the account of and paid to the City to the extent not required for the payment of the Bonds called for redemption.

Section 4: Execution and Authentication of Bonds; Appointment of Bond Registrar. The Bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, in the name of the City and in their official capacities, provided that either or both of those signatures may be a facsimile. The Bonds shall be issued in the Authorized Denominations and numbers as requested by the Original Purchaser and approved by the Fiscal Officer, shall be numbered as determined by the Fiscal Officer in order to distinguish each Bond from any other Bond, and shall express upon their faces the purpose, in summary terms, for which they are issued and that they are issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 133 of the Revised Code and this Ordinance and the Certificate of Award.

The Huntington National Bank is appointed to act as the initial Bond Registrar; provided, however, that the Fiscal Officer is authorized to appoint a different Bond Registrar in the Certificate of Award after determining that such bank or trust company will not endanger the funds or securities of the City and that proper procedures and safeguards are available for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver, in the name and on behalf of the City, the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Bond Registrar Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this Ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Bond Registrar Agreement or amendments thereto. The Fiscal Officer shall provide for the payment of the services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses incurred pursuant to the Bond Registrar Agreement from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and then from other money lawfully available and appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose.

No Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or shall be entitled to any security or benefit under the Bond proceedings unless and until the certificate of authentication printed on the Bond is signed by the Bond Registrar as authenticating agent. Authentication by the Bond Registrar shall be conclusive evidence that the Bond so authenticated has been duly issued, signed and delivered under, and is entitled to the security and benefit of, the Bond proceedings. The certificate of authentication may be signed by any authorized officer or employee of the Bond Registrar or by any other person acting as an agent of the Bond Registrar and approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City. The same person need not sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds.

# Section 5: Registration; Transfer and Exchange; Book Entry System.

- (a) Bond Registrar. So long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding, the City will cause the Bond Registrar to maintain and keep the Bond Register at the office satisfactory to the Fiscal Officer and the Bond Registrar. Subject to the provisions of Section 6, the person in whose name a Bond is registered on the Bond Register shall be regarded as the absolute owner of that Bond for all purposes of the Bond proceedings. Payment of or on account of the debt charges on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that person; neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary, but the registration may be changed as provided in this Section. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the City's liability upon the Bond, including interest, to the extent of the amount or amounts so paid.
- (b) Transfer and Exchange. Any Bond may be exchanged for Bonds of any Authorized Denomination upon presentation and surrender at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar, together with a request for exchange signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. A Bond may be transferred only on the Bond Registrar upon presentation and surrender of the Bond at the designated office of the Bond Registrar together with an assignment signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. Upon exchange or transfer the Bond Registrar shall complete, authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations requested by the owner equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bond surrendered and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

If manual signatures on behalf of the City are required, the Bond Registrar shall undertake the exchange or transfer of Bonds only after the new Bonds are signed by the authorized officers of the City. In all cases of Bonds exchanged or transferred, the City shall sign and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver Bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Bond proceedings. The exchange or transfer shall be without charge to the owner, except that the City and Bond Registrar may make a charge sufficient to reimburse them for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the exchange or transfer. The City or the Bond Registrar may require that those charges, if any, be paid before the procedure is begun for the exchange or transfer. All Bonds issued and authenticated upon any exchange or transfer shall be valid obligations of the City, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same security and benefit under the Bond proceedings as the Bonds surrendered upon that exchange or transfer. Neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be required to make any exchange or transfer of (i) Bonds then subject to call for redemption between the 15th day preceding the mailing of notice of Bonds to be redeemed and the date of that mailing, or (ii) any Bond selected for redemption, in whole or in part.

(c) <u>Book Entry System</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance, if the Fiscal Officer determines in the Certificate of Award that it is in the best interest of and

financially advantageous to the City, the Bonds may be issued in book entry form in accordance with the following provisions of this Section.

The Bonds may be issued to a Depository for use in a book entry system and, if and so long as a book entry system is utilized, (i) the Bonds may be issued in the form of a single, fully registered Bond representing each maturity and registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee, as registered owner, and immobilized in the custody of the Depository or its designated agent which may be the Bond Registrar; (ii) the book entry interest owners of Bonds in book entry form shall not have any right to receive Bonds in the form of physical securities or certificates; (iii) ownership of book entry interests in Bonds in book entry form shall be shown by book entry on the system maintained and operated by the Depository and its Participants, and transfers of the ownership of book entry interests shall be made only by book entry by the Depository and its Participants; and (iv) the Bonds as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another Depository or to another nominee of a Depository, without further action by the City.

If any Depository determines not to continue to act as a Depository for the Bonds for use in a book entry system, the Fiscal Officer may attempt to establish a securities depository/book entry relationship with another qualified Depository. If the Fiscal Officer does not or is unable to do so, the Fiscal Officer, after making provision for notification of the book entry interest owners by the then Depository and any other arrangements deemed necessary, shall permit withdrawal of the Bonds from the Depository, and shall cause Bond certificates in registered form to be authenticated by the Bond Registrar and delivered to the assigns of the Depository or its nominee, all at the cost and expense (including any costs of printing), if the event is not the result of City action or inaction, of those persons requesting such issuance.

The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized and directed, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with a book entry system for the Bonds.

### Section 6: Award and Sale of the Bonds.

(a) Original Purchaser Designated in Certificate of Award. The Bonds shall be sold to the Original Purchaser at a purchase price, not less than 97% of their aggregate principal amount, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, plus accrued interest on the Bonds from their date to the Closing Date, and shall be awarded by the Fiscal Officer with and upon such other terms as are required or authorized by this Ordinance to be specified in the Certificate of Award, in accordance with law and the provisions of this Ordinance. The Fiscal Officer is authorized, if it is determined to be in the best interest of the City, to combine the issue of Bonds with one or more other bond issues of the City into a consolidated bond issue pursuant to Section 133.30(B) of the Revised Code in which case a single Certificate of Award may be utilized for the consolidated bond issue if appropriate and consistent with the terms of this Ordinance.

The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver the Certificate of Award and shall cause the Bonds to be prepared and signed and delivered, together with a true transcript of proceedings with reference to the issuance of the Bonds, to the Original Purchaser upon payment of the purchase price. The Mayor, the Fiscal Officer, the Director of Law, the Clerk of Council and other City officials, as appropriate, each are authorized and directed to sign any transcript certificates, financial statements and other documents and instruments and to take such actions as are necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance.

- (b) Primary Offering Disclosure Official Statement. The Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, on behalf of the City and in their official capacities, are authorized to (i) prepare or cause to be prepared, and make or authorize modifications, completions or changes of or supplements to, an official statement in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds, (ii) determine, and to certify or otherwise represent, when the official statement is to be "deemed final" (except for permitted omissions) by the City or is a final official statement for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), (3) and (4), (iii) use and distribute, or authorize the use and distribution of, that official statement and any supplements thereto in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds and (iv) complete and sign that official statement as so approved together with such certificates, statements or other documents in connection with the finality, accuracy and completeness of that official statement as they deem necessary or appropriate.
- (c) Agreement to Provide Continuing Disclosure. For the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners from time to time of the Bonds, the City agrees to provide or cause to be provided such financial information and operating data, audited financial statements and notices of the occurrence of certain events, in such manner as may be required for purposes of the Rule. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to complete, sign and deliver the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, in the name and on behalf of the City, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

The Fiscal Officer is further authorized and directed to establish procedures in order to ensure compliance by the City with its Continuing Disclosure Agreement, including timely provision of information and notices as described above. Prior to making any filing required under the Rule, the Fiscal Officer shall consult with and obtain legal advice from, as appropriate, the Director of Law and/or bond or other qualified independent special counsel selected by the City. The Fiscal Officer, acting in the name and on behalf of the City, shall be entitled to rely upon any such legal advice in determining whether a filing should be made. The performance by the City of its Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be subject to the annual appropriation of any funds that may be necessary to perform it.

(d) <u>Municipal Advisor</u>; <u>Application for Rating or Bond Insurance</u>; <u>Financing Costs</u>. If, in the judgment of the Fiscal Officer, the (i) engagement of the services of a municipal advisor or (ii) filing of an application for (A) a rating on the Bonds by one or more nationally-recognized rating agencies, or (B) a policy of insurance from a company or companies to better assure the

payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to this City, the Fiscal Officer is authorized to engage a municipal advisor and prepare and to submit those applications, to provide to each such agency or company such information as may be required for the purpose, and to provide further for the payment of the fees of a municipal advisor or the cost of obtaining each such rating or policy from the proceeds of the Bonds, except to the extent paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar in accordance with the Bond Registrar Agreement, to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available and that are appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name of and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with the engagement of a municipal advisor or of obtaining that bond insurance.

The expenditure of the amounts necessary to engage a municipal advisor and/or secure those rating(s) and to pay the other financing costs (as defined in Section 133.01 of the Revised Code) in connection with the Bonds, to the extent not paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar, is authorized and approved, and the Fiscal Officer is authorized to provide for the payment of any such amounts and costs from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available that are appropriated or shall be appropriated for that purpose.

Provisions for Tax Levy. There shall be levied on all the taxable property in Section 7: the City, in addition to all other taxes, a direct tax annually during the period the Bonds are outstanding in an amount sufficient to pay the debt charges on the Bonds when due, which tax shall not be less than the interest and sinking fund tax required by Section 11 of Article XII of the Ohio Constitution. The tax shall be within the ten-mill limitation imposed by law, shall be and is ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers, in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of those years are certified, levied, extended and collected, and shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof. The proceeds of the tax levy shall be placed in the Bond Retirement Fund, which is irrevocably pledged for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds when and as the same fall due. In each year, to the extent that revenues and surplus funds from the City's sanitary sewerage system or other moneys are available for the payment of debt charges on the Bonds and are appropriated for that purpose, the amount of the tax shall be reduced by the amount of revenues and funds and/or moneys so available and appropriated. Nothing in this section in any way diminishes the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit and general property taxing power of the City to the prompt payment of the debt charges on the Bonds.

Section 8: Federal Tax Considerations. The City covenants that it will use, and will restrict the use and investment of, the proceeds of the Bonds in such manner and to such extent as may be necessary so that (a) the Bonds will not (i) constitute private activity bonds, arbitrage bonds or hedge bonds under Section 141, 148 or 149 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), or (ii) be treated other than as bonds to which Section 103 of the Code applies, and (b) the interest thereon will not be an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code.

The City further covenants that (a) it will take or cause to be taken such actions that may be required of it for the interest on the Bonds to be and to remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (b) it will not take or authorize to be taken any actions that would adversely affect that exclusion and (c) it, or persons acting for it, will, among other acts of compliance, (i) apply the proceeds of the Bonds to the governmental purposes of the borrowing, (ii) restrict the yield on investment property, (iii) make timely and adequate payments to the federal government, (iv) maintain books and records and make calculations and reports, and (v) refrain from certain uses of those proceeds and, as applicable, of property financed with such proceeds, all in such manner and to the extent necessary to assure such exclusion of that interest under the Code.

The Fiscal Officer, or any other officer of the City having responsibility for the issuance of the Bonds is hereby authorized (a) to make or effect any election, selection, designation (including specifically designation or treatment of the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations"), choice. consent, approval or waiver on behalf of the City with respect to the Bonds as the City is permitted or required to make or give under the federal income tax laws, including, without limitation thereto. any of the elections provided for in or available under Section 148 of the Code, for the purpose of assuring, enhancing or protecting the favorable tax treatment or status of the Bonds or interest thereon or assisting compliance with requirements for that purpose, reducing the burden or expense of such compliance, reducing the rebate amount or payments or penalties, or making payments of special amounts in lieu of making computations to determine, or paying, excess earnings as rebate, or obviating those amounts or payments, as determined by that officer, which action shall be in writing and signed by the officer, (b) to take any and all other actions, make or obtain calculations. make payments, and make or give reports, covenants and certifications of and on behalf of the City. as may be appropriate to assure the exclusion of interest from gross income and the intended tax status of the Bonds, and (c) to give one or more appropriate certificates of the City, for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds, setting forth the reasonable expectations of the City regarding the amount and use of all the proceeds of the Bonds, the facts, circumstances and estimates on which they are based, and other facts and circumstances relevant to the tax treatment of the interest on and the tax status of the Bonds.

Each covenant made in this section with respect to the Bonds is also made with respect to all issues any portion of the debt service on which is paid from proceeds of the Bonds (and, if different, the original issue and any refunding issues in a series of refundings), to the extent such compliance is necessary to assure exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and the officers identified above are authorized to take actions with respect to those issues as they are authorized in this section to take with respect to the Bonds.

Section 9: Certification and Delivery of Ordinance and Certificate of Award. The Clerk of Council is directed to deliver or cause to be delivered a certified copy of this Ordinance and a signed copy of the Certificate of Award to the Wayne County Auditor.

Section 10: Retention of Bond and Disclosure Counsel. The legal services of Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP, as bond and disclosure counsel, be and are hereby retained. The legal services shall be in the nature of legal advice and recommendations as to the documents and the proceedings in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and the rendering of the

necessary legal opinion upon the delivery of the Bonds. In rendering those legal services, as an independent contractor and in an attorney-client relationship, that firm shall not exercise any administrative discretion on behalf of the City in the formulation of public policy, expenditure of public funds, enforcement of laws, rules and regulations of the State, the City or any other political subdivision, or the execution of public trusts. That firm shall be paid just and reasonable compensation for those legal services and shall be reimbursed for the actual out-of-pocket expenses it incurs in rendering those legal services. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to make appropriate certification as to the availability of funds for those fees and any reimbursement and to issue an appropriate order for their timely payment as written statements are submitted by that firm.

Section 11: Satisfaction of Conditions for Bond Issuance. This Council determines that all acts and conditions necessary to be performed by the City or to have been met precedent to and in the issuing of the Bonds in order to make them legal, valid and binding general obligations of the City have been performed and have been met, or will at the time of delivery of the Bonds have been performed and have been met, in regular and due form as required by law; that the full faith and credit and general property taxing power (as described in Section 7) of the City are pledged for the timely payment of the debt charges on the Bonds; and that no statutory or constitutional limitation of indebtedness or taxation will have been exceeded in the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 12: Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in open meetings of this Council or committees, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law.

Section 13: Immediate Effect; Effective Date. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, safety and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective in order to issue and sell the Bonds, which is necessary to enable the City to retire the Outstanding Notes and thereby preserve its credit; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor; provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of Council; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

1st reading 3-19-24 2nd reading 4	Lay 3rd reading
Passed:, 2024	Vote:
Attest: Clerk of Council	President of Council
Approved:, 2024  Introduced by: Michael Abernathy	Mayor

## FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

# TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

As fiscal officer of the City of Wooster, Ohio, I certify in connection with your proposed issue of bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$4,030,000 (the Bonds) for the purpose of paying costs of improving and expanding the City's sanitary sewerage system by constructing and reconstructing sanitary sewers, force mains and lift stations, together with all necessary appurtenances thereto (the improvement), that:

- 1. The estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement is at least five years.
- 2. The estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds, calculated in accordance with Section 133.20 of the Revised Code, is 40 years.

Dated: March 18, 2024

Director of Finance City of Wooster, Ohio

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2024-10

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$565,000 TO PAY THE PROPERTY OWNERS' PORTION, IN ANTICIPATION OF THE COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS HERETOFORE LEVIED, OF THE COSTS OF IMPROVING MELROSE DRIVE BETWEEN CERTAIN TERMINI BYGRADING, DRAINING. WIDENING, PAVING, RESURFACING, CONSTRUCTING CURBS, GUTTERS, A MULTI-USE PATH, SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAY APPROACHES, INSTALLING STORM SEWERS, CATCH BASINS. MANHOLES, WATER MAINS, FIRE HYDRANTS, AND TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS, AND ACQUIRING ANY REAL ESTATE AND INTERESTS THEREIN REQUIRED THEREBY, ALL TOGETHER WITH THE NECESSARY APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT.

WHEREAS, this Council has previously by proper legislation declared the necessity of constructing the improvement described in Section 2; and

WHEREAS, that improvement has been completed, the final costs have been ascertained and special assessments have been levied to pay the property owners' portion of those costs; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2022-08, passed on May 2, 2022, there were issued \$565,000 of notes, issued in anticipation of bonds for the purposes stated in Section 2, as part of a consolidated issue of \$2,360,000 Various Purpose Improvement Notes, Series 2022, which notes were retired at maturity with the proceeds of \$565,000 of notes (the Outstanding Notes) issued in anticipation of bonds pursuant to Ordinance No. 2023-13, passed on April 3, 2023, as part of a consolidated issue of \$4,750,000 Various Purpose Notes, Series 2023, which Outstanding Notes mature on June 7, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines that the City should retire the Outstanding Notes with the proceeds of the Bonds described in Section 2 and other funds available to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance, as fiscal officer of the City, has certified to this Council that the estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement described in Section 2 is at least five years and the estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds described in Section 2 is 15 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1: <u>Definitions and Interpretation</u>. In addition to the words and terms elsewhere defined in this Ordinance, unless the context or use clearly indicates another or different meaning or intent:

"Authorized Denominations" means (subject to any limitations in Section 3) the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

"Bond proceedings" means, collectively, this Ordinance, the Certificate of Award, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and such other proceedings of the City, including the Bonds, that provide collectively for, among other things, the rights of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds.

"Bond Register" means all books and records necessary for the registration, exchange and transfer of Bonds as provided in Section 5.

"Bond Registrar" means the bank or trust company appointed pursuant to Section 4 as the initial authenticating agent, bond registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the Bonds under the Bond Registrar Agreement and until a successor Bond Registrar shall have become such pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Registrar Agreement and, thereafter, "Bond Registrar" shall mean the successor Bond Registrar.

"Bond Registrar Agreement" means the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, as it may be modified from the form on file with the Clerk of Council and signed by the Fiscal Officer in accordance with Section 4.

"Bonds" means, collectively, the Serial Bonds and the Term Bonds, each as is designated as such in the Certificate of Award.

"Book entry form" or "book entry system" means a form or system under which (a) the ownership of book entry interests in Bonds and the principal of and interest on the Bonds may be transferred only through a book entry and (b) physical Bond certificates in fully registered form are issued by the City only to a Depository or its nominee as registered owner, with the Bonds "immobilized" in the custody of the Depository or its agent. The book entry maintained by others than the City is the record that identifies the owners of book entry interests in those Bonds and that principal and interest.

"Certificate of Award" means the certificate authorized by Section 6(a), to be signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth and determining those terms or other matters pertaining to the Bonds and their issuance, sale and delivery as this Ordinance requires or authorizes to be set forth or determined therein.

"Closing Date" means the date of physical delivery of, and payment of the purchase price for, the Bonds.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Regulations (whether temporary or final) under that Code or the statutory predecessor of that Code, and any amendments of, or successor provisions to, the foregoing and any official rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and judicial determinations regarding any of the foregoing, all as and to the extent applicable. Unless otherwise indicated, reference to a Section of the Code includes any applicable successor section or provision and such applicable Regulations, rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and determinations pertinent to that Section.

"Continuing Disclosure Agreement" means the agreement authorized by Section 6(c), to be substantially in the form on file with the Clerk of Council, made by the City for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds in accordance with the Rule.

"Depository" means any securities depository that is a clearing agency under federal law operating and maintaining, with its Participants or otherwise, a book entry system to record ownership of book entry interests in Bonds or the principal of and interest on Bonds, and to effect transfers of Bonds, in book entry form, and includes and means initially The Depository Trust Company (a limited purpose trust company), New York, New York.

"Fiscal Officer" means the Director of Finance of the City.

"Interest Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, June 1 and December 1 of each year that the Bonds are outstanding, commencing December 1, 2024.

"Original Purchaser" means the original purchaser of the Bonds designated by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award.

"Participant" means any participant contracting with a Depository under a book entry system and includes securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies, and clearing corporations.

"Principal Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, December 1 in each of the years from and including 2024 to and including 2038, provided that in no case shall the total number of Principal Payment Dates exceed the maximum maturity of the Bonds referred to in the preambles hereto.

"Rule" means Rule 15c2-12 prescribed by the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Serial Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and not subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption. "Term Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the date or dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

The captions and headings in this Ordinance are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof. Reference to a Section means a section of this Ordinance unless otherwise indicated.

Section 2: Authorized Principal Amount and Purpose; Application of Proceeds. This Council determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City to issue bonds of the City in one lot in the maximum principal amount of \$565,000 (the Bonds) to pay the property owners' portion, in anticipation of the collection of special assessments heretofore levied, of the costs of improving Melrose Drive between certain termini by grading, draining, widening, paving, resurfacing, constructing curbs, gutters, a multi-use path, sidewalks and driveway approaches, installing storm sewers, catch basins, manholes, water mains, fire hydrants, and traffic control signs, and acquiring any real estate and interests therein required thereby, all together with the necessary appurtenances thereto, in the manner provided in Resolution No. 2021-68, adopted on December 6, 2021 (the Improvement), and to retire, together with other funds available to the City, the Outstanding Notes.

The aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued shall not exceed \$565,000 and shall be issued in an amount determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award to be the aggregate principal amount of Bonds required to be issued, taking into account any premium above or discount from the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds at which they are sold to the Original Purchaser, in order to effect the purpose for which the Bonds are to be issued, including the payment of any expenses properly allocable to the issuance of the Bonds.

The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds (except any premium and accrued interest) shall be paid into the proper fund or funds, and those proceeds are appropriated and shall be used for the purpose for which the Bonds are being issued. Any portion of those proceeds representing premium and accrued interest shall be paid into the Bond Retirement Fund.

- Section 3: Denominations; Dating; Principal and Interest Payment and Redemption Provisions. The Bonds shall be issued in one lot and only as fully registered bonds, in the Authorized Denominations, but in no case as to a particular maturity date exceeding the principal amount maturing on that date. The Bonds shall be dated as provided in the Certificate of Award, provided that their dated date shall not be more than 60 days prior to the Closing Date.
- (a) Interest Rates and Interest Payment Dates. The Bonds shall bear interest at the rate or rates per year (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 30-day months) as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award. Interest on the Bonds shall be payable at such rate or rates on the Interest Payment Dates until the principal amount has been paid or provided for. The Bonds shall bear interest from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for or, if no interest has been paid or provided for, from their date.

(b) <u>Principal Payment Schedule</u>. The Bonds shall mature or be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (as hereinafter defined and described) on the Principal Payment Dates in principal amounts as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer, subject to subsection (c) of this Section, in the Certificate of Award, consistent with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City.

Consistent with the foregoing and in accordance with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City, the Fiscal Officer shall specify in the Certificate of Award (i) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Serial Bonds, the Principal Payment Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature and the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Term Bonds, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature, the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (Mandatory Redemption Dates) and the principal amount thereof that shall be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Mandatory Redemption Date.

- (c) Conditions for Establishment of Interest Rates and Principal Payment Dates and Amounts. The rate or rates of interest per year to be borne by the Bonds, and the principal amount of Bonds maturing or payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Principal Payment Date, shall be such that (i) the total principal and interest payments on the Bonds in any fiscal year in which principal is payable is not more than three times the amount of those payments in any other such fiscal year and (ii) the true interest cost of the Bonds does not exceed 8%.
- (d) Payment of Debt Charges. The debt charges on the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America without deduction for the services of the Bond Registrar as paying agent. Principal of and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable when due upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar. Interest on a Bond shall be paid on each Interest Payment Date by check or draft mailed to the person in whose name the Bond was registered, and to that person's address appearing, on the Bond Register at the close of business on the 15<sup>th</sup> day preceding that Interest Payment Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and so long as the Bonds are issued in a book entry system, principal of and interest and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable in the manner provided in any agreement entered into by the Fiscal Officer, in the name and on behalf of the City, in connection with the book entry system.
- (e) <u>Redemption Provisions</u>. The Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to stated maturity as follows:
- (i) <u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of Term Bonds</u>. If any of the Bonds are issued as Term Bonds, the Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory redemption in part by lot

and be redeemed pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on the applicable Mandatory Redemption Dates and in the principal amounts payable on those dates, for which provision is made in the Certificate of Award (such dates and amounts being the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements).

