

RESOLUTION 24 - 68, 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 THE WALTON
CREEK VILLAGE SANITARY SEWER PROJECT, A COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP
ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FUNDED BY
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT GRANT, 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 , utilizing a federal ARPA grant, 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 the Columbia Township Walton Creek Village Sanitary Sewer Grant Program; the program will provide a grant to assist the Walton Creek Village Owners Association to connect to the Muchmore-Locust Sanitary Sewer Project to be constructed in 2025 and to decommission an obsolete sewage treatment plant; 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 \$150,000 to the CIC to defray its costs for the functions described under

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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.

SECTION 2. That the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to issue grant funds from Fund 2272 ARPA up to \$150,000 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 complied 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 appropriate and expend the balance of ARPA funds toward program expenses before the end of 2024 as required by the Act which will defray the CIC's expenses to administer the Columbia Township Walton Creek Village Sanitary Sewer Grant Program.

Motion to accept Resolution made by: Mr. Kubicki

Seconded by: Mr. Lamar

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VOTE:

TRUSTEE	Voting	Signature	Date
David Kubicki	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	12/10/2024
Brian Lamar	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	12/10/2024
Steve Brokamp	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	12/10/2024
ATTEST:	<u>[Signature] (acting fiscal officer)</u> Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer		

APPROVED as to form: _____
Township Legal Counsel