

**ISSUE SYNOPSIS  
SUMMIT COUNTY**

**GENERAL ELECTION – NOVEMBER 2, 2021**

**90-DAY FILING DEADLINE – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021**

**60-DAY FILING DEADLINE – FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2021**

**ISSUE**

**AKRON 4-D – Local Liquor Option** – Shall the sale of wine and mixed beverages be permitted for sale on Sunday between the hours of ten a.m. and midnight by Goga Maharaj, L.L.C., dba BP 434 an applicant for a D-6 liquor permit who is engaged in the business of operating a carry-out/grocery store at 1609 Copley Road, Akron, Ohio 44320, in this precinct?

**CUYAHOGA FALLS 8-F – Local Liquor Option** – Shall the sale of beer, wine and mixed beverages and spirituous liquor be permitted for sale on Sunday between the hours of ten a.m. and midnight by Vinifera CF LLC DBA Vinifera wine bar an applicant for a D-6 liquor permit, holder of a D-1, D-2, and D-3 liquor permit who is engaged in the business of a bar and grill at 3236 State Rd, Unit A and patio, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223, in this precinct?

**STOW – Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Section 4.08, Regular Meetings, of the Charter for the City of Stow be amended to read as follows:

**SECTION 4.08 REGULAR MEETINGS.**

At ~~8:00~~ 7:00 p.m. on the first regular working day of January of each year, Council shall convene and organize at the Council chambers of the Municipality. The Mayor, or one appointed by the Mayor, shall preside as temporary chairperson only until the President of Council is elected.

Thereafter, Council shall meet at such times as may be prescribed by its rules, regulations, by-laws, or by resolution or ordinance, except that it shall hold regular meetings at least once during each calendar month.

All regular meetings of Council shall be held ~~at the Council Chambers~~ within the City of Stow, and all meetings of Council, except executive sessions held pursuant to Ohio Law, shall be open to the public.

**STOW – Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Section 4.09, Special Meetings, of the Charter for the City of Stow be amended to read as follows:

SECTION 4.09 SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Special meetings of Council may be called as provided by its rules, regulations, by-laws, or by resolution or ordinance. In the absence of any such provisions, special meetings may be called by a vote of Council taken at any regular or special meeting thereof, or shall be called by the Clerk of Council upon the written request of the Mayor, or the President of Council, or any 4 members of Council.

The following items shall not be subject to final legislative action, third and final reading, or suspension of the rules requiring three readings, in a special meeting.

- (a) Items which under the terms and provisions of either the Charter of the City of Stow or the Codified Ordinances of Stow are subject to referendum.
- (b) Items which under the terms and provisions of either the Charter of the City of Stow or the Codified Ordinances of Stow are subject to a mandatory public hearing.
- (c) Items which under the terms and provisions of either the Charter of the City of Stow or the Codified Ordinances of Stow are subject to a discretionary public hearing.
- (d) Legislation which, by virtue of Section 4.14, Charter, is not subject to emergency.
- (e) Compensation of any public official, appointed or elected, or any municipal employee.
- (f) Items pertaining to elections.
- ~~(g) There shall be no more than 6 special meetings called in any one calendar year.~~

Notice, in writing, of each such special meeting called at the request of the Mayor, President of Council, or 4 members of Council, shall state the date, location and time, and subject or subjects to be considered, and no other subject or subjects shall be considered thereat. Such written notice shall be served by the Clerk of Council or President of Council, upon the Mayor ~~President of Council~~ and each member of Council, either personally or by electronic mail sent to the electronic mail address on file with the Clerk of Council at his or her usual place of residence, not less than 72 hours preceding the time for the meeting. In the event that a special meeting is called by a vote of Council taken at any regular or special meeting from which any member of Council is absent, written notice of such special meeting shall be given such absentee in the manner and form hereinbefore provided.

Service of such notice may be waived by an instrument in writing signed prior to the hour of such meeting, and the Mayor and any councilperson shall be deemed conclusively to have waived such notice by his/her attendance at any such meeting. All special meetings of Council shall be held within the City of Stow ~~at the Council chambers~~ and shall be open to the public.

