

October 16, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – DOTE: Grant for Brighton Approach Bridge

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and appropriate additional grant funds of up to \$500,000 from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Municipal Bridge Program (ALN 20.205) to capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x202361, “Brighton Approach Bridge Grants,” to provide additional resources for the Brighton Approach Bridge Replacement Project; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the additional grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x202361, “Brighton Approach Bridge Grants.”

This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to accept and appropriate additional grant funds of up to \$500,000 from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Municipal Bridge Program to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x202361, “Brighton Approach Bridge Grants,” to provide additional resources for the Brighton Approach Bridge Replacement Project.

On December 11, 2019, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0482-2019, which authorized the City Manager to accept and appropriate grant resources of up to \$2,000,000 for the Brighton Approach Bridge Replacement Project. On September 11, 2024, ODOT notified the City that the maximum grant award increased from \$2,000,000 to \$2,500,000. City Council approval is required to accept and appropriate the additional grant resources.

The required five percent match will come from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x233x242338, “Bridge Replacement Program.” No new FTEs/full time equivalents are required.

The Brighton Approach Bridge Replacement Project is in accordance with the “Connect” goal to “[d]evelop a regional transportation system that promotes economic vitality” and the strategy to “[u]se the City’s transportation network to help facilitate economic development opportunities” as described on pages 139-142 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to accept and appropriate additional grant resources to ensure uninterrupted progress of the construction, which is currently underway.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director



Attachment