

RESOLUTION NO. 019-17R

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THROUGH THE US DOT FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) FOR THE FY 2015 TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT GENERATING ECONOMIC RECOVERY (TIGER) DISCRETIONARY PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE SANDUSKY TRANSIT SYSTEM; AND DECLARING THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 14 OF THE CITY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation was awarded \$6.839 million in federal dollars to improve the communications, scheduling and dispatching of more than 30 rural transit operators located in Ohio and to expand broadband into areas of Ohio with insufficient broadband access and these funds were awarded by U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx through the 2015 Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) VII competitive grant program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sandusky has the legal authority to submit a proposal to the Ohio Department of Transportation for a grant through the US DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as authorized under the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235); and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants for the National Infrastructure Investments Discretionary Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the City of Sandusky, including the provision by it of the local share of the project costs in the program, the requirement to carry out the proposed project identified in the application, and to provide the required funds to assure operation and maintenance of items funded; and

WHEREAS, it is required by the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 49 C.F.R. Part 21, and 28 C.F. R. section 50.3, herein after referred to as the "Acts" and "Regulations", that in connection with the filing of an application for assistance under the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) the applicant give an assurance that it will comply with the Acts and Regulations and the U.S. Department of Transportation requirements thereunder; and

WHEREAS, these funds will be used to improve service performance and quality and the project upgrades are as follows: web portal for scheduling and canceling trips, real-time tracking of SPARC buses, call ahead service for passenger trips, interactive voice response system to allow riders to schedule or cancel trips, and operational improvement to improve productivity; and

WHEREAS, the project cost is estimated to be between \$100,000.00 and \$220,000.00 and the required local match is \$2,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution should be passed as an emergency measure under suspension of the rules in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter in order to submit the application for the FY 2015 TIGER Discretionary Grant program to the Ohio Department of Transportation by the requested deadline of March 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, in that it is deemed necessary in order to provide for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, and safety of the City of Sandusky, Ohio, and its citizens, and to provide for the efficient

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daily operation of Municipal Departments, including the Sandusky Transit System, of the City of Sandusky, Ohio, the City Commission of the City of Sandusky, Ohio, finds that an emergency exists regarding the aforesaid, and that it is advisable that this **Resolution** be declared an emergency measure which will take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter upon its adoption; and NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANDUSKY, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute and submit an application on behalf of the City of Sandusky with the Ohio Department of Transportation through the US DOT Federal Transit Administration (FTA), for FY 2015 TIGER Discretionary Grant Program funds to aid in the financing of projects pursuant to the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and to execute any contracts or agreements on behalf of the City and lawfully expend funds consistent with the application should they be awarded.

Section 2. The City Manager is authorized to execute and file with the City's application all understanding, certifications and assurances or any other documentation required by the U.S. Department of Transportation with the Ohio Department of Transportation.

Section 3. The City Manager is authorized to furnish such additional information as the Ohio Department of Transportation may require in connection with the City's application.


Section 4. If any section, phrase, sentence, or portion of this Resolution is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section 5. This City Commission finds and determines that all formal actions of this City Commission concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this City Commission and that all deliberations of this City Commission and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public


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in compliance with the law.

Section 6. That for the reasons set forth in the preamble hereto, this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure which shall take immediate effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter after its adoption and due authentication by the President and the Clerk of the City Commission of the City of Sandusky, Ohio.



DENNIS E. MURRAY, JR.
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION

ATTEST: 

KELLY L. KRESSER
CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION

Passed: March 27, 2017