

The Board of County Commissioners, in and for Clark County, Ohio, met this 27th day of October, 2021 in regular session, pursuant to adjournment, in accordance with Section 121.22 O.R.C. (Sunshine Law), with the following members present, viz:

Melanie F. Wilt

Lowell R. McGlothlin

Richard L. Lohnes

Resolution 2021-0698
ARPA file

Authorize Allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for the Residential Broadband Infrastructure Project by Spectrum Mid-America, LLC as managed by Charter Communications, Inc. (“Charter”) in Clark County, Ohio

Commissioner Lohnes moved, per request of the County Administrator, to approve the following:

Whereas, Clark County has received direct payments from the United States (US) Treasury under the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Funds authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); and,

Whereas, Clark County will use the funding in accordance with ARPA and guidance from the US Treasury; and,

Whereas, the Department of Treasury issued the Interim Final Rule on May 10, 2021, to provide guidance on permissible uses; and,

Whereas, a permissible use of the ARPA funds is to make necessary investments in broadband infrastructure through projects that will improve the usage of broadband services and internet accessibility; and,

Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners for the County of Clark (“County”) recognizes the importance of expanding broadband access and providing reliable connectivity to the internet for the residents in Clark County; and,

Whereas, the County wishes to support the efforts of Spectrum Mid-America, LLC as managed by Charter Communications, Inc. (“Charter”) to obtain financial support for Charter’s Residential Broadband Infrastructure Project in Clark County; and,

Whereas, the County also wishes to urge the Ohio Broadband Expansion Authority to approve Charter’s Residential Broadband Infrastructure Grant Application for additional financial support for the project in Clark County, Ohio, because the residents in Clark County deserve greater access to the opportunities and services only available through reliable, high-speed internet.

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners, Clark County, Ohio, that the Board approves the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$3,000,000 to support Charter’s Residential Broadband Infrastructure Project in Clark County and Charter’s Residential Broadband Infrastructure Grant Application for additional financial support for the project in Clark County, Ohio.

Commissioner McGlothlin seconded the motion and the roll being called for its passage, the vote resulted as follows:

Commissioner Lohnes, Yes; Commissioner McGlothlin, Yes; Commissioner Wilt, Yes

I, Megan Burr, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a motion as recorded in the Journal of the Clark County Commissioners, under the date of October 27, 2021.

Megan Burr

Megan Burr, Clerk

copy: County Auditor
County Administrator
Requesting Department(s)