

June 14, 2023

To: Mayor and Members of City Council

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From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager

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

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

ESTABLISHING capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231640, “Medpace ODOT Jobs and Commerce – Grant,” to provide 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 of up to \$125,000 from the State of Ohio, Department of Transportation (ODOT) Office of Jobs and Commerce to capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231640, “Medpace ODOT Jobs and Commerce – Grant,” to provide resources for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231640, “Medpace ODOT Jobs and Commerce – Grant.”

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the establishment of capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231640, “Medpace ODOT Jobs and Commerce – Grant,” for the purpose of providing resources for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way. Additionally, the Emergency Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate grant resources of up to \$125,000 from the State of Ohio, Department of Transportation (ODOT) Office of Jobs and Commerce to newly created capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231640, “Medpace ODOT Jobs and Commerce – Grant,” to provide resources for infrastructure improvements at the intersection of Red Bank Expressway and Medpace Way on the west side of the Medpace Campus. Finally, the Emergency Ordinance authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231640, “Medpace ODOT Jobs and Commerce – Grant.”

On February 8, 2023, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0040-2023, which authorized the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate grant resources up to \$200,000 from the State of Ohio Department of Development 629 Roadwork Program to capital improvement program project account no. 980x164x231638, "Medpace ODOD 629 Roadwork Program - Grant".

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 and to improve traffic flow resulting from the anticipated addition of 1,500 new jobs at the Medpace 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 additional items such as new traffic-related street signage.

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 meet deadlines required by the grant.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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



Attachment