

RESOLUTION NO. 89-2025

Introduced by: Sam Artino

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO PLACE AN ADDITIONAL TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AND MAINTAINING FIRE APPARATUS, MECHANICAL RESUSCITATORS, UNDERWATER RESCUE AND RECOVERY EQUIPMENT, OR OTHER FIRE EQUIPMENT AND APPLIANCES, BUILDINGS AND SITES THEREFOR, OR SOURCES OF WATER SUPPLY AND MATERIALS THEREFOR, FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF LINES OF FIRE-ALARM COMMUNICATIONS, FOR THE PAYMENT OF FIREFIGHTING COMPANIES OR PERMANENT, PART-TIME, OR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTING, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE, ADMINISTRATIVE, OR COMMUNICATIONS PERSONNEL TO OPERATE THE SAME, INCLUDING THE PAYMENT OF ANY EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS REQUIRED FOR SUCH PERSONNEL UNDER SECTION 145.48 OR 742.34 OF THE REVISED CODE, FOR THE PURCHASE OF AMBULANCE EQUIPMENT, FOR THE PROVISION OF AMBULANCE, PARAMEDIC, OR OTHER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OPERATED BY A FIRE DEPARTMENT OR FIREFIGHTING COMPANY AND REQUESTING THE ERIE COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF THE CITY AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY THAT ADDITIONAL LEVY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.02 provides that the aggregate amount of taxes that may be levied on any taxable property in the City shall not in any one year exceed ten mills on each dollar of tax valuation of the City, except for taxes specifically authorized to be levied in excess thereof; and

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes that may be raised within the ten-mill limitation set forth above will be insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of the City and it is therefore necessary to levy a tax in excess of that limitation for purposes of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of other related costs; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03 requires that when a taxing authority determines that it is necessary to levy a tax outside the ten (10) mill limitation for any purpose authorized by the Ohio Revised Code, prior to the certification to the Erie County Board of Elections of its Resolution to submit the question of levying a tax outside the ten-mill limitation to the electors of the City of Huron, the City shall certify this legislation to the County Auditor requesting that the County Auditor certify to the City the following information:

- the total current valuation of the City;
- the levy's effective rate, expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest dollar for each one hundred thousand dollars of the Auditor's appraised value;
- the dollar amount of revenue, rounded to the nearest dollar, that would be generated by the specified 1.5 mills for each one dollar of taxable value;
- an estimate of the levy's annual collections, rounded to the nearest dollar, which shall be calculated assuming that the amount of the tax list of the taxing authority remains throughout

- the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list most recently certified by the auditor under division (A) of section 319.28 of the Revised Code;
- an estimate of the amount by which the carry-over balance in the City's general operating budget from the preceding fiscal year exceeds the City's general fund expenditures made in the preceding fiscal year, expressed both in dollars and as a percentage of those expenditures; and

WHEREAS, the proposed levy shall be one point five (1.5) mill upon the taxable property within the City of Huron, Erie County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the tax year in which the tax will first be levied is 2026 and the calendar year in which the tax will first be collected is 2027; and

WHEREAS, the proposed levy is an additional levy authorized for the fire department of the City by Section 5705.19(I) of the Ohio Revised Code and shall be submitted to all of the electors of the City at an election on May 5, 2026.

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

Section 1: That Council hereby declares that it is necessary to place an additional tax levy for a continuing period of time and at the rate of 1.5 mills outside of the ten-mill limitation authorized by Section 5705.02 of the Ohio Revised Code and prior levies authorized by the electors of this City for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of other related costs, and that it intends to submit the question of the additional levy to the electors at an election on May 5, 2026, as authorized by Section 5705.191 of the Ohio Revised Code.

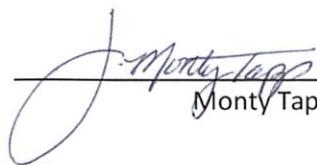
Section 2: That Council requests the Erie County Auditor to certify to it each of the following:

- the total current valuation of the City;
- the levy's effective rate, expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest dollar for each one hundred thousand dollars of the Auditor's appraised value;
- the dollar amount of revenue, rounded to the nearest dollar, that would be generated by the 1.5-mill additional levy for each one dollar of taxable value; and
- an estimate of the levy's annual collections, rounded to the nearest dollar, which shall be calculated assuming that the amount of the tax list of the taxing authority remains throughout the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list most recently certified by the auditor under division (A) of section 319.28 of the Revised Code.

Section 3: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal

actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the residents of this City and for the further reason that this Resolution must be immediately effective to provide for the submission of the question of the replacement of the tax levy to the electors at an election on May 5, 2026, to enable the City to continue to receive those revenues without interruption; wherefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.



Monty Tapp, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Clerk of Council

ADOPTED: 09 DEC 2025