

RESOLUTION NO. 089-2024

Apply for Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) State Issue One Funds for Fitch Road Sanitary and Roadway Improvements

Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Be it Resolved by the Township Trustees of Olmsted Township, that

WHEREAS, the State Capital Improvement Program and the Local Transportation Improvement Program both provide financial assistance to political subdivisions for capital improvements to public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Olmsted Township is planning to make capital improvements for Fitch Road Sanitary Extension Project

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Olmsted Township are of paramount importance, and the provision of essential public services, including sanitary sewer systems, is vital to maintaining these standards; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 2018, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) issued a Notice of Violation (NOV) to Cuyahoga County, citing illicit discharges from Home Sewage Treatment Systems (HSTS) on Fitch Road; and

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County responded on February 6, 2018, committing to extend the Fitch Road sanitary sewer from the First Energy Right-of-Way (ROW) to Greenbrook Drive, which the Ohio EPA confirmed on February 13, 2018, would bring the County into compliance and abate the violation; and

WHEREAS, the Fitch Road Sanitary Sewer Extension and Roadway Improvement Project will extend the existing sanitary sewer 4,290 feet from the First Energy ROW to Greenbrook Drive, providing lateral connections to 84 properties currently served by HSTS, thereby eliminating illicit discharges and failing household sewage treatment systems; and

WHEREAS, this project includes the full replacement of pavement south of Cook Road, repair and resurfacing of pavement from Cook Road to the North Olmsted Township North Corporation Line, and the construction of a 5-foot wide concrete sidewalk on the west side of Fitch Road from the First Energy ROW to Cook Road; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works, in coordination with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, property owners, and Olmsted Township, has facilitated the planning and support necessary to ensure the success of this project; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2022, the Olmsted Township Trustees sent a letter of support for this project, and on November 22, 2023, the Cuyahoga County Board of Health also provided a letter of support; and

WHEREAS, the infrastructure improvements herein above-described are considered to be a priority need for Olmsted Township and are qualified projects under the OPWC programs; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Olmsted Township hereby authorizes the application to the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) State Issue One Funds for the Fitch Road Sanitary Sewer Extension and Roadway Improvement Project, recognizing its importance in eliminating illicit discharges, improving public health, ensuring compliance with EPA regulations, and enhancing the infrastructure within the Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of Township Trustees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were conducted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Adopted the 5th day of September 2024

Attest: Brian W. Gafford
Township Fiscal Officer

Ray A. Denner
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Township Trustees