

**In the Matter of Authorizing an Exception to
the Levy Limits for Charges for the North
Shore Fire Department Pursuant to 2005
Wisconsin Act 484**

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10

WHEREAS, the Village of River Hills is a participating member of the North Shore Fire Department under the North Shore Fire Services Agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Legislature has enacted 2005 Wisconsin Act 484 on May 30, 2006, published on June 13, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Act 484 creates Section 66.0602(3)(h), Wis. Stats., which statute provides that levy limits otherwise applicable do not apply to the amount that a city or village may levy in that year to pay for charges assessed by a joint fire department to the extent that the amount levied to pay for such charges would cause the city or village to exceed the limits imposed under Section 66.0602, Wis. Stats.; and

WHEREAS, the exception to the levy limit applies only if the total charges assessed by the joint fire department for the current year increase, relative to the total charges assessed for the previous year, by a percentage that is less than or equal to the percentage change in the US Consumer Price Index for all urban customers, US city average, as determined by the US Department of Labor for the 12 months ending on August 31 of the year of the levy, plus 2%; and

WHEREAS, the exception to levy limits under Act 484 further only applies if the governing body of each city and village served by the North Shore Fire Department adopts a resolution in favor of exceeding such levy limit as may be applicable;

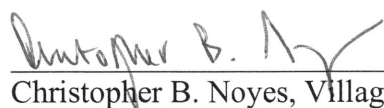
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of River Hills hereby authorizes a levy for charges assessed by the joint fire department which exceeds the limit as described and imposed by Section 66.0602, Wis. Stats., but only to the extent as authorized by Section 66.0602(3)(h)2a, Wis. Stats., and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall not be construed as authorizing the North Shore Fire Department to adopt any particular budget, but rather that the Act 484 budget formula shall be deemed a maximum limit on any budget increase which is duly adopted under all applicable procedures and requirements of the North Shore Fire Services Agreement.

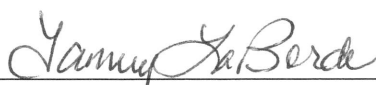
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Village Board of the Village of River Hills this 18th day of September 2024.



VILLAGE OF RIVER HILLS


Christopher B. Noyes, Village President

Countersigned:


Tammy LaBorde
Village Clerk

NORTH SHORE FIRE/RESCUE

Office of the Fire Chief

Robert Whitaker

To: NSFD Member City Council/Village Boards
Date: September 10, 2024
Subject: Resolution 24-03

Section 66.0602(3)(h) provides that levy limits otherwise applicable to municipalities under Chapter 66 of Wisconsin Statutes do not apply to the amount that a city or village may levy in that year to pay for charges assessed by a joint fire department to the extent that the amount levied to pay for such charges would cause the city or village to exceed the limits imposed under Section 66.0602, Wis. Stats.

The exemption applies if the total charges assessed by the Department for the budget year do not exceed the previous year's charges by a percentage that is less than or equal to the percentage change in the US Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers, US City Average, as determined by the US Department of Labor for the 12 months ending on August 31 of the year of the levy plus 2%. Additionally, the Statute requires that for the exemption to be applicable, the governing bodies of all the cities and villages served by the Department must adopt a resolution in favor of exceeding such levy limit.

The applicable CPI change is 3.2% (estimated), so under State Statute, the allowable increase is 5.2%. The Department's actual increase in charges is 3%.

It is my understanding that several member municipalities are interested in using the levy limit exemption for 2025. The North Shore Fire Department Board of Directors voted to recommend approval of this resolution to the seven member communities at its meeting on September 10, 2024. Enclosed is a resolution for consideration by each member municipality. It is important each community consider this resolution prior to November 15, 2024.

If approved, please forward a signed copy of your municipality's resolution.

STATE OF WISCONSIN: NORTH SHORE FIRE DEPARTMENT
MILWAUKEE COUNTY

Resolution No. 24-03

In the Matter of Recommending the Governing Bodies of the Member Municipalities of the North Shore Fire Department Pass a Resolution Allowing an Option for the Member Municipalities of the North Shore Fire Department an Exception to the Levy Limits for Charges for the North Shore Fire Department Pursuant to 2005 Wisconsin Act 484

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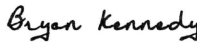
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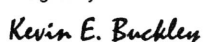
WHEREAS, the exception to levy limits under Act 484 further only applies if the governing body of each city and village served by the North Shore Fire Department adopts a resolution in favor of allowing member municipalities to have the option of exceeding such levy limit as may be applicable;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the North Shore Fire Department hereby authorizes this Resolution that recommends the member municipalities pass a resolution allowing the member municipalities the option to utilize an exception to such levy limit as may be applicable for charges assessed by the joint fire department as described by Section 66.0602, Wis. Stats., but only to the extent as authorized by Section 66.0602(3)(h), Wis. Stats., and

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the North Shore Fire Department this 10th day of September 2024.

Signed by:

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Bryan Kennedy, President

Countersigned:

Signed by:

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Kevin Buckley, Secretary