The aggregate of the money to be deposited with the Bond Registrar for payment of principal of and interest on any Term Bonds on each Mandatory Redemption Date shall include an amount sufficient to redeem on that date the principal amount of Term Bonds payable on that date pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (less the amount of any credit as hereinafter provided).

The City shall have the option to deliver to the Bond Registrar for cancellation Term Bonds in any aggregate principal amount and to receive a credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) of the City, as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered. That option shall be exercised by the City on or before the 45th day preceding any Mandatory Redemption Date with respect to which the City wishes to obtain a credit, by furnishing the Bond Registrar a certificate, signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth the extent of the credit to be applied with respect to the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date. If the certificate is not timely furnished to the Bond Registrar, the current Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) shall not be reduced. A credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, also shall be received by the City for any Term Bonds which prior thereto have been redeemed (other than through the operation of the applicable Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements) or purchased for cancellation and canceled by the Bond Registrar, to the extent not applied theretofore as a credit against any Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so redeemed or purchased and canceled.

Each Term Bond so delivered, or previously redeemed, or purchased and canceled, shall be credited by the Bond Registrar at 100% of the principal amount thereof against the then current or subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligations), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered, redeemed or purchased and canceled.

(ii) Optional Redemption. The Bonds of the maturities, if any, specified in the Certificate of Award shall be subject to redemption by and at the sole option of the City, in whole or in part in integral multiples of \$5,000, on the dates, in the years and at the redemption prices (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount to be redeemed), plus accrued interest to the redemption date, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award;

provided that (a) the earliest optional redemption date shall not be more than 10½ years after the Closing Date and (b) the redemption price for the earliest optional redemption date shall not be greater than 102%.

If optional redemption of Term Bonds at a redemption price exceeding 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed is to take place as of any Mandatory Redemption Date applicable to those Term Bonds, the Term Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed optionally shall be selected by lot prior to the selection by lot of the Term Bonds of the same maturity to be redeemed on the same date by operation of the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements. Bonds to be redeemed pursuant to this paragraph shall be redeemed only upon written notice from the Fiscal Officer to the Bond Registrar, given upon the direction of this Council through a resolution or an ordinance. That notice shall specify the redemption date and the principal amount of each maturity of Bonds to be redeemed, and shall be given at least 45 days prior to the redemption date or such shorter period as shall be acceptable to the Bond Registrar.

- Partial Redemption. If fewer than all of the outstanding Bonds are called for optional redemption at one time and Bonds of more than one maturity are then outstanding, the Bonds that are called shall be Bonds of the maturity or maturities selected by the City. If fewer than all of the Bonds of a single maturity are to be redeemed, the selection of Bonds of that maturity to be redeemed, or portions thereof in amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, shall be made by the Bond Registrar by lot in a manner determined by the Bond Registrar. In the case of a partial redemption of Bonds by lot when Bonds of denominations greater than \$5,000 are then outstanding, each \$5,000 unit of principal thereof shall be treated as if it were a separate Bond of the denomination of \$5,000. If it is determined that one or more, but not all, of the \$5,000 units of principal amount represented by a Bond are to be called for redemption, then, upon notice of redemption of a \$5,000 unit or units, the registered owner of that Bond shall surrender the Bond to the Bond Registrar (a) for payment of the redemption price of the \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount called for redemption (including, without limitation, the interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption and any premium), and (b) for issuance, without charge to the registered owner, of a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unmatured and unredeemed portion of, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date as, the Bond surrendered.
- (iv) Notice of Redemption. The notice of the call for redemption of Bonds shall identify (a) by designation, letters, numbers or other distinguishing marks, the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, (b) the redemption price to be paid, (c) the date fixed for redemption, and (d) the place or places where the amounts due upon redemption are payable. The notice shall be given by the Bond Registrar on behalf of the City by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first class mail, postage prepaid, at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owner of each Bond subject to redemption in whole or in part at the registered owner's address shown on the Bond Register maintained by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the fifteenth day preceding that mailing. Failure to receive notice by mail or any

defect in that notice regarding any Bond, however, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond.

Payment of Redeemed Bonds. In the event that notice of redemption shall have been given by the Bond Registrar to the registered owners as provided above, there shall be deposited with the Bond Registrar on or prior to the redemption date, moneys that, in addition to any other moneys available therefor and held by the Bond Registrar, will be sufficient to redeem at the redemption price thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, all of the redeemable Bonds for which notice of redemption has been given. Notice having been mailed in the manner provided in the preceding paragraph hereof, the Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date, and, upon presentation and surrender thereof at the place or places specified in that notice, shall be paid at the redemption price, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. If money for the redemption of all of the Bonds and portions thereof to be redeemed, together with accrued interest thereon to the redemption date, are held by the Bond Registrar on the redemption date, so as to be available therefor on that date and, if notice of redemption has been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, then from and after the redemption date those Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall cease to bear interest and no longer shall be considered to be outstanding. If that money shall not be so available on the redemption date, or that notice shall not have been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, those Bonds and portions thereof shall continue to bear interest, until they are paid, at the same rate as they would have borne had they not been called for redemption. All money held by the Bond Registrar for the redemption of particular Bonds shall be held in trust for the account of the registered owners thereof and shall be paid to them, respectively, upon presentation and surrender of those Bonds, provided that any interest earned on the money so held by the Bond Registrar shall be for the account of and paid to the City to the extent not required for the payment of the Bonds called for redemption.

Section 4: Execution and Authentication of Bonds; Appointment of Bond Registrar. The Bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, in the name of the City and in their official capacities, provided that either or both of those signatures may be a facsimile. The Bonds shall be issued in the Authorized Denominations and numbers as requested by the Original Purchaser and approved by the Fiscal Officer, shall be numbered as determined by the Fiscal Officer in order to distinguish each Bond from any other Bond, and shall express upon their faces the purpose, in summary terms, for which they are issued and that they are issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 133 of the Revised Code and this Ordinance and the Certificate of Award.

The Huntington National Bank is appointed to act as the initial Bond Registrar; provided, however, that the Fiscal Officer is authorized to appoint a different Bond Registrar in the Certificate of Award after determining that such bank or trust company will not endanger the funds or securities of the City and that proper procedures and safeguards are available for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver, in the name and on behalf of the City, the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Bond Registrar Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this Ordinance and not

substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Bond Registrar Agreement or amendments thereto. The Fiscal Officer shall provide for the payment of the services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses incurred pursuant to the Bond Registrar Agreement from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and then from other money lawfully available and appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose.

No Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or shall be entitled to any security or benefit under the Bond proceedings unless and until the certificate of authentication printed on the Bond is signed by the Bond Registrar as authenticating agent. Authentication by the Bond Registrar shall be conclusive evidence that the Bond so authenticated has been duly issued, signed and delivered under, and is entitled to the security and benefit of, the Bond proceedings. The certificate of authentication may be signed by any authorized officer or employee of the Bond Registrar or by any other person acting as an agent of the Bond Registrar and approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City. The same person need not sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds.

# Section 5: Registration; Transfer and Exchange; Book Entry System.

- (a) <u>Bond Registrar</u>. So long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding, the City will cause the Bond Registrar to maintain and keep the Bond Register at the office satisfactory to the Fiscal Officer and the Bond Registrar. Subject to the provisions of Section 6, the person in whose name a Bond is registered on the Bond Register shall be regarded as the absolute owner of that Bond for all purposes of the Bond proceedings. Payment of or on account of the debt charges on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that person; neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary, but the registration may be changed as provided in this Section. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the City's liability upon the Bond, including interest, to the extent of the amount or amounts so paid.
- (b) Transfer and Exchange. Any Bond may be exchanged for Bonds of any Authorized Denomination upon presentation and surrender at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar, together with a request for exchange signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. A Bond may be transferred only on the Bond Registrar upon presentation and surrender of the Bond at the designated office of the Bond Registrar together with an assignment signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. Upon exchange or transfer the Bond Registrar shall complete, authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations requested by the owner equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bond surrendered and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

If manual signatures on behalf of the City are required, the Bond Registrar shall undertake the exchange or transfer of Bonds only after the new Bonds are signed by the

authorized officers of the City. In all cases of Bonds exchanged or transferred, the City shall sign and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver Bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Bond proceedings. The exchange or transfer shall be without charge to the owner, except that the City and Bond Registrar may make a charge sufficient to reimburse them for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the exchange or transfer. The City or the Bond Registrar may require that those charges, if any, be paid before the procedure is begun for the exchange or transfer. All Bonds issued and authenticated upon any exchange or transfer shall be valid obligations of the City, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same security and benefit under the Bond proceedings as the Bonds surrendered upon that exchange or transfer. Neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be required to make any exchange or transfer of (i) Bonds then subject to call for redemption between the 15<sup>th</sup> day preceding the mailing of notice of Bonds to be redeemed and the date of that mailing, or (ii) any Bond selected for redemption, in whole or in part.

(c) <u>Book Entry System</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance, if the Fiscal Officer determines in the Certificate of Award that it is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to the City, the Bonds may be issued in book entry form in accordance with the following provisions of this Section.

The Bonds may be issued to a Depository for use in a book entry system and, if and so long as a book entry system is utilized, (i) the Bonds may be issued in the form of a single, fully registered Bond representing each maturity and registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee, as registered owner, and immobilized in the custody of the Depository or its designated agent which may be the Bond Registrar; (ii) the book entry interest owners of Bonds in book entry form shall not have any right to receive Bonds in the form of physical securities or certificates; (iii) ownership of book entry interests in Bonds in book entry form shall be shown by book entry on the system maintained and operated by the Depository and its Participants, and transfers of the ownership of book entry interests shall be made only by book entry by the Depository and its Participants; and (iv) the Bonds as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another Depository or to another nominee of a Depository, without further action by the City.

If any Depository determines not to continue to act as a Depository for the Bonds for use in a book entry system, the Fiscal Officer may attempt to establish a securities depository/book entry relationship with another qualified Depository. If the Fiscal Officer does not or is unable to do so, the Fiscal Officer, after making provision for notification of the book entry interest owners by the then Depository and any other arrangements deemed necessary, shall permit withdrawal of the Bonds from the Depository, and shall cause Bond certificates in registered form to be authenticated by the Bond Registrar and delivered to the assigns of the Depository or its nominee, all at the cost and expense (including any costs of printing), if the event is not the result of City action or inaction, of those persons requesting such issuance.

The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized and directed, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with a book entry system for the Bonds.

# Section 6: Award and Sale of the Bonds.

(a) Original Purchaser Designated in Certificate of Award. The Bonds shall be sold to the Original Purchaser at a purchase price, not less than 97% of their aggregate principal amount, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, plus accrued interest on the Bonds from their date to the Closing Date, and shall be awarded by the Fiscal Officer with and upon such other terms as are required or authorized by this Ordinance to be specified in the Certificate of Award, in accordance with law and the provisions of this Ordinance. The Fiscal Officer is authorized, if it is determined to be in the best interest of the City, to combine the issue of Bonds with one or more other bond issues of the City into a consolidated bond issue pursuant to Section 133.30(B) of the Revised Code in which case a single Certificate of Award may be utilized for the consolidated bond issue if appropriate and consistent with the terms of this Ordinance.

The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver the Certificate of Award and shall cause the Bonds to be prepared and signed and delivered, together with a true transcript of proceedings with reference to the issuance of the Bonds, to the Original Purchaser upon payment of the purchase price. The Mayor, the Fiscal Officer, the Director of Law, the Clerk of Council and other City officials, as appropriate, each are authorized and directed to sign any transcript certificates, financial statements and other documents and instruments and to take such actions as are necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance.

- (b) Primary Offering Disclosure Official Statement. The Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, on behalf of the City and in their official capacities, are authorized to (i) prepare or cause to be prepared, and make or authorize modifications, completions or changes of or supplements to, an official statement in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds, (ii) determine, and to certify or otherwise represent, when the official statement is to be "deemed final" (except for permitted omissions) by the City or is a final official statement for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), (3) and (4), (iii) use and distribute, or authorize the use and distribution of, that official statement and any supplements thereto in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds and (iv) complete and sign that official statement as so approved together with such certificates, statements or other documents in connection with the finality, accuracy and completeness of that official statement as they deem necessary or appropriate.
- (c) Agreement to Provide Continuing Disclosure. For the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners from time to time of the Bonds, the City agrees to provide or cause to be provided such financial information and operating data, audited financial statements and notices of the occurrence of certain events, in such manner as may be required for purposes of the Rule. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to complete, sign and deliver the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, in the name and on behalf of the City, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

The Fiscal Officer is further authorized and directed to establish procedures in order to ensure compliance by the City with its Continuing Disclosure Agreement, including timely provision of information and notices as described above. Prior to making any filing required under the Rule, the Fiscal Officer shall consult with and obtain legal advice from, as appropriate, the Director of Law and/or bond or other qualified independent special counsel selected by the City. The Fiscal Officer, acting in the name and on behalf of the City, shall be entitled to rely upon any such legal advice in determining whether a filing should be made. The performance by the City of its Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be subject to the annual appropriation of any funds that may be necessary to perform it.

(d) Municipal Advisor; Application for Rating or Bond Insurance; Financing Costs. If, in the judgment of the Fiscal Officer, the (i) engagement of the services of a municipal advisor or (ii) filing of an application for (A) a rating on the Bonds by one or more nationally-recognized rating agencies, or (B) a policy of insurance from a company or companies to better assure the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to this City, the Fiscal Officer is authorized to engage a municipal advisor and prepare and to submit those applications, to provide to each such agency or company such information as may be required for the purpose, and to provide further for the payment of the fees of a municipal advisor or the cost of obtaining each such rating or policy from the proceeds of the Bonds, except to the extent paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar in accordance with the Bond Registrar Agreement, to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available and that are appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name of and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with the engagement of a municipal advisor or of obtaining that bond insurance.

The expenditure of the amounts necessary to engage a municipal advisor and/or secure those rating(s) and to pay the other financing costs (as defined in Section 133.01 of the Revised Code) in connection with the Bonds, to the extent not paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar, is authorized and approved, and the Fiscal Officer is authorized to provide for the payment of any such amounts and costs from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available that are appropriated or shall be appropriated for that purpose.

Section 7: Provisions for Tax Levy. All special assessments collected for the improvement described in Section 2, and any unexpended balance remaining in the improvement fund after the cost of the improvement has been paid, shall be used for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds until paid in full and shall be used for no other purpose. In the event and to the extent that those special assessments are not collected, there shall be levied on all the taxable property in the City, in addition to all other taxes, a direct tax annually during the period the Bonds are outstanding in an amount sufficient to pay the debt charges on the Bonds when due, which tax shall not be less than the interest and sinking fund tax required by Section 11 of Article XII of the Ohio Constitution. The tax shall be within the ten-mill limitation imposed by law, shall be and is ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and

collected by the same officers, in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of those years are certified, levied, extended and collected, and shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof. The proceeds of the tax levy shall be placed in the Bond Retirement Fund, which is irrevocably pledged for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds when and as the same fall due. In each year, to the extent the income from the collection of the special assessments for the improvement is available for the payment of the debt charges on the portion of the Bonds attributable to the property owners' portion of the cost thereof and is appropriated for that purpose, the amount of the tax shall be reduced by the amount of the income so available and appropriated. Nothing in this section in any way diminishes the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit and general property taxing power of the City to the prompt payment of the debt charges on the Bonds.

Section 8: Federal Tax Considerations. The City covenants that it will use, and will restrict the use and investment of, the proceeds of the Bonds in such manner and to such extent as may be necessary so that (a) the Bonds will not (i) constitute private activity bonds, arbitrage bonds or hedge bonds under Section 141, 148 or 149 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), or (ii) be treated other than as bonds to which Section 103 of the Code applies, and (b) the interest thereon will not be an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code.

The City further covenants that (a) it will take or cause to be taken such actions that may be required of it for the interest on the Bonds to be and to remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (b) it will not take or authorize to be taken any actions that would adversely affect that exclusion and (c) it, or persons acting for it, will, among other acts of compliance, (i) apply the proceeds of the Bonds to the governmental purposes of the borrowing, (ii) restrict the yield on investment property, (iii) make timely and adequate payments to the federal government, (iv) maintain books and records and make calculations and reports, and (v) refrain from certain uses of those proceeds and, as applicable, of property financed with such proceeds, all in such manner and to the extent necessary to assure such exclusion of that interest under the Code.

The Fiscal Officer, or any other officer of the City having responsibility for the issuance of the Bonds is hereby authorized (a) to make or effect any election, selection, designation (including specifically designation or treatment of the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations"), choice, consent, approval or waiver on behalf of the City with respect to the Bonds as the City is permitted or required to make or give under the federal income tax laws, including, without limitation thereto, any of the elections provided for in or available under Section 148 of the Code, for the purpose of assuring, enhancing or protecting the favorable tax treatment or status of the Bonds or interest thereon or assisting compliance with requirements for that purpose, reducing the burden or expense of such compliance, reducing the rebate amount or payments or penalties, or making payments of special amounts in lieu of making computations to determine, or paying, excess earnings as rebate, or obviating those amounts or payments, as determined by that officer, which action shall be in writing and signed by the officer, (b) to take any and all other actions, make or obtain calculations, make payments, and make or give reports, covenants and certifications of and on behalf of the City, as may be appropriate to assure the exclusion of interest from gross income and the intended tax status of the Bonds, and (c) to give one or more appropriate certificates of the City, for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds, setting forth the reasonable expectations of the City

regarding the amount and use of all the proceeds of the Bonds, the facts, circumstances and estimates on which they are based, and other facts and circumstances relevant to the tax treatment of the interest on and the tax status of the Bonds.

Each covenant made in this section with respect to the Bonds is also made with respect to all issues any portion of the debt service on which is paid from proceeds of the Bonds (and, if different, the original issue and any refunding issues in a series of refundings), to the extent such compliance is necessary to assure exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and the officers identified above are authorized to take actions with respect to those issues as they are authorized in this section to take with respect to the Bonds.

Section 9: Certification and Delivery of Ordinance and Certificate of Award. The Clerk of Council is directed to deliver or cause to be delivered a certified copy of this Ordinance and a signed copy of the Certificate of Award to the Wayne County Auditor.

Section 10: Retention of Bond and Disclosure Counsel. The legal services of Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP, as bond and disclosure counsel, be and are hereby retained. The legal services shall be in the nature of legal advice and recommendations as to the documents and the proceedings in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and the rendering of the necessary legal opinion upon the delivery of the Bonds. In rendering those legal services, as an independent contractor and in an attorney-client relationship, that firm shall not exercise any administrative discretion on behalf of the City in the formulation of public policy, expenditure of public funds, enforcement of laws, rules and regulations of the State, the City or any other political subdivision, or the execution of public trusts. That firm shall be paid just and reasonable compensation for those legal services and shall be reimbursed for the actual out-of-pocket expenses it incurs in rendering those legal services. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to make appropriate certification as to the availability of funds for those fees and any reimbursement and to issue an appropriate order for their timely payment as written statements are submitted by that firm.

Section 11: Satisfaction of Conditions for Bond Issuance. This Council determines that all acts and conditions necessary to be performed by the City or to have been met precedent to and in the issuing of the Bonds in order to make them legal, valid and binding general obligations of the City have been performed and have been met, or will at the time of delivery of the Bonds have been performed and have been met, in regular and due form as required by law; that the full faith and credit and general property taxing power (as described in Section 7) of the City are pledged for the timely payment of the debt charges on the Bonds; and that no statutory or constitutional limitation of indebtedness or taxation will have been exceeded in the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 12: Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in open meetings of this Council or committees, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law.

Section 13: Immediate Effect; Effective Date. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, safety and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective so that the Bonds can be sold at the earliest possible date to enable the City to retire the Outstanding Notes and thereby preserve its credit; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor; provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of Council; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

1st reading 3-19-24	2nd reading 4-1-24	3rd reading
Passed:	_, 2024	Vote:
Attest: Clerk of Council		President of Council
Approved:,	2024	Mayor

Introduced by: Michael Abernathy

### FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

### TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

As fiscal officer of the City of Wooster, Ohio, I certify in connection with your proposed issue of bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$565,000 (the Bonds) for the purpose of paying the property owners' portion, in anticipation of the collection of special assessments heretofore levied, of the costs of improving Melrose Drive between certain termini by grading, draining, widening, paving, resurfacing, constructing curbs, gutters, a multi-use path, sidewalks and driveway approaches, installing storm sewers, catch basins, manholes, water mains, fire hydrants, and traffic control signs, and acquiring any real estate and interests therein required thereby, all together with the necessary appurtenances thereto (the improvement), that:

- 1. The estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement is at least five years.
- 2. The estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds, calculated in accordance with Section 133.20 of the Revised Code, and not exceeding the period over which the special assessments in anticipation of the collection of which the Bonds to be issued will be payable, is 15 years.

Dated: March 18, 2024

Director of Finance City of Wooster, Ohio

### ORDINANCE NO. 2024-11

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$5,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, FURNISHING, EQUIPPING AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING A MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL AND RELATED RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND IMPROVING THE SITE THEREOF, AND TOGETHER WITH NECESSARY AND INCIDENTAL APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT.

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance, as fiscal officer of the City, has certified to this Council that the estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement described in Section 2 is at least five years and the estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds described in Section 2 is 20 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:

<u>Section 1</u>: <u>Definitions and Interpretation</u>. In addition to the words and terms elsewhere defined in this Ordinance, unless the context or use clearly indicates another or different meaning or intent:

"Authorized Denominations" means (subject to any limitations in Section 3) the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

"Bond proceedings" means, collectively, this Ordinance, the Certificate of Award, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and such other proceedings of the City, including the Bonds, that provide collectively for, among other things, the rights of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds.

"Bond Register" means all books and records necessary for the registration, exchange and transfer of Bonds as provided in Section 5.

"Bond Registrar" means the bank or trust company appointed pursuant to Section 4 as the initial authenticating agent, bond registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the Bonds under the Bond Registrar Agreement and until a successor Bond Registrar shall have become such pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Registrar Agreement and, thereafter, "Bond Registrar" shall mean the successor Bond Registrar.

"Bond Registrar Agreement" means the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, as it may be modified from the form on file with the Clerk of Council and signed by the Fiscal Officer in accordance with Section 4. "Bonds" means, collectively, the Serial Bonds and the Term Bonds, each as is designated as such in the Certificate of Award.

"Book entry form" or "book entry system" means a form or system under which (a) the ownership of book entry interests in Bonds and the principal of and interest on the Bonds may be transferred only through a book entry and (b) physical Bond certificates in fully registered form are issued by the City only to a Depository or its nominee as registered owner, with the Bonds "immobilized" in the custody of the Depository or its agent. The book entry maintained by others than the City is the record that identifies the owners of book entry interests in those Bonds and that principal and interest.

"Certificate of Award" means the certificate authorized by Section 6(a), to be signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth and determining those terms or other matters pertaining to the Bonds and their issuance, sale and delivery as this Ordinance requires or authorizes to be set forth or determined therein.

"Closing Date" means the date of physical delivery of, and payment of the purchase price for, the Bonds.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Regulations (whether temporary or final) under that Code or the statutory predecessor of that Code, and any amendments of, or successor provisions to, the foregoing and any official rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and judicial determinations regarding any of the foregoing, all as and to the extent applicable. Unless otherwise indicated, reference to a Section of the Code includes any applicable successor section or provision and such applicable Regulations, rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and determinations pertinent to that Section.

"Continuing Disclosure Agreement" means the agreement authorized by Section 6(c), to be substantially in the form on file with the Clerk of Council, made by the City for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds in accordance with the Rule.

