

**Augusta Charter Township
8021 Talladay Road, Whittaker, 48190
Washtenaw County, Michigan**

**Resolution No. 26-22
A Resolution to Participate in the Washtenaw County Purchase of
Development Rights Program**

Resolution adopted at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Augusta Charter Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, held at the Lincoln Golden Ages Senior Center, 8970 Whittaker Road, Ypsilanti MI 48197, on August 25, 2026.

Whereas, protecting agriculture and farmland is important to our community because it contributes to our high quality of life and enhances our unique sense of place; and

Whereas, agriculture and farmland is an invaluable natural, economic and aesthetic resource that provides benefits to the residents of our community and the greater Washtenaw County area; and

Whereas, Washtenaw County and the Augusta Charter Township's landscape is experiencing development pressure that threatens the viability of our agriculture and farmland resources; and

Whereas, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance that establishes a program to help county landowners and local units of government protect valuable agriculture and farmlands; and

Whereas, the county Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance is consistent with state and federal law; and

Whereas, according to the county Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance and the Michigan Agricultural Preservation Fund Board a local unit of government must pass a resolution authorizing participation in the county program to qualify for state agricultural preservation funds; and

Whereas, the County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance will require local unit of government approval of landowner applications to the county program and that agriculture and farmland protection must be consistent with local and county comprehensive plans in order to avoid preserving land better suited for commercial, industrial or high-density residential development; and

Whereas, the County Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance offers a voluntary option for landowners interested in protecting their agriculture and farmland;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees of Augusta Charter Township authorizes participation in the County Purchase of Development Rights Program so its landowners have access to the Michigan Agricultural Preservation Fund.

Be it further resolved, that the Board of Trustees of Augusta Charter Township authorizes the Washtenaw County Purchase of Development Rights Program and Ordinance to apply in Augusta Charter Township.

Be it further resolved, that Augusta Charter Township supports the efforts of the County Board in the preservation of agriculture and farmland and encourages landowners who own land that should be preserved to apply to the county program.

Motion to adopt Resolution 26-22 was offered by Gonczy and seconded by Gipfert.

Roll Call:

AYES: Adams, Burek, Gipfert, Gonczy, Green, Prain, Waller.

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Resolution 26-22 Declared Adopted.



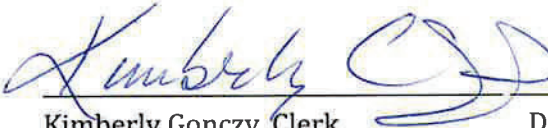
Todd Waller, Supervisor 8-27-26
Date



Kimberly Gonczy, Clerk 8-27-2026
Date

CERTIFICATE

I, Kimberly Gonczy, the elected and acting Clerk of Augusta Charter Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Augusta Charter Township Board, as presented at the meeting of said Board held on August 25, 2026, at which meeting a quorum was present, by a roll call vote of said members as herein before set forth; that said resolution was ordered to take effect immediately.



Kimberly Gonczy, Clerk 8-27-2026
Date