

ORDINANCE NO. 13-2016

Authorizing the City of Worthington to Participate with Other Central Ohio Jurisdictions in the Funding for a Study of the State Route 161 Corridor and Amending Ordinance No. 44-2015 (As Amended) to Adjust the Annual Budget by Providing for an Appropriation from the Capital Improvements Fund Unappropriated Balance to Pay the Cost Thereof.

WHEREAS, in 2014, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission undertook a preliminary traffic study of the State Route 161 corridor from Olentangy River Road to Sawmill Road to gather information such as current congestion levels, projected growth in the area and potential traffic growth over the next 30 years; and,

WHEREAS, that study was funded by Perry Township, the City of Columbus and the City of Worthington; and,

WHEREAS, sufficient information was obtained from that study to warrant a more comprehensive look at the corridor, which would consist of a planning, engineering and design study for the purpose of providing the affected jurisdictions with a set of alternatives for improvements; and,

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio Department of Transportation has agreed to facilitate the study for the benefit of all the affected jurisdictions with financial assistance from the City of Columbus, Perry Township, the City of Worthington and MORPC, as requested, in the share of the funding therefor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Municipality of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That it is declared to be in the public interest that the consent of Worthington City Council be and such consent is hereby given to the Director of Transportation to complete the above described study.

SECTION 2. That the City of Worthington shall cooperate with the Director of Transportation in the above described study and hereby appropriates from the Capital Improvements Fund Unappropriated Balance to Account No. 308.5010.533357 the sum of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) to pay the City of Worthington's share of costs for the study.

SECTION 3. That the City Manager is hereby directed on behalf of the City to enter into contracts with the Director of Transportation necessary to complete the above described project.

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SECTION 4. That notice of passage of this Ordinance shall be posted in the Municipal Administration Building, the Worthington Library, the Griswold Center and the Worthington Community Center and shall set forth the title and effective date of the Ordinance and a statement that the Ordinance is on file in the office of the Clerk of Council. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law and by the Charter of the City of Worthington, Ohio.

Passed April 18, 2016

/s/ Bonnie D. Michael

President of Council

Attest:

/s/ D. Kay Thress

Clerk of Council

Introduced April 4, 2016

P.H. April 18, 2016

Effective May 11, 2016