

# **Charter Township of Orion**

**Ordinance No. 45**

**Special Assessment  
(Hardships)**

Adopted October 17, 1977

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR DEFERRING PARTIAL OR TOTAL PAYMENT OF ANY SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LEVIED BY THE TOWNSHIP IN CASES OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP.****Section 1**

Pursuant to the provisions of Public Act 188 of 1954, the Township Board of Trustees shall have the authority to defer partial or total payment of any special assessment levied by the Township.

**Section 2**

Application for such deferment shall be made to the Township Assessor by the property owner seeking deferment. Such application shall contain all information requested by the Board or the Assessor relating to the financial ability of the applicant to pay the assessment pursuant to its levy.

**Section 3**

The Township Board, at any regular or special meeting, may, by resolution, grant the deferment or any modification thereof upon making a determination, based on the information presented to the Board, that paying the assessment or any part thereof would impose an unreasonable hardship on the applicant, and that the applicant is financially unable to pay the assessment or any part thereof and still have funds available to meet the cost of a reasonable standard of living.

**Section 4**

As a condition of granting any deferment, the Board shall require that the applicant execute a document in recordable form imposing a lien on the subject premises for the amount of the assessment plus interest and may require that the applicant agree that the assessment and interest become due upon a sale or conveyance of the premises or upon the death of the applicant.

**Section 5 - Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication, as provided by law.