

RESOLUTION NO. 24-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD, BUCKS COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO CALL AN ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING THE ASSENT OF THE ELECTORS TO INCUR DEBT FOR THE PURPOSES OF FINANCING THE ACQUISITION OF INTERESTS IN REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL AREAS AND OPEN SPACE FOR PASSIVE RECREATIONAL PURPOSES AND BENEFITS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the preservation of environmentally sensitive areas, open space, natural resources, historic land, and the access to adequate passive recreational facilities and cultural facilities, are important aspects of the health, welfare and quality of life of present and future residents of Lower Makefield Township (“Township”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors (“Board”) of the Township has determined that it is advisable to make an increase in the debt of Lower Makefield Township in the sum of up to Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) for the purpose of financing the acquisition of interests in real property for open space, wherein no more than 30% of the said sum may be used for addressing remediation or other potential existing liabilities to said property or other specific improvements relating to the preservation of environmentally sensitive areas, natural resources, historic land, passive recreation, and cultural purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Lower Makefield Township Board of Supervisors desires to obtain the assent of the electors of Lower Makefield Township to make such increase in the debt of Lower Makefield Township; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government Unit Debt Act, Act 177 of 1996, P.L. 1158, as amended (the “Act”), requires that a governing body of a local government unit adopt a resolution

signifying such determination calling an election for the purpose of obtaining such assent, and approving the content and substantial form of the notice of election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Lower Makefield Township as follows:

1. Pursuant to Section 8041 of the Act, the Board of Supervisors of Lower Makefield Township hereby determines that it is advisable to increase the debt of the Township incurred with the consent of the electors and does hereby call an election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the purpose of obtaining the consent of the electors of the Township to the following question:

Shall debt be authorized to be incurred in the sum of up to Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) for the purpose of financing the acquisition of interests in real property for open space, wherein no more than 30% of the said sum may be used for addressing remediation or other potential existing liabilities to said property or other specific improvements relating to the preservation of environmentally sensitive areas, natural resources, historic land, passive recreation, and cultural purposes?

Yes _____ No _____

2. Notice of the election called hereby shall be given by public notice as required by Section 8042 of the Act substantially in the form of the following notice:

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP, BUCKS COUNTY:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Resolution of the Lower Makefield Township Board of Supervisors, approved July __, 2024, Lower Makefield Township will hold an election (referendum) on November 5, 2024, on the question of whether or not to incur debt in the sum of up to Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) for the purpose of financing the acquisition of interests in real property for open space, wherein no more than 30% of the said sum may be used for addressing remediation or other potential existing liabilities to said property or other

specific improvements relating to the preservation of environmentally sensitive areas, natural resources, historic land, passive recreation, and cultural purposes. The cost of each individual project cannot be determined at this time, but the total cost of such projects is not expected to exceed Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000). The question to be submitted to the voters at the election will be in the following form:

“Shall debt be authorized to be incurred in the sum of up to Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000) for the purpose of financing the acquisition of interests in real property for open space, wherein no more than 30% of the said sum may be used for addressing remediation or other potential existing liabilities to said property or other specific improvements relating to the preservation of environmentally sensitive areas, natural resources, historic land, passive recreation, and cultural purposes?”

Yes _____ No _____

3. The proper officers of the Board of Supervisors of Lower Makefield Township shall, on or before September 20, 2024, certify to the Board of Elections of Bucks County a true and correct copy of this Resolution and of the question set forth in this Resolution so that the question shall appear on the ballot as aforesaid.

4. The proper officers of the Board of Supervisors are authorized and directed to execute all other documents and to take all other action necessary or desirable to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

5. This Resolution shall become effective immediately.

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RESOLVED and ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Lower
Makefield this 17th day of July, 2024.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
LOWER MAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP**

BY: _____


JOHN B. LEWIS, Chair

ATTESTED TO:



DAVID W. KRATZER JR., Township Manager