

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-28**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WILLOWICK TO REAFFIRM THE CITY'S COMMITMENT WITH THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE URBAN ENTITLEMENT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM AND FOR UTILIZATION OF FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE BY THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, provides an entitlement of funds for community development purposes for urban counties; and

**WHEREAS**, Lake County, Ohio will be designated as an "Urban County" provided that it secures the continued commitments with various political subdivisions in Lake County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the City of Willowick desire the use of "Urban County Entitlement Funds" for needed public improvements and public service programs in Lake County and its municipalities, including the City of Willowick; and

**WHEREAS**, the County shall prepare Applications for fiscal years 2024, 2025 and 2026 CDBG Urban County Entitlement Funds pursuant to the aforementioned Act;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOWICK, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to reaffirm the commitment with the Lake County Board of Commissions from the first day of the 2024 program year through and including the last day of the 2026 program year, with said Agreement to authorize the County to undertake essential Community Development and Housing Assistance Plans and Projects eligible under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

**Section 2.** That the funds necessary for the purposes of this Ordinance and as authorized hereby shall be paid from "CDBG Urban County Entitlement Funds" under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

**Section 3.** All formal actions of this Council concerning the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting, and that all deliberations of this Council, or any of its Committees, which resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances and Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**Section 4.** This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, welfare and dignity of the residents of the City of Willowick, and for the further reason to permit the County to submit the documents at the earliest date possible in order to meet federal deadlines for program eligibility to secure possible funding, wherefore this Ordinance shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Adopted by Council: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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Council President/President Pro Tempore

Submitted to the Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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Michael J. Vanni, Mayor

Approved by the Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christine Morgan, Clerk of Council