

# THE CITY COUNCIL OF NORTH ROYALTON, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 13-28

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Stefanik, Petrusky

## A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON'S CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO POLICE AND FIRE PENSION PICK UP PLAN, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS: The eligible employees of the Fire Department participate in the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund ("OP&F"); and

WHEREAS: Council wishes to reaffirm the city's continued participation of the mandatory contributions required under §742.31 of the Ohio Revised Code for participating employees of the Fire Department who are members of the OP&F; and

WHEREAS: OP&F has adopted new employee contribution percentages beginning with the first payroll beginning after July 1, 2013 through July 2, 2015; and

WHEREAS: OP&F has adopted new procedures for reporting picked up contributions in order to properly prepare 1099-R forms for its members; and

WHEREAS: Council wishes to reaffirm, amend and restate the city's continuation of the pickup under the new procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. Effective with the adoption of this Resolution, the City of North Royalton has determined to continue to pick up all of the mandatory contributions by the employees of the Fire Department who are members of the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund through a payroll reduction as follows:

Current – July 13, 2013	10.00%
July 14, 2013 – July 12, 2014	10.75%
July 13, 2014 – July 11, 2015	11.50%
July 12, 2015 - forward	12.25%

Section 2. Said picked up contributions paid through a payroll reductions, even though designated as employee contributions for state law purposes are being paid by the City of North Royalton in lieu of said contributions by the employee.

Section 3. Said picked up contributions will not be included in the gross income of the employees for tax reporting purposes, that is, for federal or state income tax withholding taxes until distributed from the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund.

Section 4. Said picked up contributions will be included in the gross income of the employees, for employment tax purposes, as the contributions are made to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund.

Section 5. Said employees shall not be entitled to any option of choosing to receive the contributed amounts directly instead of having them paid by the City of North Royalton to the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund.

Section 6. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 7. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the city, and for the further reason that Council has determined that it is immediately necessary to reaffirm the City of North Royalton's continued participation in the Ohio Police and Fire pension pick up plan.

THEREFORE, provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

/s/ Larry Antoskiewicz  
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: /s/ Robert A. Stefanik  
MAYOR

DATE PASSED: February 19, 2013

DATE APPROVED: February 20, 2013

ATTEST: /s/ Laura J. Haller  
DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

First reading suspended  
Second reading suspended  
Third reading February 19, 2013

YEAS: Antoskiewicz, Nickell, Petrusky  
Marnecheck, Muller, Kasaris

NAYS: none

ABSENT: Willey