

CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 034-26

BEING AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE STREET AND PUBLIC PLACES OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO BY LIGHTING OF THE SAME IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION NO. 2637-26 AND ORDINANCE NO. 033-26 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, this Council did on **June 1, 2026**, adopt **Resolution No. 2637-26** declaring it necessary to improve certain streets and public places in the City of Bedford by lighting of same and to assess the costs thereof against the lots and lands bounding and abutting upon the improvement, and

WHEREAS, after due legal notice on the City's website of the proposed improvement and the estimated assessments against the various properties, the Council passed **Ordinance No. 033-26** on **June 1, 2026**, determining to proceed with said lighting improvement, and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has certified to this Council that the amount properly assessable against the benefiting property for lighting same with electricity in accordance with **Resolution No. 2637-26** and **Ordinance No. 033-26** by the method provided for therein is at the rate of:

1.60 mills per each dollar of tax value per year, or

1.60 cents per each one hundred dollars of such tax value per year

for the tax year of **2026** to be collected in the year **2025**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Bedford, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio:

Section 1. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 727 that the cost and expense of improving certain lots and lands in the City of Bedford, Ohio, by lighting of the same with electricity in accordance with **Resolution No. 2637-26** and **Ordinance No. 033-26** as certified by the City Manager, be and the same is hereby adopted and confirmed, and that there be, and are hereby levied and assessed upon the lots and lands bounding and abutting upon said improvement as set forth in **Ordinance No. 033-26** and between the termini therein set forth, and amount equal to

1.60 mills per dollar of tax value per year, or

1.60 cents per each one hundred dollars of such tax value per year,

for the tax year **2026** which assessments of the description of said lots and lands are now on file in the office of the Director of Finance of this City, and which assessments are not in excess of the special benefits to said property and are not in excess of any statutory limitation.

Section 2. That the total assessment against each lot or parcel of land shall be payable in cash within thirty (30) days from and after the passage of this Ordinance or at the option of the

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owner in one annual installment. All cash payments shall be made to the Director of Finance of said City. All assessments and installments thereof remaining unpaid at the expiration of said thirty (30) days shall be certified by the Director of Finance of this City to the County Auditor of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as provided by law to be placed by him on the tax duplicate and collected as other taxes are collected.

Section 3. That the remainder of the entire cost of said improvements not especially assessed, including the cost of intersections, shall be paid out of the General Fund.

Section 4. This Ordinance is hereby determined to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City of Bedford, Ohio, and for the further reason that it is necessary to make this Ordinance effective as soon as possible so that there may be time for the cash payment period and for the delivery of said assessments to the County Auditor for assessment on the 2026 tax duplicate.

WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage.

1st Rdg: 5/4/26
2nd Rdg.: 5/18/26

Stanley C. Koci, Mayor-President of Council

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