"Depository" means any securities depository that is a clearing agency under federal law operating and maintaining, with its Participants or otherwise, a book entry system to record ownership of book entry interests in Bonds or the principal of and interest on Bonds, and to effect transfers of Bonds, in book entry form, and includes and means initially The Depository Trust Company (a limited purpose trust company), New York, New York.

"Fiscal Officer" means the Director of Finance of the City.

"Interest Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, June 1 and December 1 of each year that the Bonds are outstanding, commencing December 1, 2024.

"Original Purchaser" means the original purchaser of the Bonds designated by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award.

"Participant" means any participant contracting with a Depository under a book entry system and includes securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies, and clearing corporations.

"Principal Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, December 1 in each of the years from and including 2024 to and including 2043, provided that in no case shall the total number of Principal Payment Dates exceed the maximum maturity of the Bonds referred to in the preambles hereto.

"Rule" means Rule 15c2-12 prescribed by the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Serial Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and not subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

"Term Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the date or dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

The captions and headings in this Ordinance are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof. Reference to a Section means a section of this Ordinance unless otherwise indicated.

Section 2: Authorized Principal Amount and Purpose; Application of Proceeds. This Council determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City to issue bonds of the City in one lot in the maximum principal amount of \$5,500,000 (the Bonds) for the purpose of paying costs of constructing, furnishing, equipping and otherwise improving the municipal swimming pool and related recreational facilities and improving the site thereof, and together with necessary and incidental appurtenances thereto (the improvement), including the payment of expenses related to the issuance of the Bonds.

The aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued shall not exceed \$5,500,000 and shall be issued in an amount determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award to be the aggregate principal amount of Bonds required to be issued, taking into account any premium above or discount from the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds at which they are sold to the Original Purchaser, in order to effect the purpose for which the Bonds are to be issued, including the payment of any expenses properly allocable to the issuance of the Bonds.

The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds (except any premium and accrued interest) shall be paid into the proper fund or funds, and those proceeds are appropriated and shall be used for the purpose for which the Bonds are being issued. Any portion of those proceeds representing premium and accrued interest shall be paid into the Bond Retirement Fund.

- Section 3: Denominations; Dating; Principal and Interest Payment and Redemption Provisions. The Bonds shall be issued in one lot and only as fully registered bonds, in the Authorized Denominations, but in no case as to a particular maturity date exceeding the principal amount maturing on that date. The Bonds shall be dated as provided in the Certificate of Award, provided that their dated date shall not be more than 60 days prior to the Closing Date.
- (a) Interest Rates and Interest Payment Dates. The Bonds shall bear interest at the rate or rates per year (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 30-day months) as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award. Interest on the Bonds shall be payable at such rate or rates on the Interest Payment Dates until the principal amount has been paid or provided for. The Bonds shall bear interest from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for or, if no interest has been paid or provided for, from their date.
- (b) <u>Principal Payment Schedule</u>. The Bonds shall mature or be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (as hereinafter defined and described) on the Principal Payment Dates in principal amounts as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer, subject to subsection (c) of this Section, in the Certificate of Award, consistent with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City.

Consistent with the foregoing and in accordance with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City, the Fiscal Officer shall specify in the Certificate of Award (i) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Serial Bonds, the Principal Payment Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature and the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Term Bonds, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature, the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (Mandatory Redemption Dates) and the principal amount thereof that shall be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Mandatory Redemption Date.

(c) <u>Conditions for Establishment of Interest Rates and Principal Payment Dates and Amounts</u>. The rate or rates of interest per year to be borne by the Bonds, and the principal amount of Bonds maturing or payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Principal Payment Date, shall be such that (i) the total principal and interest payments on the Bonds in any fiscal year in which principal is payable is not more than three times the amount of those payments in any other such fiscal year and (ii) the true interest cost of the Bonds does not exceed 8%.

- (d) Payment of Debt Charges. The debt charges on the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America without deduction for the services of the Bond Registrar as paying agent. Principal of and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable when due upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar. Interest on a Bond shall be paid on each Interest Payment Date by check or draft mailed to the person in whose name the Bond was registered, and to that person's address appearing, on the Bond Register at the close of business on the 15<sup>th</sup> day preceding that Interest Payment Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and so long as the Bonds are issued in a book entry system, principal of and interest and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable in the manner provided in any agreement entered into by the Fiscal Officer, in the name and on behalf of the City, in connection with the book entry system.
- (e) <u>Redemption Provisions</u>. The Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to stated maturity as follows:
- (i) Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of Term Bonds. If any of the Bonds are issued as Term Bonds, the Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory redemption in part by lot and be redeemed pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on the applicable Mandatory Redemption Dates and in the principal amounts payable on those dates, for which provision is made in the Certificate of Award (such dates and amounts being the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements).

The aggregate of the money to be deposited with the Bond Registrar for payment of principal of and interest on any Term Bonds on each Mandatory Redemption Date shall include an amount sufficient to redeem on that date the principal amount of Term Bonds payable on that date pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (less the amount of any credit as hereinafter provided).

The City shall have the option to deliver to the Bond Registrar for cancellation Term Bonds in any aggregate principal amount and to receive a credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) of the City, as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered. That option shall be exercised by the City on or before the 45<sup>th</sup> day preceding any Mandatory Redemption Date with respect to which the City wishes to obtain a credit, by furnishing the Bond Registrar a certificate, signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth the extent of the credit to be applied with respect to the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date. If the certificate is not timely furnished to the Bond Registrar, the current Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) shall not be reduced. A credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, also shall be received by the City for any Term Bonds which prior thereto have been

redeemed (other than through the operation of the applicable Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements) or purchased for cancellation and canceled by the Bond Registrar, to the extent not applied theretofore as a credit against any Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so redeemed or purchased and canceled.

Each Term Bond so delivered, or previously redeemed, or purchased and canceled, shall be credited by the Bond Registrar at 100% of the principal amount thereof against the then current or subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligations), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered, redeemed or purchased and canceled.

(ii) Optional Redemption. The Bonds of the maturities, if any, specified in the Certificate of Award shall be subject to redemption by and at the sole option of the City, in whole or in part in integral multiples of \$5,000, on the dates, in the years and at the redemption prices (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount to be redeemed), plus accrued interest to the redemption date, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award; provided that (a) the earliest optional redemption date shall not be more than 10½ years after the Closing Date and (b) the redemption price for the earliest optional redemption date shall not be greater than 102%.

If optional redemption of Term Bonds at a redemption price exceeding 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed is to take place as of any Mandatory Redemption Date applicable to those Term Bonds, the Term Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed optionally shall be selected by lot prior to the selection by lot of the Term Bonds of the same maturity to be redeemed on the same date by operation of the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements. Bonds to be redeemed pursuant to this paragraph shall be redeemed only upon written notice from the Fiscal Officer to the Bond Registrar, given upon the direction of this Council through a resolution or an ordinance. That notice shall specify the redemption date and the principal amount of each maturity of Bonds to be redeemed, and shall be given at least 45 days prior to the redemption date or such shorter period as shall be acceptable to the Bond Registrar.

(iii) Partial Redemption. If fewer than all of the outstanding Bonds are called for optional redemption at one time and Bonds of more than one maturity are then outstanding, the Bonds that are called shall be Bonds of the maturity or maturities selected by the City. If fewer than all of the Bonds of a single maturity are to be redeemed, the selection of Bonds of that maturity to be redeemed, or portions thereof in amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, shall be made by the Bond Registrar by lot in a manner determined by the Bond Registrar. In the case of a partial redemption of Bonds by lot when Bonds of denominations greater than \$5,000 are then outstanding, each \$5,000 unit of principal thereof shall be treated as if it were a separate Bond of the denomination of \$5,000. If it is determined that one or more, but not all, of the \$5,000 units of principal amount represented by a Bond are to be called for redemption, then, upon notice of redemption of a \$5,000 unit or units, the registered owner of

that Bond shall surrender the Bond to the Bond Registrar (a) for payment of the redemption price of the \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount called for redemption (including, without limitation, the interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption and any premium), and (b) for issuance, without charge to the registered owner, of a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unmatured and unredeemed portion of, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date as, the Bond surrendered.

- (iv) Notice of Redemption. The notice of the call for redemption of Bonds shall identify (a) by designation, letters, numbers or other distinguishing marks, the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, (b) the redemption price to be paid, (c) the date fixed for redemption, and (d) the place or places where the amounts due upon redemption are payable. The notice shall be given by the Bond Registrar on behalf of the City by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first class mail, postage prepaid, at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owner of each Bond subject to redemption in whole or in part at the registered owner's address shown on the Bond Register maintained by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the fifteenth day preceding that mailing. Failure to receive notice by mail or any defect in that notice regarding any Bond, however, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond.
- Payment of Redeemed Bonds. In the event that notice of redemption shall have been given by the Bond Registrar to the registered owners as provided above, there shall be deposited with the Bond Registrar on or prior to the redemption date, moneys that, in addition to any other moneys available therefor and held by the Bond Registrar, will be sufficient to redeem at the redemption price thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, all of the redeemable Bonds for which notice of redemption has been given. Notice having been mailed in the manner provided in the preceding paragraph hereof, the Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date, and, upon presentation and surrender thereof at the place or places specified in that notice, shall be paid at the redemption price, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. If money for the redemption of all of the Bonds and portions thereof to be redeemed, together with accrued interest thereon to the redemption date, are held by the Bond Registrar on the redemption date, so as to be available therefor on that date and, if notice of redemption has been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, then from and after the redemption date those Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall cease to bear interest and no longer shall be considered to be outstanding. If that money shall not be so available on the redemption date, or that notice shall not have been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, those Bonds and portions thereof shall continue to bear interest, until they are paid, at the same rate as they would have borne had they not been called for redemption. All money held by the Bond Registrar for the redemption of particular Bonds shall be held in trust for the account of the registered owners thereof and shall be paid to them, respectively, upon presentation and surrender of those Bonds, provided that any interest earned on the money so held by the Bond Registrar shall be for the account of and paid to the City to the extent not required for the payment of the Bonds called for redemption.

Section 4: Execution and Authentication of Bonds; Appointment of Bond Registrar. The Bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, in the name of the City and in their official capacities, provided that either or both of those signatures may be a facsimile. The Bonds shall be issued in the Authorized Denominations and numbers as requested by the Original Purchaser and approved by the Fiscal Officer, shall be numbered as determined by the Fiscal Officer in order to distinguish each Bond from any other Bond, and shall express upon their faces the purpose, in summary terms, for which they are issued and that they are issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 133 of the Revised Code and this Ordinance and the Certificate of Award.

The Huntington National Bank is appointed to act as the initial Bond Registrar; provided, however, that the Fiscal Officer is authorized to appoint a different Bond Registrar in the Certificate of Award after determining that such bank or trust company will not endanger the funds or securities of the City and that proper procedures and safeguards are available for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver, in the name and on behalf of the City, the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Bond Registrar Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this Ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Bond Registrar Agreement or amendments thereto. The Fiscal Officer shall provide for the payment of the services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses incurred pursuant to the Bond Registrar Agreement from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and then from other money lawfully available and appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose.

No Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or shall be entitled to any security or benefit under the Bond proceedings unless and until the certificate of authentication printed on the Bond is signed by the Bond Registrar as authenticating agent. Authentication by the Bond Registrar shall be conclusive evidence that the Bond so authenticated has been duly issued, signed and delivered under, and is entitled to the security and benefit of, the Bond proceedings. The certificate of authentication may be signed by any authorized officer or employee of the Bond Registrar or by any other person acting as an agent of the Bond Registrar and approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City. The same person need not sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds.

# Section 5: Registration; Transfer and Exchange; Book Entry System.

(a) <u>Bond Registrar</u>. So long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding, the City will cause the Bond Registrar to maintain and keep the Bond Register at the office satisfactory to the Fiscal Officer and the Bond Registrar. Subject to the provisions of Section 6, the person in whose name a Bond is registered on the Bond Register shall be regarded as the absolute owner of that Bond for all purposes of the Bond proceedings. Payment of or on account of the debt charges on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that person; neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary, but the registration may be changed as provided in this Section. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge

the City's liability upon the Bond, including interest, to the extent of the amount or amounts so paid.

(b) Transfer and Exchange. Any Bond may be exchanged for Bonds of any Authorized Denomination upon presentation and surrender at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar, together with a request for exchange signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. A Bond may be transferred only on the Bond Register upon presentation and surrender of the Bond at the designated office of the Bond Registrar together with an assignment signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. Upon exchange or transfer the Bond Registrar shall complete, authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations requested by the owner equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bond surrendered and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

If manual signatures on behalf of the City are required, the Bond Registrar shall undertake the exchange or transfer of Bonds only after the new Bonds are signed by the authorized officers of the City. In all cases of Bonds exchanged or transferred, the City shall sign and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver Bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Bond proceedings. The exchange or transfer shall be without charge to the owner, except that the City and Bond Registrar may make a charge sufficient to reimburse them for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the exchange or transfer. The City or the Bond Registrar may require that those charges, if any, be paid before the procedure is begun for the exchange or transfer. All Bonds issued and authenticated upon any exchange or transfer shall be valid obligations of the City, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same security and benefit under the Bond proceedings as the Bonds surrendered upon that exchange or transfer. Neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be required to make any exchange or transfer of (i) Bonds then subject to call for redemption between the 15<sup>th</sup> day preceding the mailing of notice of Bonds to be redeemed and the date of that mailing, or (ii) any Bond selected for redemption, in whole or in part.

(c) <u>Book Entry System</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance, if the Fiscal Officer determines in the Certificate of Award that it is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to the City, the Bonds may be issued in book entry form in accordance with the following provisions of this Section.

The Bonds may be issued to a Depository for use in a book entry system and, if and so long as a book entry system is utilized, (i) the Bonds may be issued in the form of a single, fully registered Bond representing each maturity and registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee, as registered owner, and immobilized in the custody of the Depository or its designated agent which may be the Bond Registrar; (ii) the book entry interest owners of Bonds in book entry form shall not have any right to receive Bonds in the form of physical securities or certificates; (iii) ownership of book entry interests in Bonds in book entry form shall be shown by book entry on the system maintained and operated by the Depository and its Participants, and

transfers of the ownership of book entry interests shall be made only by book entry by the Depository and its Participants; and (iv) the Bonds as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another Depository or to another nominee of a Depository, without further action by the City.

If any Depository determines not to continue to act as a Depository for the Bonds for use in a book entry system, the Fiscal Officer may attempt to establish a securities depository/book entry relationship with another qualified Depository. If the Fiscal Officer does not or is unable to do so, the Fiscal Officer, after making provision for notification of the book entry interest owners by the then Depository and any other arrangements deemed necessary, shall permit withdrawal of the Bonds from the Depository, and shall cause Bond certificates in registered form to be authenticated by the Bond Registrar and delivered to the assigns of the Depository or its nominee, all at the cost and expense (including any costs of printing), if the event is not the result of City action or inaction, of those persons requesting such issuance.

The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized and directed, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with a book entry system for the Bonds.

### Section 6: Award and Sale of the Bonds.

(a) Original Purchaser Designated in Certificate of Award. The Bonds shall be sold to the Original Purchaser at a purchase price, not less than 97% of their aggregate principal amount, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, plus accrued interest on the Bonds from their date to the Closing Date, and shall be awarded by the Fiscal Officer with and upon such other terms as are required or authorized by this Ordinance to be specified in the Certificate of Award, in accordance with law and the provisions of this Ordinance. The Fiscal Officer is authorized, if it is determined to be in the best interest of the City, to combine the issue of Bonds with one or more other bond issues of the City into a consolidated bond issue pursuant to Section 133.30(B) of the Revised Code in which case a single Certificate of Award may be utilized for the consolidated bond issue if appropriate and consistent with the terms of this Ordinance.

The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver the Certificate of Award and shall cause the Bonds to be prepared and signed and delivered, together with a true transcript of proceedings with reference to the issuance of the Bonds, to the Original Purchaser upon payment of the purchase price. The Mayor, the Fiscal Officer, the Director of Law, the Clerk of Council and other City officials, as appropriate, each are authorized and directed to sign any transcript certificates, financial statements and other documents and instruments and to take such actions as are necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance.

(b) <u>Primary Offering Disclosure – Official Statement</u>. The Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, on behalf of the City and in their official capacities, are authorized to (i) prepare or cause to be prepared, and make or authorize modifications, completions or changes of or supplements to, an official statement in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds, (ii) determine, and to certify

or otherwise represent, when the official statement is to be "deemed final" (except for permitted omissions) by the City or is a final official statement for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), (3) and (4), (iii) use and distribute, or authorize the use and distribution of, that official statement and any supplements thereto in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds and (iv) complete and sign that official statement as so approved together with such certificates, statements or other documents in connection with the finality, accuracy and completeness of that official statement as they deem necessary or appropriate.

(c) Agreement to Provide Continuing Disclosure. For the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners from time to time of the Bonds, the City agrees to provide or cause to be provided such financial information and operating data, audited financial statements and notices of the occurrence of certain events, in such manner as may be required for purposes of the Rule. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to complete, sign and deliver the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, in the name and on behalf of the City, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

The Fiscal Officer is further authorized and directed to establish procedures in order to ensure compliance by the City with its Continuing Disclosure Agreement, including timely provision of information and notices as described above. Prior to making any filing required under the Rule, the Fiscal Officer shall consult with and obtain legal advice from, as appropriate, the Director of Law and/or bond or other qualified independent special counsel selected by the City. The Fiscal Officer, acting in the name and on behalf of the City, shall be entitled to rely upon any such legal advice in determining whether a filing should be made. The performance by the City of its Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be subject to the annual appropriation of any funds that may be necessary to perform it.

(d) Municipal Advisor; Application for Rating or Bond Insurance; Financing Costs. If, in the judgment of the Fiscal Officer, the (i) engagement of the services of a municipal advisor or (ii) filing of an application for (A) a rating on the Bonds by one or more nationally-recognized rating agencies, or (B) a policy of insurance from a company or companies to better assure the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to this City, the Fiscal Officer is authorized to engage a municipal advisor and prepare and to submit those applications, to provide to each such agency or company such information as may be required for the purpose, and to provide further for the payment of the fees of a municipal advisor or the cost of obtaining each such rating or policy from the proceeds of the Bonds, except to the extent paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar in accordance with the Bond Registrar Agreement, to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available and that are appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name of and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with the engagement of a municipal advisor or of obtaining that bond insurance.

The expenditure of the amounts necessary to engage a municipal advisor and/or secure those rating(s) and to pay the other financing costs (as defined in Section 133.01 of the Revised Code) in connection with the Bonds, to the extent not paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar, is authorized and approved, and the Fiscal Officer is authorized to provide for the payment of any such amounts and costs from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available that are appropriated or shall be appropriated for that purpose.

Provisions for Tax Levy. There shall be levied on all the taxable property in Section 7: the City, in addition to all other taxes, a direct tax annually during the period the Bonds are outstanding in an amount sufficient to pay the debt charges on the Bonds when due, which tax shall not be less than the interest and sinking fund tax required by Section 11 of Article XII of the Ohio Constitution. The tax shall be within the ten-mill limitation imposed by law, shall be and is ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers, in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of those years are certified, levied, extended and collected, and shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof. The proceeds of the tax levy shall be placed in the Bond Retirement Fund, which is irrevocably pledged for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds when and as the same fall due. In each year to the extent the money from the municipal income tax is available for the payment of debt charges on the Bonds and are appropriated for that purpose, the amount of the tax shall be reduced by the amount of revenues and funds and/or moneys so available and appropriated. To the extent necessary, the debt charges on the Bonds shall be paid from municipal income taxes lawfully available therefor under the Constitution and laws of the State of Ohio and the Charter of the City, and the City covenants, subject and pursuant to such authority, including particularly Revised Code Sections 133.05(B)(7) and 5705.51(A)(5) and (D), to appropriate annually from those municipal income taxes such amount as is necessary to meet such annual debt charges. Nothing in this section in any way diminishes the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit and general property taxing power of the City to the prompt payment of the debt charges on the Bonds.

Section 8: Federal Tax Considerations. The City covenants that it will use, and will restrict the use and investment of, the proceeds of the Bonds in such manner and to such extent as may be necessary so that (a) the Bonds will not (i) constitute private activity bonds, arbitrage bonds or hedge bonds under Section 141, 148 or 149 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), or (ii) be treated other than as bonds to which Section 103 of the Code applies, and (b) the interest thereon will not be an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code.

The City further covenants that (a) it will take or cause to be taken such actions that may be required of it for the interest on the Bonds to be and to remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (b) it will not take or authorize to be taken any actions that would adversely affect that exclusion and (c) it, or persons acting for it, will, among other acts of compliance, (i) apply the proceeds of the Bonds to the governmental purposes of the borrowing, (ii) restrict the yield on investment property, (iii) make timely and adequate payments to the federal government, (iv) maintain books and records and make calculations and reports, and (v) refrain

from certain uses of those proceeds and, as applicable, of property financed with such proceeds, all in such manner and to the extent necessary to assure such exclusion of that interest under the Code.

The Fiscal Officer, or any other officer of the City having responsibility for the issuance of the Bonds is hereby authorized (a) to make or effect any election, selection, designation (including specifically designation of the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations"), choice, consent, approval or waiver on behalf of the City with respect to the Bonds as the City is permitted or required to make or give under the federal income tax laws, including, without limitation thereto, any of the elections provided for in or available under Section 148 of the Code, for the purpose of assuring, enhancing or protecting the favorable tax treatment or status of the Bonds or interest thereon or assisting compliance with requirements for that purpose, reducing the burden or expense of such compliance, reducing the rebate amount or payments or penalties, or making payments of special amounts in lieu of making computations to determine, or paying, excess earnings as rebate, or obviating those amounts or payments, as determined by that officer, which action shall be in writing and signed by the officer, (b) to take any and all other actions, make or obtain calculations, make payments, and make or give reports, covenants and certifications of and on behalf of the City, as may be appropriate to assure the exclusion of interest from gross income and the intended tax status of the Bonds, and (c) to give one or more appropriate certificates of the City, for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds, setting forth the reasonable expectations of the City regarding the amount and use of all the proceeds of the Bonds, the facts, circumstances and estimates on which they are based, and other facts and circumstances relevant to the tax treatment of the interest on and the tax status of the Bonds.

Section 9: Certification and Delivery of Ordinance and Certificate of Award. The Clerk of Council is directed to deliver or cause to be delivered a certified copy of this Ordinance and a signed copy of the Certificate of Award to the Wayne County Auditor.

Section 10: Retention of Bond and Disclosure Counsel. The legal services of Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP, as bond and disclosure counsel, be and are hereby retained. The legal services shall be in the nature of legal advice and recommendations as to the documents and the proceedings in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and the rendering of the necessary legal opinion upon the delivery of the Bonds. In rendering those legal services, as an independent contractor and in an attorney-client relationship, that firm shall not exercise any administrative discretion on behalf of the City in the formulation of public policy, expenditure of public funds, enforcement of laws, rules and regulations of the State, the City or any other political subdivision, or the execution of public trusts. That firm shall be paid just and reasonable compensation for those legal services and shall be reimbursed for the actual out-of-pocket expenses it incurs in rendering those legal services. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to make appropriate certification as to the availability of funds for those fees and any reimbursement and to issue an appropriate order for their timely payment as written statements are submitted by that firm.

Section 11: Satisfaction of Conditions for Bond Issuance. This Council determines that all acts and conditions necessary to be performed by the City or to have been met precedent to and in the issuing of the Bonds in order to make them legal, valid and binding general

obligations of the City have been performed and have been met, or will at the time of delivery of the Bonds have been performed and have been met, in regular and due form as required by law; that the full faith and credit and general property taxing power (as described in Section 7) of the City are pledged for the timely payment of the debt charges on the Bonds; and that no statutory or constitutional limitation of indebtedness or taxation will have been exceeded in the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 12: Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in open meetings of this Council or committees, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law.

