

ORDINANCE NO. 256-2025(F), *Second
Reading*

By Mayor Cuda

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Coventry Village Special Improvement District, Inc. ("Coventry SID") for an advance of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) at zero percent (0%) interest; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the Coventry Village SID is a duly established special improvement district under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 1710; and.

WHEREAS, the SID plans for public services within the district have been approved by City Council under the authority of Ohio Revised Code § 1710.06; and

WHEREAS, the SID's operating budget and service delivery require collection of the special assessment from property owners in the district; and

WHEREAS, a cash-flow shortfall has arisen because the Cuyahoga County Treasurer's Office has changed its disbursement date for payment of the assessment proceeds to the City, resulting in a timing mismatch between the SID's immediate expenditures and the later assessment receipt; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the City to assist the SID, because the SID's public services enhance safety, maintenance, vibrancy, and economic vitality within Coventry Village, thereby benefitting not only the SID but the broader community; and

WHEREAS, advancing these funds as a 0% interest loan will minimize the burden on the SID while preserving the City's interests, provided the loan is repaid from the future assessment revenues.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City Of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Coventry Village Special Improvement District, Inc., to advance the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) (the "Loan") to the SID.

SECTION 2. The Loan shall be zero percent (0%) interest, shall be unsecured except for the SID's obligation to repay from its special assessment collections, and shall be repaid in full as soon as feasible after the City receives the special assessment revenues from the County Treasurer anticipated to occur.

SECTION 3. The SID shall use the advanced funds solely for the purposes authorized in its public services plan, including but not limited to the ongoing services for which the SID was formed (e.g., maintenance, security, cleaning, marketing).

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SECTION 4. All assessment proceeds collected from the participating property owners within the Coventry SID shall be applied first to repay this Loan, consistent with the City's obligations and the expectations of the SID and its members.

SECTION 5. The City encourages the SID to align its budget and spending patterns to conform to the previously described County disbursement schedule to avoid future shortfalls.

SECTION 6. The City Finance Director shall establish a separate internal fund or account for the advanced funds, to clearly track the advance and repayment, ensuring transparency.

SECTION 7. The Loan Agreement shall contain such provisions as the Director of Law deems necessary or desirable to protect the best interests of the City

SECTION 8. It is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION 9. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 10. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary 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 provide immediate cash flow support to the Coventry SID and avoid disruption of its vital services, and shall take effect immediately upon passage provided it receives the affirmative vote of not less than five (5) members of this Council; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.



GAIL L. LARSON
President of Council

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ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: December 15, 2025

Presented to Mayor: 12/17/2025 Approved: 12/17/2025



TONY CUDA
Mayor