

RESOLUTION NO. R-10-25

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STATE ISSUE 2 RENEWAL OF THE STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM ON THE MAY 6, 2025 STATEWIDE BALLOT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) is a state-local government partnership program that funds local infrastructure projects in communities across Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the program has, for nearly 40 years, provided over \$7 billion for improvements to keep Ohio's roads and bridges safe and in good condition for residents, first responders, and all motorists traveling on Ohio roadways, and to improve local wastewater treatment, water supply, and stormwater infrastructure in all 88 Ohio counties; and

WHEREAS, the SCIP provides essential grants, loans, and loan assistance to local governments, including townships; and

WHEREAS, the renewal of the SCIP will not raise taxes for Ohioans and the renewal is critical to prevent a gap in infrastructure investment, as the current authorization is set to sunset July 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, funding for the State Capital Improvement Program relies on an amendment to Ohio's Constitution about every ten years, and has been overwhelmingly approved by voters three times since its creation in 1987; and

WHEREAS, the City of Avon has benefitted from SCIP, receiving millions of dollars in grant funds for all types of public infrastructure projects, which have significantly improved the quality of life and safety for City residents; and

WHEREAS, infrastructure investment encourages economic development, creates and maintains business contributes to public health and safety, creates construction jobs and helps keep Ohio competitive, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON, LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO:

Section 1 – That the Mayor of the City of Avon and Avon City Council joins the Strong Ohio Communities Coalition in support of State Issue 2 and urges a YES vote on Issue 2 on May 6, 2025.

Section 2 – That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council of the City of Avon concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council of the City of Avon and that all deliberations of this City's Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3 – That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Avon, the immediate emergency being the City of Avon joining the Strong Ohio Communities Coalition in support of State Issue 2 and urging a YES vote on Issue 2 on May 6, 2025; therefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____ DATE SIGNED: _____

By: _____
Brian Fischer, Council President

DATE APPROVED BY THE MAYOR: _____

Bryan K. Jensen, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

John A. Gasior, Law Director

ATTEST:

Barbara Brooks, Clerk of Council

POSTED: _____
Electronically and at City Hall as
Provided by Council

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