ALTERNATIVE TAX BUDGET INFORMATION

COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

Background

Substitute House Bill No. 129 (HB129) effective June 3, 2002, was enacted by the 124th General Assembly in part to allow a county budget commission to waive the requirement that a taxing authority adopt a tax budget for a political subdivision or other taxing unit, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 5705.281.

Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.281

Under the amended version of this section pursuant to HB 129, a county budget commission, by an affirmative vote of a majority of the commission, including an affirmative vote by the county auditor, may waive the tax budget for any subdivision or other taxing unit. However, the commission may require the taxing authority to provide any information needed by the commission to perform its duties, including the division of the tax rates as provided under ORC Section 5705.04.

County Budget Commission Duties

The county budget commission must still certify tax rates to each subdivision or other taxing unit, by March 1 for school districts and by September 1 for all other taxing authorities under ORC Section 5705.35, even when a tax budget is waived. Also, the commission is still required to issue an official certificate of estimated resources under ORC Section 5705.35 and amended official certificates of estimated resources under ORC Section 5705.36.

Therefore, when a budget commission is setting tax rates based on a taxing unit's need, for purposes of ORC Sections 5705.32, 5705.34, and 5705.341, its determination must be based on that other information the commission asked the taxing authority to provide under ORC Section 5705.281, when the tax budget was waived. Also, an official certificate must be based on that other information the commission asked the taxing authority to provide.

County Budget Commission Action

On October 11, 2002, during the Cuyahoga County Budget Commission meeting, the commission with an affirmative vote of all members waived the requirement for taxing authorities of subdivisions or other taxing units (Including Schools) to adopt a tax budget as provided under ORC Section 5705.281, but shall require the filing of this Alternative Tax Budget Information document on an annual basis.

Alternative Tax Budget Information Filing Deadline

For all political subdivisions excluding school districts, the fiscal officer must file one copy of this document with the County Fiscal Officer on or before July 20th. For school districts the fiscal officer must file one copy of this document with the County Fiscal Officer on or before January 20th.

GUIDELINES FOR COMPLETING THE ALTERNATIVE TAX BUDGET INFORMATION

SCHEDULE 1

The general purpose of schedule 1 is to meet the requirement of Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 5705.04 which requires the taxing authority of each subdivision to divide the taxes levied into seperate levies. For help use the schedule B issued by the budget commission for the current year and add any new levies. This will help to ensure that no levies are missed.

In column 1 list only those individual funds which are requesting general property tax revenue. In column 2 purpose refers to the following terms, inside, current expenses, and special levy for example. In column 4 levy type refers to renewal, additional, and replacement for example. In column 9 identify the amount of general property tax you wish to request.

NOTE:

The general purpose of column 9 is to demonstrate the need to produce property tax revenues to cover the estimated expenditures for the budget year. ORC Section 5705.341 states in part;

"Nothing in this section or any section of the ORC shall permit or require the levying of any rate of taxation, whether within the 10 mill limitation or whether the levy has been approved by the electors, the political subdivision or the charter of a municipal corporation in excess of such 10 mill limitation, unless such rate of taxation for the ensuing fiscal year is clearly required by a budget properly and lawfully, adopted under this chapter or by other information required per ORC 5705.281."

Property tax revenue includes real estate taxes, personal property taxes, homestead and rollback, and the personal property 10,000 exempt monies.

SCHEDULE 2

The general purpose of schedule 2 is to produce an Official Certificate of Estimated Resources for all funds. In column 3, total estimated receipts should include all revenues plus transfers in excluding property taxes and local government revenue. All taxing authorities, except school districts, must submit a list of all tax transfers.

SCHEDULE 3

The general purpose of schedule 3 is to provide inside/charter millage for debt service. The basic security for payment of general obligation debt is the requirement of the levy of ad valorem property taxes within the 10 mill limitation imposed by Ohio law. Ohio law requires a levy and collection of ad valorem property tax to pay debt service on general obligation debt as it becomes due, unless that debt service is paid from other sources.

SCHEDULE 4

The general purpose of schedule 4 is to provide for the proper amount of millage to cover debt service requirements on voted bond issues. Major capital improvement projects are sometimes financed through the use of voted bonds. The taxing authority seeks voter approval of general obligation bonds and of the levy of property taxes outside the indirect debt limitation in whatever amount is necessary to pay debt service on those bonds.

SCHEDULE 5

The general purpose of schedule 5 is to properly account for tax anticipation notes. See schedule 5 for more details.

