

RESOLUTION NO. 20- / / , 2020
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION OF GREATER CINCINNATI UNDER OHIO REVISED CODE 505.701 TO DEFRAY EXPENSES RELATED TO COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP COVID-19 ECONOMIC STIMULUS; AND TO DECLARE 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;

WHEREAS, CIC was organized 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;

WHEREAS, CIC has incurred 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.

WHEREAS, the Board, upon majority vote, hereby dispenses with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, and hereby authorize 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 being the need to provide emergency assistance to support eligible dining establishments, and to advance, encourage, and promote economic and commercial development within and for the benefit of the Township.

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, through its Board of Trustees, is hereby authorized under R.C. 505.701 to provide up to \$55,000 (the “Financial Assistance”) to CIC to defray its costs for the functions described under Chapter 1724 of the Ohio Revised Code, specifically expenses related to the Columbia Township COVID-19 economic stimulus to support eligible dining

establishments, and to advance, encourage, and promote economic and commercial development within and for the benefit of the Township.

SECTION 2. That the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to issue funds in the amount of the Financial Assistance from the general fund;

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 of Trustees, and that all deliberations of this Board of Trustees were in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

Motion to accept Resolution made by: Mr./Mrs. Hughes

Seconded by: Mr./Mrs. Kritikos

VOTE:

TRUSTEE

	Voting	Signature	Date
David Kubicki, President	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>3/31/2020</u>
Chris Kritikos, Vice-President	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>3/31/20</u>
Susan Hughes, Trustee	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>3/31/20</u>

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer

3/31/20

APPROVED as to form:

Township Legal Counsel

Passed this 31 day of March 2020.

CERTIFICATE

State of Ohio, Hamilton County

I, Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer of Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 20-11, 2020 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.

3/31/20
Date

[Signature]
Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer

RESOLUTION NO. 20-12, 2020
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

**DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP
DUE TO COVID-19; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, which is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus that is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans; and

WHEREAS, Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, may be affected by the COVID-19 and can endanger the health, safety, and welfare of persons within the border of Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Governor DeWine issued Executive Order # 2020-013 on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency for the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio announced its first case of community acquired COVID-19 on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the event may exceed all locally available public and private resources available to alleviate the effects of this emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township, in consultation with the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County Emergency Management & Homeland Security and Hamilton County Public Health, to take the necessary actions before cases are identified in our area to prevent COVID-19 from spreading.

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Columbia Township Board of Trustees declares a State of Emergency exists in Columbia Township and that we hereby invoke and declare that pursuant to section 5502.21 of the Revised Code, an emergency exists related to COVID-19 that requires actions to be taken to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Columbia Township.

This declaration of a State of Emergency shall activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all local and inter-jurisdictional disaster emergency plans which are applicable to Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, and shall initiate the rendering of aid and assistance thereunder as needed.

Reference is hereby made to the Hamilton County and Columbia Township Emergency Operations Plan and all appropriate laws, statutes, ordinances and resolutions; and

1. Any rights or powers lawfully exercised, or any actions taken pursuant to local disaster emergency plans shall continue and have full force and effect as authorized by law unless modified or terminated in the manner prescribed by law.
2. That the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to:
 - a. Utilize all necessary resources and personnel of the Board of Trustees to respond to this emergency pursuant to Resolution endorsing the participation of township employees in assisting with responding and recovering during a declared emergency and/or points of dispensing (COM'RS M IN. Vol 342, June 13, 2016, Image 5877).
 - b. Exempt from the competitive bidding process purchases related to the emergency that are greater than \$50,000 but less than \$100,000, so long as no fewer than three informal estimates are obtained.
 - c. Take those actions that are necessary and appropriate, including the delegation of administrative and departmental functions among responsible staff to assure proper implementation in exercising this authority.
 - d. Report to the Board of Trustees on any actions taken pursuant to this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Columbia Township Board of Trustees is requesting the Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency to activate the Hamilton County Emergency Operations Center for the duration of the emergency in order to coordinate response efforts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State of Emergency shall end in thirty days unless renewed by a majority vote of this Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fiscal Officer certify copies of this resolution to Jeff Aluotto, County Administrator, Interim Health Commissioner Greg Kesterman, and Emergency Management Director Nick Crossley.

Motion to accept Resolution made by: Susan Hughes

Seconded by: Chris Kritikos

VOTE:

TRUSTEE	Voting	Signature	Date
David Kubicki	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>3/31/20</u>
Chris Kritikos	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>3/31/20</u>
Susan Hughes	<u>yes</u>	<u>Susan Hughes</u>	<u>3/31/20</u>

ATTEST: Caroline B. Heekin
Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED as to form: _____
Columbia Township Law Director

ADOPTED at a regularly adjourned meeting of the Board of Trustees of Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, this 31st day of March, 2020.

CERTIFICATE

State of Ohio, Hamilton County

I, Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer of Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 20-12, 2020 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.

3/31/20
Date

Caroline B. Heekin
Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-13, 2020
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

**DESIGNATING SOUTH SIDE OF ELLMARIE AVENUE FROM
RED BANK ROAD TO THE CUL-DE-SAC TO BE A NO PARKING FIRE LANE
AREA AND PROHIBITING PARKING THEREIN; AND TO DECLARE
EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, vehicles parking on the south side of Ellmarie Avenue between Red Bank Road and its cul-de-sac restricts the ability of fire and EMS vehicles, snow removal equipment and other vehicles from performing their duties; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety or welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, for the benefit and welfare of Columbia Township and its citizens, declares the south side of Ellmarie Avenue between Red Bank Road and its cul-de-sac to be a No Parking Fire Lane area and prohibits parking therein.

Motion to accept Resolution made by: Mr. Kubicki

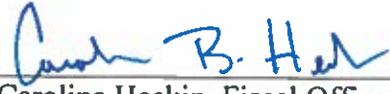
Seconded by: Mr. Kritikos

VOTE:

TRUSTEE

	Voting	Signature	Date
David Kubicki	<u>yes</u>		<u>4/14/2020</u>
Chris Kritikos	<u>yes</u>		<u>4/14/2020</u>
Susan Hughes	_____	_____	_____

ATTEST:


Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer

4/14/20

APPROVED as to form: _____

Columbia Township Law Director

Passed, this 10th day of March 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-14, 2020
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

**DESIGNATING EAST SIDE OF BUFLER LANE
TO BE A NO PARKING AREA AND PROHIBITING PARKING THEREIN; AND
TO DECLARE EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, vehicles parking on the east side of Bufler Lane restricts the ability of fire and EMS vehicles, snow removal equipment and other vehicles from performing their duties; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety or welfare;

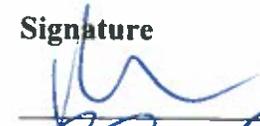
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of Columbia Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, for the benefit and welfare of Columbia Township and its citizens, declares the east side of Bufler Lane to be a No Parking area and prohibits parking therein.

Motion to accept Resolution made by: Mr. Kubicki

Seconded by: Mr. Kritikos

VOTE:

TRUSTEE

	Voting	Signature	Date
David Kubicki	<u>YES</u>	<u></u>	<u>4/14/2020</u>
Chris Kritikos	<u>YES</u>	<u></u>	<u>4/14/2020</u>
Susan Hughes	_____	_____	_____

ATTEST:


Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer

4/14/20

APPROVED as to form: _____

Columbia Township Law Director

Passed, this 10th day of March, 2020

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-15, 2020
COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO**

**AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF THE GREEN SPACE ON MURRAY AVENUE
AS A PLAYFIELD AND MULTI-PURPOSE PATH AND THE EXPENDITURE OF
\$75,000.00 TO PARTIALLY FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MURRAY PATH
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Murray Avenue is located in the Village of Mariemont, Hamilton County, Ohio ("Mariemont"), in very close proximity to the Township;

WHEREAS, there is currently a green space between the eastbound and westbound lanes (the "Green Space") of Murray Avenue;

WHEREAS, the Green Space lacks adequate sidewalks where residents can safely walk, skate, and bike;

WHEREAS, a public-private partnership exists for the purpose of constructing a playfield and multi-purpose path on the Green Space (the "Murray Path");

WHEREAS, the Murray Path is expected to benefit the Township and its citizens by: (1) providing an area for citizens to safely walk, skate, and bike; (2) providing a safe route to school for children; and (3) increasing the value of homes in the Township areas near Murray Path;

WHEREAS, the total cost of constructing the Murray Path is estimated to be \$419,000.00;

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has already awarded a grant of \$269,000.00 to assist with the construction of the Murray Path and the Village of Mariemont has contributed \$19,000.00 for preliminary design and engineering fees and will pay for final design and engineering fees estimated to be \$29,000.00 to assist with the construction of the Murray Path;

WHEREAS, the Township is a limited home rule township that has all of the powers of local self-government under R.C. Chapter 504;

WHEREAS, R.C. 755.12 authorizes the Township to "designate and set apart for use as parks, playgrounds, playfields, gymnasiums, public baths, swimming pools, or indoor recreation centers[] any lands or buildings owned by" the Township that are "not dedicated or devoted to other public use";

WHEREAS, R.C. 755.12 further authorizes the Township to acquire land or buildings for the purpose of using such land or buildings as parks, playgrounds, playfields, gymnasiums, public baths, swimming pools, or indoor recreation centers; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to designate the Green Space as a playfield and multi-purpose path for the purpose of constructing the Murray Path and to expend \$75,000.00 to acquire land for the purpose of designating such land as a playfield and multi-purpose path, so that the Murray Path can be constructed thereon and the Township can contribute to the construction of the Murray Path; and

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WHEREAS, the Board, upon majority vote, hereby dispenses with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, and hereby authorize 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 being the need to acquire and to designate the playfield and multi-purpose path and to provide the Township's funding share immediately, so that its residents can use the playfield and multi-purpose path at the earliest possible time;

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 authorizes the Township to:

1. Designate the Green Space as a playfield and multi-purpose path for the purpose of constructing the Murray Path thereon; and
2. Expend \$75,000.00 to acquire land and to contribute to the construction of Murray Path as a playfield and multi-purpose path.

Motion to accept Resolution made by: Mrs. Hughes

Seconded by: Mr. Kritikos

VOTE:

TRUSTEE	VOTING	SIGNATURE	DATE
David Kubicki, President	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>4/14/2020</u>
Chris Kritikos, Vice-President	<u>yes</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>4/14/2020</u>
Susan Hughes, Trustee	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

ATTEST: Caroline B. Heekin 4/14/20
Caroline Heekin, Fiscal Officer

Passed this 10 day of March, 2020