ORDINANCE Number: <u>24-06-036</u> **Committee: Judiciary and Annexation**

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE CITY OF VAN WERT'S PROCESS FOR PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS, it has been determined that changes need to be made in how the City of Van Wert Administration, City Council, and all administrative boards under the jurisdiction of the City of Van Wert, Ohio.

WHEREAS, it was determined that the provisions set out in House Bill 33 enacted by the Ohio General Assembly on July 4, 2023 allows for Municipalities to conduct all public notices by electronic means.

WHEREAS, the local paper of interest has reduced its publication to only one day per week making publication requirements more onerous on the City.

WHEREAS, further electronic publication is also less costly to City of Van Wert making it a more fiscally responsible way to inform the public.

WHEREAS, The Van Wert City Council believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens of Van Wert to change its notification policy to modify its publications requirements to allow the City of Van Wert to allow all of its notifications to be done electronically on the Internet Website that is maintained by the City Of Van Wert, Ohio.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ORDAINED, by the Van Wert City, Ohio Council, to wit:

1. That the City of Van Wert shall now conduct all of its public notice requirements electronically through the internet website maintained by the City Of Van Wert consistent with the provisions of House Bill 33 enacted on July 4, 2023 of the Ohio General Assembly.

Passed:, 2024	
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Clerk of Council, Stephanie R. Phillips	