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4 CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

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6 RESOLUTION NO. 4 - 2016

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9 A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ADMINISTRATION'S  
10 APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
11 TRANSPORTATION FOR THE 2016 TIGER DISCRETIONARY GRANT  
12 PROGRAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.  
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15 WHEREAS, the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery ("TIGER") grant  
16 program provides federal funding for capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure for  
17 projects that leverage resources, encourage partnerships, catalyze investment and growth, fill a  
18 critical void in the transportation system or provide a substantial benefit to the nation, region or  
19 metropolitan area in which the project is located; and  
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21 WHEREAS, transformative investments anchor broad and long-lasting positive change in  
22 economic development, safety, quality of life, and environmental sustainability; and  
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24 WHEREAS, the City of Cuyahoga Falls ("City") seeks to apply for grant funding to transform  
25 its historic downtown by reopening Front Street Mall to multimodal transportation uses and  
26 transforming other adjacent streets into complete streets as set forth in the City's 2016 Downtown  
27 Circulation Plan (the "Project"); and  
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29 WHEREAS, the City has engaged in a robust public participation and planning process with  
30 numerous public meetings with residents, property owners, business owners, local elected officials,  
31 developers and consultants which attracted hundreds of individuals; and  
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33 WHEREAS, the TIGER grant investment will improve connectivity between the downtown  
34 and older established neighborhoods in Cuyahoga Falls; and  
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36 WHEREAS, the infrastructure improvements will be the stimulus for private reinvestment  
37 that will create new jobs, services and shopping opportunities in a vibrant mixed-use environment;  
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40 WHEREAS, the 2016 Cuyahoga Falls Market Analysis concluded that attracting a critical  
41 mass of retailers and restaurants downtown will reestablish the historic commercial, social and civic  
42 functions to the core of the City and a revitalized downtown would likely generate over \$60.4 million  
43 in new annual sales; and  
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45 WHEREAS, this project encompasses the principles behind Ladders of Opportunity and will  
46 help to make Cuyahoga Falls a stronger, more connected, economically healthy and vibrant  
47 community.  
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49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cuyahoga Falls, County  
50 of Summit and State of Ohio, that:

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52 Section 1. In order to implement the 2016 Downtown Circulation Plan, Council supports the  
53 Administration's application to the United States Department of Transportation for the 2016 TIGER  
54 discretionary grant program. If awarded, the grant will enable the City to complete the Project  
55 thereby linking transportation improvements to new opportunities, jobs and housing within the  
56 community.


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Section 2. 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 this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

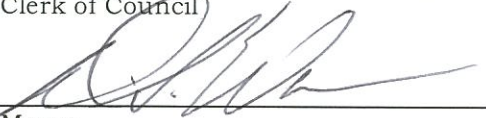
Section 3. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: 4-25-16

  
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President of Council

  
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Clerk of Council

Approved: 4-26-2016

  
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Mayor