**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-53**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WILLOWICK TO ENTER INTO A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMUNITY PARK, RECREATION/CONSERVATION PROJECT PASS-THROUGH GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE WILLOWICK MUNICIPAL CENTER PARKING LOT PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Senate Bill 450 of the 136th General Assembly, the State of Ohio has appropriated funds for certain capital improvement projects, including the Willowick Municipal Center Parking Lot Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources ("ODNR") has made available Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.00) in grant funding for the Willowick Municipal Center Parking Lot Project, identified as Project No. LAKE-038C; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Willowick desires to undertake improvements to the municipal parking lot to enhance public access to municipal and recreational facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, ODNR has submitted a Capital Improvement Community Park, Recreation/Conservation Project Pass-Through Grant Agreement setting forth the terms and conditions for the receipt and use of said funds; and

**WHEREAS**, Council finds that entering into said Agreement is in the best interests of the City of Willowick and its residents.

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into and execute the Capital Improvement Community Park, Recreation/Conservation Project Pass-Through Grant Agreement with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for the Willowick Municipal Center Parking Lot Project, identified as Project No. LAKE-038C, in the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.00), in substantially the form presented to Council and on file with the Clerk of Council.

**SECTION 2.** That the Mayor is further authorized to execute such additional documents and certifications and take such administrative actions as may be necessary to implement the Agreement and secure the grant funding, provided that any material amendment or additional financial obligation requiring Council approval shall be submitted to Council for its consideration.

**SECTION 3.** That the Finance Director is hereby authorized to receive and account for grant funds distributed pursuant to the Agreement in accordance with applicable law and the City's financial procedures.

**SECTION 4.** That this Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such 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 5.** That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Willowick, and for the further reason that immediate authorization is necessary to facilitate execution of the Agreement and timely submission to ODNR for State Controlling Board approval. Wherefore, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor, provided it receives the affirmative vote required by law.

PASSED: _____, 2026

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Monica Koudela, President of Council

SUBMITTED to the Mayor for his approval on _____, 2026

APPROVED by the Mayor on _____, 2026

ATTEST:

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Alyssa Moran, Clerk of Council

Michael J. Vanni, Mayor