

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) ROAD SALT CONTRACTS AWARDED IN 2025, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Van Wert, County of Van Wert, Ohio (hereinafter referred to as the “Political Subdivision”) hereby submits this written agreement to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation’s (ODOT) annual road salt bid in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 5513.01(B) and hereby agrees to all of the following terms and conditions in its participation of the ODOT road salt contract:

- a. The Political Subdivision hereby agrees to be bound by all terms and conditions established by ODOT in the road salt contract and acknowledges that upon award of the contract by the Director of ODOT it shall be bound by all such terms and conditions included in the contract; and
- b. The Political Subdivision hereby acknowledges that upon the Director of ODOT’s signing of the road salt contract, it shall effectively form a contract between the awarded salt supplier and the Political Subdivision; and
- c. The Political Subdivision agrees to be solely responsible for resolving all claims or disputes arising out of its participation in the ODOT road salt contract and agrees to hold the Department of Transportation harmless for any claims, actions, expenses, or other damages arising out of the Political Subdivision’s participation in the road salt contract; and
- d. The Political Subdivision’s electronic order for Sodium Chloride (Road Salt) will be the amount the Political Subdivision agrees to purchase from its awarded salt supplier at the delivered bid price per ton awarded by the Director of ODOT; and
- e. The Political Subdivision hereby agrees to purchase a minimum of 90% of its electronically **submitted** salt quantities from its awarded salt supplier during the contract’s effective period; and
- f. The Political Subdivision hereby agrees to place orders with and directly pay the awarded salt supplier on a net 30 basis for all road salt it receives pursuant to ODOT salt contract; and

g. The Political Subdivision acknowledges that should it wish to rescind this participation agreement it will do so by written, emailed request by no later than **May 1, 2026**. The written, emailed request to rescind this participation agreement must be received by the ODOT Office of Contract Sales, Purchasing Section email: [Contracts.Purchasing@dot.ohio.gov](mailto:Contracts.Purchasing@dot.ohio.gov) by the deadline. The Department, upon receipt, will respond that it has received the request and that it has effectively removed the Political Subdivision's participation request. Furthermore, it is the sole responsibility of the Political Subdivision to ensure ODOT has received this participation agreement as well as the receipt of any request to rescind this participation agreement. The Department shall not be held responsible or liable for failure to receive a Political Subdivision's participation agreement and/or a Political Subdivision's request to rescind its participation agreement.

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

1. That this Participation Agreement for the ODOT road salt contract is hereby approved.
2. That funding has been authorized, and the Political Subdivision agrees to the above terms and conditions regarding participation in the ODOT salt contract.
3. That the Safety Service Director, Jay Fleming, is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents with ODOT that are necessary for the City of Van Wert, Ohio's participation in the ODOT salt contract.
4. This Ordinance and Resolution is hereby declared to be an Emergency to expedite the highway project and to promote highway safety. Following appropriate legislative action, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval, or it shall take effect and be in force for the period allowed by law.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_

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President of Council, Thad R. Eikenbary

Attested by:

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Mayor, Kenneth J. Markward

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Clerk of Council, Stephanie R. Phillips