

RESOLUTION NO. 018-20R

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR STATE FY2021 OHIO TRANSIT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS FOR THE SANDUSKY TRANSIT SYSTEM; AND DECLARING THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 14 OF THE CITY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, since State FY 2012, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has provided financial assistance to urban public transit systems in Ohio through the Ohio Transit Preservation Partnership Program for vehicle replacements, rail track rehabilitation, preventive maintenance, software, equipment, and capital cost of contracting; and

WHEREAS, beginning with State FY 2020, the renamed Ohio Transit Partnership Program (OTP2) was instituted to provide State funds to the rural and urban transit systems in Ohio and the OTP2 is a discretionary program in which projects are selected on a competitive basis with an emphasis on preservation in the process of working to maintain, sustain, or keep in a good sound state the transit systems in Ohio and with projects focusing on regionalization, coordination, technology, service expansion, workforce initiatives, and healthcare initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the City will be applying for financial assistance in the amount of \$850,000.00 for Operating Funds, along with \$50,000.00 in Capitalized Maintenance Funds that will be used for the daily operation of the Sandusky Transit System and for permanent services of the Orange Line which services the Bowling Green State University - Firelands campus; and

WHEREAS, there is no local match required for this grant and the OTP2 funds are generated by revenue from the State of Ohio's Gas Tax; 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 file the application with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the Ohio Transit Partnership Program by the submission deadline of May 27, 2020; 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 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 file an application on behalf of the City of Sandusky with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the Ohio Transit Partnership Program for funding to assist with

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projects and the daily operation of the Sandusky Transit System and to execute any contracts or agreements on behalf of the City and lawfully expend funds should they be awarded.

Section 2. The City Manager is authorized to execute and file with the City's applications any assurances or any other documentation required by the Ohio Department of Transportation and to furnish such additional information as the Ohio Department of Transportation may require in connection with the City's applications.

Section 3. The Clerk of the City Commission is hereby directed to furnish a certified copy of this Resolution to be utilized for the filing of any applications for financial assistance from the Ohio Department of Transportation.

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 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.



RICHARD R. BRADY
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION



KELLY L. KRESSER
CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION

Passed: May 26, 2020