

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 38-24

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LANCASTER TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation has released a Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity ("RAISE") grant program; and

WHEREAS, One Billion Five Hundred Million Dollars (\$1,500,000,000.00) are available for the RAISE program through the Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, of which, Seventy-Five Million (\$75,000,000.00) has been set aside for planning projects; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for planning or constructing surface transportation infrastructure projects that will improve safety, environmental sustainability, quality of life, mobility and community connectivity, economic competitiveness, and opportunity, including tourism, state of good repair, partnership and collaboration, and innovation; and

WHEREAS, there are no matching funds required for projects in rural areas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lancaster has been deliberating the construction of an Eastside Industrial Connector to improve safety, increase mobility and connectivity, and increase opportunities and economic competitiveness for our local industrial partners; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has estimated a cost of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00) for the Eastside Industrial Connector Feasibility Study which will include preliminary engineering; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO

SECTION 1. That the City Administration is hereby authorized to apply for and act on behalf of the City of Lancaster and enter into any and all agreements required for consideration and award of a RAISE grant.

SECTION 2. This resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare of this City and is required to be immediately effective to ensure prompt pursuit of funds to pay for the Eastside Industrial Connector Feasibility Study; wherefore this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage by City Council and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

Clerk: _____

President of Council

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Economic Development Committee