

CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS  
ORDINANCE NO. 22 -2017

INTRODUCED BY: Council as a Whole

MOTION BY: Council Representative Chuck Brunello, Jr.

SECONDED BY: Council Representative Ann M. D'Amico

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH PROGRESSIVE CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS Progressive Casualty Insurance Company (the "Company") currently owns and occupies facilities located in the City of Highland Heights, Ohio (the "Existing Site") and plans to continue and expand its operations in the City with the construction of a new facility within the City (hereinafter referred to as the "Project") provided that the appropriate development incentives are available to support the economic viability of the Project; and

WHEREAS, The Project will maintain and create jobs and employment opportunities and improve the economic welfare of the people of the City; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of and in order to maintain and create jobs, the City has agreed to make annual economic development grant payments to the Company upon the terms and conditions set forth in the attached Grant Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. This Council does hereby find and determine that the Project is consistent with the purposes of Section 13 of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, to create or preserve jobs and employment opportunities and to improve the economic welfare of the people of the State of Ohio.

Section 2. To assist the Company in the financing of the Project and in furtherance of the purposes of Section 13 of Article VIII of the Constitution, this Council hereby agrees to make grant payments to the Company pursuant to the Grant Agreement. The Grant Agreement is hereby approved in the form on file with the Clerk of Council and the Mayor and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Grant Agreement, in substantially the form on file with the Clerk of Council, with such changes as are not materially adverse to the City as such officers and the Law Director may approve, such execution being conclusive evidence of approval of any such changes.

Section 3. The Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council or any of its committees, and that deliberations of this Council and any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 4. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and welfare and safety and for the further reason that this Ordinance must be immediately effective in order to proceed promptly with the development of the Project in order to create and preserve jobs and advance and promote commercial and economic development within the boundaries of the City; wherefore this Ordinance shall be in force and effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

First Reading: 11/28/2017

  
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President of Council

Second Reading: Suspended

Third Reading: Suspended

Filed with Mayor: 11/28/2017

PASSED: November 28, 2017

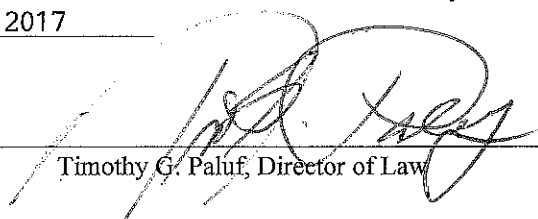
APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council

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Mayor

EFFECTIVE: December 28, 2017

APPROVED AS TO FORM: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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Timothy G. Paluf, Director of Law