

RESOLUTION G2023-32

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (SORTA) TO RECEIVE TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS (TIF) TO INSTALL SIDEWALKS ON FIELDS ERTEL AND MASON MONTGOMERY ROAD

WHEREAS, Section 306.353 of the Ohio Revised Code provides the Grantor authority to levy a tax in accordance with ORC Section 5739.023 to fund construction or maintenance of roads or bridges related to the Grantor’s services; and

WHEREAS, the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) did create a Transit Infrastructure Fund (TIF) that places a portion of the taxes generated from the transit levy into a fund to be used for transit infrastructure related projects; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees submitted an application to the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) to fund the installation of sidewalks on Fields Ertel Road from Mason Montgomery Road to Montgomery Road and on Mason Montgomery Road to Chapelsquare; and

WHEREAS, the project will involve new sidewalks along Fields Ertel Road and Mason Montgomery Road, new ADA ramps, pedestrian signal heads at I-71 exit ramps with a pedestrian phase which will improve pedestrian service to the Metro bus stops on Fields Ertel and the park and ride on Mason Montgomery Road; and

WHEREAS, the project will commence once the engineering has been completed and must begin no later than March 7, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Symmes Township will provide construction services and administration as well provide for all licenses and permits and be responsible for all operation, maintenance, and upkeep; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio, has agreed to enter into a grant agreement with SORTA for a transit infrastructure funds project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio:

Section 1. That the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township of Hamilton County, Ohio hereby accepts this grant and authorizes the Township Administrator

to enter into a grant agreement with SORTA to receive transit infrastructure funds to install sidewalks on Fields Ertel Road and Mason Montgomery Road.

Section 2. The purpose of said agreement is to fund new sidewalks along Fields Ertel Road and Mason Montgomery Road, new ADA curb ramps, pedestrian signal headed added at I-71 exit ramps with pedestrian phase which will improve pedestrian service to metro bus stops and the park and ride and the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA) has agreed to reimburse Symmes Township up to \$445,770.00 for those improvements upon receipt of an invoice from Symmes Township for the work performed.

Section 3. It is hereby certified that all formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Symmes Township, Hamilton County, Ohio relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Board and that all deliberations of the Board were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. Upon majority vote does hereby dispense with the requirement that this Resolution be read on two separate days and hereby authorizes the adoption of this Resolution upon its first reading.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

ADOPTED: MARCH 7, 2023 – RESOLUTION G2023-32

Vote Record: Mr. Beck _____ Mr. Bryant _____ Ms. Leis _____

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Philip J. Beck, President

Kenneth N. Bryant, Vice-President

Jodie L. Leis, Trustee

ATTEST:

Joseph C. Grossi, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jeff Forbes, Law Director