



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
Monday, December 30, 2024 at 5:30 PM

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**
5. **PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES**
 - A. Ordinance 2024-O-15 AN ORDINANCE TO PROCEED TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19 AND SUBSECTION 5705.19(JJ), AS AMENDED, FOR ALL PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS 5705.19(I) AND (J) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, WHICH LEVY SHALL BE TWO AND TWO TENTHS (2.2) MILLS AND SHALL RUN FOR A CONTINUING PERIOD OF TIME PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19, AND DECLARING THAT THE QUESTION OF THE ADDITIONAL TAX LEVY BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD MAY 6, 2025. (Harding)
6. **INTRODUCTIONS OF ORDINANCES**
7. **OLD BUSINESS**
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
9. **CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS**
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

File Attachments for Item:

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**NOTICE
OF
PUBLIC HEARING**



**City Council
Public Hearing**

Monday December 30, 2024 5:30 pm
City Council Chambers 15 E. Franklin Street

**There will be an open Public Hearing by the Bellbrook
City Council regarding Ordinance No.2024-O-15**

A Public Hearing will be held by Bellbrook City Council, regarding Ordinance No2024-O-15

Ordinance 2024-O-15 AN ORDINANCE TO PROCEED TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19 AND SUBSECTION 5705.19(JJ), AS AMENDED, FOR ALL PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS 5705.19(I) AND (J) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, WHICH LEVY SHALL BE TWO AND TWO TENTHS (2.2) MILLS AND SHALL RUN FOR A CONTINUING PERIOD OF TIME PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19, AND DECLARING THAT THE QUESTION OF THE ADDITIONAL TAX LEVY BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD MAY 6, 2025

Monday December 30, 2024 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers 15 E. Franklin Street.
The public is welcome to attend or send comments to the Clerk of Council at clerk@cityofbellbrook.org. A copy of the Ordinance is attached.

Agenda and additional meeting information available at www.cityofbellbrook.org

Posted 12/23/2024

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

Item A. Section 5, Item

Ordinance No. 2024-O-15

December 30, 2024

City of Bellbrook State of Ohio

Ordinance No. 2024-O-15

AN ORDINANCE TO PROCEED TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19 AND SUBSECTION 5705.19(JJ), AS AMENDED, FOR ALL PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTIONS 5705.19(I) AND (J) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, WHICH LEVY SHALL BE TWO AND TWO TENTHS (2.2) MILLS AND SHALL RUN FOR A CONTINUING PERIOD OF TIME PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19, AND DECLARING THAT THE QUESTION OF THE ADDITIONAL TAX LEVY BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD MAY 6, 2025.

WHEREAS, City Staff have carefully reviewed the status of the City's funds and projected expenses and have determined that there is a need for additional funding, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(JJ), for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of related costs, and/or for providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, other equipment, buildings, and sites for such buildings used directly in the operation of the police department, for the payment of salaries of permanent or part-time police, communications, or administrative personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel pursuant to section 145.48 or 742.33 of the Revised Code, for the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, or for the payment of other related costs, upon the entire territory of the City of Bellbrook, at a rate not exceeding Two and Two Tenths (2.2) Mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$77.00 for each \$100,000.00 of the county auditor's appraised value, for a continuing period of time; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City's residents, and their health, safety, and welfare, that the City has adequate funding for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, City Staff have recommended that the City seek additional funding in the form of a tax levy, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(JJ), for the purposes described in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(I) and (J); and

WHEREAS, after considering the recommendations of City Staff, this Council heretofore determined the necessity of levying an additional tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of the City and for the purposes described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, TWO-THIRDS OF ALL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLBROOK CONCUR AND HEREBY ORDAINS:

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Item A. Section 5, Item

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Section 1. Council has received certification issued by the County Auditor for Greene County, Ohio, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03, as amended.

Section 2. The amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the City of Bellbrook.

Section 3. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(JJ), as amended, it is necessary to levy an additional tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation, for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of related costs, and/or for providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, other equipment, buildings, and sites for such buildings used directly in the operation of the police department, for the payment of salaries of permanent or part-time police, communications, or administrative personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel pursuant to section 145.48 or 742.33 of the Revised Code, for the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, or for the payment of other related costs, upon the entire territory of the City of Bellbrook, at a rate not exceeding Two and Two Tenths (2.2) Mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$77.00 for each \$100,000.00 of the county auditor's appraised value, for a continuing period of time.

Section 4. The City of Bellbrook will proceed with the submission of the question of the additional tax to the electors. Said levy shall be submitted to the electors of this City at the election to be held on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, and at the regular place or places of voting within this City as established by the Board of Elections of Greene County, Ohio during the election hours established by state law or by said Board of Elections.

Section 5. This ballot measure shall be submitted to voters in the entire territory of the City of Bellbrook, and the entire territory of the City of Bellbrook is located within Greene County, Ohio.

