

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD TO PROVIDE COUNCIL WITH THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE TYPOGRAPHICAL AND NON-SUBSTANTIVE CORRECTIONS TO THE CHARTER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Section 18.01 of the Charter of the Village of Richfield authorizes Council to submit to the electors of the Village of Richfield any proposed amendment or amendments to the Charter if the proposed amendment or amendments is approved by a two-thirds vote of the members of Council; and

WHEREAS, if approved by a two-thirds (2/3) of the members Council, the Charter requires that the amendment or amendments shall b forthwith submitted to the electors of the Village of Richfield in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Richfield determines that the proposed amendment to the Charter to provide Council with the authority to make typographical and non-substantive corrections to the Charter should be submitted to the electors of the Village of Richfield on November 3, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Village of Richfield, Summit County, State of Ohio that:

SECTION 1. The Council of the Village of Richfield has recommended that the electors of the Village of Richfield consider a proposal to amend the Charter to add new Section 19.14 to read as follows:

SECTION 19.14 CHARTER CORRECTIONS.

Council shall be authorized to make typographical corrections to or changes or deletions in, as well as changes in the form of, the Charter; however, the changes shall relate to matters of form; or, to make the Charter consistent with Ohio law upon advice of the Director of Law. Any such modification, change, or correction shall, in all cases, be approved by resolution of Council, prior to going into effect. No modification, change or correction shall affect the construction, meaning, substance, or intent of the Charter as adopted and amended by the people, except where the change corrects the Charter to comply with Ohio law. The specific powers granted by this Section include:

1. Council may correct obvious misspellings, typographical errors, and non-substantive matters in the Charter, including but not limited to gender neutral language.

2. Council may divide the text of any section or paragraph into shorter paragraphs or subparagraphs and letter or number the same to improve clarity and ease of reference.

3. Council may renumber the sections and rearrange their order to provide more coherent grouping of sections related in subject matter and continuous, consecutive numbering of sections.

4. Council may remove inconsistent language and correct language that violates Ohio law to insure that the Charter complies with Ohio law.

Upon the adoption of any amendment that creates or abolishes an office or offices or changes the powers or duties of any officer or department of the Village, the Council shall make necessary correlative changes in existing sections that refer to such offices, officers, or departments by deleting therefrom, as the case may be, the name of the office created or the title of the officer or department then having such powers or duties.

SECTION 2. The proposed amendment to Charter of the Village of Richfield to add new Section 19.14 shall be placed before the qualified electors of the Village of Richfield for their approval on the ballot of the November 3, 2020 election.

SECTION 3. The Council of the Village of Richfield requests the following ballot language:

“Shall the Charter of the Village of Richfield be amended to add new Section 19.14 to provide Council with the authority to make typographical and non-substantive corrections to the Charter?”

YES ____

NO ____

SECTION 4. The Clerk of Council of the Village of Richfield shall certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections of Summit County, along with a copy of the proposed ballot language by no later than September 4, 2020, as required by law.

SECTION 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council 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 of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 6. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare and for the

further reason that it is immediately necessary to meet the deadline to have the proposed amendments presented to the Village electors; wherefore, provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of Council elected or appointed, it shall take effect immediately upon its passage and execution by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.


PASSED: 8-18-2020



President of Council

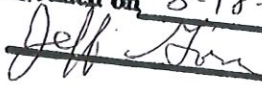


Mayor

ATTEST:


Clerk of Council

Dated: August 19, 2020

Jeff
Gorman Clerk of Council of the Village
of Richfield, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing
is a true and correct copy of Res. 54-2020
adopted by the Council on 8-18-2020


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