

RESOLUTION NO.: 2026-R32
SPONSOR: MAYOR YEARGIN
INTRODUCED: JUNE 23, 2026 **ASSIGNED TO:** _____

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF GREEN A PROPOSAL TO AMEND SECTION 4.8, OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GREEN, TO ADD EMAIL WITH READ RECEIPT AS A FORM OF NOTIFICATION FOR SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Green's Charter requires a review of the Charter's provisions every seven (7) years; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Yeargin, pursuant to the terms of the Charter, appointed a Charter Review Commission to review the Charter and recommend amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Charter requires Green City Council to submit the proposed amendments to the electors of the City of Green at the next regular municipal or Ohio General Election unless the proposed amendment is rejected by three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) vote of the members of Council; and

WHEREAS, Green City Council determines that the amendments should be submitted to the electors of the City of Green on November 3, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Commission unanimously recommended that Green City Council submit to the City electorate a proposal to amend Section 4.8 of the Charter to add email with read receipt as a form of notification for special meetings. No other changes to this section are recommended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREEN, COUNTY OF SUMMIT AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION ONE:

The Charter Review Commission has recommended that the electors of the City of Green consider a proposal that Section 4.8 of the Charter of the City of Green be amended to read as follows:

4.8 REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

Special meetings of the Council may be called as provided by its rules, regulations, by-laws, or by resolution or ordinance. In the absence of any such provisions, special meetings may be called by a vote of Council taken at any regular or special meeting thereof or shall be called by the Clerk of Council upon the written request of the Mayor or the President of Council, or by any three (3) members of Council. Notice in writing of each special meeting called at the request of the Mayor or the President of Council, or by three (3) members of Council, shall state the date and time of the meeting and subject or subjects to be considered at such meeting. No subject or subjects, other than those listed in this written notice shall be considered at such special meetings. The written notice required by this section shall be served by the Clerk of Council upon the Mayor and each Council member, either personally or **by email with read receipt** ~~by leaving a copy thereof at their usual place of residence,~~ not less than twenty-four (24) hours proceeding the time for the

meeting. In the event that a special meeting is called by a vote of Council taken at any regular or special meeting from which any Council member was absent, written notice of such special meeting shall be given such absentee in the manner provided here.

SECTION TWO:

The proposed amendments to Section 4.8 of the Charter of the City of Green shall be placed before the qualified electors of the City of Green for their approval on the ballot of the November 3, 2026 election.

SECTION THREE:

Green City Council requests the following ballot language:

“Shall Section 4.8 of the Charter of the City of Green be amended to add email with read receipt as a form of notification for special council meetings?”

_____ **FOR THE AMENDMENT**

_____ **AGAINST THE AMENDMENT**

SECTION FOUR:

The Clerk of Council of the City of Green shall certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections of Summit County, along with a copy of the proposed ballot language no later than September 4, 2026, as required by law.

SECTION FIVE:

The City of Green finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in open meeting of this Council and any deliberations of this City and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION SIX:

Council declares this to be an emergency immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Green. Provided that this legislation receives the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time allowed by law.

ADOPTED: _____, 2026

Nichole Messner, Clerk of Council

Justin Speight, Council President

APPROVED: _____, 2026

Rocco P. Yeargin, Mayor

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ENACTED EFFECTIVE: _____, 2026

ON ROLL CALL: Humphrey _____ DeVitis _____ Brandenburg _____
Meager _____ Neugebauer _____ Noble _____ Speight _____

PUBLICATION CERTIFICATION

I, Nichole Messner, Clerk of Council of the City of Green, County of Summit and State of Ohio, whose custody the original files and records of said council are required to be kept by the laws of the State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the above legislation was duly published in the *Southside Leader* on _____ and _____, 2026.

Nichole M. Messner, Clerk of Council

_____, 2026 Approved as to form and content by Lisa Carey Dean, Law Director _____