

RESOLUTION: 866-20

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CLERMONT COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAKE NO CHANGES TO THE FORMULA APPROVED FOR THE 2020 DISTRIBUTION OF THE UNDIVIDED LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND IN 2021 AND URGING THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ENGAGE THE TOWNSHIPS AND VILLAGES IN CLERMONT COUNTY IN MORE COMPREHENSIVE DISCUSSIONS REGARDING THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE UNDIVIDED LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND FOR FUTURE YEARS.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5747.53 authorizes adoption of an alternative method for determining the amount to be apportioned from the Undivided Local Government Fund among the various political subdivisions within a county; and.

WHEREAS, adoption of an alternative method of apportionment for the Undivided Local Government Fund requires the approval of the Board of County Commissioners, the legislative authority of the City, located wholly or partially in the County, with the greatest population, and a majority of the Boards of Township Trustees and legislative authorities of municipal corporations, located wholly or partially in the County; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5747.53 permits annual resolutions to exclude the approval otherwise required of the legislative authority of the city, located wholly or partially in the County, with the greatest population; and

WHEREAS, the impact and practical limitations associated with the COVID-19 pandemic have resulted in a lack of meaningful discussion among the county, townships, and villages regarding the 2021 distribution of the Undivided Local Government Fund; and

WHEREAS, as a result, an alternative method of apportionment has been proposed that fails to fully address the needs of the various communities in Clermont County including the Village of Williamsburg; and

WHEREAS, Village Council believes that there should be no change to formula that was approved for 2020 in light of the fact that the various impacted political subdivisions have not had an opportunity to participate in any meaningful manner regarding how funds should be distributed for 2021; and

WHEREAS, Village Council further believes that the Clermont County Board of Commissioners should facilitate meetings among the various political subdivisions in the County so that the needs of each community may be discussed and an agreement reached regarding the distribution of the Undivided Local Government Fund for future years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Williamsburg, Clermont County, Ohio, at least a majority of its members concurring:

SECTION 1. Village Council does not support the current proposed distribution of the Undivided Local Government Fund; Village Council requests that the Clermont County Board of Commissioners make no change to the previous formula that was approved for 2020.

SECTION 2. Village Council urges the Clermont County Board of Commissioners to arrange a series of meetings with representatives of the political subdivisions located within Clermont County to facilitate an agreement among the communities to develop a fairer alternative formula for the distribution of the Undivided Local Government Fund for future years.

Mary Ann Lefker, Mayor

June 11, 2020 Date Passed Michael Murray, Clerk/Treasurer