

EMERGENCY

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- 2025

ESTABLISHING new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252348, “West Fork Road OPWC Grant,” to provide resources for an emergency repair due to a landslide occurring along a section of West Fork Road, approximately one-quarter mile west of Montana Avenue; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$562,120 from the State of Ohio Public Works Commission (“OPWC”) Emergency Funds Program; **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit OPWC grant resources of up to \$562,120 into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252348, “West Fork Road OPWC Grant”; and **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of the OPWC grant resources.

WHEREAS, a recent landslide along West Fork Road, approximately one-quarter mile west of Montana Avenue, has encroached into the roadway and is expected to cause continued distress if not addressed, with any further progression likely to necessitate unplanned emergency lane closures; and

WHEREAS, grants are available from the Ohio Public Work Commission’s (“OPWC”) Emergency Funds Program to assist local governments in addressing immediate threats to public health, safety, and welfare posed by failed infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, OPWC grant resources may be used by the City to repair or stabilize roadways and adjacent infrastructure affected by landslides to ensure continued access and prevent further damage; and

WHEREAS, the City submitted a pre-application to OPWC for emergency repair funding related to the landslide on West Fork Road, and on March 13, 2025, OPWC conditionally approved \$562,120 in funding; and

WHEREAS, the OPWC grant requires a ten percent local match of up to \$62,459, which may be provided from existing resources in capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x232306, “Street Improvements”; and

WHEREAS, the City’s final application for this OPWC grant requires submission of authorizing legislation and certification of the local match by April 18, 2025; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, remediation of West Fork Road is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop an efficient multi-modal transportation system that supports neighborhood livability” and strategy to “[p]lan, design, and implement a safe and sustainable transportation system” as described on pages 127-129 and 135-137 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to establish new capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252348, “West Fork Road OPWC Grant,” to provide resources for an emergency repair due to a landslide occurring along a section of West Fork Road, approximately one-quarter mile west of Montana Avenue.

Section 2. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$562,120 from the State of Ohio Public Works Commission (“OPWC”) Emergency Funds Program.

Section 3. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit OPWC grant resources of up to \$562,120 into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x252348, “West Fork Road OPWC Grant”.

Section 4. That the City Manager is authorized to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of the OPWC grant resources.

Section 5. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the OPWC grant and Sections 1 through 4.

Section 6. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to submit the final grant application and accept funding within the timeline necessary to conduct emergency stabilization and roadway repairs.

Passed: _____, 2025

Attest: _____
Clerk

Aftab Pureval, Mayor