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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF FLUSHING GENESEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01 HARDSHIP DEFERMENTS.

AN ORDINANCE WHICH, ONCE PROPERLY ADOPTED BY THE FLUSHING TOWNSHIP BOARD WILL AUTHORIZE THE ASSESSOR TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR DEFERMENT OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ANNUAL PAYMENTS UP TO 20 YEARS. THIS ORDINANCE IS CREATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH M.C.L. 41.729A

- 1. A Flushing Township resident may apply, to the township assessor for a deferment of the annual installment payments due on special assessments for street and utility (water and sewer) improvements, excluding solid waste and delinquent water/and or sewer bills, on homestead properties in case of hardship, subject to the following.
- 2. The payment of special assessment installments may be deferred for owners who meet the terms and conditions of this section annually for a period not to exceed 20 years or until the property is sold or until 1 year after the owner's death; however, the death of a spouse shall not terminate deferral of an assessment on homestead property owned by a husband and wife. The gross amount of the annual special assessment installment eligible for deferment under this section shall not be less than \$300.
- 3. To receive deferment, the owner shall annually certify to a committee established by the township board on or before October 1 that his annual household income does not exceed Federal Poverty Guideline income limits for Flushing Township. People at the Federal Poverty Guideline (as amended each year) may be eligible for 100% deferment. People at the 200% Federal Poverty Guideline (as amended each year) may be eligible for a 50% deferment.
- 4. The committee will consist of the Township Assessor, Township Treasurer and two other township residents as selected by the township board.
- 5. The owner shall execute and deliver to the Township Clerk a lien in recordable form in favor of the township indicating the amount of the annual special assessment deferred, plus interest as provided in subsection (6.), and identifying the homestead.

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- 6. The payment of special assessment installments deferred under this section which are subsequently made by the owner or owner's estate shall include interest computed at the rate of .005% per month or fraction of a month.
- 7. The Township Treasurer shall not report as delinquent any special assessment installment which is deferred under this section for which a lien has been recorded in favor of the township, until such time as the term of the deferment expires as provided in division (2) above.

A hardship deferment shall not be granted by the Assessor where the owner of homestead property is eligible for a deferment of special assessment on that homestead pursuant to Public Act 225 of 1976, being M.C.L.A. §§ 211.761 *et seq*.

YES:

NO:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

THE ORDINANCE IS DECLARED: ____ ADOPTED OR ____ NOT ADOPTED

Passed and approved by the Charter Township of Flushing Board of Trustees, on the

_____ day of July, 2024.

Dated: _____

Frederick Thorsby Flushing Township Supervisor

Dated: _____

Wendy D. Meinburg Flushing Township Clerk