Section 13: Immediate Effect; Effective Date. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, safety and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective so that the Bonds can be sold at the earliest possible date to enable the City to timely enter into one or more contracts for the improvement set forth in Section 2, which are needed to provide adequate recreational facilities for the City's residents and thereby better protect their health and welfare; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor; provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of Council; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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Approved:	, 2024	Mayor			
Introduced by: Michael Abernathy					

#### FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

### TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

As fiscal officer of the City of Wooster, Ohio, I certify in connection with your proposed issue of bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$5,500,000 (the Bonds) for the purpose of paying costs of constructing, furnishing, equipping and otherwise improving a municipal swimming pool and related recreational facilities and improving the site thereof, and together with necessary and incidental appurtenances thereto (the improvement), that:

- 1. The estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement is at least five years.
- 2. The estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds, calculated in accordance with Sections 133.19 and 133.20 of the Revised Code, is at least 20 years being my estimate of the life or period of usefulness of that improvement; if and to the extent a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds is to be allocated to a class or classes having a maximum maturity of less than 20 years but in excess of five years, then the maximum maturity of the Bonds would still be at least 20 years by reason of a sufficient portion of the proceeds of the Bonds allocated to a class or classes having a maximum maturity or an estimated period of usefulness in excess of 20 years.

Dated: March 18, 2024

Director of Finance City of Wooster, Ohio

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2024-12

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$4,655,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING STREETS AND ROADS IN THE CITY INCLUDING OAK HILL ROAD. MILLTOWN ROAD AND COMMERCE **PARKWAY** PURCHASING Α **RIGHT OF** WAY, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING, WIDENING, GRADING, DRAINING, PAVING, CREATING A ROUNDABOUT AND OTHERWISE IMPROVING, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2023-14 passed April 3, 2023, there were issued \$155,000 of notes (the Outstanding Notes) issued in anticipation of bonds for the purposes stated in Section 2, as part of a consolidated issue of \$4,750,000 Various Purpose Improvement Notes, Series 2023, which Outstanding Notes mature on June 7, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines that the City should retire the Outstanding Notes with the proceeds of the Bonds described in Section 2 to issue additional funds for the purpose in Section 2; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance, as fiscal officer of the City, has certified to this Council that the estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement described in Section 2 is at least five years and the estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds described in Section 2 is 20 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1: <u>Definitions and Interpretation</u>. In addition to the words and terms elsewhere defined in this Ordinance, unless the context or use clearly indicates another or different meaning or intent:

"Authorized Denominations" means (subject to any limitations in Section 3) the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

"Bond proceedings" means, collectively, this Ordinance, the Certificate of Award, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and such other proceedings of the City, including the Bonds, that provide collectively for, among other things, the rights of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds.

"Bond Register" means all books and records necessary for the registration, exchange and transfer of Bonds as provided in Section 5.

"Bond Registrar" means the bank or trust company appointed pursuant to Section 4 as the initial authenticating agent, bond registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the Bonds under the Bond Registrar Agreement and until a successor Bond Registrar shall have become such pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Registrar Agreement and, thereafter, "Bond Registrar" shall mean the successor Bond Registrar.

"Bond Registrar Agreement" means the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, as it may be modified from the form on file with the Clerk of Council and signed by the Fiscal Officer in accordance with Section 4.

"Bonds" means, collectively, the Serial Bonds and the Term Bonds, each as is designated as such in the Certificate of Award.

"Book entry form" or "book entry system" means a form or system under which (a) the ownership of book entry interests in Bonds and the principal of and interest on the Bonds may be transferred only through a book entry and (b) physical Bond certificates in fully registered form are issued by the City only to a Depository or its nominee as registered owner, with the Bonds "immobilized" in the custody of the Depository or its agent. The book entry maintained by others than the City is the record that identifies the owners of book entry interests in those Bonds and that principal and interest.

"Certificate of Award" means the certificate authorized by Section 6(a), to be signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth and determining those terms or other matters pertaining to the Bonds and their issuance, sale and delivery as this Ordinance requires or authorizes to be set forth or determined therein.

"Closing Date" means the date of physical delivery of, and payment of the purchase price for, the Bonds.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Regulations (whether temporary or final) under that Code or the statutory predecessor of that Code, and any amendments of, or successor provisions to, the foregoing and any official rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and judicial determinations regarding any of the foregoing, all as and to the extent applicable. Unless otherwise indicated, reference to a Section of the Code includes any applicable successor section or provision and such applicable Regulations, rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and determinations pertinent to that Section.

"Continuing Disclosure Agreement" means the agreement authorized by Section 6(c), to be substantially in the form on file with the Clerk of Council, made by the City for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds in accordance with the Rule.

"Depository" means any securities depository that is a clearing agency under federal law operating and maintaining, with its Participants or otherwise, a book entry system to record ownership of book entry interests in Bonds or the principal of and interest on Bonds, and to effect transfers of Bonds, in book entry form, and includes and means initially The Depository Trust Company (a limited purpose trust company), New York, New York.

"Fiscal Officer" means the Director of Finance of the City.

"Interest Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, June 1 and December 1 of each year that the Bonds are outstanding, commencing December 1, 2024.

"Original Purchaser" means the original purchaser of the Bonds designated by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award.

"Participant" means any participant contracting with a Depository under a book entry system and includes securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies, and clearing corporations.

"Principal Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, December 1 in each of the years from and including 2024 to and including 2043, provided that in no case shall the total number of Principal Payment Dates exceed the maximum maturity of the Bonds referred to in the preambles hereto.

"Rule" means Rule 15c2-12 prescribed by the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Serial Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and not subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

"Term Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the date or dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

The captions and headings in this Ordinance are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof. Reference to a Section means a section of this Ordinance unless otherwise indicated.

Section 2: Authorized Principal Amount and Purpose; Application of Proceeds. This Council determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City to issue bonds of the City in one lot in the maximum principal amount of \$4,655,000 (the Bonds) for the purpose of

paying costs of improving streets and roads in the City including Oak Hill Road, Milltown Road and Commerce Parkway by purchasing a right of way, constructing, reconstructing, widening, grading, draining, paving, creating a roundabout and otherwise improving, together with all necessary related improvements and appurtenances thereto, including the payment of expenses related to the issuance of the Bonds and to retire, together with other funds available to the City, the Outstanding Notes.

The aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued shall not exceed \$4,655,000 and shall be issued in an amount determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award to be the aggregate principal amount of Bonds required to be issued, taking into account any premium above or discount from the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds at which they are sold to the Original Purchaser, in order to effect the purpose for which the Bonds are to be issued, including the payment of any expenses properly allocable to the issuance of the Bonds.

The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds (except any premium and accrued interest) shall be paid into the proper fund or funds, and those proceeds are appropriated and shall be used for the purpose for which the Bonds are being issued. Any portion of those proceeds representing premium and accrued interest shall be paid into the Bond Retirement Fund.

- Section 3: Denominations; Dating; Principal and Interest Payment and Redemption Provisions. The Bonds shall be issued in one lot and only as fully registered bonds, in the Authorized Denominations, but in no case as to a particular maturity date exceeding the principal amount maturing on that date. The Bonds shall be dated as provided in the Certificate of Award, provided that their dated date shall not be more than 60 days prior to the Closing Date.
- (a) Interest Rates and Interest Payment Dates. The Bonds shall bear interest at the rate or rates per year (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 30-day months) as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award. Interest on the Bonds shall be payable at such rate or rates on the Interest Payment Dates until the principal amount has been paid or provided for. The Bonds shall bear interest from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for or, if no interest has been paid or provided for, from their date.
- (b) <u>Principal Payment Schedule</u>. The Bonds shall mature or be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (as hereinafter defined and described) on the Principal Payment Dates in principal amounts as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer, subject to subsection (c) of this Section, in the Certificate of Award, consistent with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City.

Consistent with the foregoing and in accordance with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City, the Fiscal Officer shall specify in the Certificate of Award (i) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Serial Bonds, the Principal Payment Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature and the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Term Bonds, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature, the principal amount thereof that shall be

stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (Mandatory Redemption Dates) and the principal amount thereof that shall be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Mandatory Redemption Date.

- (c) <u>Conditions for Establishment of Interest Rates and Principal Payment Dates and Amounts</u>. The rate or rates of interest per year to be borne by the Bonds, and the principal amount of Bonds maturing or payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Principal Payment Date, shall be such that (i) the total principal and interest payments on the Bonds in any fiscal year in which principal is payable is not more than three times the amount of those payments in any other such fiscal year and (ii) the true interest cost of the Bonds does not exceed 8%.
- (d) Payment of Debt Charges. The debt charges on the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America without deduction for the services of the Bond Registrar as paying agent. Principal of and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable when due upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar. Interest on a Bond shall be paid on each Interest Payment Date by check or draft mailed to the person in whose name the Bond was registered, and to that person's address appearing, on the Bond Register at the close of business on the 15th day preceding that Interest Payment Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and so long as the Bonds are issued in a book entry system, principal of and interest and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable in the manner provided in any agreement entered into by the Fiscal Officer, in the name and on behalf of the City, in connection with the book entry system.
- (e) <u>Redemption Provisions</u>. The Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to stated maturity as follows:
- (i) Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of Term Bonds. If any of the Bonds are issued as Term Bonds, the Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory redemption in part by lot and be redeemed pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on the applicable Mandatory Redemption Dates and in the principal amounts payable on those dates, for which provision is made in the Certificate of Award (such dates and amounts being the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements).

The aggregate of the money to be deposited with the Bond Registrar for payment of principal of and interest on any Term Bonds on each Mandatory Redemption Date shall include an amount sufficient to redeem on that date the principal amount of Term Bonds payable on that date pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (less the amount of any credit as hereinafter provided).

The City shall have the option to deliver to the Bond Registrar for cancellation Term Bonds in any aggregate principal amount and to receive a credit against the then current or any

subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) of the City, as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered. That option shall be exercised by the City on or before the 45th day preceding any Mandatory Redemption Date with respect to which the City wishes to obtain a credit, by furnishing the Bond Registrar a certificate, signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth the extent of the credit to be applied with respect to the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date. If the certificate is not timely furnished to the Bond Registrar, the current Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) shall not be reduced. A credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, also shall be received by the City for any Term Bonds which prior thereto have been redeemed (other than through the operation of the applicable Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements) or purchased for cancellation and canceled by the Bond Registrar, to the extent not applied theretofore as a credit against any Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so redeemed or purchased and canceled.

Each Term Bond so delivered, or previously redeemed, or purchased and canceled, shall be credited by the Bond Registrar at 100% of the principal amount thereof against the then current or subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligations), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered, redeemed or purchased and canceled.

(ii) Optional Redemption. The Bonds of the maturities, if any, specified in the Certificate of Award shall be subject to redemption by and at the sole option of the City, in whole or in part in integral multiples of \$5,000, on the dates, in the years and at the redemption prices (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount to be redeemed), plus accrued interest to the redemption date, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award; provided that (a) the earliest optional redemption date shall not be more than 10½ years after the Closing Date and (b) the redemption price for the earliest optional redemption date shall not be greater than 102%.

If optional redemption of Term Bonds at a redemption price exceeding 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed is to take place as of any Mandatory Redemption Date applicable to those Term Bonds, the Term Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed optionally shall be selected by lot prior to the selection by lot of the Term Bonds of the same maturity to be redeemed on the same date by operation of the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements. Bonds to be redeemed pursuant to this paragraph shall be redeemed only upon written notice from the Fiscal Officer to the Bond Registrar, given upon the direction of this Council through a resolution or an ordinance. That notice shall specify the redemption date and the principal amount of each maturity of Bonds to be redeemed, and shall be given at least 45

days prior to the redemption date or such shorter period as shall be acceptable to the Bond Registrar.

- (iii) Partial Redemption. If fewer than all of the outstanding Bonds are called for optional redemption at one time and Bonds of more than one maturity are then outstanding, the Bonds that are called shall be Bonds of the maturity or maturities selected by the City. If fewer than all of the Bonds of a single maturity are to be redeemed, the selection of Bonds of that maturity to be redeemed, or portions thereof in amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, shall be made by the Bond Registrar by lot in a manner determined by the Bond Registrar. In the case of a partial redemption of Bonds by lot when Bonds of denominations greater than \$5,000 are then outstanding, each \$5,000 unit of principal thereof shall be treated as if it were a separate Bond of the denomination of \$5,000. If it is determined that one or more, but not all, of the \$5,000 units of principal amount represented by a Bond are to be called for redemption, then, upon notice of redemption of a \$5,000 unit or units, the registered owner of that Bond shall surrender the Bond to the Bond Registrar (a) for payment of the redemption price of the \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount called for redemption (including, without limitation, the interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption and any premium), and (b) for issuance, without charge to the registered owner, of a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unmatured and unredeemed portion of, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date as. the Bond surrendered.
- (iv) Notice of Redemption. The notice of the call for redemption of Bonds shall identify (a) by designation, letters, numbers or other distinguishing marks, the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, (b) the redemption price to be paid, (c) the date fixed for redemption, and (d) the place or places where the amounts due upon redemption are payable. The notice shall be given by the Bond Registrar on behalf of the City by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first class mail, postage prepaid, at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owner of each Bond subject to redemption in whole or in part at the registered owner's address shown on the Bond Register maintained by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the fifteenth day preceding that mailing. Failure to receive notice by mail or any defect in that notice regarding any Bond, however, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond.
- (v) Payment of Redeemed Bonds. In the event that notice of redemption shall have been given by the Bond Registrar to the registered owners as provided above, there shall be deposited with the Bond Registrar on or prior to the redemption date, moneys that, in addition to any other moneys available therefor and held by the Bond Registrar, will be sufficient to redeem at the redemption price thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, all of the redeemable Bonds for which notice of redemption has been given. Notice having been mailed in the manner provided in the preceding paragraph hereof, the Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date, and, upon presentation and surrender thereof at the place or places specified in that notice, shall be paid at the redemption price, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. If money for the redemption of all of the Bonds and portions thereof to be redeemed, together with accrued interest thereon to the

redemption date, are held by the Bond Registrar on the redemption date, so as to be available therefor on that date and, if notice of redemption has been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, then from and after the redemption date those Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall cease to bear interest and no longer shall be considered to be outstanding. If that money shall not be so available on the redemption date, or that notice shall not have been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, those Bonds and portions thereof shall continue to bear interest, until they are paid, at the same rate as they would have borne had they not been called for redemption. All money held by the Bond Registrar for the redemption of particular Bonds shall be held in trust for the account of the registered owners thereof and shall be paid to them, respectively, upon presentation and surrender of those Bonds, provided that any interest earned on the money so held by the Bond Registrar shall be for the account of and paid to the City to the extent not required for the payment of the Bonds called for redemption.

Section 4: Execution and Authentication of Bonds; Appointment of Bond Registrar. The Bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, in the name of the City and in their official capacities, provided that either or both of those signatures may be a facsimile. The Bonds shall be issued in the Authorized Denominations and numbers as requested by the Original Purchaser and approved by the Fiscal Officer, shall be numbered as determined by the Fiscal Officer in order to distinguish each Bond from any other Bond, and shall express upon their faces the purpose, in summary terms, for which they are issued and that they are issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 133 of the Revised Code and this Ordinance and the Certificate of Award.

The Huntington National Bank is appointed to act as the initial Bond Registrar; provided, however, that the Fiscal Officer is authorized to appoint a different Bond Registrar in the Certificate of Award after determining that such bank or trust company will not endanger the funds or securities of the City and that proper procedures and safeguards are available for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver, in the name and on behalf of the City, the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Bond Registrar Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this Ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Bond Registrar Agreement or amendments thereto. The Fiscal Officer shall provide for the payment of the services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses incurred pursuant to the Bond Registrar Agreement from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and then from other money lawfully available and appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose.

No Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or shall be entitled to any security or benefit under the Bond proceedings unless and until the certificate of authentication printed on the Bond is signed by the Bond Registrar as authenticating agent. Authentication by the Bond Registrar shall be conclusive evidence that the Bond so authenticated has been duly issued, signed and delivered under, and is entitled to the security and benefit of, the Bond proceedings. The certificate of authentication may be signed by any authorized officer or employee of the Bond Registrar or by any other person acting as an agent of the Bond Registrar and approved by

the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City. The same person need not sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds.

## Section 5: Registration; Transfer and Exchange; Book Entry System.

- (a) <u>Bond Registrar</u>. So long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding, the City will cause the Bond Registrar to maintain and keep the Bond Register at the office satisfactory to the Fiscal Officer and the Bond Registrar. Subject to the provisions of Section 6, the person in whose name a Bond is registered on the Bond Register shall be regarded as the absolute owner of that Bond for all purposes of the Bond proceedings. Payment of or on account of the debt charges on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that person; neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary, but the registration may be changed as provided in this Section. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the City's liability upon the Bond, including interest, to the extent of the amount or amounts so paid.
- (b) Transfer and Exchange. Any Bond may be exchanged for Bonds of any Authorized Denomination upon presentation and surrender at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar, together with a request for exchange signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. A Bond may be transferred only on the Bond Register upon presentation and surrender of the Bond at the designated office of the Bond Registrar together with an assignment signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. Upon exchange or transfer the Bond Registrar shall complete, authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations requested by the owner equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bond surrendered and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

If manual signatures on behalf of the City are required, the Bond Registrar shall undertake the exchange or transfer of Bonds only after the new Bonds are signed by the authorized officers of the City. In all cases of Bonds exchanged or transferred, the City shall sign and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver Bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Bond proceedings. The exchange or transfer shall be without charge to the owner, except that the City and Bond Registrar may make a charge sufficient to reimburse them for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the exchange or transfer. The City or the Bond Registrar may require that those charges, if any, be paid before the procedure is begun for the exchange or transfer. All Bonds issued and authenticated upon any exchange or transfer shall be valid obligations of the City, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same security and benefit under the Bond proceedings as the Bonds surrendered upon that exchange or transfer. Neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be required to make any exchange or transfer of (i) Bonds then subject to call for redemption between the 15<sup>th</sup> day preceding the mailing of notice of Bonds to be redeemed and the date of that mailing, or (ii) any Bond selected for redemption, in whole or in part.

(c) <u>Book Entry System</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance, if the Fiscal Officer determines in the Certificate of Award that it is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to the City, the Bonds may be issued in book entry form in accordance with the following provisions of this Section.

The Bonds may be issued to a Depository for use in a book entry system and, if and so long as a book entry system is utilized, (i) the Bonds may be issued in the form of a single, fully registered Bond representing each maturity and registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee, as registered owner, and immobilized in the custody of the Depository or its designated agent which may be the Bond Registrar; (ii) the book entry interest owners of Bonds in book entry form shall not have any right to receive Bonds in the form of physical securities or certificates; (iii) ownership of book entry interests in Bonds in book entry form shall be shown by book entry on the system maintained and operated by the Depository and its Participants, and transfers of the ownership of book entry interests shall be made only by book entry by the Depository and its Participants; and (iv) the Bonds as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another Depository or to another nominee of a Depository, without further action by the City.

If any Depository determines not to continue to act as a Depository for the Bonds for use in a book entry system, the Fiscal Officer may attempt to establish a securities depository/book entry relationship with another qualified Depository. If the Fiscal Officer does not or is unable to do so, the Fiscal Officer, after making provision for notification of the book entry interest owners by the then Depository and any other arrangements deemed necessary, shall permit withdrawal of the Bonds from the Depository, and shall cause Bond certificates in registered form to be authenticated by the Bond Registrar and delivered to the assigns of the Depository or its nominee, all at the cost and expense (including any costs of printing), if the event is not the result of City action or inaction, of those persons requesting such issuance.

The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized and directed, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with a book entry system for the Bonds.

## Section 6: Award and Sale of the Bonds.

(a) Original Purchaser Designated in Certificate of Award. The Bonds shall be sold to the Original Purchaser at a purchase price, not less than 97% of their aggregate principal amount, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, plus accrued interest on the Bonds from their date to the Closing Date, and shall be awarded by the Fiscal Officer with and upon such other terms as are required or authorized by this Ordinance to be specified in the Certificate of Award, in accordance with law and the provisions of this Ordinance. The Fiscal Officer is authorized, if it is determined to be in the best interest of the City, to combine the issue of Bonds with one or more other bond issues of the City into a consolidated bond issue pursuant to Section 133.30(B) of the Revised Code in which case a single Certificate of Award may be utilized for the consolidated bond issue if appropriate and consistent with the terms of this Ordinance.

The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver the Certificate of Award and shall cause the Bonds to be prepared and signed and delivered, together with a true transcript of proceedings with reference to the issuance of the Bonds, to the Original Purchaser upon payment of the purchase price. The Mayor, the Fiscal Officer, the Director of Law, the Clerk of Council and other City officials, as appropriate, each are authorized and directed to sign any transcript certificates, financial statements and other documents and instruments and to take such actions as are necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance.

- (b) Primary Offering Disclosure Official Statement. The Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, on behalf of the City and in their official capacities, are authorized to (i) prepare or cause to be prepared, and make or authorize modifications, completions or changes of or supplements to, an official statement in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds, (ii) determine, and to certify or otherwise represent, when the official statement is to be "deemed final" (except for permitted omissions) by the City or is a final official statement for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), (3) and (4), (iii) use and distribute, or authorize the use and distribution of, that official statement and any supplements thereto in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds and (iv) complete and sign that official statement as so approved together with such certificates, statements or other documents in connection with the finality, accuracy and completeness of that official statement as they deem necessary or appropriate.
- (c) Agreement to Provide Continuing Disclosure. For the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners from time to time of the Bonds, the City agrees to provide or cause to be provided such financial information and operating data, audited financial statements and notices of the occurrence of certain events, in such manner as may be required for purposes of the Rule. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to complete, sign and deliver the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, in the name and on behalf of the City, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

The Fiscal Officer is further authorized and directed to establish procedures in order to ensure compliance by the City with its Continuing Disclosure Agreement, including timely provision of information and notices as described above. Prior to making any filing required under the Rule, the Fiscal Officer shall consult with and obtain legal advice from, as appropriate, the Director of Law and/or bond or other qualified independent special counsel selected by the City. The Fiscal Officer, acting in the name and on behalf of the City, shall be entitled to rely upon any such legal advice in determining whether a filing should be made. The performance by the City of its Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be subject to the annual appropriation of any funds that may be necessary to perform it.

(d) <u>Municipal Advisor</u>; <u>Application for Rating or Bond Insurance</u>; <u>Financing Costs</u>. If, in the judgment of the Fiscal Officer, the (i) engagement of the services of a municipal advisor or (ii) filing of an application for (A) a rating on the Bonds by one or more nationally-recognized

rating agencies, or (B) a policy of insurance from a company or companies to better assure the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to this City, the Fiscal Officer is authorized to engage a municipal advisor and prepare and to submit those applications, to provide to each such agency or company such information as may be required for the purpose, and to provide further for the payment of the fees of a municipal advisor or the cost of obtaining each such rating or policy from the proceeds of the Bonds, except to the extent paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar in accordance with the Bond Registrar Agreement, to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available and that are appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name of and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with the engagement of a municipal advisor or of obtaining that bond insurance.

The expenditure of the amounts necessary to engage a municipal advisor and/or secure those rating(s) and to pay the other financing costs (as defined in Section 133.01 of the Revised Code) in connection with the Bonds, to the extent not paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar, is authorized and approved, and the Fiscal Officer is authorized to provide for the payment of any such amounts and costs from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available that are appropriated or shall be appropriated for that purpose.

