CITY OF FAIRBORN
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
July 28, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.
Fairborn High School
1523 Commerce Center Blvd.

COUNCIL MEMBERS	Present	Absent
Dan Kirkpatrick, Mayor	☒	☐
Clint Allen, Councilman	☒	☐
Sylvia Chess, Councilwoman	☒	☐
Adam Fritzsche, Councilman	☒	☐
Rodney McCubbins, Councilman	☒	☐
Mary Reaster, Deputy Mayor	☒	☐
Tana Stanton, Councilwoman	☒	☐

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Gay, Gebhart, McClure, McNamee, Roman, Schell, Taylor and Williams.

Everyone rose for the pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 28-25 A RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THIS CITY THE QUESTION OF RENEWING THE 4.4 MILL PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF POLICE SERVICES, OPERATIONS, AND EQUIPMENT.

Councilwoman Chess moved to read Resolution 28-25 for the first time by title only. Deputy Mayor Reaster seconded. Voice vote. Motion carried. Mike McNamee, City Solicitor, read Resolution 28-25 by title only.

Mike Gebhart, City Manager, explained this is the second part of the two Resolutions that are required by the State of Ohio to place a renewal request on the ballot for the November 2025 general election. This particular Resolution is a 4.4 mill levy for Police operations, staffing and equipment. Again, this is a renewal of a 4.4 mill levy with no new taxes. This funding generates about $2.3 million a year for the Police Department, which goes toward staffing as well as cruisers, facilities, and other equipment that they use. He reiterated again, with no new taxes. It is just the renewal of an existing 4.4 mill levy that the Police Department needs to continue operations in its current form.

Council had no questions.

Councilman Fritzsche moved to adopt Resolution 28-25. Deputy Mayor Reaster seconded. Yeas, seven: Fritzsche, Reaster, Allen, Chess, McCubbins, Stanton and Kirkpatrick. Nays, none. Motion carried. Mayor Kirkpatrick declared Resolution 28-25 duly adopted.

RESOLUTION 29-25 A RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS OF THIS CITY THE QUESTION OF RENEWING THE 4.4 MILL PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF FIRE/EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, OPERATIONS AND EQUIPMENT.

Councilman Fritzsche moved to read Resolution 29-25 for the first time by title only. Councilwoman Stanton seconded. Voice vote. Motion carried. Mike McNamee, City Solicitor, read Resolution 29-25 by title only.

Mike Gebhart, City Manager, stated this would be even shorter. Everything he just said but for Fire and EMS services throughout the City. Both of these levies were originally approved by the residents in 2011, and they are requested for renewal every five years. This one particularly covers Fire and EMS, the staffing, their equipment, and their operations.

Council had no questions.

Deputy Mayor Reaster moved to adopt Resolution 29-25. Councilman McCubbins seconded. Yeas, seven: Reaster, McCubbins, Allen, Chess, Fritzsche, Stanton and Kirkpatrick. Nays, none. Motion carried. Mayor Kirkpatrick declared Resolution 29-25 duly adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Allen moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Stanton seconded. Yeas, seven: Allen, Stanton, Chess, Fritzsche, McCubbins, Reaster and Kirkpatrick. Nays, none. Motion carried. Mayor Kirkpatrick adjourned the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

MAYOR

CLERK, CITY OF FAIRBORN