

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER'S DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR AN OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CONDUCTED UPDATE TO THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS TRAVEL PLAN AND IF SELECTED, ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PROJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT's) Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program provides resources, technical assistance and project funding for Local Public Agencies (LPAs) and school systems to encourage and enable students in grades K-12 to safely walk or ride their bike to school.

WHEREAS, in order for a city to be eligible to apply for funds, the community must develop a comprehensive School Travel Plan that identifies both infrastructure and non-infrastructure safety improvements, countermeasures, and educational programs; and,

WHEREAS, ODOT is accepting applications for SRTS Plan update assistance; and,

WHEREAS, this funding would allow the City's current Safe Routes to School Travel Plan to be updated, which has not occurred since 2011; and,

WHEREAS, the updating of the City' School Travel Plan (hereinafter referred to as "the Project") is an eligible activity eligible to receive federal transportation funding; and,

WHEREAS, if selected, there would be no cost to the City for the update study because ODOT would conduct the study via an ODOT Task Order Consultant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Hudson, Summit County, Ohio, as follows:

Section 1. That the City Manager and/or his designee are hereby authorized and directed, retroactively to February 27, 2023, to prepare and execute on behalf of the City an application and all related paperwork for SRTS funds for the Project to submit same to the State of Ohio, Department of Transportation. Any actions taken in this regard to date are hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 2. If the application is approved for the funding, the City Manager and/or his designee are hereby authorized: to enter into a contract with the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation necessary to complete the Project; and, to accept all such funding.

Section 3. That the aforesaid recitals are rendered to be the findings of this Council and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution.

Section 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 5. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of City residents, to allow for the timely submission of the approved Application within the guidelines and requirements, and to allow for the continued operations of the City Administration and other departments and shall, therefore, take effect and be in force from and immediately after its passage.

PASSED: _____

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

I certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 23-39 was duly passed by the Council of said Municipality on _____, 2023.

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council