

RESOLUTION NO. R-21-17

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SUBMISSION OF AN
OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) STATE ISSUE ONE FUND
APPLICATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF CHESTER ROAD
BETWEEN STATE ROUTE 83 AND AMERICAN WAY
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the State Capital Improvement Program and the Local Transportation Improvement Program both provide financial assistance to political subdivisions for capital improvements to public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the increase of traffic volumes and anticipated future development have necessitated the widening of the roadway corridor along Chester Road west of State Route 83; and

WHEREAS, the existing roadway corridor varies from three lanes at the American Way intersection to two lanes and then up to four lanes at the State Route 83 intersection; and

WHEREAS, the volume of traffic along Chester Road between American Way and State Route 83 has reduced gaps in traffic to the point that opportunities for left hand turn movements off of Chester Road have significantly diminished and become more dangerous; and

WHEREAS, the widening of Chester Road between State Route 83 and American Way to a minimum of three lanes in conjunction with provision of a formal left-hand turn into Traveler's Point will improve safety for the travelling public 83; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of an asphalt multi-purpose path along the north side of Chester Road between State Route 83 and American Way will improve pedestrian and bicycle safety, will serve as an extension of similar improvement on Chester Road east of State Route 83 and comports with Avon's continued efforts to enhance pedestrian connectivity; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that these improvements may be eligible for partial funding with Issue One (1) Funds from the State of Ohio, Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC); and

WHEREAS, Council finds that these proposed improvements will significantly further the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Avon and the community in providing an enhanced public storm water management and conveyance system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON, COUNTY OF LORAIN AND STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1 - That the Mayor for the City of Avon is hereby authorized to submit an application seeking State Issue One (1) funds for the year 2017, Round 32, to obtain much needed financial assistance for the public improvements within the City of Avon, to wit: improvements to be known as the Chester Road American Way Roadway Improvement Project with all appurtenances thereto.

Section 2 - That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council of the City of Avon concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting

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of the Council of the City of Avon and that all deliberations of this City's Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3 - That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Avon, the immediate emergency being the necessity to support an application for State Issue One (1) funds for the year 2017, Round 32 prior to its predetermined deadlines; therefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____ DATE SIGNED: _____

By: _____
Craig L. Witherspoon, Council President

DATE APPROVED BY THE MAYOR: _____

Bryan K. Jensen, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

John A. Gasior, Law Director

ATTEST:

Barbara Brooks
Clerk of Council

Posted: _____
In Five Places, as
Provided by Council

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