

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-16

SUPPORTING ISSUE 6 AND 7 REGARDING THE TWO PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
CHARTER FOR THE CITY OF MASON

WHEREAS, Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Mason for the Mason Charter provisions regarding the filing deadline for nominations for members of Council to conform with the state law filing deadline and to assist in the timely ballot preparation for overseas and military voters; and

WHEREAS, Council and various committees of Council have gone through an extensive process of research, debate, and careful considering of varying well-considered viewpoints; and

WHEREAS, mindful of several alternatives presented, Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Mason to create a new section of the City of Mason Charter regarding funding of safety, fire and EMS services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed safety, fire and EMS services Charter amendment restricts Council from raising tax rates and allows Council to lower tax rates; and

WHEREAS, Council has stated that it does not want to increase, but to retain the same real estate tax rate as exists now for its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, seven members elected thereto concurring:

Section 1. That the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, hereby supports approval of Issue 6 and Issue 7 to be placed before voters at the November 6, 2012, election.

Section 2. That the Council of the City of Mason urges all citizens of the City of Mason to support Issue 6 and Issue 7 regarding the two proposed amendments to the Charter of the City of Mason.

Section 3. That all citizens are urged to express their support to Issue 6 and Issue 7 regarding the two proposed amendments to the Charter of the City of Mason and seek friends and neighbors who will join them in supporting the two Charter amendments.

Section 4. That Council, upon adoption of Issue 7, will use the unique mechanism it provides and commit to take action at the next opportunity in 2013 to reduce property tax millage in amounts equivalent to receipt of outside grant dollars.

Section 5. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 10th day of September, 2012.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council

