

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-39

**AN ORDINANCE LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF
STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE, OHIO BY SUPPLYING SAID STREETS
WITH ELECTRIC STREET LIGHTING; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance has prepared and filed with the Clerk of Council estimates setting forth the amount to be assessed against each parcel of land within the City of Wickliffe for the purpose of improving the streets of said city by supplying the same with electric street lighting; and

WHEREAS, Council has determined that the improvement is in the best interest of the health, safety, and convenience of the residents of the City of Wickliffe.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE,
COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO:**

SECTION 1. That the estimated assessment of the cost and expense of improving all of the streets within the corporate limits of the City of Wickliffe by electric street lighting in the amount of Four Hundred Eighty Seven Thousand, Eight Hundred Thirty Three Dollars and Fifty Eight Cents (\$487,833.58) and as reported to this Council on the 8th day of September 2025 by the Director of Finance and now on file in the office of the Clerk of Council, be and the same is hereby adopted and confirmed, and that there be and are hereby levied and assessed upon all the lots and lands in the City of Wickliffe the several amounts as aforesaid, which assessments are proportioned to the special benefits and are not in excess of any statutory limitation.

SECTION 2. That this Council hereby finds and determines that the assessments as now on file in the office of the Clerk are in the same proportion to the estimated assessments as originally filed as the actual cost of the above described improvement is to the estimated cost of the improvement as originally filed.

SECTION 3. That the assessment against each lot or parcel of land shall be payable with the general taxes and collected against each of the parcels so assessed. All assessments and installments thereof shall be certified by the Clerk of Council to the County Auditor, as provided by law, to be placed on the tax duplicate and collected as other taxes are collected.

SECTION 4. That the Clerk of Council shall cause a notice of passage of this ordinance to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in this City, published on the city website, and to continue on file in the office of the Clerk.

SECTION 5. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to deliver a certified copy of this ordinance to the County Auditor within twenty (20) days after its passage.

SECTION 6. That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such 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 7. That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of said city, and for the further reason that the levying of assessments is necessary in order to pay for the cost of providing street lighting for all of the streets in the corporate limits of the City of Wickliffe, Ohio; wherefore, this ordinance, provided it receives an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to Council, shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: September 8th, 2025, 2025

Attest: September 8th, 2025
Clerk of Council

Submitted to the Mayor for approval on
September 8th, 2025, 2025

First Reading suspended
Second Reading suspended
Third Reading September 8th, 2025

Edwin A. Lewis
Council President – Presiding Officer

Approved: September 8th, 2025

September 8th
Mayor
Passed September 8th
Yes 7 No 0