

RESOLUTION NO. 058-17R

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) FOR SAFETY-RELATED IMPROVEMENTS ON HAYES AVENUE; AND DECLARING THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 14 OF THE CITY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) dedicates funds annually through the Highway Safety Improvement Program to provide for safety improvements on any public roadway in the State and works with Local and State organizations to make investments that improve safety on all public roads; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted an application in 2016 to the Erie County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Healthy Hayes Corridor Project, which included pedestrian and safety improvement between the north and south campuses of Firelands Regional Medical Center as detailed in the Bicentennial Vision Comprehensive Plan, which to date has not been approved as the City agreed to pursue supplemental funding opportunities since the full funding was not available through the MPO; and

WHEREAS, upon request by the City and Erie Regional Planning Commission, the Ohio Department of Transportation performed a study on Hayes Avenue from Perkins Avenue to Columbus Avenue and recommended several safety-related improvements at various locations along the corridor and identified the intersection at Pierce Street as a priority; and

WHEREAS, the City will be applying for financial assistance in the amount of \$379,700.00, which will fund 100% of the project for new traffic and pedestrian signals at the intersection of Pierce Street and Hayes Avenue and at the mid-block crossing between Pierce Street and Buchanan Street; 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 immediately submit the application to the Ohio Department of Transportation and, if awarded, allow the project to proceed and reduce the safety concerns at these specific locations on Hayes Avenue; 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 daily operation of Municipal Departments, including the Department of Public Works, 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 file a grant

application on behalf of the City of Sandusky with the Ohio Department of Transportation for financial assistance through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) for safety-related improvements to Hayes Avenue 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. 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 3. 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 in compliance with the law.

Section 4. 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: December 11, 2017