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AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000.00 TO THE RIDGEWOOD LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, SAID SUM FROM THE LOCAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND FISCAL OFFICER TO ENTER INTO A SUBGRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE RIDGEWOOD LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, 116 Public Law 136 (the "CARES Act") was signed into law by the President of the United States on March 27, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly established a process for distributing funds provided by the CARES Act in House Bill 481 of the 133rd General Assembly;

WHEREAS, the Village of West Lafayette has received \$136,207.24 in distributions from the State of Ohio;

WHEREAS the CARES Act distributions received by the Village may be used to fund certain municipal operations during and related to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, the Village of West Lafayette may sub-grant funds to the Ridgewood Local School District to assist with the School District's operations and needs during and related to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the need for the School District to offer students the option to learn remotely five days a week during the 2020-2021 school year, in addition to the option of regular in-person instruction for students;

WHEREAS, if Coshocton County is identified as a "Level 3" Risk Level as mandated by Ohio COVID-19 Risk Level Guidelines, the School District also plans to follow a modified learning plan where all students will be grouped and rotate attendance between traditional learning and remote learning on a predetermined schedule;

WHEREAS, if Coshocton County is identified as a "Level 4" Risk Level as mandated by Ohio COVID-19 Risk Level Guidelines, the School District also plans to follow a remote-only learning plan where all students will learn remotely five days a week;

WHEREAS, the School District is in need of additional student computers (Chromebooks) and related software, licenses, and warranties to support the current and/or future need for remote learning during the 2020-2021 school year caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency, the cost of such need exceeding \$10,000.00;

WHEREAS, the Village has available federal CARES Act funding that can be used to assist the District with obtaining additional student computers (Chromebooks) and related software, licenses, and warranties; and

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WHEREAS, the Village desires to make a donation to the School District in the amount of \$10,000.00, said funds to be used to purchase student computers (Chromebooks) and related software, licenses and warranties to be used in connection with the School District remote learning plans.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF WEST LAFAYETTE:

SECTION 1. A donation shall be made in the amount of \$10,000.00 to the Ridgewood Local School District for the purchase of additional student computers (Chromebooks) and related software, licenses, and warranties to support the need for remote learning during the 2020-2021 school year caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency (the "donation"), provided that the School District accounts for the donation and spends the money received only on allowable and permitted uses by the CARES Act and the Ohio Office of Budget and Management.

SECTION 2. The donation is authorized to be expended from the federal Cares Act funding that the Village has received. The donation will be received by the School District as federal funds passed through from the Village of West Lafayette which requires the Village to monitor how the funds are received and expended. The School District shall spend the donated funds no later than November 10, 2020, and any unspent funds shall be returned to the Village of West Lafayette by November 10, 2020. The District shall provide supporting documentation of all expenses paid from said donation no later than December 20, 2020.

SECTION 3. The Mayor and Fiscal Officer are hereby authorized to enter into a Subgrant Agreement with the Ridgewood Local School District for the donation to the School District, such agreement to substantially be in the same form as the agreement attached hereto. The Village Solicitor is authorized to make any necessary changes or modifications of the agreement form prior to execution of the agreement by the parties. The Village Fiscal Officer is authorized to make any accounting changes or modifications associated with this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. For the reasons set forth in the preamble, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the preservation of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Village of West Lafayette, such emergency arising out of the immediate need for the passage of this legislation to be in compliance with the CARES Act and to ensure the timely distribution of funds within the permitted period of time, such that this Ordinance should take effect and be in force immediately from and after its passage.

Passed on this _________, 2020.

Stephen R. Bordenkircher, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amy Bourne, Fiscal Officer