

**ORDINANCE NO. 24-088**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF BUS SHELTERS, BENCHES, BIKE RACKS, AND TRASH CANS FROM GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL OF PORT WASHINGTON, NEW YORK, THROUGH THE EQUALIS GROUP COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR THE SANDUSKY TRANSIT SYSTEM; AND DECLARING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 14 OF THE CITY CHARTER.**

**WHEREAS**, this City Commission approved a contract with the Erie County Board of Health for the reimbursement of public transit improvements such as bus shelters or bus benches for the Sandusky Transit System up to \$25,000.00 using funds from the Ohio Department of Health through the “Creating Healthy Communities” grant program by Ordinance No. 24-002, passed on January 8, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, Equalis Group is a cooperative purchasing organization that provides contracts competitively solicited by public agencies for a wide array of products and services and establishes master agreements through rigorous and transparent competitive solicitations conducted in accordance with public procurement guidelines to ensure compliance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City, as a member of the Equalis Group Cooperative Purchasing Program (Member ID EG-0007642) desires to purchase two (2) bus shelters, two (2) benches, two (2) bike racks, and two (2) outdoor trash cans that have been competitively bid and made available through the membership from Global Industrial of Port Washington, New York; and

**WHEREAS**, the total cost for the bus shelters, benches, bike racks, and trash cans, including shipping and handling, is \$24,990.07 and will initial be paid with Transit Funds and then reimbursed by the Erie County Health Department; and

**WHEREAS**, this Ordinance should be passed as an emergency measure under suspension of the rules in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter to immediately begin the purchasing process so invoicing can be completed by May 31, 2024, in accordance with the contract with the Erie County Health Department; 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 the 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 **Ordinance** 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 ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANDUSKY, OHIO, THAT:

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Section 1. This City Commission hereby authorizes and directs the City Manager and/or Finance Director to expend funds for the purchase of (2) bus shelters, two (2) benches, two (2) bike racks, and two (2) outdoor trash cans through the Equalis Group Cooperative Purchasing Program from Global Industrial of Port Washington, New York, Contract #EQ-052920-01E, for the Sandusky Transit System, at an amount **not to exceed** Twenty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety and 07/100 Dollars (\$24,990.07).

Section 2. If any section, phrase, sentence, or portion of this Ordinance 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 Ordinance 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 Ordinance 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.



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RICHARD R. BRADY  
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION



ATTEST:

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CATHLEEN A. MYERS  
CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION

Passed: April 22, 2024