



Legislation Text

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Dorr Street Visioning Study
Plan Commission
Thomas Gibbons
Revised

Authorizing the Mayor to accept and deposit a General Motors on Main Street Grant in the amount of \$25,000; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of same for the purpose of a Dorr Street Visioning Study; authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with The Collaborative, Inc. for said study; waiving the competitive procurement provisions of Toledo Municipal Code 187; and declaring an emergency.

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

The City of Toledo owns three parcels of unoccupied land on Dorr Street, between Hoag Street and Smead Avenue (“parcels”). These parcels were previously the site of multiple small businesses until their removal during the urban renewal activities of the early 1970s.

In 2022, Toledo City Council approved the pending sale and the rezoning of a portion of the center parcel, located at the corner of Dorr Street and Detroit Avenue, for the future site of a two-story office and community resource building with a footprint of 4,500 square feet.

In order to explore the possibility of the redevelopment of the remaining parcels as a neighborhood commercial corridor on historic Dorr Street, the Administration applied for a General Motors “GM on Main Street Grant”. The City’s application was selected for the grant program, which awarded six, \$25,000 grants to nonprofit organizations and municipal government entities to implement innovative placemaking initiatives in their local commercial districts.

The City, through its Plan Commission, wishes to engage The Collaborative, an architectural and planning firm, to determine the type of development that can be supported on the parcels. The request to waive competitive bidding is based upon the short period of time allowed to fulfill the requirements of the grant, as well as the firm’s familiarity with the community, having recently completed the Swayne Field Visioning Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is authorized to accept and deposit the GM on Main Street Grant in the amount of \$25,000 into the Operation Grants Fund Account Code 2016-10400-5G14224STDSTD for the purposes of procuring a Dorr Street Visioning Study.

SECTION 2. That the appropriation of \$25,000 is authorized from the unappropriated grant proceeds of the Operation Grant Fund to Account Code 2016-10400-5G14224STDSTD and the expenditure of same is authorized for the Dorr Street Visioning Study.

SECTION 3. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into a Dorr Street Visioning Study Agreement with

The Collaborative, Inc., upon terms and conditions acceptable to the Plan Commission Director and the Director of Law.

SECTION 4. That Council finds and determines it is in the best interest of the City to waive the competitive procurement requirements of Toledo Municipal Code 187 for the reason that The Collaborative Inc. is a local architectural and planning firm with unique familiarity of the historic Dorr Street corridor and is able to complete the study within the time parameters of the grant.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall be in force and effect after its passage. The reason for the emergency lies in the fact that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health, safety, and property and for further reason that this ordinance must immediately be effective in order to allow for the timely procurement of the visioning study.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas 12, nays 0.

Passed: June 13, 2023, as an emergency measure: yeas 12, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger
Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry
President of Council

Approved:

June 13, 2023
Wade Kapszukiewicz
Mayor