

RESOLUTION# 2026-2

A RESOLUTION TO CERTIFY A PUBLIC QUESTION TO
INCREASE THE NUMBER OF TOWN BOARD MEMBERS FROM THREE
TO FIVE

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-5-2-4.2 provides a process for increasing the number of Town Board members and

WHEREAS, The first step in the process is for the existing Town Board to pass a resolution expressing its desire to increase the number of council members and certifying the resolution to the County Election Board with a request to place the matter on the ballot as a Certified Public Question and

WHEREAS, the question will be voted on by the electorate of Oldenburg, with a majority vote of yes being required to approve the increase in the number of Council persons and

WHEREAS the Town Board believes that a majority of voters desire the increase

AND the date of the next election being May 5, 2026

The Town Board of Oldenburg, Indiana now resolves:

- (1) The Town Council believes that a majority of Oldenburg citizens desire an increase in the number of Town Council positions from 3 to 5.
- (2) That the Town Clerk submit this resolution to the County Election Board for the placement of the following Public Question on the ballot:

"Shall the number of town council members be increased from three to five?".

If a majority of votes cast on the question are in the affirmative, the Town Council shall adopt an ordinance at its next regular meeting following the election altering the number of legislative body members to the number specified in the public question. Under the Indiana Code, an ordinance increasing the number of Council members becomes effective January 1 following its adoption.

If the number of legislative body members is increased, the legislative body shall fill any resulting vacancy under IC 3-13-9-4, by appointment to serve until the next municipal election. The Town Board body may fill the vacancy before the ordinance takes effect. However, a Town Council member appointed under this ordinance will not assume office until the Ordinance takes effect.

ADOPTED by the Town Board of the Town of Oldenburg, Indiana, on the 5th day of JANUARY 2026.

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Attest Katelyn Hunter