OSHTEMO CHARTER TOWNSHIP KALAMAZOO COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF HEARING ON ESTIMATED COST AND EXPENSES OF FIRE PROTECTION SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 AND THE AMOUNT THEREOF TO BE SPECIALLY ASSESSED

TO: Each owner, or party in interest, of property in the Oshtemo Charter Township Fire Protection Special Assessment District No. 1 and any other interested persons:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Oshtemo Charter Township Board has estimated that the cost and expenses of the maintenance and operation of the Fire Department within the Township (including capital expenditures for fire extinguishing apparatus and equipment and housing) for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2024, will be \$4,223,299.00.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Supervisor and Assessing Officer have prepared a special assessment roll in accordance with the direction of the Township Board for the purpose of raising the sum of approximately \$2,632,589.00 within the Fire Protection Special Assessment District No. 1.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Fire Protection Special Assessment District No. 1 is a Special Assessment District encompassing the lands and premises within the Township as outlined in the attached map, through an assessment of 3.75 mills (\$3.75 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation). The roll is on file with the Township Clerk at 7275 West Main Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49009. **This is a renewal of the current millage.**

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that such proposed levy, if confirmed, will be spread and become due and collected at the same time as ad valorem taxes are assessed, and levied for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2024; the levy shall commence with the December 2023 tax bills.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that in accordance with the order of the Township Board, and Michigan statute, a public hearing will be held on November 14, 2023, beginning at 7:15 p.m. for the purpose of considering the foregoing estimated costs and expenses and the spread of such special assessment levy as shown by said assessment roll. This meeting will be held in person at Oshtemo Charter Township Hall, 7275 West Main Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49009.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the appearance and protest at the hearing in the aforementioned special assessment proceedings is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that an owner, party in interest, or their agent, may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or may file their appearance or protest by letter at or before the hearing, without personal appearance.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if a special assessment is confirmed at, or

following, this public hearing, the owner, or any person having an interest in the real property specially assessed, may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within thirty (30) days of the confirmation of the special assessment roll if the special assessment was protested at the above-announced hearing.

Oshtemo Charter Township will make reasonable accommodations to allow individuals with disabilities to attend and/or participate in public hearings. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids, or other accommodations, should contact the Township by phone, or in writing, at least seven (7) days prior to the scheduled hearing date.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED TO BE PRESENT AT THE AFORESAID TIME AND PLACE FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE FOREGOING AND PRESENTING ANY OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS THERETO.

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