

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-9**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO ACCEPT A 2024 TRANSIT ACCESSIBILITY GRANT FROM LAKETRAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$159,880 TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE RIDGE ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Willoughby ("City") desires to complete the sidewalk corridor along Ridge Road (SR 84) from the golf course west of Halle Farm Drive through the bus stop at Par Lane to the existing sidewalk at Skylight Inn; and

**WHEREAS**, Laketran provides financial assistance to local municipalities to improve pedestrian access and safety along Laketran's In-County Fixed Bus Routes; and

**WHEREAS**, Laketran has awarded a Sidewalk Grant Program award to the City in the amount of \$159,880 for construction of the Ridge Road Sidewalk Project;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY, THE COUNTY OF LAKE, AND THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a Transit Accessibility Grant/Laketran Sidewalk Grant Program Project Agreement to accept a grant in the amount of \$159,880 to provide financial assistance on the Ridge Road Sidewalk Project.

**SECTION 2.** That the Mayor is further authorized to execute any and all additional documents and forms necessary to properly secure and implement the Laketran Grant.

**SECTION 3.** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were conducted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such actions were conducted in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby.

**SECTION 4.** That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the community; and for the further reason that the Project must be completed by December 31, 2025; and provided that it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected to Council, it shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon its adoption by Council and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall be in full force and take effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: January 21, 2025   
President of Council

Attest:   
Clerk of Council

Date: 01, 22, 2025 Approved:   
Mayor

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval on this 22 day of January, 2025.

  
Clerk of Council