



August 24, 2023

Mr. Richard Jeffrey Erie County Auditor 247 Columbus Ave., Room 210 Sandusky, OH 44870

RE: City of Huron - Public Lighting Assessment 2023, 2024, 2025

Dear Mr. Jeffrey:

This letter will serve as official certification from the City of Huron of amounts owed pertaining to the 2023, 2024 and 2025 Public Lighting Assessment. Enclosed are certified copies of Resolution No. 50-2023, Ordinance No. 2023-27 and Ordinance No. 2023-28.

The City of Huron requests that these amounts be placed as an assessment to be collected over the three-year period as outlined in the assessing ordinance (Ordinance No. 2023-28 enclosed). As referenced in Ordinance No. 2023-28, and pursuant to Resolution No. 50-2023, Section 4, the City shall exempt those properties owned and/or operated by non-profit entities.

Also enclosed are two receipts requiring your signature: Section 319-61 Certificate and the Certificate of the County Auditor. I ask that you please sign, date and return these receipts to our office.

If you have any questions, or require any additional documentation on this matter, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Respectfully,

Terri S. Welkener

Executive Administrative Assistant/Clerk of Council

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CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY AUDITOR (City of Huron Lighting Assessment)

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- There has been delivered to me the schedule of special assessments levied by Ordinance No. 2023-28 passed August 22, 2023, by the Council of the City of Huron, Ohio.
- 2. The schedule identifies the properties against which the special assessments are levied.
- The special assessments will first appear on the 2023 tax list and duplicate with the first distribution to be made to the City in 2024.

Dated: August, 2023		
Dated. August, 2025	County Auditor Erie County, Ohio	

SECTION 319.61 CERTIFICATE (City of Huron Lighting Assessment)

I certify that on August 22, 2023, there was de	elivered to me as Auditor of Erie County certified	
copies of Ordinance Nos. 2023-27 and 2023-28, each passed on August 22, 2023, by the Council of		
the City of Huron, Ohio.		
Dated: August, 2023	County Auditor Erie County	
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<u>C E R T I F I C A T I O N</u>

I, Terri S. Welkener, Clerk of the Council of the City of Huron, Ohio, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 50-2023 adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Huron, Erie County, Ohio which was held on July 27, 2023.

Given under my hand and seal this 23rd day of August, 2023.

Terri S. Welkener Clerk of Council

RESOLUTION NO. 50-2023

Introduced by Mark Claus

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO IMPROVE CERTAIN PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY BY LIGHTING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Council passed Ordinance No. 2005-39 on July 25, 2005, establishing and adopting policies and procedures applicable to the levy of special assessments for the cost of lighting public places as provided in that ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Huron, Erie County, Ohio, three-fourths of all members elected or appointed thereto concurring, that:

Section 1: It is declared necessary to improve in the City public places by providing lighting in accordance with Ordinance No. 2005-39 (the "improvement").

Section 2: The plans, specifications, profiles (as applicable) and estimate of cost of the improvement, prepared by or at the direction of the City Manager and now on file in the office of the Clerk of Council, are approved. The improvement shall be made in accordance with, and the grade of the improvement and of any street shall be the grade as shown on, the plans, specifications and profiles for the improvement.

Section 3: This Council finds and determines that (i) the improvement is conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare of this City and the inhabitants thereof and (ii) the lots and lands to be assessed as described in Section 4 hereof are specially benefited by the improvement. This Council further finds and determines that the public places to be improved are so situated in relation to each other that, in order to complete the improvement thereof in the most practical and economical manner, they should be improved at the same time, with the same kind of materials and in the same manner and, therefore, they shall be treated as a single improvement and included in the same legislation.

Section 4: The City shall assume and pay as its portion of the cost of the improvement, 10% of the whole cost of the improvement, which exceeds 2% of that whole cost and the cost of intersections, and the balance of the cost of the improvement shall be assessed upon all lots and lands in the City, except for those lots and lands in the City that are owned and/or operated by non-profit entities, which are hereby found and determined to be specifically benefited by the improvement, annually at the rate of 0.65%% of the tax value of the property assessed.

Section 5: The cost of the improvement shall include the cost of preliminary and other surveys, plans, specifications, profiles and estimates and of printing, serving and publishing notices, resolutions and ordinances, the amount of any damages resulting from the improvement and the interest thereon, the costs incurred in connection with the preparation, levy and collection of the special assessments, the cost of purchasing, appropriating, and otherwise acquiring any real estate or interests therein required for the improvement, expenses of legal services including obtaining legal opinions, cost of labor and material, and, if applicable, interest on securities issued

in anticipation of the levy and collection of the special assessments or, if securities in anticipation of the levy of the special assessments are not issued, interest at the rate of 3% per year on money advanced by this City for the cost of that improvement in anticipation of the levy of the special assessments, together with all other necessary expenditures.

Section 6: The City Manager is authorized and directed to prepare and file in the office of the Clerk of Council the estimated special assessments of the cost of the improvement described in this resolution. Those estimated special assessments shall be based upon the estimate of cost of the improvement now on file in the office of the Clerk of Council and shall be prepared pursuant to the provisions of this resolution. When the estimated special assessments have been so filed, the Clerk of Council shall cause notice of the adoption of this resolution and the filing of the estimated special assessments to be served in the manner provided by law on the owners of all lots and lands to be assessed.

