

RESOLUTION RECORD
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRECKSVILLE
5335

Resolution No. _____

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY
FOR A 2023 URBAN CANOPY RESTORATION GRANT
THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL
RESOURCES AND THE USDA FOREST SERVICE;
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Ohio communities have faced a significant decrease in urban tree canopy from invasive insects and disease, extreme weather events, and development pressures. At the height of Ohio's Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) infestation, Ohio lost more than 10,000 acres of urban tree canopy each year, totaling an estimated \$9.3 million net loss in benefits per year; and

WHEREAS, funds supplied by the USDA Forest Service for this grant program are intended to address the critical need to restore and improve urban forests, reduce stormwater runoff, and reduce the impact of climate change, while building resiliency through tree planting in urban communities where trees are critical to human health.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Brecksville, County of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Brecksville to prepare and execute an application for a 2023 Urban Canopy Restoration Grant through The Ohio Department of Natural Resources and The USDA Forest Service to provide funding for the purchasing, planting, and protection of trees. If successful in obtaining a grant, the Mayor is authorized to execute whatever documents are necessary to effectuate the receipt of grant funds.

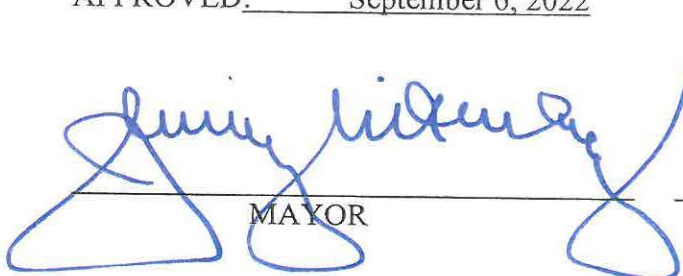
SECTION 2. The Council hereby appropriates sufficient funds to effectuate the provisions contained in Section 1 hereof and the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to transfer the funds necessary to complete this expenditure from the available funds of the City. The Director of Finance be and is hereby further authorized to issue the fiscal officer's certificate necessary to make the expenditures as described in Section 1 hereof, and is further directed to issue vouchers of this City in the amounts and for the purposes expressed in Section 1 hereof, said amounts to be charged to the appropriately designated Fund.

SECTION 4. The Council declares this Resolution to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, the reason for the emergency is to make a timely application, therefore, said Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption by this Council and approval by the Mayor, otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

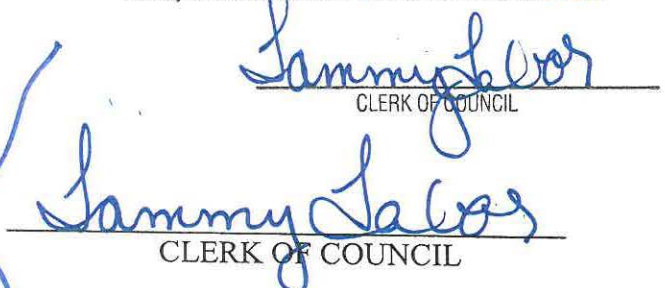
I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 5335 duly passed by the Council of the City of Brecksville, Ohio, on 9-6, 2022 and that same was duly posted in accordance with the existing Charter of the City of Brecksville on 9-9, 2022.

PASSED: _____ September 6, 2022

APPROVED: _____ September 6, 2022



MAYOR



CLERK OF COUNCIL