

ORDINANCE NO. FY 2025-26-102

THE FREMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

AN ORDINANCE DETERMINING TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL TAX OF .02 PERCENT OF THE VALUE OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT FOR THE PURCHASE OF SITES AND BUILDINGS, THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT OF BUILDINGS, THE RENTAL OF BUILDINGS REQUIRED FOR LIBRARY PURPOSES, AND MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS, AND ALTERATIONS OF LIBRARY BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

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on October 23, 2025

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WHEREAS, the Board of Library Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois, is a public library district exercising power pursuant to 75 ILCS 16/1-1, et seq., the Public Library District Act of 1991; and

WHEREAS, Section 16/35-5 of the aforesaid Act provides that the Board may levy an additional tax of .02 percent of the value of all the taxable property in the district, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue for the purchase of sites and buildings, for the construction and equipment of buildings, for the rental of buildings required for library purposes, and for maintenance, repairs, and alterations of library buildings and equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Board does hereby deem it in the best interests of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois and the residents thereof and the patrons of the public library that revenue be made available for the designated purposes as set forth by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Board of Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. This Board hereby determines to levy an additional tax of \$372,000 or such lesser amount as would produce a tax rate of .02 percent of the value of all the taxable property in the district, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, for the purchase of sites and buildings, for the construction and equipment of buildings, for the rental of buildings required for library purposes, and for maintenance, repairs, and alterations of library buildings and equipment.

Section 2. Within fifteen (15) days after the adoption of this Ordinance, it shall be published at least once in one or more daily or weekly newspapers published or circulated in the District. The publication shall include a notice of (a) the specific number of voters required to sign a petition requesting

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that the question of the adoption of the Ordinance be submitted to the electors of the District, which is 2,790; (b) the time in which the petition must be filed, which is thirty (30) days after the publication of this Ordinance; and (c) the date of the prospective referendum, which is Tuesday, March 17, 2026, being the consolidated election. The Secretary of the District shall provide a petition form to any individual requesting one.

Section 3. If within the thirty-day period after publication of this Ordinance a petition is filed in accordance with law with the Board of Library Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois, signed by electors of the District equal in number to ten percent (10%) or more of the total number of registered voters in the District, asking that the question of levying such a .02 percent tax be submitted to the electors of the District, the question shall be certified to the proper election authority, who shall submit the question at the next applicable election in accordance with the Election Code. The proposition shall be in substantially the following form:

“Shall the Board of Library Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District be authorized to levy an additional tax of .02 percent for the purchase of sites and buildings, for the construction and equipment of buildings, for the rental of buildings required for library purposes and for maintenance, repairs, and alterations of library buildings and equipment, as determined by the Board’s Ordinance of October 23, 2025?”

Section 4. Unless a petition is filed with the Board of Library Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois, within thirty (30) days after said publication, the District shall levy the tax, and this tax levy ordinance for the fiscal year shall be considered a direction to the County Clerk of Lake County to levy such additional tax.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its enactment, subject to the publication requirements herein.

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PASSED by the Board of Library Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois

on the 23rd day of October 2025, by a vote of:

AYES: MacKay, Pflug Mounce, Wilmes, Smogor, Clapp, Corbett, Kendall

NAYS:

ABSENT:

APPROVED:

/S/ Laurie MacKay, President

ATTEST:

/S/ Sharon Smogor, Secretary

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State of Illinois)
) SS
County of Lake)

CERTIFICATE

I, Sharon Smogor, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I am the duly elected, qualified, and serving Secretary, and as such am the keeper of the books and records of the Board of Library Trustees of the Fremont Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois; and

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the above attached ORDINANCE NO. FY 2025-26-102 AN ORDINANCE DETERMINING TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL TAX OF .02 PERCENT OF THE VALUE OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE DISTRICT FOR THE PURCHASE OF SITES AND BUILDINGS, THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT OF BUILDINGS, AND THE RENTAL OF BUILDINGS REQUIRED FOR LIBRARY PURPOSES, AND MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS, AND ALTERATIONS OF LIBRARY BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 is a true and correct copy of said ordinance which was presented, passed, and recorded by said Board at their regular meeting on October 23, 2025.

(SEAL)

/S/ Sharon Smogor, Secretary
Fremont Public Library District

Date: 10/23/25