**STOW 4-D – Local Liquor Option** – Shall the sale of beer, wine and mixed beverages, spirituous liquor be permitted by Garretts Mill Diner LLC an applicant for a D-5 liquor permit who is engaged in the business of a diner and bar at 4226 Hudson Drive, Stow, Ohio, 44224, in this precinct?

**STOW 4-D – Local Liquor Option** – Shall the sale of beer, wine and mixed beverages, spirituous liquor be permitted for sale on Sunday between the hours of ten a.m. and midnight by Garretts Mill Diner LLC an applicant for a D-6 liquor permit who is engaged in the business of a diner and bar at 4226 Hudson Drive, Stow, Ohio, 44224, in this precinct?

**TALLMADGE – Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Section 3.04 A and Section 4.06 be amended to eliminate a temporary absence from the City as a basis for the President of Council temporarily performing the duties of Mayor and the Vice President of Council temporarily performing the duties of the President of Council?

**TALLMADGE – Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Sections 3.04 B, 5.04, and 7.04 be amended to require that if a person vacating the position of Mayor, Director of Finance, or Director of Law was not a member of a political party, the replacement shall be chosen by the committee listed on the nominating petitions by the candidate, within thirty (30) days, and if the person did not designate a committee, Council shall fill the vacancy within fourteen (14) days?

**TALLMADGE – Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Sections 11.01, 12.01 and 13.01 be amended to provide that the Mayor may appoint one (1) alternate to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, and Heritage Commission (proposed name change to Architectural Review Board)?

**TALLMADGE – Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Sections 11.02, 12.02 and 13.01 be amended to provide that the alternate may vote only in the absence of a member for any reason, or if a member has a conflict of interest?

**TALLMADGE – Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Articles X and XIII be amended to change the name of the Heritage Commission to Architectural Review Board?

**TALLMADGE** – **Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Section 13.01 be amended to provide there shall be an Architectural Review Board, which shall consist of five (5) members, and may consist of one (1) alternate, appointed by the Mayor for staggered four (4) year terms. The persons appointed to the Board shall be chosen on the basis of their training, education, and experience in matters relating to the appearance and use of buildings and land. At least three (3) members shall be residents of the City as shall be the alternate if one is appointed. The alternate may vote only in the absence of a member for any reason, or if a member has a conflict of interest?

**TALLMADGE** – **Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Section 13.02 be amended to provide that the Architectural Review Board shall have the powers and duties provided by ordinance, or as those powers and duties may be changed by ordinance, relating to the maintenance, safeguarding and enhancement of the distinctive architectural and/or historic character of Overlay Districts within the City to protect and preserve property, promote the stability of property values and protect real estate from impairment or destruction of value?

**TALLMADGE** – **Proposed Charter Amendment** – Shall Section 18.01 be amended to provide that the next Charter Review Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with approval of City Council in November 2030 and every ten years thereafter?

**BOSTON HEIGHTS VILLAGE** – **Proposed Tax Levy (Renewal)** – A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Boston Heights Village for the purpose of **general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges** at a rate not exceeding 2.75 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 27.5 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

**CLINTON VILLAGE – Proposed Tax Levy (Replacement and Increase) –**

A replacement of 3.75 mills of an existing levy and an increase of 4.5 mills, to constitute a tax for the benefit of Clinton Village for the purpose of **the provision and maintenance of 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 other related costs** at a rate not exceeding 8.25 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 82.5 cents for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

**BATH TOWNSHIP – Proposed Tax Levy (Renewal & Increase) –** A renewal of 1.4 mills and an increase of 0.6 mill to constitute a tax for the benefit of Bath Township for the purpose of **general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and repair of streets, roads and bridges of the Bath Township Service Department** at a rate not exceeding 2 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 20 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

**COPLEY TOWNSHIP – Proposed Tax Levy (Replacement) –** A replacement of a tax for the benefit of Copley Township for the purpose of **providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, other equipment, buildings, and sites for such buildings used directly in the operation of a police department, for the payment of salaries of permanent or part-time police officers, communications or administrative personnel to operate the same, including the payment of employer contributions required for such personnel under Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.19(J), 5705.192, 145.48, 742.33** at a rate not exceeding 3.5 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 35 cents for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for a continuing period of time, commencing in 2021, first due in calendar year 2022.

