

Moved by Mr(s) Humphrey, seconded by Mr(s) Corcoran,

Recommendation that the Board of County Commissioners adopt Resolution Number 138-20 resolving to approve payment to vendors **in the total amount of \$1,454,708.92** as set forth in the BCC Approval Invoice Report(s) for **Checks Dated August 19, 2020**, BCC Directed Pre-Paid Invoices Report(s) and/or the Procurement Card Transaction Report as presented by the County Auditor on 8/17/2020, and further authorizing the County Auditor to issue warrants for same pursuant to Section 319.16 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Upon roll call on the foregoing motion, the vote was as follows:

David L. Painter,	<u>Yes</u>
Edwin H. Humphrey,	<u>Aye</u>
Claire B. Corcoran,	<u>Yes</u>

Date Adopted: August 19, 2020

David L. Painter
David L. Painter, President

Edwin H. Humphrey
Edwin H. Humphrey, Vice-President

Claire B. Corcoran
pursuant to and in compliance with House Bill 197 of the 133rd Ohio General Assembly
Claire B. Corcoran, Member through 12/01/20.

OR

Thomas J. Eigel
Thomas J. Eigel, County Administrator

RESOLUTION NO. 139-20

The Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 19th day of August 2020, with the following members present:

David L. Painter, President

Edwin H. Humphrey, Vice President

Claire B. Corcoran, Member

Mr. Humphrey moved for the adoption of the following

Resolution:

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING RECOMMENDATION OF ENGINEER;
TERMINATING PERFORMANCE BOND AND ACTIVATING
MAINTENANCE BOND OF COMBINED PERFORMANCE AND
MAINTENANCE BOND DOCUMENTS FOR THE WOODS AT MIAMI
TRAILS SUBDIVISION, SECTION 13, BLOCK B, MIAMI TOWNSHIP.**

WHEREAS, the Board has previously by Resolution dated March 20, 2019 as appears in Commissioners' Journal 316, accepted a Combined Performance and Maintenance Bond of Double Eagle Properties, LLC. as principal and The Westchester Fire Insurance Company as surety for the development and construction of Timberview Court and related improvements of The Woods at Miami Trails Subdivision, Section 13, Block B, and

WHEREAS, the office of the County Engineer has inspected the right-of-way and related improvements, and approves they have been constructed according to the plans and specifications previously approved; and

WHEREAS, the Combined Performance and Maintenance Bond by its own terms requires a conversion to a Maintenance Bond for a period of one year to insure that the above-referenced principal maintain the improvements in accordance with the subdivision regulations of Clermont County, Ohio.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the performance provisions of the above referenced bond have been completed and the bond is released as to the performance aspects. The surety represented by the previously referenced bond shall continue as surety for the maintenance aspects of the bond.
2. That the Maintenance Bond provisions of the Combined Performance and Maintenance Bonds are hereby effective and activated and that the said principal and sureties shall remain firmly bound to Clermont County, Ohio in the penal sum of \$10,000.00 as previously provided and shall continue to be so responsible for a period of one year of use from the date of this conversion during which period the Maintenance Bond shall remain in full force and effect upon the terms previously specified in said Bond.
3. That the Clerk shall certify this Resolution to the County Engineer who shall notify the principal and sureties of this conversion of the bond pursuant to its terms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of the Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with the applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mrs. Corcoran seconded the motion and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

Mr. Painter Yes; Mr. Humphrey Aye; Mrs. Corcoran Yes;

DATED: Aug 19, 2020

ATTEST:

Holly Cruey
Holly Cruey, Assistant Clerk
Board of County Commissioners

RESOLUTION NO. 140-20

The Board of County Commissioners, Clermont County, Ohio, met in regular session on the 19th day of August 2020, with the following members present:

David L. Painter, President

Edwin H. Humphrey, Vice President

Claire B. Corcoran, Member

Mr(s). Corcoran moved for the adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF THE CLERMONT COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF INITIATIVE USING CARES ACT ALLOTMENT TO PROVIDE GRANTS OF UP TO \$5,000 TO ELIGIBLE SMALL BUSINESSES

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a fast spreading respiratory virus, which has caused a global pandemic and catastrophic illness and death for thousands of people around the world and in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress and signed into law by the President of the United States on March 27, 2020, providing a \$2 trillion economic relief package to workers and families, small businesses, and state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, Clermont County has received \$1,565,447.96 in funding through the CARES Act, which funds may be used by Clermont County to cover the costs of certain necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio hereby determines that it is necessary to provide economic support to local businesses that have experienced unexpected business interruption and other losses in connection with the COVID-19 public health emergency, and has therefore established the Clermont County CARES Small Business Relief Initiative ("the Initiative") to provide up to and including \$200,000 of Clermont

