

**Wilson Mills Road**

**ORDINANCE NO: 5--2023**

**INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Thomas**

AN ORDINANCE ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO, IN THE MATTER OF THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED IMPROVEMENT TO WILSON MILLS ROAD, REQUESTING THE COOPERATION OF THE COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Richmond Heights, Ohio (hereinafter the "MUNICIPALITY") has recognized the need for and proposes the improvement of a portion of public highway which is described as follows:

The resurfacing of Wilson Mills Road from Richmond Road to the Eastern Corporate Line (the "Project").

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio:

**A. CONSENT**

1. That it is declared to be in the public interest that the consent of said MUNICIPALITY be and such consent is hereby given to the County of Cuyahoga, Ohio (hereinafter the "COUNTY") to construct the above-described improvement in accordance with plans, specifications and estimates approved by the COUNTY.

**B. COOPERATION**

1. That the MUNICIPALITY will cooperate with the COUNTY in the resurfacing of Wilson Mills Road from Richmond Road to the Eastern Corporate Line.
2. That the MUNICIPALITY will arrange for the preparation of construction plans and specifications, including necessary engineering reports for improvement, under current Cuyahoga County standards for construction of County roads and bridges.
3. That the COUNTY will arrange for the supervision and administration of the construction Project.

**C. FUNDING**

1. That the MUNICIPALITY hereby agrees to participate with the COUNTY in the cost of the improvement by an allocation from the County Motor Vehicle License Tax Fund to pay the COUNTY portion of the Project.
2. That if the Project is financed with State or Federal-aid funds, eligible costs of the improvement shall be financed from the aforesaid funds.
3. That if funds administered by the Ohio Public Works Commission are used for this Project, the amount of such funds will be deducted from designated project costs prior to the application of the participatory percentages specified in the Ordinance.
4. Within the corporate limits of the MUNICIPALITY, the MUNICIPALITY will be responsible for forty percent (40%), and the COUNTY will be responsible for sixty percent (60%), of the cost of the preparation of construction plans and specifications, including necessary engineering reports for the improvement.
5. Within the Corporate limits of the MUNICIPALITY, the MUNICIPALITY shall contribute fifty percent (50%) of the Non-Federal Share of the cost of construction, and construction supervision.
6. That the MUNICIPALITY agrees to deposit with the Treasurer of Cuyahoga County the MUNICIPALITY'S share of the estimated cost of the Project or agrees to enter into an escrow agreement with the County of Cuyahoga, Ohio prior to an award of a contract for the improvement.

**D. MAINTENANCE**

That upon completion of said improvement, said MUNICIPALITY will thereafter keep said highway open to traffic at all times; and

1. Maintain the improvement in accordance with the provisions of the statutes relating thereto and make ample financial provisions for such maintenance; and
2. Maintain the right-of-way and keep it free of obstructions in a manner satisfactory to the COUNTY and hold said right-of-way inviolate for public highway purposes and permit no signs, posters, billboards, roadside stands or other private installations within the right-of-way limits; and
3. That the COUNTY shall continue to maintain the structural elements of any bridge (defined as a structure with a span of twenty feet or greater) located within the limits of the improvement in accordance with the applicable sections of the Ohio Revised Code.
4. After construction of the project is complete, the Municipality agrees to follow and maintain post-construction Best Management Practices as outlined in the Municipal Storm Water Permit that is filed with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (O.E.P.A.).

#### **E. TRAFFIC**

That upon completion of said improvement said MUNICIPALITY will thereafter keep said highway open to traffic at all times; and

1. Place and maintain all traffic control devices conforming to the Ohio Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices on the improvement in compliance with the provisions of Section 4511.11 and related sections of the Ohio Revised Code; and

2. That the street or highway shall be and hereby is designated a through highway as provided in Section 4511.07(A)(6) Ohio Revised Code; and

3. That stop signs affecting the movement of traffic on said street or highway within the roadway being improved shall be removed, and no stop signs shall be erected on same except at its intersection with another through highway where traffic does not warrant the installation of a traffic control signal but where the warrants for a "Four-way Stop" as provided in the aforesaid Manual are met; and

4. That no rule or regulation shall be enacted restricting the use of the improved road and/or structure by any class of vehicle or vehicle load permitted by the Ohio Revised Code to use a public highway. Any existing rule or regulation so restricting road usage shall be rescinded; and

5. The MUNICIPALITY shall regulate parking in the following manner: Prohibit parking in accordance with Section 4511.66 of the Ohio Revised Code unless otherwise controlled by local ordinance or resolution.

