

February 1, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager *SM*

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Subject: Emergency Ordinance – DCED: Medpace Way and Red Bank Expressway Infrastructure Improvements Grant

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the establishment of capital improvement program project account nos. 980x164x231638, “Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Grant,” and 980x164x231639, “Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Match,” for the purpose of providing resources for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate grant resources in an amount up to \$200,000 from the State of Ohio Department of Development 629 Roadwork Program to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231638, “Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Grant,” for the purpose of providing resources for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and return to source General Fund 050 of the sum of \$200,000 from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231600, “Economic Development Initiatives - GF,” for the purpose of realigning resources with program needs; **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of General Fund 050 to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231639, “Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Match,” for the purpose of providing resources for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way; **AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to enter into any agreements necessary for the receipt and administration of these grant resources; and further **AUTHORIZING** the Finance Director to deposit the grant resources in an amount up to \$200,000 into newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231638, “Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Grant.”

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the establishment of new capital improvement program project account nos. 980x164x231638, “Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Grant,” and 980x164x231639, “Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Match,” for the purpose of providing resources for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way. This Emergency Ordinance also authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate \$200,000 from the State of Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) 629 Roadwork Program to newly established capital

improvement program project account no. 980x164x231638, "Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Grant," for the purpose of providing resources for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way. This Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer and return to source, General Fund 050, the sum of \$200,000 from existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231600, "Economic Development Initiatives - GF" for the purpose of realigning resources with program needs. Furthermore, this Emergency Ordinance authorizes the transfer and appropriation of \$200,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund to newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231639, "Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Match," for the purpose of providing resources for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way.

The improvements planned at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way are needed for the safety of the users who access the campus from Red Bank Expressway. The improvements will also improve traffic flow resulting from the anticipated addition of 1,500 new jobs at the campus.

The improvements for the intersection include a new traffic signal, signal heads, poles, control cabinet, wiring, and other related improvements. The roadway improvements include new pavement markings, adjustment of the existing elevated medians to allow for proper vehicle movement, and miscellaneous items such as new traffic-related street signage.

The Ohio Department of Development 629 Roadwork Program grant requires local matching resources in an amount totaling \$200,000, which will be available in newly established capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231639, "Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program – Match." There are no new FTE requirements associated with this grant.

Infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way are in accordance with the "Compete" goal to "[f]oster a climate conducive to growth, investment, stability, and opportunity," as described on pages 103-113 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to ensure that necessary funding is in place to meet deadlines required by the grant for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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



Attachments