Provisions for Tax Levy. There shall be levied on all the taxable property in the City, in addition to all other taxes, a direct tax annually during the period the Bonds are outstanding in an amount sufficient to pay the debt charges on the Bonds when due, which tax shall not be less than the interest and sinking fund tax required by Section 11 of Article XII of the Ohio Constitution. The tax shall be within the ten-mill limitation imposed by law, shall be and is ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers, in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of those years are certified, levied, extended and collected, and shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof. The proceeds of the tax levy shall be placed in the Bond Retirement Fund, which is irrevocably pledged for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds when and as the same fall due. In each year to the extent the money from the municipal income tax is available for the payment of debt charges on the Bonds and are appropriated for that purpose, the amount of the tax shall be reduced by the amount of revenues and funds and/or moneys so available and appropriated. To the extent necessary, the debt charges on the Bonds shall be paid from municipal income taxes lawfully available therefor under the Constitution and laws of the State of Ohio and the Charter of the City, and the City covenants, subject and pursuant to such authority, including particularly Revised Code Sections 133.05(B)(7) and 5705.51(A)(5) and (D), to appropriate annually from those municipal income taxes such amount as is necessary to meet such annual debt charges. Nothing in this section in any way diminishes the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit and general property taxing power of the City to the prompt payment of the debt charges on the Bonds.

Section 8: Federal Tax Considerations. The City covenants that it will use, and will restrict the use and investment of, the proceeds of the Bonds in such manner and to such extent as

may be necessary so that (a) the Bonds will not (i) constitute private activity bonds, arbitrage bonds or hedge bonds under Section 141, 148 or 149 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), or (ii) be treated other than as bonds to which Section 103 of the Code applies, and (b) the interest thereon will not be an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code.

The City further covenants that (a) it will take or cause to be taken such actions that may be required of it for the interest on the Bonds to be and to remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (b) it will not take or authorize to be taken any actions that would adversely affect that exclusion and (c) it, or persons acting for it, will, among other acts of compliance, (i) apply the proceeds of the Bonds to the governmental purposes of the borrowing, (ii) restrict the yield on investment property, (iii) make timely and adequate payments to the federal government, (iv) maintain books and records and make calculations and reports, and (v) refrain from certain uses of those proceeds and, as applicable, of property financed with such proceeds, all in such manner and to the extent necessary to assure such exclusion of that interest under the Code.

The Fiscal Officer, or any other officer of the City having responsibility for the issuance of the Bonds is hereby authorized (a) to make or effect any election, selection, designation (including specifically designation or treatment of the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations"), choice. consent, approval or waiver on behalf of the City with respect to the Bonds as the City is permitted or required to make or give under the federal income tax laws, including, without limitation thereto, any of the elections provided for in or available under Section 148 of the Code, for the purpose of assuring, enhancing or protecting the favorable tax treatment or status of the Bonds or interest thereon or assisting compliance with requirements for that purpose, reducing the burden or expense of such compliance, reducing the rebate amount or payments or penalties, or making payments of special amounts in lieu of making computations to determine, or paying, excess earnings as rebate, or obviating those amounts or payments, as determined by that officer, which action shall be in writing and signed by the officer, (b) to take any and all other actions, make or obtain calculations, make payments, and make or give reports, covenants and certifications of and on behalf of the City. as may be appropriate to assure the exclusion of interest from gross income and the intended tax status of the Bonds, and (c) to give one or more appropriate certificates of the City, for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds, setting forth the reasonable expectations of the City regarding the amount and use of all the proceeds of the Bonds, the facts, circumstances and estimates on which they are based, and other facts and circumstances relevant to the tax treatment of the interest on and the tax status of the Bonds.

Each covenant made in this section with respect to the Bonds is also made with respect to all issues any portion of the debt service on which is paid from proceeds of the Bonds (and, if different, the original issue and any refunding issues in a series of refundings), to the extent such compliance is necessary to assure exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and the officers identified above are authorized to take actions with respect to those issues as they are authorized in this section to take with respect to the Bonds.

Section 9: Certification and Delivery of Ordinance and Certificate of Award. The Clerk of Council is directed to deliver or cause to be delivered a certified copy of this Ordinance and a signed copy of the Certificate of Award to the Wayne County Auditor.

Section 10: Retention of Bond and Disclosure Counsel. The legal services of Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP, as bond and disclosure counsel, be and are hereby retained. The legal services shall be in the nature of legal advice and recommendations as to the documents and the proceedings in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and the rendering of the necessary legal opinion upon the delivery of the Bonds. In rendering those legal services, as an independent contractor and in an attorney-client relationship, that firm shall not exercise any administrative discretion on behalf of the City in the formulation of public policy, expenditure of public funds, enforcement of laws, rules and regulations of the State, the City or any other political subdivision, or the execution of public trusts. That firm shall be paid just and reasonable compensation for those legal services and shall be reimbursed for the actual out-of-pocket expenses it incurs in rendering those legal services. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to make appropriate certification as to the availability of funds for those fees and any reimbursement and to issue an appropriate order for their timely payment as written statements are submitted by that firm.

Section 11: Satisfaction of Conditions for Bond Issuance. This Council determines that all acts and conditions necessary to be performed by the City or to have been met precedent to and in the issuing of the Bonds in order to make them legal, valid and binding general obligations of the City have been performed and have been met, or will at the time of delivery of the Bonds have been performed and have been met, in regular and due form as required by law; that the full faith and credit and general property taxing power (as described in Section 7) of the City are pledged for the timely payment of the debt charges on the Bonds; and that no statutory or constitutional limitation of indebtedness or taxation will have been exceeded in the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 12: Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in open meetings of this Council or committees, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law.

Section 13: Immediate Effect; Effective Date. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, safety and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective in order to issue and sell the Bonds, which is necessary to enable the City to retire the Outstanding Notes and thereby preserve its credit; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor; provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of Council; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

1st readin	g 3-19-24	2nd reading 4-1-20	3rd reading
Passed:		, 2024	Vote:
Attest:	Clerk of Council		President of Council
Approved	:,2	2024	Mayor

Introduced by: Michael Abernathy

#### FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

## TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

As fiscal officer of the City of Wooster, Ohio, I certify in connection with your proposed issue of bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$4,655,000 (the Bonds) for the purpose of paying costs of improving streets and roads in the City including Oak Hill Road, Milltown Road and Commerce Parkway by purchasing a right of way, constructing, reconstructing, widening, grading, draining, paving, creating a roundabout and otherwise improving, together with all necessary related improvements and appurtenances thereto, that:

- 1. The estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement is at least five years.
- 2. The estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds, calculated in accordance with Section 133.20 of the Revised Code, is 20 years.

Dated: March 18, 2024

Director of Finance City of Wooster, Ohio

### ORDINANCE NO. 2024-13

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$3,100,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING COSTS OF IMPROVING AND MAINTAINING THE CITY'S SANITARY SEWERAGE SYSTEM PLANT INCLUDING UPGRADES TO THE BIOSOLIDS, BIOGAS AND **HEADWORKS** SYSTEMS, TOGETHER WITH ALL NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS AND APPURTENANCES THERETO, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT.

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance, as fiscal officer of the City, has certified to this Council that the estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement described in Section 2 is at least five years and the estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds described in Section 2 is 40 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, WAYNE COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1: <u>Definitions and Interpretation</u>. In addition to the words and terms elsewhere defined in this Ordinance, unless the context or use clearly indicates another or different meaning or intent:

"Authorized Denominations" means (subject to any limitations in Section 3) the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

"Bond proceedings" means, collectively, this Ordinance, the Certificate of Award, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and such other proceedings of the City, including the Bonds, that provide collectively for, among other things, the rights of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds.

"Bond Register" means all books and records necessary for the registration, exchange and transfer of Bonds as provided in Section 5.

"Bond Registrar" means the bank or trust company appointed pursuant to Section 4 as the initial authenticating agent, bond registrar, transfer agent and paying agent for the Bonds under the Bond Registrar Agreement and until a successor Bond Registrar shall have become such pursuant to the provisions of the Bond Registrar Agreement and, thereafter, "Bond Registrar" shall mean the successor Bond Registrar.

"Bond Registrar Agreement" means the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, as it may be modified from the form on file with the Clerk of Council and signed by the Fiscal Officer in accordance with Section 4. "Bonds" means, collectively, the Serial Bonds and the Term Bonds, each as is designated as such in the Certificate of Award.

"Book entry form" or "book entry system" means a form or system under which (a) the ownership of book entry interests in Bonds and the principal of and interest on the Bonds may be transferred only through a book entry and (b) physical Bond certificates in fully registered form are issued by the City only to a Depository or its nominee as registered owner, with the Bonds "immobilized" in the custody of the Depository or its agent. The book entry maintained by others than the City is the record that identifies the owners of book entry interests in those Bonds and that principal and interest.

"Certificate of Award" means the certificate authorized by Section 6(a), to be signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth and determining those terms or other matters pertaining to the Bonds and their issuance, sale and delivery as this Ordinance requires or authorizes to be set forth or determined therein.

"Closing Date" means the date of physical delivery of, and payment of the purchase price for, the Bonds.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Regulations (whether temporary or final) under that Code or the statutory predecessor of that Code, and any amendments of, or successor provisions to, the foregoing and any official rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and judicial determinations regarding any of the foregoing, all as and to the extent applicable. Unless otherwise indicated, reference to a Section of the Code includes any applicable successor section or provision and such applicable Regulations, rulings, announcements, notices, procedures and determinations pertinent to that Section.

"Continuing Disclosure Agreement" means the agreement authorized by Section 6(c), to be substantially in the form on file with the Clerk of Council, made by the City for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds in accordance with the Rule.

"Depository" means any securities depository that is a clearing agency under federal law operating and maintaining, with its Participants or otherwise, a book entry system to record ownership of book entry interests in Bonds or the principal of and interest on Bonds, and to effect transfers of Bonds, in book entry form, and includes and means initially The Depository Trust Company (a limited purpose trust company), New York, New York.

"Fiscal Officer" means the Director of Finance of the City.

"Interest Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, June 1 and December 1 of each year that the Bonds are outstanding, commencing December 1, 2024.

"Original Purchaser" means the original purchaser of the Bonds designated by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award.

"Participant" means any participant contracting with a Depository under a book entry system and includes securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies, and clearing corporations.

"Principal Payment Dates" means, unless otherwise determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, December 1 in each of the years from and including 2024 to and including 2043, provided that in no case shall the total number of Principal Payment Dates exceed the maximum maturity of the Bonds referred to in the preambles hereto.

"Rule" means Rule 15c2-12 prescribed by the SEC pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Serial Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and not subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

"Term Bonds" means those Bonds designated as such and maturing on the date or dates set forth in the Certificate of Award, bearing interest payable on each Interest Payment Date and subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

The captions and headings in this Ordinance are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof. Reference to a Section means a section of this Ordinance unless otherwise indicated.

Section 2: Authorized Principal Amount and Purpose; Application of Proceeds. This Council determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City to issue bonds of the City in one lot in the maximum principal amount of \$3,100,000 (the Bonds) for the purpose of paying costs of improving and maintaining the City's sanitary sewerage system plant including upgrades to the biosolids, biogas and headworks systems, together with all necessary improvements and appurtenances thereto (the improvement), including the payment of expenses related to the issuance of the Bonds.

The aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued shall not exceed \$3,100,000 and shall be issued in an amount determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award to be the aggregate principal amount of Bonds required to be issued, taking into account any premium above or discount from the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds at which they are sold to the Original Purchaser, in order to effect the purpose for which the Bonds are to be issued, including the payment of any expenses properly allocable to the issuance of the Bonds.

The proceeds from the sale of the Bonds (except any premium and accrued interest) shall be paid into the proper fund or funds, and those proceeds are appropriated and shall be used for the purpose for which the Bonds are being issued. Any portion of those proceeds representing premium and accrued interest shall be paid into the Bond Retirement Fund.

- Section 3: Denominations; Dating; Principal and Interest Payment and Redemption Provisions. The Bonds shall be issued in one lot and only as fully registered bonds, in the Authorized Denominations, but in no case as to a particular maturity date exceeding the principal amount maturing on that date. The Bonds shall be dated as provided in the Certificate of Award, provided that their dated date shall not be more than 60 days prior to the Closing Date.
- (a) Interest Rates and Interest Payment Dates. The Bonds shall bear interest at the rate or rates per year (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 30-day months) as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award. Interest on the Bonds shall be payable at such rate or rates on the Interest Payment Dates until the principal amount has been paid or provided for. The Bonds shall bear interest from the most recent date to which interest has been paid or provided for or, if no interest has been paid or provided for, from their date.
- (b) <u>Principal Payment Schedule</u>. The Bonds shall mature or be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (as hereinafter defined and described) on the Principal Payment Dates in principal amounts as shall be determined by the Fiscal Officer, subject to subsection (c) of this Section, in the Certificate of Award, consistent with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City.

Consistent with the foregoing and in accordance with the Fiscal Officer's determination of the best interest of and financial advantages to the City, the Fiscal Officer shall specify in the Certificate of Award (i) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Serial Bonds, the Principal Payment Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature and the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, and (ii) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued as Term Bonds, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which those Bonds shall be stated to mature, the principal amount thereof that shall be stated to mature on each such Principal Payment Date, the Principal Payment Date or Dates on which Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption (Mandatory Redemption Dates) and the principal amount thereof that shall be payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Mandatory Redemption Date.

(c) <u>Conditions for Establishment of Interest Rates and Principal Payment Dates and Amounts</u>. The rate or rates of interest per year to be borne by the Bonds, and the principal amount of Bonds maturing or payable pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements on each Principal Payment Date, shall be such that (i) the total principal and interest payments on the Bonds in any fiscal year in which principal is payable is not more than three times the amount of those payments in any other such fiscal year and (ii) the true interest cost of the Bonds does not exceed 8%.

- (d) Payment of Debt Charges. The debt charges on the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America without deduction for the services of the Bond Registrar as paying agent. Principal of and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable when due upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar. Interest on a Bond shall be paid on each Interest Payment Date by check or draft mailed to the person in whose name the Bond was registered, and to that person's address appearing, on the Bond Register at the close of business on the 15<sup>th</sup> day preceding that Interest Payment Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if and so long as the Bonds are issued in a book entry system, principal of and interest and any premium on the Bonds shall be payable in the manner provided in any agreement entered into by the Fiscal Officer, in the name and on behalf of the City, in connection with the book entry system.
- (e) <u>Redemption Provisions</u>. The Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to stated maturity as follows:
- (i) Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of Term Bonds. If any of the Bonds are issued as Term Bonds, the Term Bonds shall be subject to mandatory redemption in part by lot and be redeemed pursuant to mandatory sinking fund requirements, at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount redeemed, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on the applicable Mandatory Redemption Dates and in the principal amounts payable on those dates, for which provision is made in the Certificate of Award (such dates and amounts being the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements).

The aggregate of the money to be deposited with the Bond Registrar for payment of principal of and interest on any Term Bonds on each Mandatory Redemption Date shall include an amount sufficient to redeem on that date the principal amount of Term Bonds payable on that date pursuant to Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (less the amount of any credit as hereinafter provided).

The City shall have the option to deliver to the Bond Registrar for cancellation Term Bonds in any aggregate principal amount and to receive a credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) of the City, as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered. That option shall be exercised by the City on or before the 45<sup>th</sup> day preceding any Mandatory Redemption Date with respect to which the City wishes to obtain a credit, by furnishing the Bond Registrar a certificate, signed by the Fiscal Officer, setting forth the extent of the credit to be applied with respect to the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date. If the certificate is not timely furnished to the Bond Registrar, the current Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation) shall not be reduced. A credit against the then current or any subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligation), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, also shall be received by the City for any Term Bonds which prior thereto have been

redeemed (other than through the operation of the applicable Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements) or purchased for cancellation and canceled by the Bond Registrar, to the extent not applied theretofore as a credit against any Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirement, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so redeemed or purchased and canceled.

Each Term Bond so delivered, or previously redeemed, or purchased and canceled, shall be credited by the Bond Registrar at 100% of the principal amount thereof against the then current or subsequent Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements (and corresponding mandatory redemption obligations), as specified by the Fiscal Officer, for Term Bonds stated to mature on the same Principal Payment Date as the Term Bonds so delivered, redeemed or purchased and canceled.

(ii) Optional Redemption. The Bonds of the maturities, if any, specified in the Certificate of Award shall be subject to redemption by and at the sole option of the City, in whole or in part in integral multiples of \$5,000, on the dates, in the years and at the redemption prices (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount to be redeemed), plus accrued interest to the redemption date, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award; provided that (a) the earliest optional redemption date shall not be more than 10½ years after the Closing Date and (b) the redemption price for the earliest optional redemption date shall not be greater than 102%.

If optional redemption of Term Bonds at a redemption price exceeding 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed is to take place as of any Mandatory Redemption Date applicable to those Term Bonds, the Term Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed optionally shall be selected by lot prior to the selection by lot of the Term Bonds of the same maturity to be redeemed on the same date by operation of the Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption Requirements. Bonds to be redeemed pursuant to this paragraph shall be redeemed only upon written notice from the Fiscal Officer to the Bond Registrar, given upon the direction of this Council through a resolution or an ordinance. That notice shall specify the redemption date and the principal amount of each maturity of Bonds to be redeemed, and shall be given at least 45 days prior to the redemption date or such shorter period as shall be acceptable to the Bond Registrar.

(iii) Partial Redemption. If fewer than all of the outstanding Bonds are called for optional redemption at one time and Bonds of more than one maturity are then outstanding, the Bonds that are called shall be Bonds of the maturity or maturities selected by the City. If fewer than all of the Bonds of a single maturity are to be redeemed, the selection of Bonds of that maturity to be redeemed, or portions thereof in amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, shall be made by the Bond Registrar by lot in a manner determined by the Bond Registrar. In the case of a partial redemption of Bonds by lot when Bonds of denominations greater than \$5,000 are then outstanding, each \$5,000 unit of principal thereof shall be treated as if it were a separate Bond of the denomination of \$5,000. If it is determined that one or more, but not all, of the \$5,000 units of principal amount represented by a Bond are to be called for redemption, then, upon notice of redemption of a \$5,000 unit or units, the registered owner of

that Bond shall surrender the Bond to the Bond Registrar (a) for payment of the redemption price of the \$5,000 unit or units of principal amount called for redemption (including, without limitation, the interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption and any premium), and (b) for issuance, without charge to the registered owner, of a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unmatured and unredeemed portion of, and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date as, the Bond surrendered.

- (iv) Notice of Redemption. The notice of the call for redemption of Bonds shall identify (a) by designation, letters, numbers or other distinguishing marks, the Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, (b) the redemption price to be paid, (c) the date fixed for redemption, and (d) the place or places where the amounts due upon redemption are payable. The notice shall be given by the Bond Registrar on behalf of the City by mailing a copy of the redemption notice by first class mail, postage prepaid, at least 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the registered owner of each Bond subject to redemption in whole or in part at the registered owner's address shown on the Bond Register maintained by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the fifteenth day preceding that mailing. Failure to receive notice by mail or any defect in that notice regarding any Bond, however, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond.
- Payment of Redeemed Bonds. In the event that notice of redemption shall have been given by the Bond Registrar to the registered owners as provided above, there shall be deposited with the Bond Registrar on or prior to the redemption date, moneys that, in addition to any other moneys available therefor and held by the Bond Registrar, will be sufficient to redeem at the redemption price thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, all of the redeemable Bonds for which notice of redemption has been given. Notice having been mailed in the manner provided in the preceding paragraph hereof, the Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall become due and payable on the redemption date, and, upon presentation and surrender thereof at the place or places specified in that notice, shall be paid at the redemption price, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. If money for the redemption of all of the Bonds and portions thereof to be redeemed, together with accrued interest thereon to the redemption date, are held by the Bond Registrar on the redemption date, so as to be available therefor on that date and, if notice of redemption has been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, then from and after the redemption date those Bonds and portions thereof called for redemption shall cease to bear interest and no longer shall be considered to be outstanding. If that money shall not be so available on the redemption date, or that notice shall not have been deposited in the mail as aforesaid, those Bonds and portions thereof shall continue to bear interest, until they are paid, at the same rate as they would have borne had they not been called for redemption. All money held by the Bond Registrar for the redemption of particular Bonds shall be held in trust for the account of the registered owners thereof and shall be paid to them, respectively, upon presentation and surrender of those Bonds, provided that any interest earned on the money so held by the Bond Registrar shall be for the account of and paid to the City to the extent not required for the payment of the Bonds called for redemption.

Section 4: Execution and Authentication of Bonds; Appointment of Bond Registrar. The Bonds shall be signed by the Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, in the name of the City and in their official capacities, provided that either or both of those signatures may be a facsimile. The Bonds shall be issued in the Authorized Denominations and numbers as requested by the Original Purchaser and approved by the Fiscal Officer, shall be numbered as determined by the Fiscal Officer in order to distinguish each Bond from any other Bond, and shall express upon their faces the purpose, in summary terms, for which they are issued and that they are issued pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 133 of the Revised Code and this Ordinance and the Certificate of Award.

The Huntington National Bank is appointed to act as the initial Bond Registrar; provided, however, that the Fiscal Officer is authorized to appoint a different Bond Registrar in the Certificate of Award after determining that such bank or trust company will not endanger the funds or securities of the City and that proper procedures and safeguards are available for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver, in the name and on behalf of the City, the Bond Registrar Agreement between the City and the Bond Registrar, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Bond Registrar Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this Ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Bond Registrar Agreement or amendments thereto. The Fiscal Officer shall provide for the payment of the services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses incurred pursuant to the Bond Registrar Agreement from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and then from other money lawfully available and appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose.

No Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or shall be entitled to any security or benefit under the Bond proceedings unless and until the certificate of authentication printed on the Bond is signed by the Bond Registrar as authenticating agent. Authentication by the Bond Registrar shall be conclusive evidence that the Bond so authenticated has been duly issued, signed and delivered under, and is entitled to the security and benefit of, the Bond proceedings. The certificate of authentication may be signed by any authorized officer or employee of the Bond Registrar or by any other person acting as an agent of the Bond Registrar and approved by the Fiscal Officer on behalf of the City. The same person need not sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds.

# Section 5: Registration; Transfer and Exchange; Book Entry System.

(a) <u>Bond Registrar</u>. So long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding, the City will cause the Bond Registrar to maintain and keep the Bond Register at the office satisfactory to the Fiscal Officer and the Bond Registrar. Subject to the provisions of Section 6, the person in whose name a Bond is registered on the Bond Register shall be regarded as the absolute owner of that Bond for all purposes of the Bond proceedings. Payment of or on account of the debt charges on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of that person; neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary, but the registration may be changed as provided in this Section. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge

the City's liability upon the Bond, including interest, to the extent of the amount or amounts so paid.

(b) Transfer and Exchange. Any Bond may be exchanged for Bonds of any Authorized Denomination upon presentation and surrender at the office of the Bond Registrar designated in the Certificate of Award or, if not so designated, then at the principal corporate trust office of the Bond Registrar, together with a request for exchange signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. A Bond may be transferred only on the Bond Register upon presentation and surrender of the Bond at the designated office of the Bond Registrar together with an assignment signed by the registered owner or by a person legally empowered to do so in a form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar. Upon exchange or transfer the Bond Registrar shall complete, authenticate and deliver a new Bond or Bonds of any Authorized Denomination or Denominations requested by the owner equal in the aggregate to the unmatured principal amount of the Bond surrendered and bearing interest at the same rate and maturing on the same date.

If manual signatures on behalf of the City are required, the Bond Registrar shall undertake the exchange or transfer of Bonds only after the new Bonds are signed by the authorized officers of the City. In all cases of Bonds exchanged or transferred, the City shall sign and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver Bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Bond proceedings. The exchange or transfer shall be without charge to the owner, except that the City and Bond Registrar may make a charge sufficient to reimburse them for any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the exchange or transfer. The City or the Bond Registrar may require that those charges, if any, be paid before the procedure is begun for the exchange or transfer. All Bonds issued and authenticated upon any exchange or transfer shall be valid obligations of the City, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same security and benefit under the Bond proceedings as the Bonds surrendered upon that exchange or transfer. Neither the City nor the Bond Registrar shall be required to make any exchange or transfer of (i) Bonds then subject to call for redemption between the 15th day preceding the mailing of notice of Bonds to be redeemed and the date of that mailing, or (ii) any Bond selected for redemption, in whole or in part.

