

RESOLUTION NO. 57-18
CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED BY COUNCILMEMBER John Beale ON THE
15th DAY OF October, 2018.

**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CITY COUNCIL'S
OPPOSITION TO STATE ISSUE 1**

WHEREAS, the City of Centerville has been advised of “State Issue 1 To Reduce Penalties for Crimes of Obtaining, Possessing, and Using Illegal Drugs,” a proposed constitutional amendment proposed by initiative petition (“State Issue 1”); and

WHEREAS, State Issue 1 will appear on the statewide ballot on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 for consideration by Ohio voters; and

WHEREAS, this constitutional amendment would greatly alter the sentencing laws for obtaining, possessing, and using any drug such as a fentanyl, heroin, methamphetamine, cocaine, LSD, and other controlled substances; and

WHEREAS, State Issue 1 would shift the costs for drug treatment from the State to local governments; and

WHEREAS, local government entities are already struggling to fund the opioid crisis in their jurisdictions as a result of the drastic budget cuts they have experienced in recent years; and

WHEREAS, the projected savings of \$100 million annually applies to the State only, while local governments will see significant increases in costs for treatment, probation, courts, and local jails—costs that tax payers will be required to pay; and

WHEREAS, this proposed constitutional amendment would require another statewide initiative and election, not just a legislative change, to amend the Ohio Constitution if problems arise.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF CENTERVILLE, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. This Council of the City of Centerville does hereby declare its opposition to State Issue 1 and urges Ohioans to oppose State Issue 1 on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

Section 2. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED THIS 15th day of October, 2018.



Mayor of the City of
Centerville, Ohio

ATTEST:



Clerk of Council
City of Centerville, Ohio

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Clerk of Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, hereby certifies the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 57-18, passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio on the 15th day of October, 2018.



Clerk of the Council

Approved as to form, consistency
with existing ordinances, the
charter & constitutional provisions
Department of Law
Scott A. Liberman
Municipal Attorney