Ord. No. 849-2025



JAMES D. DEROSA DIRECTOR

June 25, 2025

The Honorable Blaine A. Griffin President—Cleveland City Council 601 Lakeside Avenue, Room 216 Cleveland, OH 44114

RE: Request to Pass Legislation Under Suspension – July 9, 2025 / Lee Road

Dear Council President Blaine A. Griffin:

I am writing to ask your support in introducing and passing the legislation described below under suspension at the <u>City Council meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 9, 2025</u>. This ordinance amends the existing authority for the Director of the Mayor's Office of Capital projects to enter into agreements with Cuyahoga County, accept funding from the County, and enter into contracts for the design and construction, with details as follows:

Amending Ordinance 762-2023 to grant consent to the County to apply for and accept an allocation of County Motor Vehicle License Tax Funds and authorizing the Director of Mayor's Office of Capital Projects to enter into one or more contracts with the County for the design, construction, and any relative agreements in making the improvement on Lee Road from Miles Avenue to North Corporation Line; from any and all funds as authorized by the Director of Finance necessary to fund the improvement.

The passage of this ordinance under suspension on July 9 is essential to keep the project on schedule for design and construction. Cuyahoga County Council will take County Council action to manage the project in August and this legislation is required to enable that approval for the City and Cuyahoga County to enter into the contracts for design and construction of the project.

I appreciate your support and understanding in moving this legislation for the Lee Road Complete Street Project. If you have any questions, please contact me at 216-664-4052.

Sincerely,

James DeRosa, Director Mayor's Office of Capital Projects

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