Section 6. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

PROPOSED ADDITIONAL TAX LEVY

CITY OF BELLBROOK, OHIO

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage

An additional tax for the benefit of the City of Bellbrook, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(JJ), as amended, for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm

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communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of related costs, and/or for providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, other equipment, buildings, and sites for such buildings used directly in the operation of the police department, for the payment of salaries of permanent or part-time police, communications, or administrative personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel pursuant to section 145.48 or 742.33 of the Revised Code, for the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, or for the payment of other related costs, at a rate not to exceed two and two tenths (2.2) mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$77.00 for each \$100,000.00 of the county auditor's appraised value, for a continuing period of time, beginning in the year 2025 and first due and collectable in the calendar year 2025.

	FOR THE TAX
	AGAINST THE TAX

Section 7. Said levy shall be placed upon the tax list and duplicate of the then current year of 2025 (the proceeds of which levy first would be available for collection in the calendar year of 2025), if a majority of the qualified electors of this City voting thereon vote in favor thereof.

Section 8. The Clerk of Council is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Ordinance, together with a copy of the county auditor's certification(s) and the Resolution adopted by the City of Bellbrook pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.03(B)(1), to the Board of Elections of Greene County, Ohio, not later than four o'clock (4:00) p.m. on the ninetieth (90th) day before the date of said election and to request that the Board of Elections of Greene County, Ohio, cause notice of the election on the question of levying this additional tax to be given as required by law.

Section 9. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including, but not limited to Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 10. This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

PASSED BY City Council this 30th day of December 2024.

____ Yeas; ____ Nays.

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December 30, 2024

AUTHENTICATION:

Michael W. Schweller, Mayor

Robert Schommer, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Stephen McHugh, Municipal Attorney

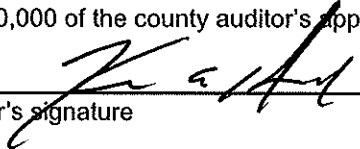
Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue

Use this form when a taxing authority certifies a millage rate and requests the revenue produced by that rate.

DTE 140R
Rev. 12/22
R.C. 5705.01, 5705.03

The county auditor of Greene County, Ohio, does hereby certify the following:

- On December 23, 2024, the taxing authority of the Bellbrook City (political subdivision name) certified a copy of its resolution or ordinance adopted December 26, 2024 requesting the county auditor to certify the current taxable value of the subdivision and the amount of revenue that would be produced by (2.200) mills, to levy a tax outside the 10-mill limitation for purposes pursuant to Revised Code § 5705.19(JJ) to be placed on the ballot at the May 6, 2025, election. The levy type is an additional levy
- The property tax revenue that will be produced by the stated millage, assuming the taxable value of the subdivision remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be \$ 610,000
- The total taxable value of the subdivision used in calculating the estimated property tax revenue is \$ 377,362,950
- The millage for the requested levy is (2.200) mills per \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$ 77 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value.


Auditor's signature

12/26/24
Date

Instructions

- "Total taxable value" includes the taxable value of all real property in the subdivision as indicated on the tax list most recently certified for collection and estimates of the taxable value of public utility personal property for the first year the levy will be collected as set forth on the worksheets prescribed in conjunction with this form. If the subdivision is located in more than one county, the home county auditor (where the greatest taxable value of the subdivision is located) shall obtain the assistance of the other county auditors to establish the total tax valuation of the subdivision.
- For purposes of this certification, "subdivision" includes any agency, board, commission or other authority authorized to request a taxing authority to submit a tax levy on its behalf. See R.C. 5705.01(A) & (C).
- "Levy type" includes the following: (1) additional, (2) renewal, (3) renewal with an increase, (4) renewal with a decrease, (5) replacement, (6) replacement with an increase and (7) replacement with a decrease levies.
- In completing Lines 1 and 4 of this form, mills should be identified in whole numbers, i.e., 5 mills, rather than as a fraction of a dollar, i.e., \$0.005. This expression is consistent with the prior practice of identifying mills in whole numbers per \$1 of valuation.
- "The county auditor's appraised value" means the true value in money of real property. R.C. 5705.01(P).
- For any levy or portion of a levy, an estimate of the levy's annual collections, rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, which shall be calculated assuming that the amount of the tax list of the taxing authority remains throughout the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list for the current year, and if this is not determined, the estimated amount submitted by the auditor to the county budget commission. R.C. 5705.03(B).
- Please file this certificate with the subdivision as soon as possible, so the taxing authority can pass a resolution to proceed not later than 90 days before the election.