**COPLEY TOWNSHIP J – Local Liquor Option –** Shall the sale of beer, wine and mixed beverages and spirituous liquor be permitted for sale on Sunday between the hours of ten a.m. and midnight by Firehouse Tavern Too LLC DBA Firehouse Tavern an applicant for a D-6 liquor permit, holder of a D-1, D-2, and D-3 liquor permit who is engaged in the business of a restaurant and bar at 1442 S. Cleveland-Massillon Rd and Patio, Copley, Ohio 44321, in this precinct?

**COVENTRY TOWNSHIP – Proposed Tax Levy (Replacement & Increase)** – A replacement of 4 mills of an existing levy and an increase of 1 mill, to constitute a tax for the benefit of Coventry Township for the purpose of providing **policing services** at a rate not exceeding 5 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 50 cents for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

**COVENTRY TOWNSHIP – Proposed Tax Levy (Replacement)** – A replacement of a tax for the benefit of Coventry Township for the purpose of **road improvement** at a rate not exceeding 2.5 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 25 cents for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

**COVENTRY TOWNSHIP – Proposed Tax Levy (Replacement & Increase)** – A replacement of 2.25 mills of an existing levy and an increase of 1 mill, to constitute a tax for the benefit of Coventry Township for the purpose of **providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighters, including the payment of the firefighters employer’s contribution required under section 742.34 of the Revised Code, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by the fire department** at a rate not exceeding 3.25 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 32.5 cents for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

**SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP – Proposed Tax Levy (Renewal)** – A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Springfield Township for the purpose of **providing fire protection, providing and maintaining fire apparatus, equipment, buildings or sites, therefor, or the payment of permanent, part-time, volunteer firefighters, or other authorized agencies to operate the same, or to purchase ambulance equipment, or to provide ambulance or emergency medical services operated by the Springfield Township Fire Department** at a rate not exceeding 2 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 20 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2021, first due in calendar year 2022.

**AURORA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (PORTAGE AND SUMMIT COUNTIES) – Proposed Tax Levy (Renewal)** – A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Aurora City School District for the purpose of current expenses at a rate not exceeding 7.33 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 73.3 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

**CUYAHOGA FALLS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT – Proposed Tax Levy (Renewal)** – A renewal of a tax for the benefit of the Cuyahoga Falls City School District for the purpose of **current expenses** at a rate not exceeding 9.97 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 99.7 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2021, first due in calendar year 2022.

**NORTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT – Proposed Tax Levy (Renewal)** – A renewal of a tax for the benefit of the Norton City School District for the purpose of **general permanent improvements** at a rate not exceeding 3 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 30 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

**MAPLEWOOD CAREER CENTER (MAPLEWOOD JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT) (PORTAGE AND SUMMIT COUNTIES) – Proposed Tax Levy (Renewal)** – A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Maplewood Career Center (Maplewood Joint Vocational School District) for the purpose of current expenses at a rate not exceeding 3 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 30 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for 10 years, commencing in 2022, first due in calendar year 2023.

**PORTAGE COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARY (PORTAGE AND SUMMIT COUNTIES) – Proposed Tax Levy (Additional)** – An additional tax for the benefit of Portage County District Library for the purpose of current expenses at a rate not exceeding 1 mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 10 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for 10 years, commencing in 2021, first due in calendar year 2022.

**VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT – Proposed Tax Levy (Replacement)** – A replacement of a tax for the benefit of the Valley Fire District 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 other related costs**, at a rate not exceeding 2.5 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 25 cents for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for 5 years, commencing in 2021, first due in calendar year 2022.