#### **F. RIGHT-OF-WAY**

1. That all existing street and public right-of-way within the MUNICIPALITY which is necessary for the aforesaid improvement shall be made available therefore.

2. That in the event any additional right-of-way is required, the COUNTY will arrange for the acquisition.

#### **G. UTILITIES**

1. That the MUNICIPALITY will make arrangements with and obtain agreements from all privately owned public utility companies whose lines or structures will be affected by the said improvement, and said companies have agreed to make any and all necessary arrangements in such a manner as to be clear of any construction called for by the plans of said improvement, and said companies have agreed to make such necessary rearrangements immediately after notification by said MUNICIPALITY.

2. That the COUNTY will participate in the cost of alterations of governmentally-owned utility facilities which come within the provisions of Section 8204 (Utility Reimbursement Eligibility) of the Ohio Department of Transportation's Real Estate Policies and Procedures Manual to the same extent that it participates in the other costs of the Project, provided, however, that such participation will not extend to any additions or betterments of existing facilities.
3. That it is hereby agreed that the MUNICIPALITY shall, at its own expense, make all rearrangements of governmentally-owned utilities and/or appurtenances thereto which do not comply with the provisions of Section 8204 (Utility Reimbursement Eligibility) of the Ohio Department of Transportation's Real Estate Policies and Procedures Manual, whether inside or outside the corporate limits, as may be necessary to conform to the said improvement.
4. That the construction, reconstruction, an/or rearrangement of all utilities shall be done in such a manner as not to interfere unduly with the operation of the contractor constructing the improvement, and all backfilling of trenches made necessary by such utility rearrangements shall be performed in accordance with the provision of the Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications.

#### **H. MISCELLANEOUS**

1. That if the COUNTY is formally requested by a MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION to include the construction of sanitary sewers, waterlines, area sewers (drainage of area surrounding the improvement), sidewalks, alternate bid items, or other items in the improvement that are in addition to those now existing and not provided for elsewhere in this Agreement, the COUNTY will do so, provided that this construction meets with the approval of the County and the MUNICIPALITY involved in this improvement; and that the MUNICIPALITY agrees to pay, or make arrangements for the payment of, the cost of said additional construction, the cost of preliminary and design engineering, and construction supervision.
2. That the MUNICIPALITY shall be solely responsible for the certifications or obligations made or agreed to in Sections F-1, G-1, G-3, and G-4 and hereby agrees that the COUNTY shall be and is hereby released from any and all damages or claims of the MUNICIPALITY arising from or growing out of the certifications or obligations made or agreed to in said Sections F-1, G-1, G-3, and G-4 hereinabove.
3. For the purpose of this Ordinance, the agent for the COUNTY and liaison officer on the matter contained herein shall be the County Engineer of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and/or such members of his staff as he may designate.
4. By enacting this Ordinance, the MUNICIPALITY agrees to conduct this transaction by electronic means and agrees that all documents requiring County signatures may be executed by electronic means, and that the electronic signatures affixed by the County to

said documents shall have the same legal effect as if that signature was manually affixed to a paper version of the document. The MUNICIPALITY also agrees on behalf of the aforementioned entities and persons, to be bound by the provisions of Chapters 304 and 1306 of the Ohio Revised Code as they pertain to electronic signature policy of Cuyahoga County.


**I. AUTHORITY TO SIGN**

1. That the Mayor of said MUNICIPALITY is hereby empowered and directed on behalf of the MUNICIPALITY to enter into agreements with the COUNTY necessary to complete the planning and construction of this improvement.
2. That the Mayor of said MUNICIPALITY is hereby empowered and directed on behalf of the MUNICIPALITY to make application to the County of Cuyahoga, Ohio for approval to use County Motor Vehicle License Tax Funds for the improvement.


This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure by reason of the need for expediting highway improvements to promote highway safety, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed January 24, 2023

Approved: January 24, 2023

  
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Kim A. Thomas, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
  
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Donnie L. Hunter, Clerk of Council

  
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Bobby Jordan, President of Council

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## CERTIFICATE OF COPY

State of Ohio )  
County of Cuyahoga, Ohio ) SS. )  
City of Richmond Heights, Ohio )

I, Donnie L. Hunter, as Clerk of the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Ordinance adopted by the legislative Authority of the said municipality on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023, that the publication of such Ordinance has been made and certified of record according to law; that no proceedings looking to a referendum upon such Ordinance have been taken; and that such Ordinance and certificate of publication thereof are of record in Ordinance Record No. 5-2023, Page       .

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023.

Donnie L. Hunter  
Clerk of Council of City of Richmond Heights, Ohio

## MUNICIPAL SEAL

