

By: Ben Kessler

**A resolution forming and endorsing the Bexley Alternative Revenue Task Force**

**WHEREAS,** The City of Bexley is a historic first-ring suburb with limited commercial and payroll tax base; and

**WHEREAS,** Ohio local income tax law favors local municipalities with larger payroll bases, and makes it difficult for the City of Bexley to collect local income taxes that are proportionate to resident income; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the desire of City leadership to create a tax environment that is as low impact to the residents of Bexley as possible while still allowing the City to provide for safe neighborhoods and quality city services; and

**WHEREAS,** Any new revenue sources will be helpful in buffering the City's finances against future changes in the Ohio Local Government Fund and/or other state policy changes; and

**WHEREAS,** Were sufficiently substantial and viable new revenue sources identified the City would potentially be able to lower the rate at which residents are taxed; and

**WHEREAS,** Well-qualified citizens have volunteered to participate in an effort to identify and research alternative sources of revenue for the City of Bexley.

NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, OHIO:**

**Section 1.** This Council hereby acknowledges and endorses the creation of the Bexley Alternative Revenue Task Force whose sole purpose is to propose new non-tax sources of income for the City of Bexley.

**Section 2.** Members shall establish and maintain a roll of committee membership, and shall elect a Chairperson from among the members of the committee. The Committee shall maintain and publish meeting agendas and meeting minutes.

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**Section 3.** This Council will review any recommendations provided by the Bexley Alternative Revenue Task Force, provide a forum for public deliberation of the merits of any such proposals, and act thereon in the best interests of the citizens of Bexley.

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**Section 4.** This Council acknowledges the need for proactive and creative alternatives to the current tax environment, and will work aggressively and in good faith to pursue alternative revenue proposals that are deemed by Council to be appropriate for the City of Bexley.

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President of Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_, 2012

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John M. Brennan, Mayor

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