

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2024-0140

<p>Sponsored by: Councilmember Miller</p> <p>Co-sponsored by: Councilmembers Turner and Simon</p>	<p>A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$140,000, to the Ohio Aerospace Institute, Great Lakes Biomimicry Lab for the Cuyahoga County Business Sustainability Initiative from the District 2, District 9, and District 11 ARPA Community Grant Funds, and the General Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.</p>
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WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County received \$239,898,257 from the Federal Government through the American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”); and

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County calculated 100% of the ARPA dollars as loss revenue under the U.S. Department of the Treasury Final Rule; and

WHEREAS, since all the ARPA dollars have been calculated as loss revenue, the ARPA dollars have been deposited in the County’s General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the County Executive and County Council have authorized \$86 million of the ARPA dollars for community grants to benefit the residents of Cuyahoga County (the “ARPA Community Grant Fund”); and

WHEREAS, of the \$86 million for community grants, \$66 million have been encumbered for equal distribution to each County Council District; and

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2022 Cuyahoga County Council adopted R2022-0258 awarding \$250,300 to the Ohio Aerospace Institute for the purpose of enabling Cuyahoga County Businesses to Compete Globally through Biomimicry-based Innovation from the District 2 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Council desires to provide \$20,000 from the Department of Development’s General Fund budget, \$100,000 from the District 2 ARPA Community Grant Fund, \$10,000 from the District 9 ARPA Community Grant Fund, and \$10,000 from the District 11 ARPA Community Grant Fund in the total amount of \$140,000 to the Ohio Aerospace Institute for the Cuyahoga County Business Sustainability Initiative; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Aerospace Institute estimates approximately 670 people and 219 companies will be served annually through this award; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Aerospace Institute estimates the total cost of the project is \$126,000; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Aerospace Institute is estimating the start date of the project will be June 2024 and the project will be completed by December 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Aerospace Institute requested \$120,000 from the District 2 ARPA Community Grant Fund to complete this project; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Aerospace Institute has requested that Cuyahoga County authorize it to reallocate \$23,000 of the award made pursuant to R2022-0258 from the “Workforce & Talent Development Pilot ‘Applied Biology’” project component to the “Market Needs Assessment/Develop Sustainability, Biomimicry and Climate Change Messages for Aerozone Businesses” project component; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Council desires to provide funding in the amount of \$140,000 to the Ohio Aerospace Institute to ensure this project is completed; and

WHEREAS, this Council by a vote of at least eight (8) members determines that it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue to provide for the usually, daily operations of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby awards a not-to-exceed amount of \$140,000 to the Ohio Aerospace Institute from the General Fund made available by the American Rescue Plan Act revenue replacement provision for the Cuyahoga County Business Sustainability Initiative. The Ohio Aerospace Institute is additionally authorized to reallocate \$23,000 of the award made pursuant to R2022-0258 from the “Workforce & Talent Development Pilot ‘Applied Biology’” project component to the “Market Needs Assessment/Develop Sustainability, Biomimicry and Climate Change Messages for Aerozone Businesses” project component.

SECTION 2. If any specific appropriation is necessary to effectuate this agreement, the Director of the Office of Budget and Management is authorized to submit the requisite documentation to financial reporting to journalize the appropriation.

SECTION 3. That the County Council staff is authorized to prepare all documents to effectuate said award.

SECTION 4. That the County Executive is authorized to execute all necessary agreements and documents consistent with said award and this Resolution.

SECTION 5. If requested or necessary, the Agency of the Inspector General or Department of Internal Audit is authorized to investigate, audit, or review any part of this award.

SECTION 6. To the extent that any exemptions are necessary under the County Code and contracting procedures, they shall be deemed approved by the adoption of this Resolution.

SECTION 7. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

SECTION 8. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Simon, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Miller, Sweeney, Byrne, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Stephens, Simon, Kelly and Jones

Nays: None

County Council President

Date

County Executive

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: April 23, 2024
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