

**RESOLUTION 24 - 37, 2024
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

**AUTHORIZING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMUNITY
IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION OF GREATER CINCINNATI UNDER OHIO
REVISED CODE 505.701 TO DEFRAY EXPENSES RELATED TO COLUMBIA
TOWNSHIP ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
PROJECTS FROM NON-TAX FUNDS, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND
READING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Community Improvement Corporation of Greater Cincinnati ("CIC") is a nonprofit community improvement corporation organized under Chapter 1724 of the Ohio Revised Code to advance, encourage, and promote the industrial, economic, commercial, and civic development of a community or area;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Columbia Township (the "Board of Trustees"), through unanimous vote of its membership, has designated CIC as its development agency under R.C. 505.701; and

WHEREAS, CIC incurs various expenses in connection with its work as a community improvement corporation, including expenses relating to advancing, encouraging, and promoting the economic and commercial development within the Township; and,

WHEREAS, the Township desires to give CIC financial assistance to defray the expenses of CIC, including the expenses relating to advancing, encouraging, and promoting the economic and commercial development within and for the benefit of the Township; and,

WHEREAS, the CIC will incur expenses to establish and manage a Columbia Township Business District - Property Revitalization Grant Program; the program will provide grants to assist eligible property owners and tenants in redeveloping certain vacant commercial properties to attract neighborhood-serving businesses, including updates to comply with state/local building and zoning codes; and,

WHEREAS, the Board, upon majority vote, hereby dispenses with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees, for the benefit and welfare of Columbia Township and its citizens:

SECTION 1. That the Township Board of Trustees, authorizes, under R.C. 505.701, to provide up to \$400,000 to CIC to defray its costs for the functions described under Chapter 1724 of the Ohio Revised Code, and including certain expenses to advance, encourage, and promote economic and commercial development and tourism within and for the benefit of the Township.

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SECTION 2. That the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to issue funds from General Fund JEDZ or Non-Tax Accounts in the initial amount of \$400,000 for the purposes set forth in Section one;

SECTION 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of Township Trustees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board were in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Be it further resolved that this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to defray the CIC's expenses to administer the Columbia Township Business District - Property Revitalization Grant Program to secure a prospective tenant for the first vacant retail property to be eligible under the Program. The tenant prospect has successfully operated retail businesses in other locations and will consider moving forward at the Columbia retail location if he can secure funds to redevelop the property to meet current building and safety codes and market requirements for functional main street retail spaces.

Motion to accept Resolution made by: MR. KUBICKI

Seconded by: MR. BROKAMP

VOTE:

TRUSTEE	Voting	Signature	Date
David Kubicki	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	09-10-2024
Brian Lamar	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	09-10-2024
Steve Brokamp	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	09-10-2024
ATTEST:	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	09-10-2024

Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED as to form: _____
Township Legal Counsel

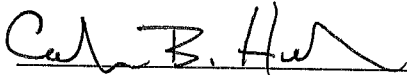
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CERTIFICATE

State of Ohio, Hamilton County

I, Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer of Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 24-37 is taken and copied from the record of proceedings of the township, and that it has been compared by me with the resolution on the record and is a true copy.

9.18.24
Date


Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer

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