

RESOLUTION NO. R-2010-11

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE USE OF NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION FUNDS FOR THE REMOVAL AND RAZING OF DERELICT RENTAL UNITS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF WINDHAM, AUTHORIZING ACTION IN CONFORMITY WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, a grant of Neighborhood Stabilization Funds has been awarded to Portage County, and the Commissioners of Portage County have determined that Three Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.00) of Neighborhood Stabilization Funds should be directed toward the purchase twenty one (21) project properties which are in a nuisance condition such that they are unsafe for human habitation and demolish the properties as one project. All twenty one (21) project properties are located within the Village of Windham; and

WHEREAS, Neighborhood Development Services Corporation has been selected by the Portage County Commissioners to be the agency through which these twenty one (21) derelict and decrepit project properties shall be acquired, and Neighborhood Development Services Corporation has been directed by the Portage County Commissioners to take steps to either purchase the project properties or acquire an interest in them such that they can be transferred to new owners and to demolish the decrepit structures located on the real estate; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Windham supports the efforts of the Portage County Commissioners and Neighborhood Development Services Corporation in the use of Neighborhood Stabilization Funds to acquire ownership of the twenty one (21) project properties located within the Village of Windham, and to demolish them as one project; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Village of Windham has determined that there may be the need for a Village contribution toward the cost of the acquisition and demolition of the twenty one (21) project properties, and for that purpose has appropriated One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) of funds for use in paying for the purchase of the properties, for assistance in relocation of individuals presently living in those properties, and to further assist in the administration, demolition and potential future purchase of adjacent or related properties as part of the same project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Village of Windham, Portage County and State of Ohio, two thirds or more of the members elected thereto concurring that:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor, Fiscal Officer, Housing Inspector and Village Administrator are all directed to cooperate with Neighborhood Development Services Corporation, and to assist the Portage County Commissioners and Neighborhood Development Services Corporation with the acquisition and demolition of the designated decrepit properties within the Village of Windham, and to assist in the relocation of citizens of the Village of Windham who presently reside within the decrepit structures, to relocate these citizens to healthy and wholesome housing within the Village of Windham.

SECTION 2. The Mayor, Fiscal Officer, Housing Inspector and Village Administrator are further authorized to cooperate with and assist in the purchase, as the opportunity presents, of the real estate on which the twenty one (21) decrepit housing units are presently located.

SECTION 3. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were accepted in an open meeting of this Council, and that deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meeting open to the public, in compliance with Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. This Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure, effective immediately upon its passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor, in order to advance the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Windham, and for the further reason that it is necessary to authorize this action in a timely fashion.

PASSED IN COUNCIL ON FIRST READING AS AN EMERGENCY on February 23, 2010.

Vote of Council: Ayes: Mr. Snyder, Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Miranda, Mr. Garrett, Mrs. Rininger. Nays: None. Abstain: Mrs. Meszaros.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Lloyd Billman, Fiscal Officer

Robert Donham, Mayor

I hereby certify that the above Ordinance was duly published by public posting at predesignated posting places.

Lloyd Billman, Fiscal Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Thomas Reitz, Solicitor