

RESOLUTION NO.: 121 -2019  
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor and Council

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS FOR A PROJECT TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT FOR ITS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Municipal Grant Program is a competitive federal grant program that makes awards to municipalities to help strengthen cities, encourage regional collaboration and improve quality of life for Cuyahoga County residents;

WHEREAS, the City has been advised by the Department of Development for the County of Cuyahoga that it is eligible to participate in a competitive application process for awarding of Community Development Block Grant funds (Fiscal Year 2020);

WHEREAS, the City is permitted to submit one or more projects as part of its application, provided the aggregate total of the funding does not exceed \$150,000;

WHEREAS, a public hearing related to the City's participation in the Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2016 was held by the City on November 14, 2019;

WHEREAS, the City has determined to apply for said block grant funds to supplement the expenses of necessary public improvement projects to renovate and improve the City's public meeting and event venue, known as the Kiwanis Lodge;

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

Section 1: The following projects to eliminate blight and to enhance City facilities in "Low to Moderate Income" areas of the City are hereby designated as approved for use in the application to be submitted by the City in response to the competitive application process undertaken by the Department of Development of Cuyahoga County for Community Development Block Grant Program funds:

- a. Renovations and improvements to the City owned and operated community center (known as the "Kiwanis Lodge"), including, but not limited to the following:
  1. Conversion of the front entryway to an ADA accessible doorway;
  2. Replacement of the lighting in the area known as the Senior Hall;
  3. Replacement of the windows in the area known as the Senior Hall;

4. Construction of a new patio adjacent to the area known as the Senior Hall; and
5. Improvement of the restrooms on the main floor of Kiwanis Lodge to make them ADA accessible.

Section 2: The Mayor is authorized to submit the application on behalf of the City to the Department of Development of Cuyahoga County no later than December 6, 2019.

Section 3: 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 4: This Resolution is determined to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Richmond Heights by reason of the need to authorize submission of the application for Community Development Block Grant funds for the necessary public improvement projects set forth above by the impending deadline; and, therefore, shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: Nov. 26, 2019

  
David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: Nov. 26, 2019

ATTEST: Betsy Traben  
Betsy Traben  
Clerk of Council

  
Eloise Cotton-Henry  
President of Council