

RESOLUTION 10-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WESTFIELD APPEALING THE MAXIMUM LEVY

WHEREAS, the City of Westfield's Comprehensive Financial Plan has projected revenue and expenditures for the next five years;

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Financial Plan has identified a need for a consistent source of revenue in order to have a sustainable budget to provide services such as public safety, planning, economic development and infrastructure improvements and repair;

WHEREAS, in past years, the City of Westfield has appealed the maximum levy to address the needs of the community.

WHEREAS, the City of Westfield can appeal the 2011 maximum levy due to a property tax shortfall occurring as a result of annexation and an error in computing the tax rate;

WHEREAS, the City of Westfield has a three-year growth factor higher than the statewide growth factor;

WHEREAS, the City of Westfield prays for relief from the adjustment made to the computations whereas this is a unique appeal qualifying under various parts of the current statute and that the DLGF approved the first two years of the three year appeal needed;

WHEREAS, the total amount of the shortfall is estimated to be \$2,000,000.

WHEREAS, the City has been required to borrow \$1,000,000 for payable 2009 and approved a borrowing of \$5,500,000 for payable 2010;

WHEREAS, the Council will need to sign the State form titled "Petition to Appeal for an Increase to the Maximum Levy", in addition to this Council Resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Westfield City Council hereby resolves to proceed with a petition for an excess levy to the Department of Local Government Finance to increase the maximum levy.

Section 1. That Council does now find that the foregoing statements are true and that all required actions necessary to appeal the current maximum levy for the City of Westfield are hereby ordered and authorized.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately.

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ALL OF WHICH IS RESOLVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2010.

WESTFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Voting For

Voting Against

Abstain

John Dippel

John Dippel

John Dippel

Steve Hoover

Steve Hoover

Steve Hoover

Bob Horkay

Bob Horkay

Bob Horkay

Ken Kingshill

Ken Kingshill

Ken Kingshill

Bob Smith

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Thomas Smith

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Thomas Smith

Rob Stokes

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ATTEST:

Cindy Gossard, Clerk Treasurer

I hereby certify that RESOLUTION 10-11 was delivered to the Mayor of Westfield

on the _____ day of _____, 2010, at _____ m.

Cindy Gossard, Clerk-Treasurer

I hereby APPROVE RESOLUTION 10-11

this _____ day of _____, 2010.

J. Andrew Cook, Mayor

I hereby VETO RESOLUTION 10-11

this _____ day of _____, 2010.

J. Andrew Cook, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Gossard, Clerk Treasurer

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