DIVISION OF TAXES LEVIED

(Levies Inside & Outside 10 Mill Limitation, Inclusive Of Debt Levies)
(List All Levies Of The Taxing Authority)

SCHEDULE 1

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		Authorized		Number	Tax	Collection		\$ AMOUNT
		By Voters	Levy	Of Years	Year	Year	Maximum	Requested
Fund	Purpose		Туре	Levy	Begins/	Begins/	Rate	Of Budget
		MM/DD/YY		To Run	Ends	Ends	Authorized	Commission
	Outside							
General Fund	Millage		Operations	Ongoing	2024	2025	7.75 Mills	\$44,832,916
	Outside		Police					
General Fund	Millage		Pension	Ongoing	2024	2025	0.30 Mills	\$1,735,467
	Inside		Fire					
General Fund	Millage		Pension	Ongoing	2024	2025	0.05 Mills	\$289,245
	Outside		Fire					
General Fund	Millage		Pension	Ongoing	2024	2025	0.25 Mills	\$1,446,223
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	Inside		Unvoted GO					
Bond Retirement	Millage		Bond	Ongoing	2024	2025	4.35 Mills	\$25,164,282
Totals								\$73,468,132

STATEMENT OF FUND ACTIVITY

(List All Funds Individually)

SCHEDULE 2

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Fund BY Type	Beginning Estimated Unencumbered Fund Balance	Property Taxes and Local Government Revenue	Other Sources Receipts	Total Resources Available for Expenditures	Total Estimated Expenditures & Encumbrances	Ending Estimated Unencumbered Balance
General Fund	46,423,177	79,239,934	695,999,681	821,662,792	807,711,783	13,951,009
Restricted Tax	1,662,117	0	63,390,750	65,052,867	63,390,750	1,662,117
Street Construction Maintenance & Repair	1,060,224	0	43,820,775	44,880,999	44,764,435	116,564
Schools, Recreation & Cultural Activities	0	0	1,125,000	1,125,000	1,125,000	0
Stadium	23,755,904	0	14,902,000	38,657,904	17,011,429	21,646,475
Rainy Day Fund	67,599,335	0	0	67,599,335	0	67,599,335
Payroll Reserve Fund	73,000,000			73,000,000	0	73,000,000
Debt Service Fund	32,999,693	25,164,282	61,553,652	119,717,627	88,013,898	31,703,729
Sinking Fund Commission	117,743	0	1,046,340	1,164,083	1,104,804	59,279
Telephone	64,751	0	15,751,341	15,816,092	15,816,092	0
Utilities Radio Communication	1,708,595	0	4,814,377	6,522,972	5,145,732	1,377,240
Motor Vehicle Maintenance	11,478,286	0	25,291,973	36,770,259	26,848,215	9,922,044
Printing	258,552	0	2,887,752	3,146,304	3,046,064	100,239
Storeroom	51,394	0	616,518	667,912	658,288	9,624
Health Seif Insurance	15,708,143	0	103,000,001	118,708,144	110,210,000	8,498,144
Prescription Self Insurance	2,668,216	0	22,500,001	25,168,217	24,075,000	1,093,217
Utilities Administration	1,802,569	0	9,520,998	11,323,567	9,179,410	2,144,156
Utilities Fiscal Control	2,547,415	0	9,565,954	12,113,369	8,917,937	3,195,432
Water	119,188,444	0	345,819,242	465,007,686	405,366,429	59,641,257
Water Pollution Control	21,721,186	0	38,606,312	60,327,498	44,440,186	15,887,312
Cleveland Public Power	29,829,373	0	213,210,368	243,039,741	227,554,263	15,485,478
Airport Operations	101,448,839	0	185,576,385	287,025,224	196,471,930	90,553,293
Cemetery	0	0	2,225,909	2,225,909	2,225,909	0
Golf	0	0	2,747,963	2,747,963	2,747,963	0
Parking Facilities	0	0	10,095,851	10,095,851	10,095,851	0
Public Auditorium	0	0	3,513,591	3,513,591	3,513,591	0
West Side Market	0	0	2,106,716	2,106,716	2,106,716	0
Central Collection Agency	456,233	0	14,107,956	14,564,189	14,564,189	0

UNVOTED GENERAL OBLIGATION DEBT

(Include General Obligation Debt To Be Paid From Inside/Charter Millage Only) (Do Not Include General Obligation Debt Being Paid By Other Sources) (Do Not Include Special Obligation Bonds & Revenue Bonds)

