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Parks Assessment, Master Plan & Levy



Since the creation of the Township's park system in the early 1990s, the community has enjoyed various amenities offered by each of our four parks. Residents have communicated, and worked closely with staff to make sure our parks not only meet the needs and expectations of our residents, but that they are also serviced and maintained at the highest level. Our Service and Recreation Departments do an excellent job keeping our parks in superb condition and booked with enjoyable activities and events throughout the year.

As our parks entered the third decade of service to the community, there was a need to perform a formal assessment of the grounds, equipment and structures contained within them, and then project for future needs and redevelopment opportunities. This data will

then be used to formulate a Master Plan and assist in future development and improvements to Miami Township's outstanding park system.

Sports and popular activities have continued to evolve and change over the past 30 years. Things once considered popular are no longer. For example, the demand for tennis courts has been offset by requests for conversion to pickleball, and the once hot metal playground structures are now covered with cooling shades and made of materials that are safer and more user friendly.

In 2004, a 1.5 mill parks levy was approved by Township voters. No other park levy has been requested despite the fact there has been significant growth in the Township since that time. At the July 16, 2024 Board of Trustees meeting, the Trustees passed legislation to allow for a 1.0 mill continuing levy to be placed on the ballot for park and recreational purposes. If passed, this levy would generate funds to maintain and improve our Township park system, while continuing to operate programs the community desires. Passage of the levy would cost residents \$35.00 per year for each \$100,000.00 of market value for their property. For example, a \$300,000 market value would cost \$105 annually, or \$8.75 per month.

The original 1.5 mill parks levy approved by voters in 2004 is at the point where it is no longer generating enough revenue to cover expenses. On average, \$1.5 million has been spent annually for the past ten years for Parks and Recreation personnel, special events, preventative maintenance and necessary improvements. It is estimated at the end of 2024 that the Parks and Recreation Fund will have a balance of only \$122,825. In light of this, the Township has been using funds from its General Fund to supplement park operations and maintenance in order to extend the existing levy. Local Fiscal Recovery Funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) were also used to extend the life of levy funds.



Property values and park usage in the Township have increased significantly in the past 20 years. Current collections for this levy are based on property valuations from 2004 and have not kept up with growth.

The Parks and Recreation Levy will appear on the November 5th ballot for our residents to consider.

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RESOLUTION 2024-024

The Board of Trustees of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio met in regular session at the Miami Township Civic Center on June 10, 2024, with the following members present: Mark Schulte, Ken Tracy and Mary Makley Wolff.

A motion was made to adopt the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL LEVY
IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION FOR MIAMI TOWNSHIP FOR
PARKS AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES AND REQUESTING THE
CLERMONT COUNTY AUDITOR CERTIFY MATTERS IN CONNECTION
THEREWITH, WAIVING A SECOND READING AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Miami Township (“Board”) anticipates levying a tax in excess of the ten (10) mill limitation for a one (1.0) mill continuing levy for parks and recreational purposes in Miami Township (the “Township”) as provided for by Sections 5705.19(H) and 5705.25 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, Revised Code Section 5705.03 requires that the Board certify to the county auditor a resolution requesting that the county auditor certify to the Board the total current tax valuation of the Township, and the amount of revenue that would be generated by a proposed one (1.0) mill levy for parks and recreational purposes in the Township; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees (“Board”) of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio, by authority of Chapter 504 and Sections 5705.03 and 5705.19(H) of the Ohio Revised Code, as follows:

SECTION 1: That the Board has determined it is necessary to levy a tax outside the ten-mill limitation.

SECTION 2: That the purpose of the tax is for parks and recreational purposes in Miami Township (the “Township”) pursuant to Section 5705.19(H) of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3: That additional levy in the amount of one (1.0) mill for each one dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to ten cents (\$.10) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100) valuation for a continuing period of time, to be placed on the 2024 tax duplicate for

first collection in 2025.

SECTION 4: That the tax is to be levied upon the entire territory of Miami Township.

SECTION 5: That the question of the passage of said levy shall be submitted to the electorate of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio, at the election to be held on the 5th day of November, 2024.

SECTION 6: That the ballot measure shall be submitted to the entire territory of Miami Township.

SECTION 7: If approved by the electors, said tax levy shall first be placed upon the 2024 tax list and duplicate, for first collection in calendar year 2025.

SECTION 8: That pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, the county auditor is hereby requested to certify to the Board of Trustees of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio the total current tax valuation of the county and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the number of mills specified in Section 3 hereof, and the Clerk of the Board of Trustees of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio be and is hereby directed to certify forthwith a copy of this resolution to the county auditor at the earliest possible time so the said county auditor may certify such matters in accordance with Section 5705.03.

SECTION 9: This Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the health, safety and well-being of the residents of the Township and further that the reason for the emergency is to make sure the Board has the necessary information to put the proposed levy on the November 5, 2024 ballot.

SECTION 10: That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 11: This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.


