

RESOLUTION NO: 19-2022

**RESOLUTION OF THE COLUMBUS REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
TO GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CENTRAL ALLOCATION AREA
TO THE BARTHOLOMEW CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL CORPORATION
TO PREPARE INDIVIDUALS TO PARTICIPATE
IN THE COMPETITIVE AND GLOBAL ECONOMY**

Comes now the City of Columbus Department of Redevelopment, more commonly known as the City of Columbus Redevelopment Commission, and for this Resolution, says as follows:

WHEREAS, Indiana Code §36-7-14-1 *et seq.* provides that a community may establish a Department of Redevelopment to be controlled by a Redevelopment Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus, through its Common Council, did on August 19, 2003 create the City of Columbus Department of Redevelopment and the City of Columbus Redevelopment Commission ("Redevelopment Commission") by way of Ordinance Number 25, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Central T.I.F. Allocation Area receives funds through property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation did make a request of the Redevelopment Commission for a grant of funds to assist the School Corporation with funding for three (3) programs: iGrad, S.T.E.M. and the Transition Planning programs in 2016 and this Commission did by way of Resolution 16-2016 make a recommendation to the Columbus City Common Counsel to grant the sum of \$750,000 to the School Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation did appear before the Commission on July 17, 2017 and presented a comprehensive report of the use of said funds from the 2017 grant, successes the program has enjoyed and forecast for the number of students to be served for the 2017/2018 school year and sought an additional grant from the Commission for \$750,000 which was approved by way of Resolution 25-2017; and

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2018, the Commission received a presentation from the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation regarding the iGrad, S.T.E.M. and Transition programs along with the summary of how the prior year's grant monies were used, the Commission did by way of Resolution 17-2018 did grant to the School Corporation the sum of \$750,000 for the 2018/2019 school year; and

WHEREAS, on July 15, 2019, the Commission received a presentation from the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation regarding the iGrad, S.T.E.M. and Transition programs along with the

summary of how the prior year's grant monies were used, the Commission did by way of Resolution 16-2019 grant to the School Corporation the sum of \$750,000 for the 2019/2020 school year; and

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2020, the Commission received a presentation from the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation regarding the iGrad, S.T.E.M. and Transition programs along with the summary of how the prior year's grant monies were used, the Commission did by way of Resolution 14-2020 grant to the School Corporation the sum of \$750,000 for the 2020/2021 school year; and

WHEREAS, on July 20, 2021, the Commission received a presentation from the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation regarding the iGrad, S.T.E.M. and Transition programs along with the summary of how the prior year's grant monies were used, the Commission did by way of Resolution 21-2021 grant to the School Corporation the sum of \$1,000,000 for the 2021/2022 school year; and

WHEREAS, the BCSC presented the status of their program from last year and have expressed changes they are making in the program and will be asking for \$1 mil for the 22/23 school year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The City of Columbus Redevelopment Commission having heard the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation's request for a Grant for the iGrad, S.T.E.M., Information Technology Pathway w/Ivy Tech, and Transition Program now finds as follows:

- a) It is anticipated that students educated through the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation, specifically in the above named programs will find their future employed within the community after graduation;
- b) the iGrad, S.T.E.M., Information Technology Pathway w/Ivy Tech and Transition Planning programs are educational and work training programs all designed to prepare individuals for employment and in the Competitive and Global Economy; and
- c) The Commission finds these programs will benefit the community, citizen and employers within the City of Columbus.
- d) The School Corporation presented a report regarding the use of said funds, number of students served, results of participation and projections for the 2022/2023 school year.

2. The Redevelopment Commission is granted authority pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-7-25-7 to make a grant of funds for educational and training purposes.

3. The Redevelopment Commission does hereby recommend a Grant in the amount of \$ 1,000,000.00 to be made to the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation for the 2022/2023 calendar year.

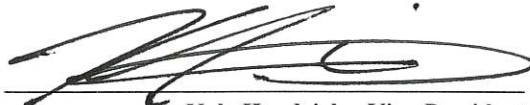
4. The Redevelopment Commission does hereby recommend that the funds be allocated to the following programs of the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation for the 2022/2023 school year in the amount of \$ 1,000,000.00 to be distributed as follows:

iGrad: \$330,500; S.T.E.M.: \$402,003; ~~Information Technology Pathway w/Ivy Tech~~
\$ _____; and Transition Planning: \$ 267,397


5 The Redevelopment Commission does note that this expenditure exceeds its spending authority pursuant to Ordinance 25-2003 and as such the Commission is Recommending to the Common Council of the City of Columbus that they consider this Grant and approves same on the terms set forth herein or on any other terms and conditions the Common Council of the City of Columbus deems fit and proper.

Adopted this 19th day of September 2022.

Al Roszczyk, President



Kyle Hendricks, Vice-President



Trena Carter, Secretary