SCHEDULE 3

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			Principal Amount	Amount Required To Meet	Amount Receivable
		Final	Outstanding	Calendar Year	From Other Sources
Purpose Of Bonds Or Notes	Date Of	Maturity	At The Beginning	Principal & Interest	To Meet
	lssne	Date	Of The Calendar Year	Payments	Debt Payments
BRIDGES & ROADS	2016A	2033	14,495,000	1,895,550	
BRIDGES & ROADS	2018	2043	49,970,000	4,000,650	
BRIDGES & ROADS	2019A	2037	17,735,000	1,741,000	
BRIDGES & ROADS	2020A	2038	18,390,000	1,617,400	
BRIDGES & ROADS	2021A	2039	14,280,000	1,167,850	
BRIDGES & ROADS	2022	2041	4,645,000	412,250	
BRIDGES & ROADS	2023	2041	19,645,000	1,742,250	
CEMETERY IMPROVEMENT	2012	2032	255,000	37,750	
HEAVY VEHICLES	2022	2032	6,535,000	1,011,750	
HEAVY VEHICLES	2023	2033	11,085,000	1,559,250	
LIGHT VEHICLES	2022	2027	2,510,000	920,500	
LIGHT VEHICLES	2023	2028	5,115,000	1,440,750	
NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT	2020A	2040	1,475,000	116,931	
PARKS & RECREATION	2016A	2027	210,000	75,500	
PARKS & RECREATION	2018	2046	14,415,000	1,028,238	
PARKS & RECREATION	2019A	2043	9,615,000	691,200	
PARKS & RECREATION	2020A	2048	19,800,000	1,106,075	
PARKS & RECREATION	2021A	2049	19,745,000	1,110,350	
PARKS & RECREATION	2022	2051	14,215,000	970,750	
PARKS & RECREATION	2023	2045	10,200,000	795,000	
PUBLIC FACILITIES	2016A	2026	1,190,000	639,500	
PUBLIC FACILITIES	2018	2031	3,225,000	551,150	
PUBLIC FACILITIES	2019A	2036	13,380,000	1,411,500	
PUBLIC FACILITIES	2020A	2037	11,765,000	1,111,050	
PUBLIC FACILITIES	2021A	2036	13,990,000	1,397,700	
PUBLIC FACILITIES	2022	2050	13,930,000	971,500	
PUBLIC FACILITIES	2023	2039	13,305,000	1,280,250	The state of the s
REFUNDING JUDGMENT BONDS	2016B	2033	4,260,000	207,882	
SERIES 2007C REFUNDING	2007C	2027	2,700,000	1,001,750	
SERIES 2015 REFUNDING	2015	2029	19,910,000	6,845,500	
SERIES 2016 REFUNDING	2016A	2032	12,460,000	2,454,350	
SERIES 2021 REFUNDING	2021A	2031	1,190,000	35,700	

VOTED DEBT OUTSIDE 10 MILL LIMIT

(Bonds Or Notes Must Actually Be Issued In Order To Commence Collection Of Property Taxes For Debt Service)

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	II/	Amount Receivable From Other Sources To Meet Debt Payments										
ULE 4	5	Amount Required To Meet Calendar Year Principal & Interest Payments										
SCHEDULE 4	>	Principal Amount Outstanding At The Beginning Of The Calendar Year										
	≥	Final Maturity Date										
	=	Date Of Issue										
	=	Authorized By Voters On MM/DD/YY										
		Purpose Of Notes Or Bonds										

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES

(Schools Only)

SCHEDULE 5									
Tax anticipation notes are issued in anticipation of the collection of the proceeds of a property tax levy. The amount of money required to cover debt service must be deposited into a bond retirement fund, from collections and distribution of the tax levy, in the amounts and at the times required to pay those debt charges as provided in the legislation authorizing the tax anticipation notes. (ORC Section 133.24)									
The appropriation to the fund which normally receives the tax levy proceeds is limited to the balance available after deducting the amounts to be applied to debt service.									
After the issuance of general obligation securities or of securities to which section 133.24 of the ORC applies, the taxing authority of the subdivision shall include in its annual tax budget, and levy a property tax in a sufficient amount, with any other monies available for the purpose, to pay the debt charges on the securities payable from property tax. (ORC Section 133.25)									
	Name Of Tax Anticipation Note Issue	Name Of Tax Anticipation Note Issue							
Amount Required To Meet Budget Year Principal & Interest Payments:									
Principal Due									
Principal Due Date									
Interest Due									
Interest Due Date									
Interest Due									
Interest Due Date									
Total									
Name Of The Special Debt Service Fund									
Amount Of Debt Service To Be Apportioned To The Following Settlements:									
February Real									
August Real									
June Tangible									
October Tangible									
Total									
Name Of Fund To Be Charged									