

RESOLUTION NO. 61 -2020
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Roche

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS FROM CUYAHOGA COUNTY UNDER THE FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT AND OHIO AM. SUB. H.B. 481, AFFIRMING THAT SUCH FUNDS SHALL BE USED ONLY TO COVER COSTS INCURRED BY THE CITY CONSISTENT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF APPLICABLE LAW, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, 116 Public Law 136, (the CARES Act) was signed into law by the President of the United States on March 27, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly established a process for distributing funds provided by the "Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act" in Ohio Am. Sub. Bill 481 of the 133rd General Assembly and the funds will be distributed by Ohio county governments through a County Coronavirus Relief Distribution Fund;

WHEREAS, Ohio Am. Sub. H.B. 481 requires political subdivisions receiving funds under Section 1 of the CARES Act to pass a resolution affirming that funds from the County Coronavirus Relief Distribution Fund may be expended only to cover costs of the subdivision consistent with the requirements of section 5001 of the CARES Act as described in 42 U.S.C. 601(d), and any applicable regulations before receiving said funds;

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond Heights is requesting its share of funds from the Cuyahoga County Coronavirus Relief Distribution Fund.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, Cuyahoga County, State of Ohio that:

SECTION 1. This Council affirms that all funds received from the County Coronavirus Relief Distribution Fund pursuant to Ohio Am. Sub. H.B. 481 shall be expended only to cover costs of the City consistent with the requirements of section 5001 of the CARES Act as described in 42 U.S.C. 601(d), and any applicable regulations and guidance only to cover expenses that:

- (1) Are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
- (2) Were not accounted for in the City of Richmond Heights' most recently approved budget as of March 27, 2020; and
- (3) Were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020.

SECTION 2. In compliance with Ohio Am. Sub. H.B. 481, the Director of Finance is hereby authorized and directed take all necessary actions to:


- (1) On or before October 15, 2020, pay any unencumbered balance of money in the City's local coronavirus relief fund to the County Treasurer;
- (2) On or before December 28, 2020, pay the balance of any money in the City's local coronavirus relief fund to the state treasury in the manner prescribed by the Director of the Ohio Office of Budget and Management; and
- (3) Provide any information related to any payments received under Am. Sub. H.B. 481 to the Director of the Ohio Office of Budget and Management as requested.

SECTION 3. The Clerk is directed to certify copies of this Resolution to the Director of the Ohio Office of Budget and Management and Cuyahoga County Fiscal Officer.

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 of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 5. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City of Richmond Heights, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary in order to pay for services rendered; wherefore, provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of Council elected or appointed, it shall take effect immediately upon its passage and execution by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law

PASSED: June 23, 2020


David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: June 23, 2020

ATTEST: Betsy Traben
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Clerk of Council


Eloise Cotton-Henry
President of Council