

Proposed: 10/03/2022

RESOLUTION NO. 145-2022 (PD), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit a joint application with the Cities of University Heights and South Euclid to the Northeast Ohio Area Wide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) for a grant under the Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative (“TLCI”) Implementation Grant Program to fund the Heights Regional Neighborhood Greenway Project/Initiative; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the Cities of Cleveland Heights, South Euclid, and University Heights (the “Cities”) recognize the shared challenges to transportation, access, and mobility within the region; and

WHEREAS, the Cities have determined to work collaboratively to meet those challenges through shared planning; and

WHEREAS, the Cities further have determined to work collaboratively to implement recommendations of the Eastside Greenway Study within their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Cities further have determined to supplement the East Side Greenway Study’s recommendations with newer best practices, including bike boulevards; and

WHEREAS, the Cities propose the Heights Regional Neighborhood Greenway Project/Initiative, which would consist of signage, buffered bicycle lanes, and connector pathways (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Cities wish to submit a joint application to the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (“NOACA”) for funding for the Eastern Suburbs Collaborative Bike Boulevard Project through the Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative (“TLCI”) Implementation Program; and

WHEREAS, the TLCI Implementation Program provides federal funds for projects that integrate transportation and land use planning, increase transportation options, promote livability, and advance the goals of NOACA’s Strategic Plan for northeast Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the TLCI Implementation Program is paid on a reimbursement basis, requiring the applicant to first expend funds (if matched) and then request reimbursement from NOACA; and

WHEREAS, the Cities have determined that the City of South Euclid would act as the Project Sponsor and, therefore, would be designated as the sub-recipient; and

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WHEREAS, the City of South Euclid agrees to abide by all federal requirements as a sub-recipient of federal transportation funds, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Americans with Disabilities Act, and including all applicable federal procurement requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Euclid, as Project Sponsor, agrees to be responsible for managing any and all sub-contracting agencies, organizations, or consultants; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Euclid, as Project Sponsor, agrees to complete the agreed upon scope of services or will forfeit current and future TLCI awards; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Euclid, as Project Sponsor, is authorized to execute a contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) and NOACA if selected for the TLCI Program.

WHEREAS, this Council has determined that it would be in the best interest of the City and its residents to submit the proposed joint application.

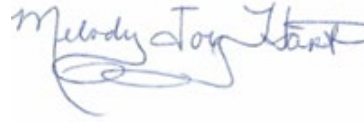
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and is hereby, authorized to submit a joint application on behalf of the City of Cleveland Heights, with the Cities of University Heights and South Euclid, to the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (“NOACA”), with the City of South Euclid acting as the Project Sponsor and designated recipient of USDOT funds, for the TLCI Implementation Program.

SECTION 2. Notice of passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to meet the application deadline. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

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President of the Council



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Clerk of Council

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Presented to Mayor: 10/04/2022

Approved by Mayor: 10/07/2022



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Mayor