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**ORDINANCE TO EXCEED INDEX RATE:  
INDEX RATE LESS THAN 5% LIMITATION FOR THE YEAR 2003  
(N.J.S.A. 40a: 4-45.14)**

**WHEREAS,** the Local Government Cap Law, NJSA 40A: 4-45.14 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 5% or the Index rate, whichever is less, over the final appropriations, subject to certain exception; and

**WHEREAS,** P.L. 1986, C. 203 amended the Local Government Cap Law, to provide that a municipality may, in any year in which the index rate is less than 5%, increase its final appropriations by a percentage rate greater than the index rate but not to exceed 5% rate as defined in the amendatory law, when authorized by ordinance; and

**WHEREAS,** the index rate for 2003 has been certified by the Director of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs as 1%; and


**WHEREAS,** the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield in the County of Union finds it advisable and necessary to increase its 2003 budget by more than 1% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township Committee hereby determines that a 2.25% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$22,635.72 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary.


**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED,** by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield, in the County of Union, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that in the year 2003 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Winfield shall, in accordance with this ordinance and P.L. 1986, C.203, be increased by 3.25%, amounting to \$32,696.04 and that the 2003 municipal budget for the Township of Winfield be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days of adoption.

  
David P. Wright, Sr., Mayor

Motioned by:   
Comm. Norman Whitehouse, Jr.

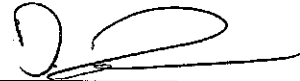
Seconded by:   
Mayor David P. Wright, Sr.

Introduced: May 19, 2003

ATTEST:   
Laura Reinertsen, Township Clerk

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The foregoing ordinance was introduced and approved on first reading at the regular meeting of the Winfield Township Committee held on May 19, 2003 and will be considered for public hearing and final adoption at the regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on June 16, 2003 at 7:30 PM in the Municipal Building, 12 Gulfstream Avenue, Winfield, NJ.



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Laura Reinertsen, Twp. Clerk

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Laura Reinertsen, Twp. Clerk