

RESOLUTION NO. 177-23

BY: **MARK CASSELBERRY**
(By Request – Auditor)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING FUNDS AS PART
OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FOR
THE OHIO AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION
PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Parma applied for and has been approved as a recipient of the Ohio Ambulance Transportation Program funding through the Ohio Office of Budget and Management (OBM); and

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) (Pub. L. No. 117-2), signed into law on March 11, 2021, established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF), and appropriated \$350 billion to state, local, and Tribal governments across the country to support their response to, and recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 280.10 of Amended Substitute House Bill 45 (H.B. 45), the 134th General Assembly of the State of Ohio appropriated \$20 million in SLFRF funds to OBM in appropriation item 042627, Ohio Ambulance Transportation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 280.10 of H.B. 45, appropriation item 042627, Ohio Ambulance Transportation, shall be used by OBM to administer grants to any public, not-for-profit, or private ground ambulance transport provider, who submitted claims to the Ohio Department of Medicaid during the current state fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, ambulance transportation providers shall use the funds to provide premium pay to eligible workers following all participation rules as provided in the subrecipient agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Parma shall use the grant award of \$21,887.93 to provide lump sum premium payments to current Fire Department employees who provided ambulance transportation services during the experience period of January 27, 2020, through the date of the signed resolution ending the national emergency on April 10, 2023; funds shall be fully expended no later than June 30, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That this City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the City to accept the ARPA Ohio Ambulance Transportation Program funds, and hereby authorized the Auditor to accept the funds.

Section 2. That the Auditor is authorized to execute said distribution and to take such action and to execute such other documents and amendments, thereto as may be necessary and as are approved by the Law Director.

Section 3. That funds for said distribution of monies shall be paid from Fund No. 149-149 – Ohio Ambulance Transportation Program; Account No. 54123-00000 – Premium Pay.

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 the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 5. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary in order to accept these ARPA funds for the Ohio Ambulance Transportation Program at the earliest possible date, and this Ordinance shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____ PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH
THE MAYOR: _____ MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO