

RESOLUTION NO.: 73- 2019
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Roche

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS FOR A GRANT FROM THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTHY URBAN TREE CANOPY GRANT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission, Cuyahoga County Department of Sustainability, and the Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District are offering matching grants to local municipalities in the County through their Healthy Urban Tree Canopy Grant Program and the City of Richmond Heights is eligible to apply for such a grant which requires City Council authorization to make such an application;

WHEREAS, the Grant Program requires 5% matching funds from the City for any grant awarded to it and this Council is supportive of providing the matching funds where the typical municipal grant is estimated to be between \$25,000 and \$50,000;

WHEREAS, the City contemplates the grant funds will be used for developing an urban forestry master plan for the City and implementation of that plan to address such current needs as the replacement of City trees in public tree lawns on the public streets of the City, many of which had to be removed due to the Dutch elm disease, and to take measures to enhance the healthiness and viability of the remaining public trees in the City and its parks;

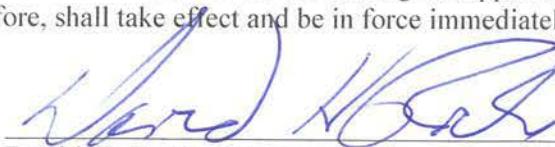
NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The Mayor is authorized to submit a grant application to the Healthy Urban Tree Canopy Grant Program.

Section 2: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3: This Resolution is an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of the City of Richmond Heights by reason of the need to authorize submission of the aforesaid grant application by the impending deadline of July 29, 2019; and, therefore, shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: July 23, 2019


David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: July 23, 2019

ATTEST: Betsy Traben
Betsy Traben
Clerk of Council


Eloise Cotton-Henry
President of Council