## RESOLUTION 25 - 11, 2025 COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

ACCEPTING CONSTRUCTION BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT TO FORD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR "CAMBRIDGE AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT," AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH FORD DEVELOPMENT; DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND READING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the bid of Ford Development Corporation, 11148 Woodward Lane, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45241 ("Ford"), is the most responsive and responsible of six public bids received for the construction of the "Cambridge Avenue Improvement Project" hereinafter known as the "Project"; and,

WHEREAS, the Project is the costliest Township road improvement in Columbia's history, and the Township secured Ohio Public Works Commission ("OPWC") funding in Round 38, Ohio Fiscal Year 2025, for up to \$1,813,000 as a 50% grant and 50% loan; and

WHEREAS, the Township required Bids to include the Cambridge Ave. reconstruction and separately priced optional components for a Greater Cincinnati Waterworks line replacement ("GCWW") and 6805 Cambridge Ave. parking lot ("Parking Lot"); the Bid specified that Columbia Township retains the right to accept any or all optional components; and

WHEREAS, GCWW will pay \$713,158.71 for the full cost of the public waterline replacement, and Administration applied for a Hamilton County grant for economic redevelopment projects for the Parking Lot that will be announced in April; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, upon accepting the Bid, authorizes the Township Administrator to enter into a contract with Ford for the total Bid cost of \$2,881,566.16; the Board additionally authorizes that the Administrator may specify in the contract that the Parking Lot is contingent on the Township receiving the above-mentioned grant. If the Township receives the grant, the Board agrees that Ford will construct the Parking Lot as part of the Project. If the Township does not receive the grant, the Board agrees that the Administrator may remove the Parking Lot from the Project or propose an alternate funding source to the Board by Supplemental Appropriation at a future public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Board, upon majority vote, hereby dispenses with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, and hereby authorizes the adoption of this resolution upon its first reading; and,

WHEREAS, this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and welfare of the Township; the reason for the emergency is the Township must award the contract at the earliest possible time to secure the contractor's schedule commitment for the Project to comply with OPWC grant deadlines.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, for the benefit and welfare of Columbia Township and its citizens, hereby accepts the bid from Ford upon Ford entering into a contract in the amount of \$2,881,566.16 and further authorizes the Administrator to enter into a contract with Ford in the amount of \$2,881,566.16.

| Motion to accept Resolution ma | de by: Mp. | <i>lubicki</i> | _          |
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| Seconded by: MR. LAMA          | 12         |                |            |
| VOTE:                          |            |                |            |
| TRUSTEE                        | Voting     | Signature      | Date       |
| David Kubicki, President       | Yes_       |                | 03/24/2025 |
| Brian Lamar, Vice-President    | yes        | hyhr           | 03/24/2025 |
| Steve Brokamp, Trustee         | yes C      | JUNI JUNI      | 03/24/2025 |
| ATTEST:                        | R. H       | w              | 03/24/2025 |

Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer