

RESOLUTION NO. 201-2023(MSES),
First Reading

Introduced by Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Kimley-Horn for professional services for the preparation of a Comprehensive & Equitable Safety Action Plan (CESAP); and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights (the “City”) has determined that building infrastructure and enacting policies is necessary in order to create safe streets for all users and to achieve its Vision Zero Resolution to eliminate all deaths on roadways; and

WHEREAS, the City applied for and was one of the few Ohio cities to receive Safe Streets For All (SS4A) funding to prepare a CESAP; and

WHEREAS, the goal of a Safety Action Plan is to put a community in a position for SS4A implementation funding, which is anticipated to be open in July of 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City is currently partnered with its neighboring communities of South Euclid and University Heights on an Active Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Active Transportation Plan and CESAP will supplement one another in looking to achieve the goals of Vision Zero; and

WHEREAS, the City will engage a broad array of stakeholders to frame the issues, identify the challenges, develop ideas for solutions, present the draft findings, refine ideas and present final recommendations, launching the plan, and identify roles and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the City solicited bids for the preparation of a Comprehensive & Equitable Safety Action Plan through an RFP process; and

WHEREAS, the City received two (2) responses, which were both deemed complete; and

WHEREAS, each of the responses were reviewed by staff from the Department of Planning & Development, Department of Public Works, Police Department, and Mayor’s Office; and

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WHEREAS, after evaluating the responses, staff recommended to the Mayor that Kimley-Horn, with offices located at 7965 N High St, Suite 200, Columbus, OH 43235, would provide the best service to the City; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the services to be provided by Kimley-Horn is not to exceed One-hundred Ninety-eight Thousand Seven-hundred Ten Dollars (\$198,710.00) and the full amount is to be covered by the Federal Safe Streets For All (SS4A) Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has recommended that the services offered by Kimley-Horn best meet the City's needs; and

WHEREAS, this Council wishes to authorize a contract with Kimley-Horn for the preparation of a Comprehensive & Equitable Safety Action Plan.

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

SECTION 1. The Mayor shall be and is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Kimley-Horn to prepare a Comprehensive & Equitable Safety Action Plan. The contract shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the proposed agreement for professional services submitted by Kimley-Horn, a copy of which is on file with the Clerk of Council and Finance Department. Compensation for the services detailed therein shall not exceed the sum of One-hundred Ninety-eight Thousand Seven-hundred Ten Dollars (\$198,710.00). All agreements hereunder shall be approved as to form by the Director of Law.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to prepare the Comprehensive & Equitable Safety Action Plan at the earliest possible time and to ensure that the City is eligible to apply for Federal Implementation funding in 2024. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the 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



ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

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KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor