

RESOLUTION NO. 23-05-546

AUTHORIZE A ONE-TIME FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE
FLETCHER WATER TOWER PROJECT

COMMISSIONERS/GENERAL COUNTY

Mr. Mercer introduced the following Resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, Title IX, Subtitle M, Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act, Pub. L. 117-2 [H.R. 1319], signed into law March 11, 2021 (“ARPA”), appropriated Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (the “Fund”) payments from the U.S. Treasury Secretary to metropolitan cities, non-entitlement units of local government, and counties; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the ARPA’s Fund methodology, Miami County was allocated approximately \$20,800,000 (the “Fund Payment”) to “mitigate the fiscal effects stemming from the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)”; and

WHEREAS, the ARPA and its supporting U.S. Treasury guidance provide that the Fund Payment may only be used by the County to finance costs that (a) respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts; (b) respond to workers performing essential work; (c) provide government services to extent of reduction in revenue; and (d) make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure (collectively, the “Criteria”); and

WHEREAS, the on July 30, 2021, the US Treasury issued to the Board \$10,390,485.50 of its total ARPA funding allocation \$20,800,000.00, said Fund Payment is to cover only those expenditures consistent with ARPA, including the Criteria, and applicable regulations, and such Fund Payment has been or will be deposited into an appropriate special revenue fund created and maintained by the County; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Fletcher’s Clerk has requested a financial contribution using Miami County ARPA funds to assist with the “Fletcher Water Tower Project”. The funds would help with the demolition of the existing 90-year-old water tower and construction of a new 100,000-gallon water tower in a new location; and

WHEREAS, the ARPA committee recommended disbursing unrestricted ARPA funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 to the Village of Fletcher, Miami County, Ohio. The new water tower would allow the Village of Fletcher to be able to maintain the water supply infrastructure necessary to provide safe and affordable drinking water to the residents and businesses in its service area; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Miami, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. As time is of the essence, the duly authorized representatives of the County are directed to take action under this resolution as soon as possible.

SECTION 2. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with Ohio's Sunshine Laws, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Miami County Commissioners do hereby approve and authorize a one-time financial contribution using unrestricted ARPA funds to be disbursed to the Village of Fletcher in the amount of \$100,000.00, to offset costs of the demolition of the existing 90-year-old water tower and construction of a new 100,000-gallon water tower in a new location, to be paid from Fund 198.

Mr. Simmons seconded the motion and the Board voted as follows upon roll call:

Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea; Mr. Simmons, Yea.

DATED: May 16, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I, Janelle S. Barga, Clerk to the Board of Miami County Commissioners, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct transcript of action taken by the Board under the date of May 16, 2023.



Janelle S. Barga, Clerk

cc: Journal
 Files
 Auditor
 MCC – Carrie Vaughan
 Requesting Party ✓