County's allotment of CARES Act funding to support small businesses in need;
and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Initiative, qualifying local small businesses that have been directly and negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic may request a one-time award of up to \$5,000 for eligible losses incurred due to the pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio that the CARES Small Business Relief Initiative attached as Exhibit "A" is hereby established to provide necessary economic support to local small businesses for expenses incurred by businesses from the period of March 27, 2020 through 60 days from receipt of the grant funds, in accordance with the Initiative's terms and conditions as to eligibility and use of funds

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; That the Board of County Commissioners hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with the applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Humphrey seconded the motion and on roll call, the vote resulted as follows:

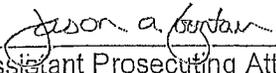
Mr. Painter	<u>Yes</u>
Mr. Humphrey	<u>Aye</u>
Mrs. Corcoran	<u>Yes</u>

This Resolution was duly passed on the 19th day of August 2020.

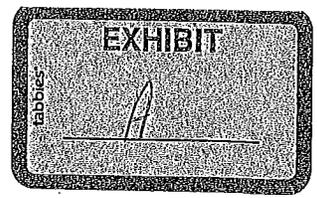
ATTEST:


Holly Crucey, Assistant Clerk
Board of County Commissioners

This Agreement was approved as to form by
the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of
Clermont County, Ohio


Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Date: Aug. 18, 2020



SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF INITIATIVE

The Small Business Relief Initiative provides Clermont County small businesses with modest monetary assistance due to business interruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible small businesses may apply for \$2,500 or \$5,000 (dependent on the size of the small business) in grant funds to be used for the reimbursement of eligible expenses as defined below. Clermont County will be utilizing \$200,000 of its CARES Act allotment for this assistance.

For questions regarding the Initiative, please email Sherri Cmar at SCmar@clermontcountyohio.org.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

In order to be eligible to apply for grant funds under the Clermont County Small Business Relief Initiative, a business must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a for-profit entity with a location in Clermont County.
2. Have a Federal Taxpayer Identification Number for its type of business and a DUNS number. The business must obtain a DUNS number prior to being awarded grant funding. A DUNS number can be requested here: <https://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/displayHomePage.do>
3. Have been operational since January of 2019. This can be evidenced, at a minimum, by: a) filing(s) with the Ohio Secretary of State, such as articles of incorporation or other registration documents along with an Ohio Secretary of State Certificate of Good Standing; b) an Ohio vendor's license; c) Federal Schedule C — Profit or Loss Business (Sole Proprietorship); or any other documents that demonstrate that the business has been in operation as a for-profit entity since January 2019.
4. Have less than \$1 million in gross revenue/receipts on an annual basis. This can be evidenced by records such as the business' 2018 and 2019 federal income tax return or financial statements.
5. Must have experienced a decrease in gross revenue/receipts of 35% or more due to COVID-19 when comparing March 1-July 31, 2019 revenue/receipts to revenue/receipts for March 1-July 31, 2020. This can be evidenced by financial information/records, including, at a minimum, bank statements.
6. Have 50 or fewer employees or 1099 workers as of March 22, 2020. This can be demonstrated by forms such as 2019 Form W-3 (Transmittal of Wage or Tax Statement) or 2019 Form 1096 (Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns) and payroll reports or checks that evidence number of workers March 22, 2020 or statement attesting/certifying that your business has no employees or 1099 workers.
7. Has not received or not been approved for other federal assistance for lost revenue or expenses arising from the pandemic, including Paycheck Protection Initiative, Emergency Disaster Loan, etc.
8. Has not been approved for a business interruption insurance claim as result of COVID-19.
9. Business location in Clermont County, Ohio and the grant funding will be used for expenses for that business. This can be evidenced by records such as a mortgage statement, utility bill, insurance premium statement and property tax bills.

10. Must be able to attest that it is in compliance with federal, state, or county and local requirements applicable to its type of business.
11. Must be able to attest that it is current with all federal, state, county and local taxes and fees.
12. Must be able to attest that it is in good standing with all applicable government regulations related to building code or property maintenance issues.
13. Must be able to attest that it is not a nuisance property for police/fire/EMS calls.
14. Must be able to attest that it is not currently in bankruptcy.

