

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - 043

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF KENT TO SUBMIT TWO (2) FUNDING APPLICATIONS TOTALING \$622,700 AND TO EXECUTE THE SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENTS WITH THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC), AND TO ACCEPT THE GRANTS, IF AWARDED, WITH CORRESPONDING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the first application submitted to OPWC will be for the WRF Primary Clarifier No. 1 Rehabilitation Project, which includes the rehabilitation of Primary Clarifier No. 1 at the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF). The rehabilitation of the Primary Clarifiers is part of the significant long-term improvements required. The Administration is requesting \$229,900 in grant funds and \$150,000 in no-interest loans from OPWC; and

WHEREAS, the second application submitted to OPWC will be for the 500k and 400k Water Tank Rehabilitations which includes the painting and minor rehabilitation of two water tanks located on Terrace Drive near Summit Street. The rehabilitation of the tanks is due, in part, to recent OEPA violations requiring the towers to be upgraded to meet current design standards. We are requesting \$392,800 in grant funds and \$150,000 in no-interest loans from OPWC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Kent City Council approves submission of the City's capital project pre-application requests for Ohio Public Works Commission grant and loan funding totaling \$622,700, execution of the subsequent agreements, and authorized that the Administration provide all information, funds, and documentation required in said applications for submission.

SECTION 2. That the Kent City Council hereby approves the City's acceptance of the grant(s), if awarded to the City, with corresponding appropriations for its use.

SECTION 3. That the Kent City Council hereby understands and agrees that participation in the OPWC grant program will require compliance with program guidelines and assurances.

SECTION 4. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the residents of this City, for which reason and other reasons manifest to this Council this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.

PASSED: July 19, 2023
Date

EFFECTIVE: July 19, 2023
Date

ATTEST: Amy Wilkens
Amy Wilkens, CMC
Clerk of Council

Jerry T. Fiala
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Mayor and President of Council

I, AMY WILKENS, CLERK OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF KENT, COUNTY OF PORTAGE, AND STATE OF OHIO, AND IN WHOSE CUSTODY THE ORIGINAL FILES AND RECORDS OF SAID COUNCIL ARE REQUIRED TO BE KEPT BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF *ORDINANCE No. 2023-043*, ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT ON July 19, 2023.

(SEAL)



AMY WILKENS, CMC
CLERK OF COUNCIL