(c) <u>Book Entry System</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance, if the Fiscal Officer determines in the Certificate of Award that it is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to the City, the Bonds may be issued in book entry form in accordance with the following provisions of this Section.

The Bonds may be issued to a Depository for use in a book entry system and, if and so long as a book entry system is utilized, (i) the Bonds may be issued in the form of a single, fully registered Bond representing each maturity and registered in the name of the Depository or its nominee, as registered owner, and immobilized in the custody of the Depository or its designated agent which may be the Bond Registrar; (ii) the book entry interest owners of Bonds in book entry form shall not have any right to receive Bonds in the form of physical securities or certificates; (iii) ownership of book entry interests in Bonds in book entry form shall be shown by book entry on the system maintained and operated by the Depository and its Participants, and

transfers of the ownership of book entry interests shall be made only by book entry by the Depository and its Participants; and (iv) the Bonds as such shall not be transferable or exchangeable, except for transfer to another Depository or to another nominee of a Depository, without further action by the City.

If any Depository determines not to continue to act as a Depository for the Bonds for use in a book entry system, the Fiscal Officer may attempt to establish a securities depository/book entry relationship with another qualified Depository. If the Fiscal Officer does not or is unable to do so, the Fiscal Officer, after making provision for notification of the book entry interest owners by the then Depository and any other arrangements deemed necessary, shall permit withdrawal of the Bonds from the Depository, and shall cause Bond certificates in registered form to be authenticated by the Bond Registrar and delivered to the assigns of the Depository or its nominee, all at the cost and expense (including any costs of printing), if the event is not the result of City action or inaction, of those persons requesting such issuance.

The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized and directed, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with a book entry system for the Bonds.

#### Section 6: Award and Sale of the Bonds.

(a) Original Purchaser Designated in Certificate of Award. The Bonds shall be sold to the Original Purchaser at a purchase price, not less than 97% of their aggregate principal amount, to be determined by the Fiscal Officer in the Certificate of Award, plus accrued interest on the Bonds from their date to the Closing Date, and shall be awarded by the Fiscal Officer with and upon such other terms as are required or authorized by this Ordinance to be specified in the Certificate of Award, in accordance with law and the provisions of this Ordinance. The Fiscal Officer is authorized, if it is determined to be in the best interest of the City, to combine the issue of Bonds with one or more other bond issues of the City into a consolidated bond issue pursuant to Section 133.30(B) of the Revised Code in which case a single Certificate of Award may be utilized for the consolidated bond issue if appropriate and consistent with the terms of this Ordinance.

The Fiscal Officer shall sign and deliver the Certificate of Award and shall cause the Bonds to be prepared and signed and delivered, together with a true transcript of proceedings with reference to the issuance of the Bonds, to the Original Purchaser upon payment of the purchase price. The Mayor, the Fiscal Officer, the Director of Law, the Clerk of Council and other City officials, as appropriate, each are authorized and directed to sign any transcript certificates, financial statements and other documents and instruments and to take such actions as are necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance.

(b) <u>Primary Offering Disclosure – Official Statement</u>. The Mayor and the Fiscal Officer, on behalf of the City and in their official capacities, are authorized to (i) prepare or cause to be prepared, and make or authorize modifications, completions or changes of or supplements to, an official statement in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds, (ii) determine, and to certify

or otherwise represent, when the official statement is to be "deemed final" (except for permitted omissions) by the City or is a final official statement for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1), (3) and (4), (iii) use and distribute, or authorize the use and distribution of, that official statement and any supplements thereto in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds and (iv) complete and sign that official statement as so approved together with such certificates, statements or other documents in connection with the finality, accuracy and completeness of that official statement as they deem necessary or appropriate.

(c) Agreement to Provide Continuing Disclosure. For the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners from time to time of the Bonds, the City agrees to provide or cause to be provided such financial information and operating data, audited financial statements and notices of the occurrence of certain events, in such manner as may be required for purposes of the Rule. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to complete, sign and deliver the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, in the name and on behalf of the City, in substantially the form as is now on file with the Clerk of Council. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement is approved, together with any changes or amendments that are not inconsistent with this ordinance and not substantially adverse to the City and that are approved by the Fiscal Officer, all of which shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

The Fiscal Officer is further authorized and directed to establish procedures in order to ensure compliance by the City with its Continuing Disclosure Agreement, including timely provision of information and notices as described above. Prior to making any filing required under the Rule, the Fiscal Officer shall consult with and obtain legal advice from, as appropriate, the Director of Law and/or bond or other qualified independent special counsel selected by the City. The Fiscal Officer, acting in the name and on behalf of the City, shall be entitled to rely upon any such legal advice in determining whether a filing should be made. The performance by the City of its Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be subject to the annual appropriation of any funds that may be necessary to perform it.

(d) Municipal Advisor; Application for Rating or Bond Insurance; Financing Costs. If, in the judgment of the Fiscal Officer, the (i) engagement of the services of a municipal advisor or (ii) filing of an application for (A) a rating on the Bonds by one or more nationally-recognized rating agencies, or (B) a policy of insurance from a company or companies to better assure the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, is in the best interest of and financially advantageous to this City, the Fiscal Officer is authorized to engage a municipal advisor and prepare and to submit those applications, to provide to each such agency or company such information as may be required for the purpose, and to provide further for the payment of the fees of a municipal advisor or the cost of obtaining each such rating or policy from the proceeds of the Bonds, except to the extent paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar in accordance with the Bond Registrar Agreement, to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available and that are appropriated or to be appropriated for that purpose. The Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized, to the extent necessary or required, to enter into any agreements, in the name of and on behalf of the City, that the Fiscal Officer determines to be necessary in connection with the engagement of a municipal advisor or of obtaining that bond insurance.

The expenditure of the amounts necessary to engage a municipal advisor and/or secure those rating(s) and to pay the other financing costs (as defined in Section 133.01 of the Revised Code) in connection with the Bonds, to the extent not paid by the Original Purchaser or the Bond Registrar, is authorized and approved, and the Fiscal Officer is authorized to provide for the payment of any such amounts and costs from the proceeds of the Bonds to the extent available and otherwise from any other funds lawfully available that are appropriated or shall be appropriated for that purpose.

Provisions for Tax Levy. There shall be levied on all the taxable property in Section 7: the City, in addition to all other taxes, a direct tax annually during the period the Bonds are outstanding in an amount sufficient to pay the debt charges on the Bonds when due, which tax shall not be less than the interest and sinking fund tax required by Section 11 of Article XII of the Ohio Constitution. The tax shall be within the ten-mill limitation imposed by law, shall be and is ordered computed, certified, levied and extended upon the tax duplicate and collected by the same officers. in the same manner and at the same time that taxes for general purposes for each of those years are certified, levied, extended and collected, and shall be placed before and in preference to all other items and for the full amount thereof. The proceeds of the tax levy shall be placed in the Bond Retirement Fund, which is irrevocably pledged for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds when and as the same fall due. In each year, to the extent that revenues and surplus funds from the City's sanitary sewerage system or other moneys are available for the payment of debt charges on the Bonds and are appropriated for that purpose, the amount of the tax shall be reduced by the amount of revenues and funds and/or moneys so available and appropriated. Nothing in this section in any way diminishes the irrevocable pledge of the full faith and credit and general property taxing power of the City to the prompt payment of the debt charges on the Bonds.

Section 8: Federal Tax Considerations. The City covenants that it will use, and will restrict the use and investment of, the proceeds of the Bonds in such manner and to such extent as may be necessary so that (a) the Bonds will not (i) constitute private activity bonds, arbitrage bonds or hedge bonds under Section 141, 148 or 149 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), or (ii) be treated other than as bonds to which Section 103 of the Code applies, and (b) the interest thereon will not be an item of tax preference under Section 57 of the Code.

The City further covenants that (a) it will take or cause to be taken such actions that may be required of it for the interest on the Bonds to be and to remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, (b) it will not take or authorize to be taken any actions that would adversely affect that exclusion and (c) it, or persons acting for it, will, among other acts of compliance, (i) apply the proceeds of the Bonds to the governmental purposes of the borrowing, (ii) restrict the yield on investment property, (iii) make timely and adequate payments to the federal government, (iv) maintain books and records and make calculations and reports, and (v) refrain from certain uses of those proceeds and, as applicable, of property financed with such proceeds, all in such manner and to the extent necessary to assure such exclusion of that interest under the Code.

The Fiscal Officer, or any other officer of the City having responsibility for the issuance of the Bonds is hereby authorized (a) to make or effect any election, selection, designation (including specifically designation of the Bonds as "qualified tax-exempt obligations"), choice, consent,

approval or waiver on behalf of the City with respect to the Bonds as the City is permitted or required to make or give under the federal income tax laws, including, without limitation thereto, any of the elections provided for in or available under Section 148 of the Code, for the purpose of assuring, enhancing or protecting the favorable tax treatment or status of the Bonds or interest thereon or assisting compliance with requirements for that purpose, reducing the burden or expense of such compliance, reducing the rebate amount or payments or penalties, or making payments of special amounts in lieu of making computations to determine, or paying, excess earnings as rebate, or obviating those amounts or payments, as determined by that officer, which action shall be in writing and signed by the officer, (b) to take any and all other actions, make or obtain calculations. make payments, and make or give reports, covenants and certifications of and on behalf of the City, as may be appropriate to assure the exclusion of interest from gross income and the intended tax status of the Bonds, and (c) to give one or more appropriate certificates of the City, for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds, setting forth the reasonable expectations of the City regarding the amount and use of all the proceeds of the Bonds, the facts, circumstances and estimates on which they are based, and other facts and circumstances relevant to the tax treatment of the interest on and the tax status of the Bonds.

Section 9: Certification and Delivery of Ordinance and Certificate of Award. The Clerk of Council is directed to deliver or cause to be delivered a certified copy of this Ordinance and a signed copy of the Certificate of Award to the Wayne County Auditor.

Section 10: Retention of Bond and Disclosure Counsel. The legal services of Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP, as bond and disclosure counsel, be and are hereby retained. The legal services shall be in the nature of legal advice and recommendations as to the documents and the proceedings in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds and the rendering of the necessary legal opinion upon the delivery of the Bonds. In rendering those legal services, as an independent contractor and in an attorney-client relationship, that firm shall not exercise any administrative discretion on behalf of the City in the formulation of public policy, expenditure of public funds, enforcement of laws, rules and regulations of the State, the City or any other political subdivision, or the execution of public trusts. That firm shall be paid just and reasonable compensation for those legal services and shall be reimbursed for the actual out-of-pocket expenses it incurs in rendering those legal services. The Fiscal Officer is authorized and directed to make appropriate certification as to the availability of funds for those fees and any reimbursement and to issue an appropriate order for their timely payment as written statements are submitted by that firm.

Section 11: Satisfaction of Conditions for Bond Issuance. This Council determines that all acts and conditions necessary to be performed by the City or to have been met precedent to and in the issuing of the Bonds in order to make them legal, valid and binding general obligations of the City have been performed and have been met, or will at the time of delivery of the Bonds have been performed and have been met, in regular and due form as required by law; that the full faith and credit and general property taxing power (as described in Section 7) of the City are pledged for the timely payment of the debt charges on the Bonds; and that no statutory or constitutional limitation of indebtedness or taxation will have been exceeded in the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 12: Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in open meetings of this Council or committees, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law.

Section 13: Immediate Effect; Effective Date. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, safety and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective so that the Notes can be sold at the earliest possible date to enable the City to timely enter into one or more contracts for the improvement set forth in Section 2, which are needed to better protect the health and safety of the citizens of the City; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor; provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of Council; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

1st reading 3-19-24 2nd reading 4-1-1	24 3rd reading
Passed:, 2024	Vote:
Attest:  Clerk of Council	President of Council
Approved:, 2024	Mayor
Introduced by: Michael Abernathy	

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#### FISCAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

#### TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

As fiscal officer of the City of Wooster, Ohio, I certify in connection with your proposed issue of bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$3,100,000 (the Bonds) for the purpose of paying costs of improving and maintaining the City's sanitary sewerage system plant including upgrades to the biosolids, biogas and headworks systems, together with the necessary appurtenances thereto (the improvement), that:

- 1. The estimated life or period of usefulness of the improvement is at least five years.
- 2. The estimated maximum maturity of the Bonds, calculated in accordance with Section 133.20 of the Revised Code, is 40 years.

Dated: March 18, 2024

Director of Finance City of Wooster, Ohio

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#### ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 160, BIDDING PROCEDURES AND CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO, BY INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE LIMIT FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING

WHEREAS, the Director of Administration has recommended that the City's bidding ordinance be amended to bring it into conformity with Ohio law regarding the threshold at which municipalities are required to competitively bid certain types of contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 160, Bidding Procedures and Contract Requirements, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wooster, Ohio, be amended at Section 160.03, BIDDING PROCEDURES, to read as follows:

#### 160.03 BIDDING PROCEDURES.

- (a) The Director of Administration, or the Wooster Community Hospital Chief Executive Officer, or their designees, may make any contract, purchase supplies or material or provide labor for any work under the supervision of various departments and divisions and agencies of the City involving not more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00).
- (b) When an expenditure within the department, division, or agency, other than compensation of persons employed therein, exceeds fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) but is less than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00), such expenditure shall be authorized and directed by ordinance or resolution of Council without a requirement for bidding, or in the case of the Wooster Community Hospital, by resolution of the Board of Governors without a requirement for bidding.
- (bc) When an expenditure within the department, division or agency, other than compensation of persons employed therein, exceeds fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00), such expenditure shall first be authorized and directed by ordinance or resolution of Council, or in the case of the Wooster Community Hospital, by resolution of the Board of Governors. When so authorized or directed, the Director of Administration or Hospital Administrator or their designees, shall make a written contract in the name of the City with the lowest and best bidder after advertisement for not less than two, nor more than four consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the City.
- (ed) Upon the approval of an ordinance or resolution by Council, or the Board of Governors on behalf of the Hospital, the Director of Administration or Hospital Chief Executive Officer or their designees may enter into a contract without competitive bidding for any one of the following conditions:

- (1) When such purchase consists of supplies or a replacement or supplemental part or parts for a product or equipment owned by the City and the only source of supply for such supplies, part or parts is limited to a single source;
- (2) When only a single sole source practically exists for the purchase of a particular item of equipment, supplies, or services. A single source exists when only one source is practically available due to an inability of other sources to meet specifications, availability requirements, time requirements, or any other restriction that makes additional sources practically unavailable to provide equipment, supplies, or services.
- (3) When the contract is for a professional or technical service; or for the purchase of an item of specialized technology, provided that the Director of Administration or the Hospital Chief Executive Officer has first requested and reviewed proposals from qualified vendors;
- (4) When a General Services Administration (GSA) price and specification is certified to the City by the vendor, and the specification meets the needs of the City;
- (5) When the purchase is accomplished through participation in a State-sponsored cooperative purchasing program or a cooperative purchasing program sponsored by a professional organization with which the City or Hospital are affiliated;
- (6) When the purchase can be accomplished upon equivalent terms, conditions and specifications, but at a price which is equal to or lower than that which is available from a State-sponsored cooperative purchasing program;
- (7) When in the case of the Hospital, such purchases consist of medical and surgical supplies used in patient care, and food products used by the dietary department;
- (8) When the purchase is for natural gas, electric, telephone or other utility services for municipally-owned facilities.
- (9) When the contract is for insurance pools as governed by sections 9.833 and 2744.081 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- (910) When the contract is for services or the purchase of material, equipment or supplies from any department, division, agency, or political subdivision of the State.
- (de) In the case of a real and present emergency arising in connection with the operation and maintenance of various City departments, divisions and agencies, Council and the Board of Governors in the case of Wooster Community Hospital, may by a three-fourths vote of the members thereof, authorize the Director of Administration or Hospital Chief Executive Officer, or their designees, to enter into a contract for work to be done or for the purchase of supplies or material without formal bidding and advertising.

SECTION 2. That Chapter 160, Bidding Procedures and Contract Requirements, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wooster, Ohio, be amended at Section 160.062, PROCEDURES, to read as follows:

#### 160.062 PROCEDURES.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Ohio R.C. 9.33, 9.331, 9.332 and 153.65 through 153.71, inclusive, and any other provisions of the Ohio Revised Code which may

conflict with or are inconsistent with the provisions of this section, the following provisions shall govern the selection and retention of professional design firms and construction managers by the City of Wooster and Wooster Community Hospital:

- All contracts for professional design firms and construction managers in the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00), or more shall be awarded on the basis of the qualifications of the potential firm, including price, as determined by the Director of Administration or the Administrator of Wooster Community Hospital. As needed, the City and the hospital will issue a public notice soliciting statements of qualifications from firms interested in being considered for design, design-build or construction management (including construction manager at-risk) projects. To be considered for a project, prospective firms must submit a statement of qualifications to the Director of Administration or the Administrator of the hospital in response to the notice. When it becomes necessary to hire a firm, the statements of qualifications will be reviewed and ranked by the Director of Administration or the Administrator of the hospital based upon the qualifications and experience of the contractor and other relevant factors (including, but not limited to, the number of such contracts already awarded to a firm or specific areas of expertise), as determined by the Director or the Administrator. Once ranked, the Director or the Administrator will select from the list no fewer than three firms standing highest on the list, and commence negotiations with the highest-ranking firm. In the event that fewer than three firms are ranked, the selection may be from those on the list, or another request for qualifications may be issued. If the Director or Administrator is unable to reach agreement with the highest-ranking firm, s/he shall notify the firm in writing of his/her intent to cease negotiations, and s/he may enter into negotiations with the next firm on the list. If negotiations with the next firm fail, s/he may follow the same procedure with the next firm on the list or s/he may request further proposals. In all cases, the Director or the Administrator reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. These procedures are not intended to be formal bidding requirements, but rather an informal procedure to determine the most qualified firm to which a contract should be awarded.
  - (b) [No change]
  - (c) [No change]

SECTION 3. This Council finds and declares that all formal actions concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance occurred in an open meeting of this Council or its committees, in compliance with law.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

1st reading <u>4-1-24</u>	2nd reading	3rd reading
Passed:	, 2013	Vote:
Attest: Clerk of Council		President of Council
Approved:	, 2023	Mayor

Introduced by: Barb Knapic



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#### **MEMO**

To: City Council

From: Joel Montgomery, Director of Administration

CC: Mayor, Finance Director, Law Director, Deputy Dir of Admin, City Engineer, Utility Manager,

Police Chief, Fire Chief

**Date:** 03-19-2024

Re: Bid Limit Legislation

#### **Bid Limit Legislation:**

As part of the State of Ohio Budget passed in July 2023, the statutory competitive bidding thresholds (RC section 735.05) were increased from \$50,000 to \$75,000. As currently codified, the Ohio Revised Code authorizes any county, township, municipal corporation, library, or other political subdivision to award contracts without bidding for amounts less than \$75,000 (ORC 9.17).

In September of 2023, the Administration, in agreement with the City's divisional managers, requested that part 160.03 of the Wooster Codified Ordinances be revised to conform to the ORC language and the same law that applies to all other twps., counties, villages and statutory cities in the state of Ohio. That ordinance, as written, was not approved. Since then, we continue to have projects that fall within the \$50,000 and \$75,000 range, but have been subject to the \$50,000 bidding threshold, and have thus resulted in delays and increased costs for what are now smaller, regular budgeted items.

The Administration and managers would like to request an increase in the bidding threshold again, and conformance to the ORC language, but with the following exceptions:

- 1. Remove any reference to the ORC automatic increase of 3% per year. If any future increases are needed, we would seek Council approval at that time.
- 2. Council authorization will still be required for all expenditures over the current \$50,000 threshold. This language would not be changed.

By making these changes, Council authorization and oversight remain the same. The only change would be the dollar amount requiring bidding. An increase from \$50,000 to \$75,000 would help make adjustments due to the significant increases in inflation and the construction cost index over the last 11 years since the threshold was last increased.

Council would still approve the budget for all expenditures, and only Council would have the authority to suspend competitive bidding requirements for specific, isolated instances.

These changes would save time and money on the bid process for smaller, regular budgeted items, and allow for responding in a timely manner to market opportunities and emergencies.

The bid threshold increase from \$50,000 to \$75,000 would not preclude the need for Council to approve the budget for all expenditures. All known capital and related contract expenditures as

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2024-14

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 539.04 LIQUOR PROHIBITED WITHOUT A PERMIT OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the current ordinances regarding use of liquor at the Freedlander Chalet to accommodate the new outdoor patio.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

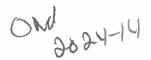
SECTION 1. That Chapter 539.04, Liquor Prohibited Without a Permit, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wooster, Ohio is hereby amended to read as follows:

## 539.04 LIQUOR PROHIBITED WITHOUT A PERMIT.

- (a) No person shall possess or drink any intoxicating liquor or alcoholic beverage, including beer, or be under the influence of any intoxicating liquor or alcoholic beverage within any park or park and recreation facility except within the Freedlander Chalet and the adjacent, designated outdoor area with a valid permit granted by the Director of Administration or designee.
- (b) The permit for the Freedlander Chalet shall allow beer, wine and other alcoholic beverages. All permit holders, in addition to complying with this section, must comply with any and all state statutes regarding the possession and consumption of alcohol. No alcoholic beverages shall be allowed outside of the Freedlander Chalet except in the designated outdoor area.
- (c) At all times when alcoholic beverages are present or being consumed within the designated outdoor area of the Freedlander Chalet, any and all exits leading from the designated outdoor area to undesignated outdoor areas shall be closed, except in cases of emergency.
- (ed) Violations of the terms and conditions for a permit authorized under divisions (a) or (b) above, or violation of any state statute governing the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages may result in the immediate revocation of any permit authorized herein.
  - (de) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree. (Ord. 2020-32. Passed 9-8-20.)
- SECTION 2. This Council finds and declares that all formal actions concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance occurred in an open meeting of this Council or its committees, in compliance with the law.
- SECTION 3. This Resolution is hereby declared to be necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, safety and welfare of the City, and for the further reason that prompt action is necessary to complete the aquisitions in accordance with the project schedule; wherefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor; provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of the Council; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

1st reading 4-1-24	2nd reading	3rd reading	-
Passed:	, 2024	Vote:	
Attest: Clerk of Council		President of Council	
Approved:	, 2024		
		Mayor	

Introduced by: Barb Knapic



# Request for Agenda Item

<b>Authorization for Bid</b>	Purchase Capital Item	Non-Capital
Division	Masting Data Paguast	ad .
Division Recreation	Meeting Date Request	
Project Name Chalet liquor permits	Estimated Total Funds	s/Costs \$0.00
Is Full Amount Budgeted?  Yes No If YES, three readings NOT REQUIRED	N/A	
If No, How is the Purchase to be Funded?		
Description of Request		
Persons renting the Freedlander Cha consume alcohol within the Chalet. V Chalet, we would like to add the patic permitted, while specifiying alcoholic space.	Vith the addition of the new o area as a space in which a	patio area outside the alcohol consumption is
Justification / Benefits These changes would create consiste	ent rules for the entire renta	ll space at the Chalet.
Will this Project affect the City's Operating C	Costs	
No.		
What Alternatives Exist and what are the Imp	plications of the Alternatives	
We can leave the Ordinance as-is, b attendees move from the Chalet to the		
Is this a Sole Source Bid or Non-Bid Situation If Yes, Explain The Circumstances:	1 Yes 🔳 No	
Is there a need for Suspension of the Rules or	a Time Frame when this must be	passed? Yes No
If Yes, Note Reasons We would like to have the Ordin	nance in effect before the bu	ısy wedding season begins.
NOTE: Emergency Clause Required if Legis.		
Manager Requesting: Ashley Hershberge		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Approved for Agenda 🔳 Yes 🔲 No		

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2024-15

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART ELEVEN, ZONING, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO, TO RE-ZONE LAND TO C-3 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF EAST SMITHVILLE-WESTERN AND CLEVELAND ROADS

WHEREAS, an application has been duly filed by Alex Quay with the Planning Commission of the City of Wooster requesting the re-zoning of 0.57 acres of land known as Parcel Number 71-00269.000 from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) to C-3 (General Commercial); and

WHEREAS, at its April 4, 2024, meeting, and after a public hearing in accordance with law, the Planning Commission voted six to zero to recommend to the City Council that the proposed rezoning of the property from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) to C-3 (General Commercial) be approved; and

WHEREAS notice of a public hearing by the City Council on this re-zoning has been duly given, and a public hearing has been held, all in accordance with law; and

WHEREAS, this City Council deems that the proposed zoning designation for the land should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOOSTER, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Part Eleven, Planning and Zoning Code, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wooster, known as the Zoning Ordinance, is amended so as to re-zone land, 0.57 acres of land known as Parcel Number 71-00269.000 from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) to C-3 (General Commercial); and as appears on the attached map.

SECTION 2. The Planning Division is directed to change the official zoning map to conform to the above-described amendment.

SECTION 3. This Council finds and declares that all formal actions concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance occurred in an open meeting of this Council or its committees, in compliance with the law.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

1st reading	2nd reading	3rd reading	
Passed:	, 2024	Vote:	
Attest:	Clerk of Council	President of Council	
Approved:	, 2024	Mayor	***************************************

Introduced by: Barb Knapic

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# Request for Agenda Item

Authorization for Bid	Purchase Capital Item	Non-Capital
		<b>✓</b>
Division	Meeting Date Reques	ted. A. T. A.S. OOO.4
Division Planning and Zoning	A. 1	
Project Name Map Amendment - PC-24	4-04 Estimated Total Fund	Is/Costs NA
Is Full Amount Budgeted?  Yes No If YES, three readings NOT REQUIRED	•	
If No, How is the Purchase to be Funded?		
Description of Request		
Applicant requesting a zoning map a (General Commercial) of .57 acres I and Young Drive on the south, east	bounded on the north by E.	
The Planning Commission held a pu and voted 6-0 to recommend approv		
A public hearing in front of City Cour	ncil to be scheduled for May	<i>t</i> 6, 2024.
Justification / Benefits		
Planning Commission members vote zoning from R-1 to C-3 on approximate Western Road and Young Drive on to	ately .57 acres bounded on	the north by E. Smithville
Will this Project affect the City's Operating (	Costs	
No.		
What Alternatives Exist and what are the Im	plications of the Alternatives	
If no action is taken to establish zoni (Single-Family Residential).	ing, the zoning classification	n will remain R-1
Is this a Sole Source Bid or Non-Bid Situation If Yes, Explain The Circumstances:	n 🗌 Yes 🔳 No	
Is there a need for Suspension of the Rules or If Yes, Note Reasons	a Time Frame when this must be	passed? Yes No
NOTE: Emergency Clause Required if Legis	slative Effective Date is IMMEDLA	ATE.
Manager Requesting: Vince Marion	Date: April	5, 2024
Approved for Agenda Yes No		



# PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICATION INFORMATION SHEET

<u>Application Number</u> PC-24-4

Scheduled Meeting Date April 4, 2024

<u>Application Type</u> Zoning Amendment - Map

<u>Property Location</u> 4775 CLEVELAND RD

<u>Property Information</u>

Acreage: 1.3 Zoning: C-3

Property Owner
Campbell Oil Company

Applicant Alex Quay

#### Applicant's Project Description

Campbell Oil Company plans to redevelop the property to replace the existing Dairy Queen location with a newly constructed Dairy Queen.

#### **Agenda Text**

Alex Quay, on behalf of the property owner, requesting an approval recommendation from the Planning Commission to City Council for a Zoning Map Amendment to change approximately .57 acres bounded on the north by E. Smithville Western Road and Young Drive on the south, east of Cleveland Road from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) Zoning District to C-3 (General Commercial) Zoning District. (Former parcels 71-00281.000, 1967 E Smithville Western Rd. and 71-00272.000).



#### PC-24-04

Zoning Map Amendment of approximately .57 acres bounded on the north by E. Smithville Western Road and Young Drive on the south, east of Cleveland Road. (Former parcels 71-00281.000, 1967 E Smithville Western Rd. and 71-00272.000).

Property Owner: Campbell Oil Company

Applicant: Alex Quay, representing owner

Location: South side of East Smithville Western Road and north of Young Drive, east of

Cleveland Road. (Former parcels 71-00281.000, 1967 E Smithville Western Rd.

and 71-00272.000).

Existing Zoning: R-1 (Suburban Single-family Residential)

Proposed Zoning: C-3 (General Commercial District)

Request: An approval recommendation from the Planning Commission to City Council for a

Zoning Map Amendment to change the zoning from R-1 to C-3.

#### **LOCATION AND SURROUNDING USES**

The proposed site consists of approximately .57 acres located on the south side of East Smithville Western Road and north of Young Drive, east of Cleveland Road. Adjacent properties include the following zoning classifications:

North – Residential ( R-1, Suburban,	East – Residential ( R-1, Suburban,
Single-Family)	Single-Family)
South – Undeveloped (R-1, Suburban,	West – Commercial (C-3, General
Single-Family)	Commercial)





#### PROPOSED APPLICATION/BACKGROUND

The applicant is requesting that the above location(s) be rezoned from R-1 to C-3. The Campbell Oil Company recently acquired the property, along with the contiguous parcels to the west extending to Cleveland Road. The parcels have been replated and is pending recording. The applicant states that the intent is to remove the existing structures and rebuild a new Dairy Queen restaurant.

#### **ZONING DISTRICT INTENT**

The R-1 District is established as follows, per Section 1107.05(b) (9) (A):

The R-1 Suburban Single-Family Residential District is established to encourage the creation and preservation of low-density single-family residential neighborhoods and to limit the establishment of nonresidential uses to those that are compatible with the intended low-density neighborhood character. The stipulated density is intended to provide for areas of suburban character in the community. Suburban areas are typically located at the outer periphery of the city and are characterized by curvilinear streets, cul-de-sacs, and attached garages.

The C-3 District is established as follows, per Section 1107.05(e) (4) (C.):

The C-3 General Commercial District is established to accommodate a broad range of commercial services and activities in locations adequately served by major streets and other facilities and to provide a wide range of goods and services to a large consumer population from the larger regional area.

#### PERMITTED USES AND STANDARDS

#### Uses

Table 1109-1 includes a list of all principal uses of Permitted (P), Permitted with Standards (PS), Conditional (C), and Prohibited (X or not included in the table) in all zoning districts. An abbreviated Table 1109-1 has been included indicating uses in the R-1 and C-3 zoning districts.

Table 1109-1: Permitted Principal Uses P = Permitted PS = Permitted with Standards C = Conditional Use	X = Prohibited	l
Use Type	<u> </u>	ដ
Agricultural Uses		
Agriculture (Raising of Crops)	Р	Р
Agriculture (Livestock)	Х	X
Community Gardens	PS	PS
Greenhouses and Nurseries	Х	Х
Residential Uses		
Cluster Residential Development	PS	Х
Convent, Monastery, or Other Housing for Places of Worship	Х	Х
Dormitories	Х	Х
Dwellings, Multi-Family	X	С
Dwellings, Single-Family Attached	X	Х
Dwellings, Single-Family Detached	Р	X
Dwellings, Two-Family	X	Х
Dwellings, Two-Family Conversion from a Single-Family Dwelling	Х	Х



TABLE 1109-1: PERMITTED PRINCIPAL USES P = Permitted PS = Permitted with Standards C = Conditional Use	X = Prohibited	i
Use Type	R-1	۲- ۲-
Fraternities and Sororities	X	Х
Group Homes or Residential Facilities	See Section 11	09.03(c)(6)
Manufactured Home	Х	X
Mobile Home	Х	Х
Skilled Nursing or Personal Care Facilities	Х	PS
Transitional Housing	Х	С
Commercial and Offices Uses		
Adult Uses	Х	X
Agriculture/Farm Supplies and Sales	Х	Х
Animal Day Care/Animal Grooming	Х	Р
Assembly Halls, Membership Clubs, and Conference Centers	Х	PS
Automated Teller Machine (Stand-Alone)	Х	С
Automotive Fuel Sales	X	P
Automotive Repair (Heavy)	X	C
Automotive Sales and Leasing	X	C
Automotive Service Station and Parts Sales	X	PS
Bars and Taverns	X	Р
Bed and Breakfast Establishments	Х	Х
Business and Professional Offices	X	Р
Business Service Establishments	X	Р
Campgrounds	Х	Х
Financial Institutions	Х	Р
Funeral Homes and Mortuaries	Х	Р
Hotels or Motels	Х	Р
Kennels/Animal Boarding	Х	PS
Live/Work Units	Х	PS
Medical or Dental Clinics/Offices and 24- Hour Urgent Care	Х	Р
Medical Marijuana Dispensaries	Х	С
Microbrewery, Microdistillery, or Microwinery	Х	Р
Mixed Use Building (with Residential Uses)	Х	Р
Mobile Home, Commercial Truck, and Recreational Vehicle Sales, Leasing, Service, or Storage	X	Х
Parking Garages	X	X
Parking Lots (Principal Use)	Х	Х
Personal Service Establishments	X	Р
Recreation Facilities	X	С
Restaurants	X	P
Retail Commercial Uses	X	P
Service Commercial Uses	X	P
Theaters	X	PS
Vehicle Washing Establishment	X	PS
Veterinarian Offices/Animal Hospital	X	Р
Industrial Uses	**	
Bulk Storage of Liquids or Grain	Х	X
Contractor Offices	X	X
Crematorium	X	X
Data Center	X	X
Machinery and Heavy Equipment Sales, Leasing, and Storage	X	X
Manufacturing and Production (Heavy or Outdoors)	Х	Х
Manufacturing and Production (Indoors)	Х	Х



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Use Type	<u> </u>	r o
Medical Marijuana Testing and Processing	Х	Х
Outdoor Storage and Bulk Sales	X	Х
Printing and Publishing	X	Х
Radio and Television Stations	X	Х
Recycling Collection/Processing Facilities	Х	Х
Research and Development Facilities	X	Х
Self-Storage Facilities	Х	Х
Soil and Mineral Extraction Activities	Х	Х
Warehouses	Х	Х
Wholesale Sales and Distribution Centers (Indoors)	Х	Х
Wholesale Sales and Distribution Centers (Outdoors)	Х	Х
Public and Institutional Uses		1
Active Recreational Uses	С	Р
Cemeteries	С	Х
Colleges and Higher Educational Institutions	Х	С
Community Recreation Facility	С	Х
Cultural Facilities and Structures	С	PS
Educational Institutions (K-12)	С	Р
Essential Services	Exempt per Sec	ction 1101.05(b).
Government Facilities	C	Р
Government Offices	С	Р
Hospitals	Х	С
Nursery Schools or Day Care Centers (Children or Adults)	С	Р
Passive Parks, Open Space, and Natural Areas	Р	Р
Places of Worship	С	PS
Utility Facilities and Buildings	С	Р
Wireless Telecommunication Facilities	See Section	1109.03(f)(10)

#### **Planning Considerations**

The contiguous land to the west is zoned C-3. The property is bordered on the north and south by public right-of-way. East Smithville Western is to the north, and Young Drive to the south. Cleveland Road borders the total site to the west. The request is to expand the existing C-3 zoning ninety (90) feet to the east.

For informational purposes, a new Dairy Queen is planned for the site. Because this site is contiguous to a residential zoning district, any future development plan will require review by the Planning Commission. The site will be required to meet the current zoning code's buffering, landscaping, and setbacks.

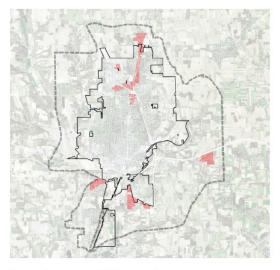


# COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (2023) Local Commercial

#### Description

Local Commercial is characterized by small-scale retail, light industrial, neighborhood services, and office uses that complement and support nearby residential uses.

- DEVELOPMENT CHARACTER should have a distinct presence from the street and be highly attractive. Buildings should face the street with windows looking onto the street.
- DEVELOPMENT INTENSITY is this area should be high scale, with individual buildings being no greater than 10,000-15,000 square feet and allow for mix uses, integrated vertically and horizontally.
- OPEN SPACE should be used to define and add character to a development. Ornamental landscaping within the setback, within parking lots, and along buildings is encouraged.
- CONNECTIVITY should incorporate "complete street" principles so
  it is safe and efficient for all modes of travel. Streetscape elements
  should be cohesive and enhance the public realm. Cross-access drives
  are encouraged between developments to reduce curb-cuts on major
  roadways.



#### **Development Character**

Helght	1-3 stories
Front Setback	0-30 ft.
Parking	Rear or side of building, screen from street/neighboring uses
Recommended Development Intensity	Individual buildings less than 10,000-15,000 sf/acre
Recommended Uses	Retail     Light Industrial     Office

#### REVIEW CRITERIA

Recommendations and decisions on zoning map amendment applications shall be based on consideration of the following review criteria. Not all criteria may be applicable in each case, and each case shall be determined on its own facts.

- A. The proposed amendment is consistent with the comprehensive plan, other adopted City plans, and the stated purposes of this code;
- B. The proposed amendment is necessary or desirable because of changing conditions, new planning concepts, or other social or economic conditions;
- C. The proposed amendment will promote public health, safety, and general welfare;
- D. The uses that would be permitted on the property if it were reclassified would be compatible with the uses permitted on other property in the immediate vicinity;
- E. The proposed amendment follows lot lines or the centerlines of streets, railroads, or other rights-of-way;
- F. Adequate utility, sewer, and water facilities, and all other needed public services exist or can be provided to serve the uses that would be permitted on a property if it were reclassified;



- G. The proposed amendment is not likely to result in significant adverse impacts upon the natural environment, including air, water, noise, stormwater management, wildlife, and vegetation, or such impacts will be substantially mitigated;
- H. The proposed amendment will not constitute an instance where special treatment is given to a particular property or property owner that would not be applicable to a similar property, under the same circumstances;
- I. The proposed amendment is not likely to result in significant adverse impacts upon other property in the vicinity of the subject tract; and
- J. The proposed amendment would correct an error in the application of this Planning and Zoning Code as applied to the subject property.

#### PLANNING AND ZONING DIVISION STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff supports recommending approval of application PC-24-04 to amend the zoning of property on the south side of East Smithville Western Road and north of Young Drive, east of Cleveland Road. (Former parcels 71-00281.000, 1967 E Smithville Western Rd. and 71-00272.000).

The staff's recommendation is based on the appropriateness of the proposed zoning classification for the property in relation to the subject review criteria. It does not consider any specific use or plan for the site. It is the staff's assessment that:

- The application is consistent with the objectives of the C-3 zoning district, as it is located on the south side of East Smithville Western Road just east of Cleveland Road.
- The north and south are bounded by public right-of-way, and buffering and screening will apply to any future development.
- The proposal is supported by the 2023 Comprehensive Plan as a local commercial project.
- Utilities are available to serve the development.
- The Development Plan review process would sufficiently address impacts of development in the C-3 zoning district.



# CITY OF WOOSTER

Planning and Zoning Division
538 North Market Street Wooster, OH 44691
Phone: 330-263-5238

March 20, 2024

Dear Property Owner,

You are receiving this notice because you are an owner of property within 200 ft. of an application submitted to the City of Wooster Planning Commission. The Commission will hold a public hearing at their next regular meeting regarding the application described below at 6:30 p.m. on April 4, 2024. The meeting will be held at City Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> floor Council Chambers, 538 North Market Street, Wooster, Ohio.

PC-24-04 - Alex Quay, on behalf of the property owner, requesting an approval recommendation from the Planning Commission to City Council for a Zoning Map Amendment to change approximately .57 acres bounded on the north by E. Smithville Western Road and Young Drive on the south, east of Cleveland Road from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) Zoning District to C-3 (General Commercial) Zoning District. (Former parcels 71-00281.000, 1967 E Smithville Western Rd. and 71-00272.000).

All interested parties are welcome to attend and will be given the opportunity to address the Commission during the public hearing portion of the meeting and submit evidence and written comments with respect to the application.

For further information, to submit written comments prior to the meeting, please contact:

City of Wooster, Planning and Zoning Division 538 North Market Street, Wooster, Ohio vmarion@woosteroh.com (330) 263-5238



# PC-24-4

<u>Parcel</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>City</u>
71-00310.000	BOWDEN DAVID N & MARIANNE G	4650 YOUNG DR	WOOSTER OHIO 44691
71-00269.000	CAMPBELL OIL COMPANY	7977 HILLS AND DALES RD NE	MASSILLON OHIO 5242
71-00307.001	COLUMBO WILLIAM FRANK JR & TRACY A S/T	4667 YOUNG DR	WOOSTER OHIO 44691
71-00305.000	GARRETT STEVEN R	4701 YOUNG DR	WOOSTER OH 44691
71-00280.000	GREEN CHRISTOPHER F TRUSTEE	1097 GREENSVIEW DR	WOOSTER OH 44691
71-00283.000	GREENBACK PROPERTIES LTD	1097 GREENSVIEW DR	WOOSTER OH 44691
71-00278.000	KELLY LISA M & KENNETH L S/T	2001 E SMITHVILLE WESTERN RD	WOOSTER OHIO 44691
71-00277.000	MATZ RACHELLE L	2011 E SMITHVILLE WESTERN RD	WOOSTER OH 44691
71-00450.000	METZ DAVID L	2870 GREENHORN CT	COOL CA 95614
71-00447.000	RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION SPECIALISTS INC	4821 CLEVELAND RD	WOOSTER OH 44691
71-00500.000	SALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH TRUSTEES	4873 CLEVELAND RD	WOOSTER OH 44691
71-00451.000	WILLIAMS JAMES ROBERT & THOMAS D	2233 WERTLAWN DR	KETTERING OHIO 45440



# CITY OF WOOSTER

Planning and Zoning Division
538 North Market Street Wooster, OH 44691
Phone: 330-263-5235 Fax: 330-263-5274

March 21, 2024

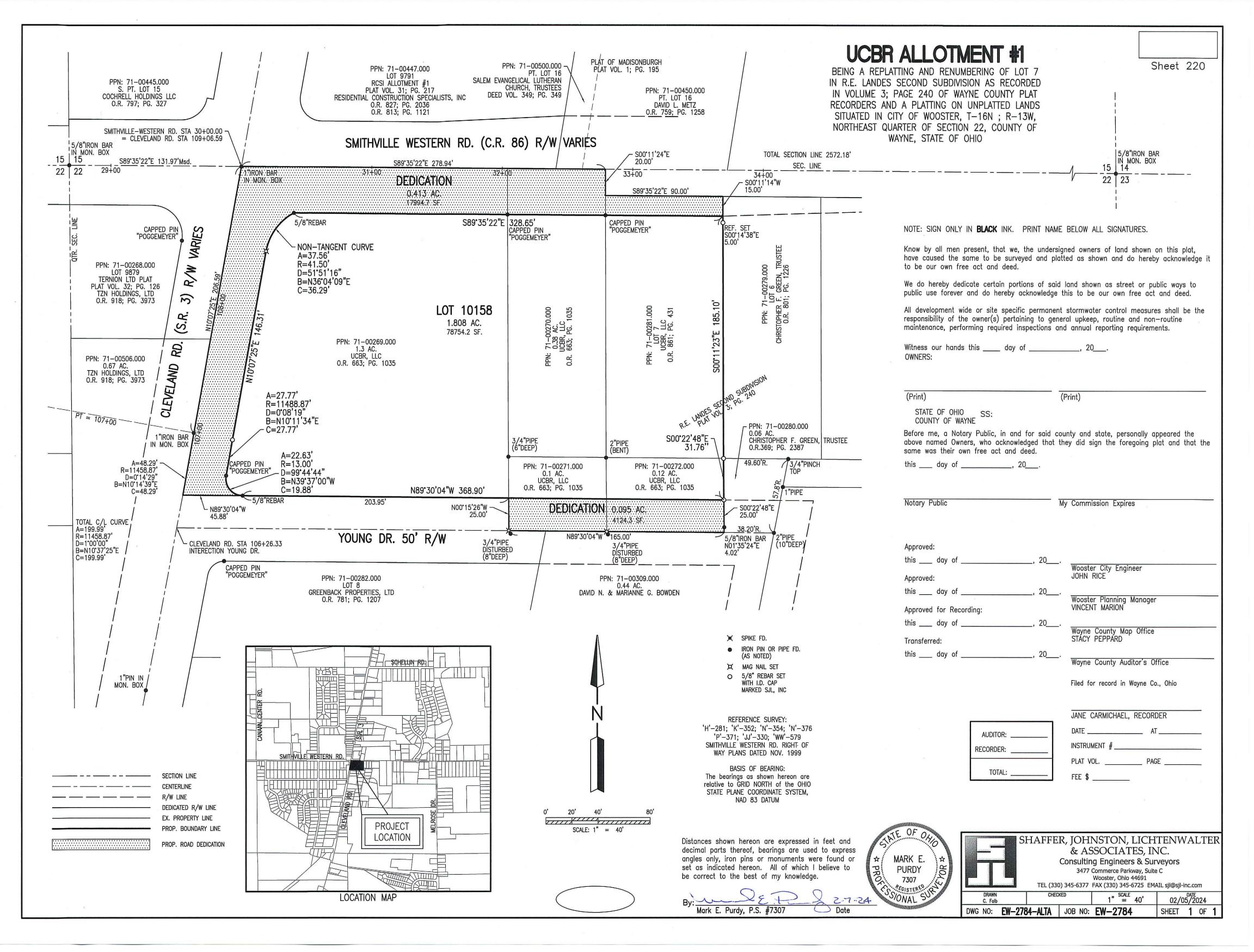
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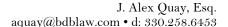
The City of Wooster will hold regular meetings of the Planning Commission and Board of Building and Zoning Appeals on Thursday, April 4, 2024. The meetings will be held at City Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> floor Council Chambers, 538 North Market Street, Wooster, Ohio.

The Planning Commission will hold public hearings for the following applications at their meeting, which will begin at 6:30 pm: PC-24-4 Alex Quay, on behalf of the property owner, requesting an approval recommendation from the Planning Commission to City Council for a Zoning Map Amendment to change approximately .57 acres bounded on the north by East Smithville Western Road and Young Drive on the south, east of Cleveland Road from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) zoning district to C-3 (General Commercial) zoning district. (Former parcels 71-00281.000, 1967 East Smithville Western Road, and 71-00272.000).

The Board of Building and Zoning Appeals will hold public hearings for the following applications at their meeting, which will begin at 7:30 pm: BZA-24-6 J. Douglas Drushal requesting a Use Variance from Planning and Zoning Code Section 1109.02(d) to allow a multi-family dwelling in an R-T (Traditional Residential) zoning district at 231 Mulberry Street with parcel number 64-00483.000.

All interested parties are welcome to attend and will be given the opportunity to address the Commission and Board during the public hearing portion of the meetings and submit evidence and written comments with respect to the applications. Special auxiliary aids for disabled persons are available upon request, with at least five days' notice prior to the meeting. For further information, to submit written comments before the meeting, or to request special auxiliary aids, please contact Vincent Marion, Planning and Zoning Manager, at vmarion@woosteroh.com, (330) 263-5238 or 538 North Market Street, Wooster, Ohio.







March 7, 2024

Attn: Vince Marion – Planning & Zoning Manager City of Wooster Planning Division 538 N. Market Street Wooster, OH 44691

Re: Campbell Oil Company – Application for Zoning Map Amendment

PPN: 71-00269.000; Lot No. 10158 - UCBR Allotment #1

Mr. Marion:

On behalf of my firm's client, Campbell Oil Company ("<u>Campbell</u>"), please allow this letter to serve as a summary of Campbell's application for an amendment to the City of Wooster's Zoning Map related to Parcel No. 71-00269.000, known as Lot No. 10158 of the platted UCBR Allotment #1, comprising 1.808 acres, as conveyed by Warranty Deed recorded on March 5, 2024, as Instrument No. 202400001926, in the Wayne County Recorder's Office (the "<u>Subject Property</u>"). A copy of the Warranty Deed is enclosed herewith.

Campbell is the current owner of the Subject Property as evidenced by the above-referenced Warranty Deed. Pursuant to Code Section 1105.02(a), Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, LLC has been authorized by Campbell's Director of Construction, JP Phillips, to submit this application on their behalf. If you need any additional documentation evidencing my firm's representation of Campbell, please let me know. Payment of the \$150 application fee will be delivered electronically via the OpenGov web portal.

The Subject Property was previously comprised of five parcels (Parcel Nos. 71-00269.000, 71-00270.000, 71-00281.000, 71-00271.000, and 71-00272.000), recently consolidated into Parcel No. 71-00269.000. Presently, a portion of the Subject Property (prior Parcel Nos. 71-00269.000, 71-00270.000, and 71-00271.000) are zoned within a C-3 Community Commercial District, with the remaining portion (prior Parcel Nos. 71-00281.000 and 71-00272.000) zoned within an R-1 Suburban Single-Family Residential District.

The proposed amendment seeks to have the existing R-1 portion of the Subject Property re-zoned as C-3, to accommodate Campbell and its subsidiary, Bell Stores, Incorporated's, planned redevelopment and expansion of the existing Dairy Queen, located at 4771 Cleveland Road, Wooster, OH 44691, in accordance with the City of Wooster's Planning & Zoning Code. The proposed amendment satisfies the criteria set forth in Code Section 1105.03(e).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this application or the materials submitted in support, please do not hesitate to contact myself at the information above, or

Mitchell Kolesar by phone at (330) 491-5237, or by email at <a href="mkolesar@bdblaw.com">mkolesar@bdblaw.com</a>. We look forward to working with you on this project.

Very truly yours,

J. Alex Quay

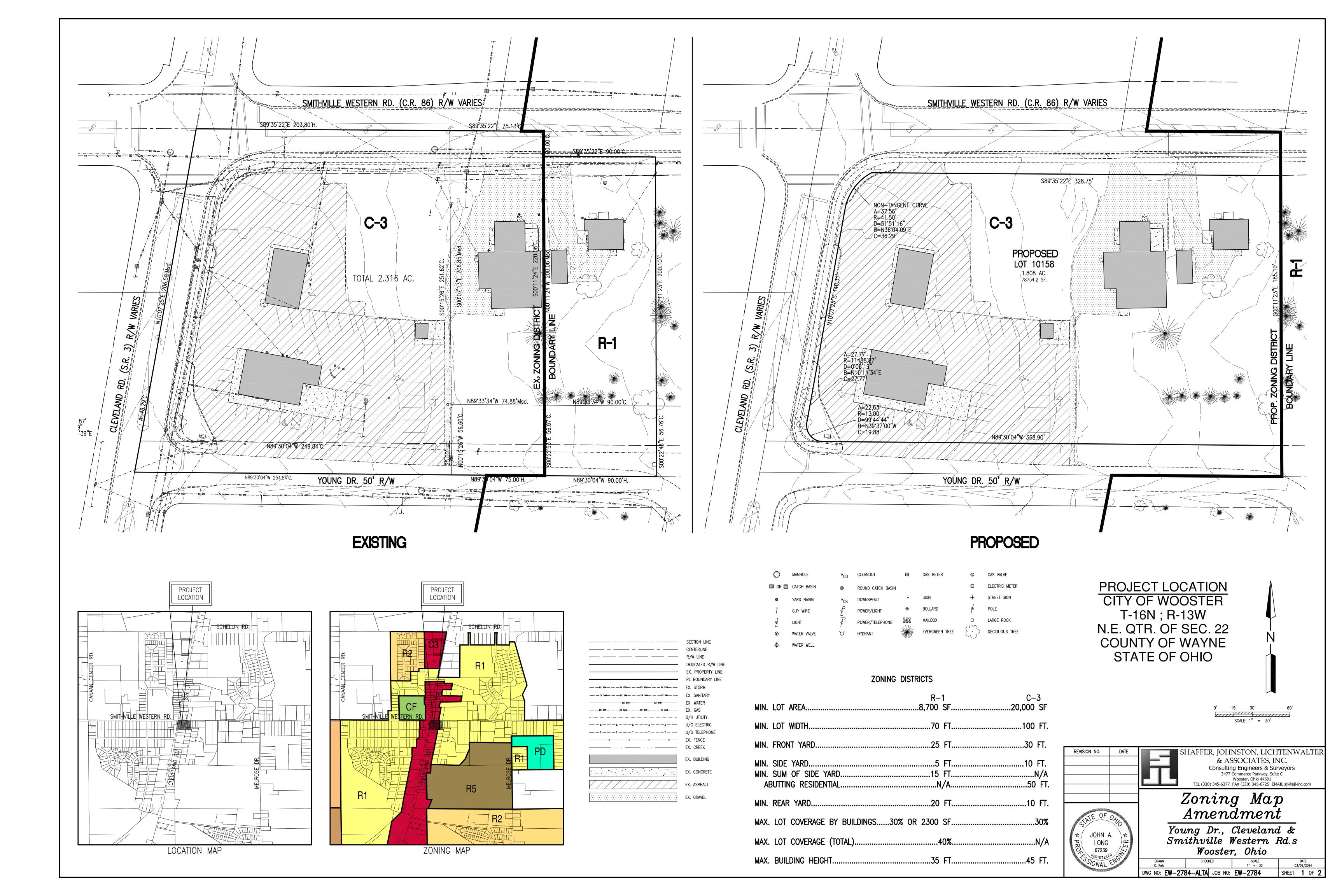
J. Alex Quay, Esq. Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, LLC

#### Enclosures

cc: JP Phillips, Campbell Oil Company Dustin J. Vrabel, Esq., Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, LLC Mitchell Kolesar, Esq., Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, LLC

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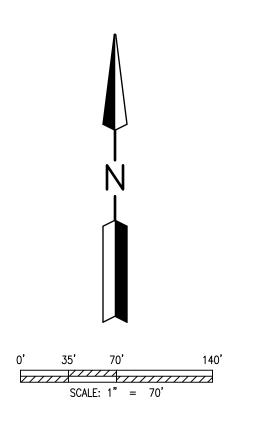
See attached for copy of the Zoning Map - Proposed Map Amendment.

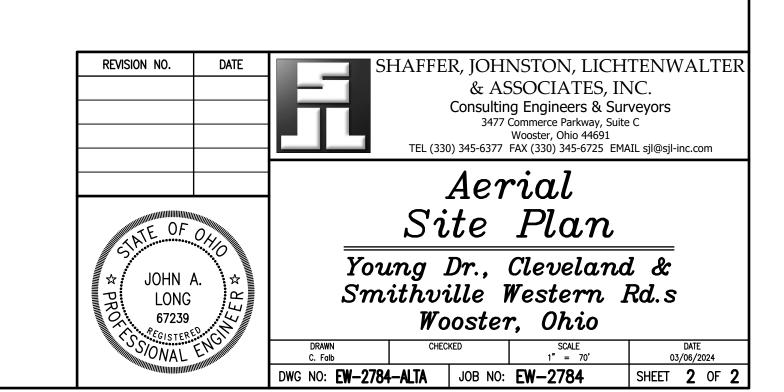


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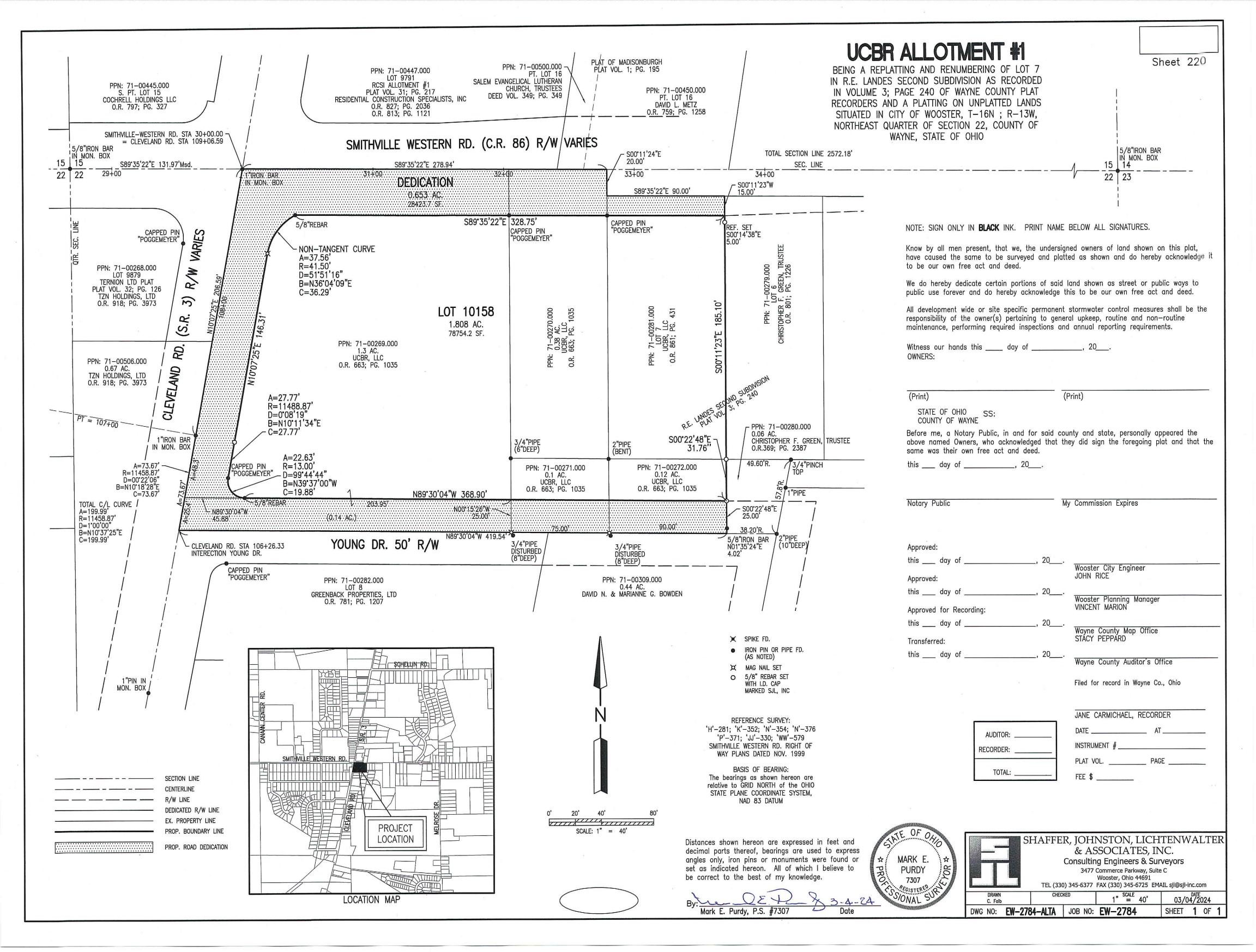


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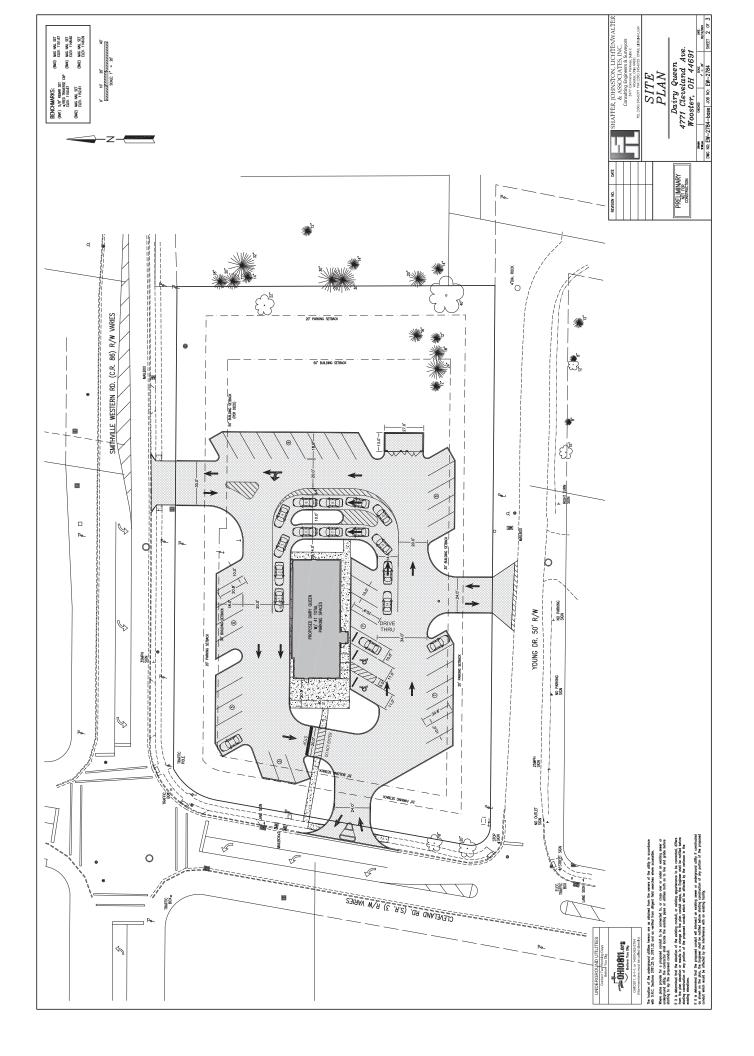




See attached for copy of the unrecorded Plat in connection with the subject property.



See attached for copy of the Preliminary Site Plan for the subject property.



See attached for copy of the Recorded Deed for the subject property.

IDENT: UX 220 107 10158

hussell hobertson, County Auditor

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DO NOT WRITE ABOVE THIS LINE

# **GENERAL WARRANTY DEED**

(ORC Sections 5302.05 and 5302.06)

UCBR, LLC, an Ohio limited liability company ("Grantor") grants, with general warranty covenants, to Campbell Oil Company, an Ohio corporation ("Grantee"), whose tax mailing address is 7977 Hills & Dales Rd., NE, Massillon, OH 44646, the following real property (the "Property"):

SEE LEGAL DESCRIPTION ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A AND INCORPORATED HEREIN BY THIS REFERENCE.

Wayne County Permanent Parcel Nos.:

71-00269.000

Prior Instrument Reference: Volume 663, Page 1035 and Volume 861, Page 431 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.

The Property is conveyed subject to the following exceptions: (1) real estate taxes and assessments, both general and special, which are a lien but not yet due and payable; (2) all legal highways; (3) all applicable zoning and building codes; and (4) reservations, restrictions, and conditions of record set forth in **Exhibit B** attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(Signature page follows)

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Executed on the date set forth below.

UCBR, LLC,

an Ohio limited liability company

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_c
Its: President

Name: Ronald Uhler

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this day of day of 2024 by Ronald Uhler, President of UCBR, LLC, an Ohio limited liability company, on behalf of the company. This is an acknowledgment. No oath or affirmation was administered to the signer.

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Samantha Pflugh Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires November 17, 2024 Notary Public

My commission expires:

This instrument prepared by: Mitchell T. Kolesar, Esq., Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs, LLC 4277 Munson Street, NW, Canton, Ohio 44718



## **EXHIBIT A**

# **Legal Description**

Situated in the City of Wooster, County of Wayne, and State of Ohio:

And being known as Lot Number 10158 in the UCBR Allotment #1 as shown on the Plat Recorded at Volume 34, Page 56, in Wayne County Plat Records.

Permanent Parcel Number: 71-00269.000

**Prior Deed References:** Volume 663, Page 1035 and Volume 861, Page 431 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.



#### **EXHIBIT B**

#### **Permitted Exceptions**

- 1. Electric Line Easement to Ohio Power Company, an Ohio corporation recorded at Volume 639, Page 893 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 2. Cable Easement to United Telephone Company of Ohio, dba Embarq recorded at Volume 642, Page 1060 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 3. Easement for Highway Purposes to City of Wooster recorded at Volume 266, Page 179 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 4. Easement for Highway Purposes to City of Wooster recorded at Volume 266, Page 181 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 5. Electric Line Easement to Central Ohio Light & Power Company recorded at Volume 71, Page 515 of the Lease Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 6. Easement for Highway Purposes to City of Wooster recorded at Volume 266, Page 185 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 7. Easement for Highway Purposes to City of Wooster recorded at Volume 266, Page 187 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 8. Right of Way and Easement to Ohio Power Company, an Ohio corporation recorded at Volume 639, Page 897 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 9. Cable Easement to United Telephone Company of Ohio, dba Embarq recorded at Volume 640, Page 2191 of the Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 10. Subject to conditions shown in the Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 700, Page 707, Official Records of Wayne County, Ohio.
- 11. Right of Way Permit to Ohio Central Telephone recorded at Volume 69, Page 281 of the Lease Records of Wayne County, Ohio.



# CITY OF WOOSTER

# **Planning and Zoning Division**

538 North Market Street Wooster, OH 44691 Phone: 330-263-5238

April 5, 2024

Dear Alex Quay,

At the April 4, 2024 meeting of the City of Wooster Planning Commission, a motion was made to recommend approval of application PC-24-4, Alex Quay, on behalf of the property owner, requesting an approval recommendation from the Planning Commission to City Council for a Zoning Map Amendment to change approximately .57 acres bounded on the north by E. Smithville Western Road and Young Drive on the south, east of Cleveland Road from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) Zoning District to C-3 (General Commercial) Zoning District. (Former parcels 71-00281.000, 1967 E Smithville Western Rd. and 71-00272.000)., to City Council.

The motion received the necessary votes and the application will be forwarded to City Council with a recommendation of approval from the Planning Commission.

Please feel free to contact me at (330) 263-5238 or vmarion@woosteroh.com if you have any questions or need any further information.

Sincerely,

Vince Marion

Planning and Zoning Manager

Vint A. Marin

#### **RESOLUTION 2024-30**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ODOT COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AND ALLOWING FOR IMMEDIATE ENACTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Wooster (referred to as the "Political Subdivision") submits this written agreement to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT) annual winter road salt bid in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 5513.01(B) and agrees to all of the following terms and conditions in its participation of the ODOT winter road salt contract:

- a. The Political Subdivision agrees to be bound by all terms and conditions established by ODOT in the winter road salt contract and acknowledges that upon award of the contract by the Director of ODOT it shall be bound by all such terms and conditions included in the contract; and
- b. The Political Subdivision acknowledges that upon the Director of ODOT's signing of the winter road salt contract, it shall effectively form a contract between the awarded salt supplier and the Political Subdivision; and
- c. The Political Subdivision agrees to be solely responsible for resolving all claims or disputes arising out of its participation in the ODOT winter road salt contract and agrees to hold the Department of Transportation harmless for any claims, actions, expenses, or other damages arising out of the Political Subdivision's participation in the winter road salt contract; and
- d. The Political Subdivision requests through this participation agreement a total of 2,000 tons of Sodium Chloride (Road Salt) in 2025, in order to maintain sufficient reserves depleted throughout the winter season, of which the Political Subdivision agrees to purchase from its awarded salt supplier at the delivered bid price per ton awarded by the Director of ODOT; and
- The Political Subdivision agrees to purchase a minimum of 90% of its aboverequested salt quantities from its awarded salt supplier during the contract's effective period; and
- f. The Political Subdivision agrees to place orders with and directly pay the awarded salt supplier on a net 30 basis for all road salt it receives pursuant to ODOT winter salt contract; and
- g. The Political Subdivision acknowledges that should it wish to rescind this participation agreement, it will do so by written, emailed request by no later than Friday, May 3, 2024, by 5:00 p.m. The written, emailed request to rescind this participation agreement must be received by the ODOT Office of Contract Sales, Purchasing Section email: <a href="Contracts.Purchasing@dot.ohio.gov">Contracts.Purchasing@dot.ohio.gov</a> by the deadline. The Department, upon receipt, will respond that it has received the request and that it has effectively removed the Political Subdivision's participation request. Furthermore, it is the sole responsibility of the Political Subdivision to ensure ODOT has received this participation agreement as well as the receipt of any request to rescind this participation agreement. The Department shall not be held responsible or liable for failure to receive a Political Subdivision's participation agreement and/or a Political Subdivision's request to rescind its participation agreement.

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

SECTION 1. This participation agreement for the ODOT winter road salt contract is approved with funding that will be authorized for FY 2025, and the Political Subdivision agrees to the above terms and conditions regarding participation in the ODOT winter salt contract.

SECTION 2. The Director of Administration is authorized to agree in the name of the City of Wooster to be bound by all of the foregoing terms and conditions, as well as such other terms and conditions as the Director of Transportation prescribes.

SECTION 3. This Council finds and declares that all formal actions concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution occurred in an open meeting of this Council or its committees, in compliance with the law.

SECTION 4. This Resolution is declared to be necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, safety and welfare of the City, or providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department or division, and for the further reason that prompt action is necessary to take advantage of this opportunity to procure road salt at a reduced cost by submitting this executed Resolution to ODOT no later than May 3, 2024; wherefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor; provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of Council; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

1 <sup>st</sup> reading:	21	nd reading:	3 <sup>rd</sup> reading:
Passed:		, 2024	Vote:
Attest:	Clerk of Council		President of Council
Approved: _		, 2024	
			Mayor

Introduced by: Barb Knapic

Non-Capital

Nos 2024-30

**Authorization for Bid** 

# **Request for Agenda Item**

**Purchase Capital Item** 

Division PPM	Meeting Date Requested 4/15/2024	
Project Name ODOT Winter Salt Contract	Estimated Total Funds/Costs \$150,000.00	
Is Full Amount Budgeted? ☐ Yes ☒ No If YES, three readings NOT REQUIRED		
If No, How is the Purchase to be Funded? This purchase will be budgeted in FY2025		
Description of Request  The PPM Division anticipates the need to purchas maintain sufficient reserves depleted throughout t purchased in 2025 is not funded but will be reque is coming to Council on such short notice is becauthat the City could join them in the Winter Fill Sa  This past Winter the City Snow and Ice Control Council cons less than our yearly average of 4500 tons. The	the winter season. The funding for the salt to be sted in the 2024 Budget. The reason this request use the City just recently was notified by ODOT lt Contract (018-25).  Operation applied 1500 tons of salt – this is 2500	
tons less than our yearly average of 4500 tons. The cost per ton of salt was \$53.34. We currently have 4800 tons of salt in storage reserves moving into next Winter.		
Justification / Benefits In an unstable salt market, it is difficult to predict salt will be. So, partnering with the Ohio Departm City to purchase a total of 2000 tons of salt and m bidding process that ODOT uses keeps the salt ve Will this Project affect the City's Operating Costs Yes, in FY2025	nent of Transportation (ODOT) will allow the inimize the risk of paying higher prices. The	
What Alternatives Exist and what are the Implications	of the Alternatives	
Purchase in the open market – Risk of paying more for salt		
Is this a Sole Source Bid or Non-Bid Situation  Yes  No If Yes, Explain The Circumstances:		
Is there a need for Suspension of the Rules or a Time Frame when this must be passed?   Yes No If Yes, Note Reasons  Council will need to suspend the rules and pass this resolution in its final reading because of time constraints. The ODOT contract agreement for the Winter Fill Contract needs to be submitted by May 3, 2024. The resolution can be submitted after the next City of Wooster Council Meeting.		
NOTE: Emergency Clause Required if Legislative Effective Date is IMMEDIATE.		
Manager Requesting: Curt Denning	Date: 4/11/2024	
Approved for Agenda 🔀 Yes 🗌 No		