

RESOLUTION NO. 37-2016

Authorizing the City Manager to Seek Financial Assistance from Federal Attributable Funds for the Wilson Bridge Road Corridor Project.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation receives federal transportation funding through the Surface Transportation Program, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program, and Transportation Alternatives Program and in turn sub-allocates this funding via the Metropolitan Planning Organizations and Large Cities Capital Program to the Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC); and,

WHEREAS, public agencies can apply to MORPC for these funds; and,

WHEREAS, under the oversight of the Attributable Funds Committee and with final approval by the Transportation Policy Committee, MORPC conducts a process every two years to solicit applications for funding, evaluate the proposed projects, and commit funds to those selected; and,

WHEREAS, the City's adopted Wilson Bridge Road Corridor Enhancement Study in 2011, which recommended the enhancement of gateways, the development of new signage and wayfinding and the construction of a multi-purpose trail from the Olentangy Parklands to the railroad; and,

WHEREAS, the City has developed a project to address these recommendations by complementing the roadway improvements made at the I-270 /US-23 (High Street) interchange with additional landscaping that includes new wayfinding signage, street trees, fencing and decorative street lights and crosswalk improvements as well as constructing a multi-use path on Wilson Bridge Road that connects the Olentangy Trail on the west side of High Street and the Worthington Community Center on the east side of High Street to the Central Ohio Greenway Trail; and,

WHEREAS, the City desires to apply for Federal Attributable Funds for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Worthington, County of Franklin, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. The City Council expresses support for the Wilson Bridge Road Corridor Project, including enhancements to the High Street gateway.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to apply to MORPC for Federal Attributable Funds for the Wilson Bridge Road Corridor Project, including the enhancements to the High Street gateway.

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SECTION 3. The City Manager is further authorized to enter into any agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance.

SECTION 3. That the Clerk be and hereby is authorized to record this Resolution in the appropriate record book.

Adopted September 6, 2016

/s/ Bonnie D. Michael
President of Council

Attest:

/s/ D. Kay Thress
Clerk of Council