

ORDINANCE 2020 – 46

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ESTABLISH BUSINESS RECOVERY, PROGRAMS, BACK-TO-WORK PROGRAMS AND ENTER INTO SERVICE AGREEMENTS IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, in order to create or preserve jobs and employment opportunities, and to improve the economic welfare of the people of the state, it has been determined to be in the public interest and a proper public purpose for the state or its political subdivisions to engage in certain economic development activities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that it is critical to assist the business recovery of the City of Mason small business community as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and to provide support, relief and encourage economic development activity in the City of Mason; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide such assistance, Council hereby declares it to be a proper public purpose to provide funds in order to establish proper and relevant business recovery programs; and

WHEREAS, the business recovery programs established by the City of Mason will be used solely to further the City of Mason's mission within the City of Mason and that such expenditure will result in a demonstrable benefit to the City of Mason that can be substantiated with evidence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, four members thereto concurring:

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to establish business recovery programs, back-to-work programs in order to assist Mason businesses to get back to work by fully implementing Ordinance 2020-51 and Ordinance 2020-52.

Section 2. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into service agreements for amounts not to exceed the amount appropriated for such programs to provide assistance to the businesses.

Section 3. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare and shall be effective immediately upon its adoption. The reason for said declaration of emergency is the need to authorize the funding at the earliest possible date in order to immediately begin the business recovery efforts needed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Passed this 11th day of May, 2020.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council

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