

Life outside the lines.

## Unauthorized Items

### 1. Letter of Support for Grant Funding (Bridget)

Bridget has asked for Council's authorization to send a letter of support to the Portage County Landbank to use Brownfield Remediation grant funds to perform assessment activities at 200 West William Street (Davey Drill Property). (attachment)

#### *Administration Recommendation*

This grant funding will be used to help clean up the property at 200 West Williams Street and I recommend Council's approval.

#### *Council Action*

**Authorize the staff to send the letter of support to the Portage County Landbank to use Brownfield Remediation grant funds to perform site assessment activities at 200 West Williams Street, with the emergency clause.**

### 2. Authorization for Parks and Rec to Apply for Grant Funding (Angela)

Angela has asked for Council's authorization to apply for an Ohio Department of Job & Family Services (DJFS) Childcare Stabilization sub-grant. Parks and Rec is applying for up to \$94,500 in DFJS grant funds which is eligible to be used to offset costs at childcare centers. (attachment)

#### *Administration Recommendation*

This grant funding will be used to help reduce the costs of childcare at the 2 Kent Parks and Rec childcare centers (no local match) and I recommend Council's approval.

#### *Council Action*

**Authorize the Parks and Rec staff to apply for an Ohio DJF&S Childcare Stabilization sub grant in the amount of \$94,500, and if approved accept and allocate those funds, with the emergency clause.**

### 3. Authorization to Apply for State Wastewater Grant Funding (Jim)

Jim has asked for Council's authorization to apply for an Ohio Department of Development wastewater infrastructure grant funds for the Digester Heat Exchange Project in the amount of \$1 million. The replacement of the 1964 heat exchangers at the Water Reclamation Facility are critical to the continued operation of the plant. (attachment)

#### *Administration Recommendation*

The \$1 million in grant funding would be used in conjunction with other budgeted funds to pay the \$7,752,000 project costs. I recommend Council's approval to submit the grant application, and if successful to accept and allocate the funding, and authorize the subsequent project agreements with the Ohio Department of Development.

#### *Council Action*

**Authorize the Engineering staff to apply for an Ohio Department of Development infrastructure grant in the amount of \$1 million and if approved accept and allocate those funds, and authorize the subsequent project agreements, with the emergency clause.**



## Information Items

### 1. Kent Police Statistics

Chief Shearer has provided a copy of the police statistics report for November 2023. In 2023, calls for service are down 9.8% for the month (by 155 calls); traffic citations are down 21% (by 30 tickets); accident incidents are down 20.3% (by 13 incidents) for the month and serious crimes are unchanged (1 incident), compared to October of 2022. (attachment)