

RESOLUTION NO. 096-2025(CRR), *First
Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Djapo Cultural Arts Institute, Inc. for the purpose of planning, coordinating, and providing music, dancing, education, and local vendors for the City's Juneteenth Arts and Culture Fest at Cain Park; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City wishes to commemorate the Juneteenth National Independence Day by holding open to the public the Juneteenth Arts and Culture Fest on Saturday, June 14th, 2025, from 11:00 AM until 6:00 PM, at Cain Park ("Event");

WHEREAS, the Djapo Cultural Arts Institute, Inc. ("Djapo") is an Ohio nonprofit corporation dedicated to preserving the traditional dance and music of Africa and the Diasporas through educational workshops, gatherings, and cultural exposure;

WHEREAS, Djapo has the subject matter expertise and network necessary to plan, coordinate, and provide the music, dancing, educational services, and local vendors necessary to assist the City in hosting the Event, and has offered to do so through its Proposed Event Summary ("Proposal"), attached hereto as Exhibit "A";

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation wishes for the City to enter an agreement with Djapo to provide the services described in that Proposal.

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

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter an agreement with Djapo for the services identified in the Proposal, the total compensation for which is not to exceed Sixty Thousand, Six Hundred Seventy-Nine and 00/100 Dollars (\$60,679.00). The agreement shall be drafted by the Law Director and contain any additional provisions he determines to be necessary.

SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council relating to the adoption of this Ordinance 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 action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION 3. 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 paper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution on the City of Cleveland Heights website.

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SECTION 4. 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 join with other communities in this celebration in a timely manner. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five 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.



TONY CUDA
President of Council



ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: May 19, 2025

Presented to Mayor: 05/20/2025 Effective date: 05/30/2025*

KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

*Effective date per Article IV, Section 5 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights