## CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 149**

By: Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council

AN ORDINANCE RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE SAFETY FIRST GRANT PROGRAM SPONSORED BY NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION, TO BE UTILIZED BY THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT; AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Norfolk Southern Corporation has implemented a Safety First Grant Program designed to promote overall safety in the communities across Norfolk Southern's 22-state network; and

WHEREAS, the Safety First Grant Program is intended to support organizations and initiatives that directly provide safety services or operate programs that promote safe behavior, such as the City of Strongsville Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the deadline for participation in the Program and to be eligible for possible funding of up to \$15,000.00, the City's Fire Department has submitted an application with the Norfolk Southern Safety First Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, in addition, when the City is advised that its application for funding under the Norfolk Southern Grant Program is approved, the City is desirous of accepting such award.

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

- **Section 1.** That this Council hereby ratifies and approves the filing of an application with Norfolk Southern Corporation in connection with funds available through their Safety First Grant Program to be utilized by the City of Strongsville Fire Department.
- **Section 2.** That this Council hereby authorizes the acceptance of any award of funding under such Grant program, and hereby authorizes the Mayor, Director of Finance, Fire Chief and/or other appropriate officers of the City to provide, execute and deliver certifications, assurances and such other information as may be required in connection therewith.
- **Section 3.** That any funds which may be awarded shall be placed into and expended out of the Fire Levy Fund.
- **Section 4.** That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council; and that all deliberations of this 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.

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Section 5. That this Ordinance 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 ratify and approve the

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upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise from and after the earliest period			
President of Council			Approved: Det. 9, 2024
Date Passed: 10.07. 2027			Date Approved: 0 et. 9, 2024
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