

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2024-0170

<p>Sponsored by: Councilmembers Sweeney, Kelly, Jones, Stephens and Simon</p> <p>Co-sponsored by: Councilmembers Turner, Gallagher and Miller</p>	<p>A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$35,000, to the Near West Theatre, Inc. for safety and security planning from Districts 1, 3, 8, 10, & 11 ARPA Community Grant Funds; 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, the Cuyahoga County Council desires to provide \$5,000 in funding from the District 1 Community Grant Fund, \$10,000 from the District 3 ARPA Community Grant Fund, \$5,000 from the District 8 ARPA Community Grant Fund, \$10,000 from the District 10 ARPA Community Grant Fund, and \$5,000 from the District 11 ARPA Community Grant Fund, for a total amount of \$35,000 to the Near West Theatre, Inc. for safety and security planning; and

WHEREAS, the Near West Theatre, Inc. estimates approximately 25,000 people will be served annually through this award; and

WHEREAS, the Near West Theatre, Inc. estimates approximately 10 permanent and temporary jobs will be created or retained through this project; and

WHEREAS, the Near West Theatre, Inc. estimates the total cost of the project is \$85,000; and

WHEREAS, the Near West Theatre, Inc. indicates the other funding source(s) for this project includes:

- A. \$20,000 from the George Gund Foundation;
- B. \$40,000 from the Cleveland Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Near West Theatre, Inc. is estimating the start date of the project will be March 2024 and the project will be completed by March 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Near West Theatre, Inc. requested \$10,000 from the District 3 ARPA Community Grant Fund to complete this project; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Council desires to provide funding in the amount of \$35,000 to the Near West Theatre, Inc. 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 \$35,000 to the Near West Theatre, Inc. from the General Fund made available by the American Rescue Plan Act revenue replacement provision for safety and security planning.

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.

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Committee(s) Assigned: Community Development

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Additional Sponsorship Requested in Committee: May 20, 2024

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