Section 7: The special assessments to be levied to pay a portion of the costs of the improvement in the years 2024, 2025 and 2026 shall be collected and paid each year over a period of three years, being 2024, 2025 and 2026.

Section 8: The City does not presently intend to issue securities in anticipation of the levy and the collection of the special assessments in annual installments and in an amount equal to the total of the unpaid special assessments. The remainder of the entire cost of the improvement, after application of the special assessments, shall be paid from other funds available to the City for that purpose.

Section 9: This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law.

Section 10: This resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City and for the further reason that this resolution is required to be immediately effective to provide for the provision of the improvement, which is needed to reduce or eliminate hazards to pedestrian and vehicular traffic and to provide safe conditions for use of the public places by the residents of the City and various departments of the City; wherefore, this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted JUNE 2 , 2023

Clerk of Council

<u>C E R T I F I C A T I O N</u>

I, Terri S. Welkener, Clerk of the Council of the City of Huron, Ohio, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 2023-27 adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Huron, Erie County, Ohio which was held on August 22, 2023.

Given under my hand and seal this 23rd day of August, 2023.

Terri S. Welkener Clerk of Council

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-27

Introduced by Mark Claus

AN ORDINANCE DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN PUBLICPLACES IN THE CITY BY LIGHTING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, this Council has adopted Resolution No. 50-2023 on June 27, 2023 (the Resolution), declaring the necessity of making the improvement described in Section 1;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Huron, Erie County, Ohio, that:

<u>Section 1</u>: It is determined to proceed with and complete the improvement of certain public places in the City by lighting in accordance with Ordinance No. 2005-39, passed by Council on July 25, 2005.

<u>Section 2</u>: The improvement shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the Resolution and with the plans, specifications, profiles and estimate of cost previously approved and now on file in the office of the Clerk of Council.

<u>Section 3</u>: All claims for damages resulting from the improvement that have been legally filed shall be inquired into prior to completion of the improvement, and the Director of Law is authorized and directed to institute legal proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction to inquire into those claims.

<u>Section 4</u>: The portion of the cost of the improvement to be assessed in accordance with the Resolution shall be assessed in the manner and pursuant to the payment schedules set forth, and on the lots and lands described, in the Resolution.

<u>Section 5</u>: The estimated special assessments previously prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk of Council are adopted.

<u>Section 6</u>: The Clerk of Council shall deliver a certified copy of this ordinance to the County Auditor within 15 days after its passage.

<u>Section 7:</u> Subject to the provisions of Section 727.24 of the Revised Code, the City Manager is authorized and directed to make and sign (or to confirm) a contract for the improvement, as applicable, and such contract is ratified and approved.

<u>Section 8</u>: This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law.

Section 9: This ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, safety and welfare of the City and for the further reason that this ordinance is required to be immediately effective so that it may be timely certified to the County Auditor so as to permit collection starting next year to meet the costs of the improvement, which is needed to reduce or eliminate hazards to pedestrian and vehicular traffic and to provide safe conditions for use of the public places by the residents of the City and service departments of the City; wherefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

ATTEST: Clerk of Council
ADOPTED:

Mark Claus, Vice-Mayor

<u>CERTIFICATION</u>

I, Terri S. Welkener, Clerk of the Council of the City of Huron, Ohio, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 2023-28 adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Huron, Erie County, Ohio which was held on August 22, 2023.

Given under my hand and seal this 23rd day of August, 2023.

Terri S. Welkener Clerk of Council

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-28

Introduced by Mark Claus

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CERTAIN PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY BY LIGHTING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Huron, Erie County, Ohio, that:

Section 1: The special assessments for the cost and expense of improving certain public places in the City by lighting in accordance with Ordinance No. 2005-39 passed by Council on July 25, 2005, pursuant to Resolution No. 50-2023 adopted June 27, 2023, to be levied annually at the rate of 0.65% of the tax value of the property assessed, which special assessments were filed and are on file with the Clerk of Council, are adopted and confirmed. Those special assessments are levied and assessed upon the lots and lands provided for in Resolution No. 50-2023 in the respective amounts set forth in the schedule of special assessments on file, which special assessments are in proportion to the special benefits and are not in excess of any statutory limitation.

<u>Section 2</u>: This Council finds and determines that the special assessments are in the same proportion to the estimated special assessments as the actual cost of the improvement is to the estimated cost of the improvement as originally filed.

<u>Section 3</u>: The special assessment against each lot or parcel of land shall be payable in three annual installments to be collected in the years 2024, 2025 and 2026. All special assessments shall be certified by the Clerk of Council to the County Auditor as provided by law to be placed on the tax duplicate and collected as taxes are collected.

<u>Section 4</u>: The Clerk of Council shall cause a notice of the passage of this ordinance to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in this Cityand shall keep on file in the office of the Clerk of Council the special assessments.

<u>Section 5</u>: The Clerk of Council shall deliver a certified copy of this ordinance to the County Auditor within 20 days after its passage.

Section 6: This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with the law.

Section 7: This ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, safety and welfare of the City and for the further reason that the levy of the special assessments may be immediately effective so that it may be timely certified to the County Auditor so as to permit collection starting next year to meet the costs of the improvement, which is needed to reduce or eliminate hazards to pedestrian and vehicular traffic and to provide safe conditions for use of the public places by the residents of the City and service departments of the City; wherefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage; wherefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

ATTEST: Clerk of Council

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Mark Claus, Vice-Mayor