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MEMORANDUM

To: City Council and Mayor Anzevino
From: Jena Stasik, Community Relations Manager
CC: Thomas Sheridan, City Manager, Brian Griffith, Assistant City Manager, Greg Hannan, Community Development Director
Date: March 16, 2026
Subject: 2026 State Capital Budget Requests – Affirmation of Grant Submittal

Ohio's biennial capital budget, passed in even-numbered years, funds infrastructure for state agencies and local or regional community projects. Eligible community projects must involve acquiring, building, improving, or equipping facilities that provide a statewide public benefit, such as in higher education, mental health, parks and recreation, conservation, or cultural and sports facilities.

These projects are financed with tax-exempt state bond funds, so they must comply with the Ohio Constitution, state law, and federal tax law both when the funds are used and for the entire life of the bond that funded them. Unlike competitive grant programs run by state agencies, community projects in the capital budget are funded through legislative earmarks in an appropriations bill.

In 2026, the City of Hudson submitted the following projects for consideration:

1. Barlow Farm Park Trail – Final Phase Requested amount: \$600,000
The final segment of the East Barlow Road Trail Project, about 200 feet of trail across the Norfolk Southern railroad, will connect Barlow Farm Park to Wood Hollow Metro Park, including enhanced railroad crossing safety improvements and Quiet Zone upgrades. The majority of the project was completed in 2025. *This project currently has a pending application for funding with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) with an amount TBD.*
2. Ellsworth Meadows Golf Course – Requested amount: \$175,000
Construction of a dry stormwater detention pond near Hole #7 at Ellsworth Golf Course to temporarily capture runoff during heavy rain events, reducing downstream flooding and improving overall stormwater management for the golf course and nearby residential properties.
3. Stow Road Battery Backup System – Requested amount: \$475,000
Development of a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) near Hudson Public Power's East Substation through a public-private partnership to improve grid reliability, stabilize power supply, and reduce long-term electricity costs for Hudson Public Power customers.

RECOMMENDATION

City staff recommends the passage of this Resolution, affirming application by the City Manager or designee, for the City of Hudson's recommended projects to the Ohio's biennial capital budget.