INELIGIBLE SMALL BUSINESSES

A business is not eligible to apply for Grant Funds under the Clermont County Small Business Relief Initiative if it primarily operates as one of the following:

1. Adult entertainment establishment
2. Bank, savings and loan or credit union
3. E-commerce only company
4. Liquor / wine store
5. Vaping store
6. Tobacco store
7. Cannabis dispensary
8. Franchised business not locally owned and independently operated

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

Grant Funds provided by Clermont County's Small Business Relief Initiative can only be used to pay the expenses of the business: a) related to the costs of business interruption caused by required closures; or b) that the business faces due to its uncertainty as to its ability to pay due to the pandemic. Eligible expenses include but are not limited to:

1. Mortgage costs. Mortgage costs for businesses that are located in or operated out of a personal residence are not an eligible expense.
2. Rent or lease costs. Rent or lease costs for businesses that are located in or operated out of a personal residence are not an eligible expense.
3. Expenses for utilities, such as electric, gas, sewer, water, trash removal. Utility costs for businesses that are located in or operated out of personal residence are not eligible expense.
4. Salaries, wages or compensation paid to employees or 1099 workers.
5. Materials and supplies related to interruption of the business caused by required closures.
6. Personal Protective Equipment or other COVID-19 related costs such as expenses related to compliance with Responsible RestartOhio.
7. Sole proprietors can use grant funding as income replacement by providing documentation on lost revenue from March 1, 2020 through July 31, 2020 due to COVID so long as no unemployment benefits, have been received, are being received, or are expected to be received by the applicant. If not already submitted, upload the most recent filed Schedule C - Profit or Loss from Business (Sole Proprietorship).

If awarded, all Grant funding distributed as a part of this Initiative must be spent within 60 calendar days of receipt. Grant funds can be used to reimburse eligible expenses incurred from March 23, 2020 through 60 calendar days from receipt of grant funds. At the end of the grant term, the business shall submit an itemization of all expenditures along with all supporting documentation. Documentation shall be in the form of paid invoices and canceled checks, bank statements, or similar documentation showing payment of eligible expenses. If the business cannot properly substantiate its eligible expenses, the business will be required to repay undocumented grant funds. The business must also provide an affidavit that no other relief funds were used for the same eligible expenses.

INELIGIBLE EXPENSES

1. Cost of vehicle or equipment leased or purchased after March 23, 2020, except if the purchase of equipment is to comply with Responsible RestartOhio.
2. Personal, non-business expenses of the business or its owner(s).
3. Construction costs.
4. Any tax, license or fee obligations payable to any governmental entity.

PROCESS

1. Application

A business that is interested in participating in the Initiative must fill out the application to determine if it meets all of the eligibility criteria set forth above.

A business can apply for a \$2,500 or \$5,000 grant. Businesses with 1-10 employees are eligible for up to \$2,500 in grant funding while businesses of 11-50 employees are eligible for up to \$5,000 in grant funding. If awarded, all grant funding distributed as part of this Initiative must be spent within 60 calendar days of receipt. Grant funds can be used to reimburse Eligible Expenses incurred beginning March 23, 2020 and ends 60 calendar days from receipt of grant funds. Applications can be submitted beginning at 4:30 p.m. August 31 through Friday, September 15 at 4:30 p.m.

Applications will be accepted via the web site address, email to Sherri Cmar, Fax to (513) 732-7366, by personal delivery to the Economic Development office, 101 East Main Street, Third Floor, Batavia, Ohio, or by regular mail. Please note that applications will be time stamped when received and not mailed. Therefore, a postmark will not be an acceptable method of time stamping applications.

2. Method of Allocating Funding

Applications that have met all of the eligibility criteria through the application will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until the initial round of funding has been exhausted. Applicants not receiving an award will be kept on file in the event that further funds become available or in the event that a funded business becomes ineligible thereby allowing for funds to be awarded to the next eligible business.

3. Documentation Submission

A business selected as a part of the initiative will be invited to the next stage which will require the business to upload information and documents demonstrating it meets the eligibility requirements and

confirming how the grant funds will be spent. The business shall upload all required documentation within 5 calendar days of notification.

Clermont County (and/or its designees) will review and verify the documents. If the submitted information and documents do not demonstrate that the business has met the eligibility criteria, the next business in line will be contacted to submit the required documentation.

4. Payment and Signed Agreement

Once approved for a grant, the business must sign and return the Grant Agreement within 5 calendar days of receipt and provide its bank account number and routing number for grant fund payment.

5. Close-out Report

Businesses are required to submit a grant final close-out report which is expected to include at minimum, proof of payment (paid invoices cancelled checks, bank statements, or other documentation showing proof of payment of Eligible Expenses), and a summary of the impact the funds had on the business and its operations.