First Reading: June 10, 2024
Second Reading: Dispensed with
Effective: June 10, 2024

Trustee Schulte made the Motion and it was seconded by Trustee Tracy. On the roll call being called the vote resulted as follows:


Mr. Schulte ✓
Mr. Tracy ✓
Ms. Wolff ✓

Resolution 2024-024 was adopted June 10th, 2024.

ATTEST:


Eric C. Ferry, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Joseph J. Braun,
Township Law Director

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, as the Township Fiscal Officer of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution 2024-024 duly passed at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Township on the 10th day of June, 2024, together with a true record of the roll call vote thereon, and that said Resolution has been duly entered upon the Journal of said Township.


Eric C. Ferry
Township Fiscal Officer

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RESOLUTION 2024-033

The Board of Trustees of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio met in regular session at the Miami Township Civic Center on July 16, 2024, with the following members present: Mark Schulte, Ken Tracy and Mary Makley Wolff.

A motion was made to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION PROCEEDING TO LEVY A 1 MILL CONTINUING LEVY FOR PARK AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES, WAIVING A SECOND READING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of Miami Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Miami Township (the "Board") on June 10, 2024 adopted a resolution of necessity under Revised Code Section 5705.03 and asking the Clermont County Auditor to certify to the Board the amount of funds which may be generated by a tax levy for park and recreational purposes pursuant to Sections 5705.19(H) and 5705.25 of the Ohio Revised Code in the amount of 1 mill; and

WHEREAS, the Auditor of Clermont County has certified to the Board that the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the tax levy during the first year of collection is \$1,764,692 based on the current assessed valuation of the Township of \$1,764,692,270; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined under Revised Code Section 5705.19(H) and 5709.191 the necessity to proceed with a levy for an additional continuing tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation at the general election to be held on November 5, 2024 for park and recreational purposes in the Township; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees ("Board") of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio, by authority of Chapter 504 and Sections 5705.19(H), 5705.191 and 5705.25 of the Ohio Revised Code, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the amount of taxes that may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of Miami Township, and that, pursuant to Revised Code Sections 5705.19(H) and 5705.191 it is necessary to levy an additional tax in excess of that limitation, in the amount of 1 mill as a continuing tax levy to be approved by the electors at the general election on November 5, 2024, for park and recreational purposes in the Township; at a rate not exceeding one (1) mill for each one dollar of taxable value, which amounts to \$35.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value for a continuing period of time.

SECTION 2. that the Board hereby orders that the levy be placed upon the tax lists of the current tax year in compliance with Revised Code Section 5705.34, for a continuing period, if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof.

SECTION 3. that pursuant to Section 5705.25 of the Revised Code, the form of the ballots cast at the election to be held upon the question (subject to exercise by the Clermont County Board of Elections and the Secretary of State of their respective statutory responsibilities) shall be as follows:

**PROPOSED PARK AND RECREATION LEVY
A MAJORITY AFFIRMATIVE VOTE IS NECESSARY FOR PASSAGE**

A tax for the benefit of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio for **PARK AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES IN THE TOWNSHIP** at a rate not exceeding one (1) mill for each one dollar of taxable value, which amounts to \$35.00 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value for a continuing period of time, commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025.

	FOR THE LEVY
	AGAINST THE LEVY

SECTION 4. That the question shall be submitted to the electors of the Township at the general election to be conducted on November 5, 2024.

SECTION 5. That the Township Fiscal Officer or his designee is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Board of Elections of Clermont County not less than ninety (90) days prior to election.

SECTION 6. The Board does hereby dispense with the requirement that this Resolution be read on two separate days, pursuant to Section 504.10 of the Ohio Revised Code, and authorizes the adoption of this Resolution upon its first reading.

SECTION 7. This Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the health, safety and well-being of the residents of the Township and further that the reason for the emergency is to make sure the levy is able to be placed on the November 5, 2024 ballot for the consideration of voters in the Township.

SECTION 8. That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 9. This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

First Reading: July 16, 2024

Second Reading: Dispensed with

Effective: July 16, 2024

Trustee Schulte made the motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Tracy. On the roll call being called the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Schulte X

Mr. Tracy X

Ms. Wolff X

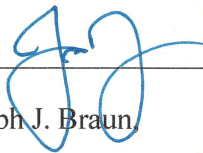
Resolution 2024-033 was adopted July 16, 2024.

ATTEST:



Eric C. Ferry, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Joseph J. Braun

Township Law Director

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, as the Township Fiscal Officer of Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution 2024-033 duly passed at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of said Township on the 16th day of July, 2024, together with a true record of the roll call vote thereon, and that said Resolution has been duly entered upon the Journal of said Township.


Eric C. Ferry
Township Fiscal Officer

RECEIPT

Receipt of a certified copy of the foregoing Resolution 2024-033 of the Board of Township Trustees of Miami Township is acknowledged this 16th day of July, 2024.

CLERMONT COUNTY AUDITOR
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO

By: _____
(Name)
(Title)

RECEIPT

Receipt of a certified copy of the foregoing Resolution 2024-033 of the Board of Township Trustees of Miami Township is acknowledged this 16th day of July, 2024.

BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF
CLERMONT COUNTY, OHIO

By: _____
(Name)
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