

**RESOLUTION NO: 21 - 2023**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COLUMBUS REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
TO  
CONTRIBUTE FUNDS TO THE 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET GATEWAY INFRASTRUCTURE  
PROJECT**

Comes now the Columbus Department of Redevelopment, more commonly known as the 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, Landmark Columbus Foundation is a non-profit entity that is established in Columbus, Indiana.

WHEREAS, There is a need to provide improved connection between the downtown, residential, ColumBus Transit, the People Trail, Mill Race Park, and the Mill Race Center.

WHEREAS, Landmark Columbus Foundation established the Mill Race Park Gateway Project to accomplish these means.

WHEREAS, this improved connection will be established by enhancing pedestrian street crossings, planting street trees, and installing a median to narrow drive lanes and the option to install public art along the section of 8<sup>th</sup> Street located between Brown Street and Lindsey Street.

WHEREAS, this project falls within the Central Allocation Area.

WHEREAS, funding was provided to Columbus Regional Health Healthy Communities to hire Hitchcock Design Group to develop design and construction documents. These documents include schematic designs and quotes for services. It is estimated that this public improvement project will cost approximately \$80,000.

WHEREAS, there is a project timeline that concludes with the August 24<sup>th</sup> opening of the Exhibit Columbus Exhibition hosted by Landmarks Columbus.

WHEREAS, the Commission does have authority to fund construction of local public improvements for redevelopment areas or economic development areas of the City or infrastructure or structures that enhances development or economic development of the City as set forth in Ind. Code § 36-7-14-12.2(21).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED:

1. The City of Columbus Redevelopment Commission having heard from Laura Garrett, of Landmark Columbus Foundation, and having reviewed the recommendations and materials provided, now finds and concludes that the Commission contribute funds for the implementation of the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Gateway Infrastructure Improvement Project.
2. The City of Columbus Redevelopment Commission concludes that the total sum of this funding shall not exceed \$80,000 and go towards the total cost of the project.
3. The Commission does conclude and approve the use of the above funds for funding the implementation of the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Gateway Infrastructure Improvement Project as set forth in Ind. Code § 36-7-14-12.2(21).
4. The President of the Commission, or his designee, is authorized to execute any necessary documents for this work on behalf of the Commission.

Adopted this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.



Al Rosczyk, President



Kyle Hendricks, Vice-President



Trena Carter, Secretary