## NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

# Town of Randall Kenosha County

# August 13, 2024

#### **Referendum Election Details**

At an election to be held in the Town of Randall Wards 1-6 of the State of Wisconsin August 13 2024, the following question will be submitted to a vote of the people:

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has placed levy limits on towns, villages, cities, and counties under s.66.0602 of Wisconsin Statutes:

Whereas s.66.0602, Wis. Stat. limits the local levy to a percentage increase no more than the greater of 0.856% of the local levy for the previous year; which for the Town of Randall is 0.856%;

Whereas the Town Board of the Town of Randall, Kenosha County, believes it is in the town's interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above by a greater percentage than 0.856 for essential Emergency Medical Services:

Whereas, the Town of Randall tax levy was \$461,778 for the year 2023 (collected in 2024); and further whereas the state limit would limit the increase to \$2,890 for a total allowable town tax levy of \$464,668.

Now, therefore, the Town Board of the Town of Randall, Kenosha County does hereby resolve and order as follows:

- 1. The town board hereby supports an increase in the town tax levy for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) that would exceed the amount allowed by the state levy limit by \$150,000 for a total town tax levy of \$614,668. The increase is requested for the next five fiscal years only. See s.66.0602(4)(a), Wis. Stat.
- 2. The town board directs that the question of increasing the town tax levy for 2024 (to be collected in 2025) by 32.281 percent over the state allowed increase be put to referendum at an election on August 13, 2024.
- 3. The question shall be submitted to the electors as follows: "Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Town of Randall for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to 0.856%, which results in a levy of \$464,668. Shall the Town of Randall be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025, for essential Emergency Medical Services by a total of 32.281%, which results in a levy of \$614,668, and include the increase of \$150,000 for fiscal years 2025-2029?"

The question will appear on the ballot as follows:

"Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Town of Randall for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2025, is limited to 0.856%, which results in a levy of \$464,668. Shall the Town of Randall be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2025, for essential Emergency Medical Services by a total of 32.281%, which results in a levy of \$614,668, and include the increase of \$150,000 for fiscal years 2025-2029?"

# **Explanation**

### WHAT WILL IT MEAN IF A MAJORITY OF VOTERS VOTE "YES"?

If the referendum is approved by a majority of voters on August 13, the Town of Randall will be able to fund EMS services for the time allotted in the EMS contract of 5 years. This will ensure that there are adequate resources to fund emergency services for Town of Randall residents.

# WHAT DOES IT MEAN IF A MAJORITY VOTE "NO" AND THE REFERENDUM FAILS?

If the referendum is rejected by a majority of voters, the Town will be faced with a shortfall of funds for the EMS services. This may mean the Town of Randall may be forced to secure ongoing loans to pay for EMS services with interest incurred resulting in higher cost to Town residents.

Done in the (insert municipality where signed), on (insert date of signing here)
(Signature of clerk giving notice) (Title of clerk)

(**Note:** The Type C Notice of Referendum is published by the clerk responsible for the referendum on the day preceding the referendum election. If a weekly paper is used for publication, the notice is published in the closest preceding issue to the day before the referendum election. If a jurisdiction chooses to post this notice in lieu of publication, the notice must be posted no later than one week before the election.)