RECORD OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2024-R-27

December 23, 2024

City of Bellbrook
State of Ohio

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Resolution No. 2024-R-27

GREENE COUNTY AUDITOR

DETERMINING IT NECESSARY TO PROCEED WITH SUBMITTING THE QUESTION OF LEVYING AN ADDITIONAL TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19 AND SUBSECTION 5705.19(JJ), AS AMENDED, WHICH LEVY SHALL BE TWO AND TWO TENTHS (2.2) MILLS AND SHALL RUN FOR A CONTINUING PERIOD OF TIME PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 5705.19, AND REQUESTING THE COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the Bellbrook City Council finds that an additional tax levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation is required for the benefit of the City, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(JJ), for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of related costs, or for providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, other equipment, buildings, and sites for such buildings used directly in the operation of the police department, for the payment of salaries of permanent or part-time police, communications, or administrative personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel pursuant to section 145.48 or 742.33 of the Revised Code, for the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, or for the payment of other related costs, at a rate not to exceed two and two tenths (2.2) mills for each \$1 of taxable valuation, which amounts to twenty-two cents (\$0.22) for each \$100 of the taxable property within the City of Bellbrook, County of Greene, State of Ohio, for a continuing period of time, pursuant to Section 5705.19 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, this Council is required to certify to the Greene County Auditor a Resolution requesting the County Auditor to certify certain matters in connection with such a tax levy.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BELLBROOK HEREBY RESOLVES:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 5705.19 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Bellbrook City Council determines it necessary that an additional tax be levied in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of this City, for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time,

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or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of related costs, or for providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, other equipment, buildings, and sites for such buildings used directly in the operation of the police department, for the payment of salaries of permanent or part-time police, communications, or administrative personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel pursuant to section 145.48 or 742.33 of the Revised Code, for the provision of ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police department, or for the payment of other related costs, at a rate not to exceed two and two tenths (2.2) mills for each \$1 of taxable valuation, which amounts to twenty-two cents (\$0.22) for each \$100 of the taxable property within the City of Bellbrook, County of Greene, State of Ohio, for a continuing period of time.

Section 2. The territory of the City of Bellbrook is located entirely within Greene County, Ohio. The tax is to be levied on the ballot measure submitted to the entire territory of the City of Bellbrook.

Section 3. Council seeks to have the question of the passage of the tax levy submitted to the electors of the City of Bellbrook at an election to be held on May 6, 2025. If approved by the electors, the tax levy shall first be placed upon the 2025 tax list and duplicate, for first collection in calendar year 2025.

Section 4. Pursuant to Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Greene County Auditor is hereby requested to certify to this Council, within ten (10) days after receiving this Resolution, the total current tax valuation of the City and the dollar amount of the revenue that would be generated by the number of mills specified in Section I above, and the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to certify forthwith a copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor at the earliest possible time so that the County Auditor may certify such matters in accordance with said Section 5705.03 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 5. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the City Council 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 such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including §121.22 of the Revised Code of the State of Ohio.

Section 6. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force forthwith.

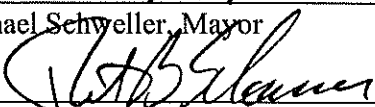
PASSED BY City Council this 23rd day of December, 2024.

7 Yeas; 0 Nays.

AUTHENTICATION:



Michael Schweller, Mayor



Robert Schommer, Clerk of Council

Single Additional Levy

Assessed Value	277,362,950
Effective Tax Rate	2.2
Estimated Revenue	610,198.49
Rounded Revenue	610000
Appraised Value	100,000
Assessment Ration	35%
Assessed Value	35,000
Effective Tax rate	2.2
Estimated Annual Cost	77

Item A. Section 5, Item	Assessed Valuation					Tax Rate Information											
	Subdivision/Levy	Cost per \$100K Appraised AG/RES	Agricultural and Residential	Commercial and Industrial	Public Utility Personal Property	Total	Inside Millage	Voted Millage	Effective Tax Rate AG/RES	Effective Tax Rate COM/IND	Date of Vote	Period of Levy	# of Years	Purpose	Authorized Rate	Effective Levy Year	Quality for Rollbacks
General Inside		82.69	257,231,120	13,571,040	6,560,790	277,362,950	2.70		2.700000	2.700000	n/a	n/a	n/a		2.70	n/a	Y
Age Pension Inside		9.19	257,231,120	13,571,040	6,560,790	277,362,950	0.30		0.300000	0.300000	n/a	n/a	n/a		0.30	n/a	Y
General Inside		24.82	257,231,120	13,571,040	6,560,790	277,362,950		1.30	0.820993	1.089533	11/2/2021	2022-2026	5		1.30	2007	Y
Levy Expense		74.20	257,231,120	13,571,040	6,560,790	277,362,950		3.90	2.422906	3.208600	11/7/2006	2006-CONT	CONT		3.90	2006	Y
CE		44.23	257,231,120	13,571,040	6,560,790	277,362,950		2.90	1.841352	2.385382	11/8/2011	2011-CONT	CONT		2.90	2011	Y
CE		60.16	257,231,120	13,571,040	6,560,790	277,362,950		3.90	1.444235	1.996683	11/4/2003	2003-CONT	CONT		2.50	2003	Y
CE		38.69	257,231,120	13,571,040	6,560,790	277,362,950		2.00	1.964539	2.381098	11/3/1998	1998-CONT	CONT		3.90	1998	Y
1.75		41.66	257,231,120	13,571,040	6,560,790	277,362,950		1.75	1.190308	1.439757	5/8/2018	2018-CONT	CONT		2.00	2009	Y
1.75		41.66	257,231,120	13,571,040	6,560,790	277,362,950		1.75	1.190308	1.439757	5/8/2018	2018-CONT	CONT		2.00	2009	Y