North Canton City Council Finance and Property Committee

Ordinance No. 78 - 2016

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of North Canton to enter into a third amended support agreement, Phase V, between the City of North Canton and Stark County Park District (Stark Parks), to enable Stark Parks to apply for additional Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") grant funds in furtherance of the Zimber Ditch Area Hazard Mitigation Program, and declaring the same to be an emergency.

WHEREAS, Stark Parks wishes to apply for additional FEMA grant funds, \$788,230.00, to further support the Zimber Ditch Area Hazard Mitigation Program; and

WHEREAS, this grant program requires a commitment of local matching funds from participating agencies such as the Stark County Commissioners, the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District, and the City of North Canton; and

WHEREAS, if Stark Parks is awarded the above-described FEMA grant for Phase V, the Mitigation Program will be able to satisfy its commitment to the 19 North Canton homeowners who applied for relief; and

WHEREAS, in order to bring relief to the remaining homeowners, North Canton wishes to contribute its share, \$63,058.50, towards the FEMA grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH CANTON, COUNTY OF STARK, AND STATE OF OHIO:

- Section 1. That in order to permit Stark Parks apply for a FEMA grant of an additional \$788,230.00 of funds to provide relief to homeowners in the Zimber Ditch area, the City must contribute its local share, \$63,058.40, of a matching contribution.
- Section 2. That because the Mayor and City Council desire to assist all of the 19 homeowners that have applied for mitigation relief, the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a third amended support agreement between the City and Stark Parks to enable Stark Parks to apply for additional FEMA grant funds in furtherance of Phase V of Zimber Ditch Area Hazard Mitigation Program.
- Section 3. That the City has budgeted for said amount in the Zimber Ditch Fund 209.745.5229.

- Section 4. That if a provision of this ordinance is or becomes illegal, invalid, or unenforceable, that shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this ordinance.
- Section 5. That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the health, safety and peace of the City of North Canton, and because time is of the essence to commit the City's matching funds, thereby permitting Stark Parks to meet the FEMA grant application deadline, and to timely bring relief to local homeowners with the Mitigation Program; wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of six or more members of Council elected thereto, this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its adoption by Council and approval by the Mayor. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed in Council this 14th day of Duember 12016

David Held, Mayor

Signed: ////4 , 2016

Mary Beth Bailey, Clerk of Council