

CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 158

By: Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council

A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE TERMS OF THE TARGET CORPORATION MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC LITIGATION, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A SETTLING SUBDIVISION PARTICIPATION AND RELEASE FORM FOR THE TARGET SETTLEMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, by and through Ordinance No. 2018-033, this Council authorized the Mayor and Law Director to enter into a Special Counsel Agreement for professional legal services related to opioid litigation; and

WHEREAS, by and through Resolution No. 2018-139, Council declared the opioid epidemic and its resulting effects to be a public nuisance in the City of Strongsville, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, further, by and through previous Resolutions, the Council consented to the terms of settlements with various pharmaceutical companies through the City's participation in the State of Ohio OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding; and

WHEREAS, however, at this time, the City's Special Legal Counsel has finalized terms of a separate Master Settlement Agreement with Target Corporation; and

WHEREAS, this Council wishes to agree to the terms of the Target Corporation Settlement pertaining to Settling Subdivisions, in order that the City will be entitled to the benefits provided therein, including monetary payments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA, AND STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That this Council hereby consents to the terms of the Target Corporation Settlement pertaining to Settling Subdivisions on behalf of the City of Strongsville.

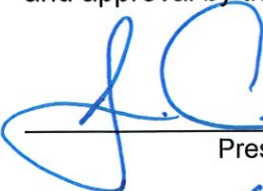
Section 2. That this Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the Target Corporation Settlement *Settling Subdivision Participation and Release Form* on behalf of the City of Strongsville, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein.

Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council; and that all deliberations of the Council, and any of its committees, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 4. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to consent to the City's participation in the proposed Target Corporation Settlement, in order to protect the City's interests to ensure prompt pursuit of funds to assist in abating the opioid epidemic throughout Ohio. Therefore, provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all

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members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.



President of Council
Date Passed: 10 07 2024

Approved: 

Mayor

Date Approved: Oct. 9. 2024

Attest: 

Clerk of Council

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Carbone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Clark	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Kaminski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Kosek	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Roff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Short	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____
Spring	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____

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Ord. No. 2024-158 Amended: _____
1st Rdg. 10-07-24 Ref: _____
2nd Rdg. Suspended Ref: _____
3rd Rdg. Suspended Ref: _____

Public Hrg. _____ Ref: _____
Adopted: 10-07-24 Defeated: _____

TARGET MASTER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

EXHIBIT B

SETTLING SUBDIVISION PARTICIPATION AND RELEASE FORM

Local Political Subdivision / Governmental Entity:	
CITY OF STRONGSVILLE	
State:	Ohio
Authorized Official:	Thomas P. Perciak, Mayor
Address 1:	16099 Foltz Parkway
Address 2:	
City, State, Zip:	Strongsville, OH 44149
Phone:	440-580-3145
Email:	strongsville.law@strongsville.org

The local political subdivision / governmental entity identified above ("*Settling Subdivision*"), in order to obtain and in consideration for the benefits provided to the Settling Subdivision pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, and acting through the undersigned authorized official, hereby elects to participate in the Settlement Agreement, release all Released Claims against all Released Entities, and agrees as follows.

1. The Settling Subdivision is aware of and has reviewed the Settlement Agreement, understands that all terms in this Participation and Release Form have the meanings defined therein, and agrees that by executing this Participation and Release Form, the Settling Subdivision elects to participate in the Settlement Agreement and become a Releasor as provided therein.
2. The Settling Subdivision through its counsel shall promptly move to dismiss with prejudice any Released Claims that it has filed.
3. The Settling Subdivision agrees to the terms of the Settlement Agreement pertaining to Releasors as defined therein, and specifically the Settling Subdivision acknowledges and agrees that it is the intent of the Parties that the Settlement Amount be for Opioid Remediation, as defined in the Settlement Agreement, and that in no event may less than eighty-five percent (85%) of the Settlement Amount (less any amounts used to pay attorneys' fees, investigation costs, or litigation costs) be spent on Opioid Remediation. Settling Subdivision agrees to either maintain the Settlement Amount in an account designated for Opioid Remediation, or at its discretion, shall cooperate with any reasonable request by Target for a report accounting for the disbursement of the settlement funds.
4. By agreeing to the terms of the Settlement Agreement and becoming a Releasor, the Settling Subdivision is entitled to monetary payments.

5. The Settling Subdivision hereby becomes a Releasor for all purposes in the Settlement Agreement, along with all departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, and any person in their official capacity elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, and any other entity identified in the definition of Releasor, provides for a release to the fullest extent of its authority. As a Releasor, the Settling Subdivision hereby absolutely, unconditionally, and irrevocably covenants not to bring, file, or claim, or to cause, assist or permit to be brought, filed, or claimed, or to otherwise seek to establish liability for any Released Claims against any Released Entity in any forum whatsoever. The releases provided for in the Settlement Agreement are intended by the Parties to be broad and shall be interpreted so as to give the Released Entities the broadest possible bar against any liability relating in any way to Released Claims and extend to the full extent of the power of the Settling Subdivision to release claims. The Settlement Agreement shall be a complete bar to any Released Claim.

6. Nothing herein is intended to modify in any way the terms of the Settlement Agreement, to which Settling Subdivision hereby agrees. To the extent this Participation and Release Form is interpreted differently from the Settlement Agreement in any respect, the Settlement Agreement controls.

I have all necessary power and authorization to execute this Participation and Release Form on behalf of the Settling Subdivision.

Signature: Thomas P. Perciak

Name: Thomas P. Perciak

Title: Mayor, City of Strongsville

Date: Oct. 9, 2024