

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-040

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF KENT TO SUBMIT A FUNDING APPLICATION FOR A REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) FEDERAL GRANT TOTALING \$5.25 MILLION, AND TO ACCEPT THE GRANT, IF AWARDED, WITH CORRESPONDING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE EAST MAIN STREET AREA IMPROVEMENTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the RAISE discretionary grants were originally created under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act as TIGER grants. The RAISE program received a 50% increase as part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law; and

WHEREAS, the current project budget has recently increased due primarily to inflation and has increased the project amount from \$20 million to \$25.5 million; and

WHEREAS, this grant request will represent the last significant funding piece required for the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. Kent City Council approves submission of the City's pre-application request for the RAISE grant funding totaling \$25.5 million and authorized that the Administration provide all information, funds, and documentation required in said applications for submission.

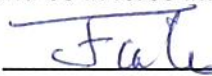
SECTION 2. Kent City Council hereby approves the City's acceptance of the grant, if awarded to the City, with corresponding appropriations for its use.

SECTION 3. Kent City Council hereby understands and agrees that participation in the RAISE grant program will require compliance with program guidelines and assurances.

SECTION 4. it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance 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 of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 5. this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the residents of this City, for which reason and other reasons manifest to this Council this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.

PASSED: April 20, 2022
Date



Jerry T. Fiala
Mayor and President of Council

EFFECTIVE: April 20, 2022
Date

ATTEST: 

Amy Wilkens
Clerk of Council

I, AMY WILKENS, CLERK OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF KENT, COUNTY OF PORTAGE, AND STATE OF OHIO, AND IN WHOSE CUSTODY THE ORIGINAL FILES AND RECORDS OF SAID COUNCIL ARE REQUIRED TO BE KEPT BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF ORDINANCE No. 2022-040, ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT ON April 20, 2022.

(SEAL)


AMY WILKENS
CLERK OF COUNCIL