

Proposed: 09/19/2022

RESOLUTION NO. 139-2022 (MSES), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) to provide Bridge Inspection Services within Cleveland Heights and authorizing the Mayor to enter into any contracts with ODOT needed to complete said project; and declaring that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, Department of Transportation (hereafter “ODOT”) offers a “Bridge Inspection Program” to assist municipalities to achieve full compliance with the Federal Highway Administration’s bridge metrics; and

WHEREAS, the Bridge Inspection Program shall include, but is not limited to, routine inspections, element level inspections, critical-finding reports, fracture critical member inspections, load rating calculations and reports, weight limits posting sign recommendations, scour assessments, scour plan of actions, development of fracture critical plans, and underwater dive inspection reports if needed.

WHEREAS, the Mayor, in consultation with the Director of Public works, has recommended that the City opt-in to ODOT’s Bridge Inspection Program;

WHEREAS, this Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the City and its residents to participate in said program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor hereby is authorized to opt-in to the program offered by the State of Ohio, Department of Transportation (hereafter “ODOT”) called the “Bridge Inspection Program” which aims to assist municipalities to achieve full compliance with the Federal Highway Administration’s bridge metrics (the “Project”). The Project shall include, but is not limited to, routine inspections, element level inspections, critical-findings reports, fracture critical member inspections, load rating calculations and reports, weight limits posting sign recommendations, scour assessments, scour plan of actions, development of fracture critical plans, and underwater dive inspection reports, if needed. ODOT’s Director of Transportation is hereby given consent to complete the Project in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 2. The State of Ohio shall assume and bear one hundred percent (100%) of all costs for the Project requested by Cleveland Heights and agreed to by the State. Eligible Bridge Inspection Services are described in the Consultant’s Scope of Services Task Order Contract which is on file with the Clerk of Council and is available for inspection. Any costs outside the scope of

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said Task Order would be entirely borne by the City, but no such costs are anticipated.

SECTION 3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into any and all contracts with ODOT's Director of Transportation as necessary to complete the Project. All right-of-ways required for the Project shall be made available by and in accordance with current state and federal regulations. Any and all legal documents shall be approved as to form by and subject to the final approval of the Director of Law.

SECTION 4. notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 5. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to expedite the highway project and to promote highway safety. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five or more members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.



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MELODY JOY HART  
President of Council



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Clerk of Council

PASSED: 09/19/2022

Presented to the Mayor: 09/20/2022

Approved: 09/29/2022



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KAHLIL SEREN  
Mayor