



TO: Gahanna City Council
Jeremy A. VanMeter, Clerk of Council

FROM: Jeff Gottke, Director of Economic Development Department
Mayor Laurie A. Jadwin

Cc: Joann Bury, Director of Finance
Priya Tamilarasan, City Attorney

DATE: October 9, 2025

SUBJECT: Dept. of Economic Development – Request for Council Action (October 13, 2025
COTW meeting)

ACTION ITEMS

ACTION ITEM #1: REQUEST TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM UNAPPROPRIATED UNENCUMBERED
GENERAL FUND 1010 TO 101.09.000.5205 - DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT SERVICES FOR A
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE GAHANNA COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT
CORPORATION.

The Creekside Redevelopment Strategy, finalized in 2022, recommended the development of more mixed-use properties to stimulate economic activity and support local businesses in the Creekside District. In pursuit of this goal and in alignment with the Redevelopment Strategy, the Gahanna Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) purchased blighted and vacant parcels that could accommodate a large catalyst mixed-use development project.

In 2024, the CIC was awarded a grant, in the amount of \$500,000, from the Ohio Department of Development via the Central Ohio Community Improvement Corporation (COCIC) to demolish buildings on select parcels owned by the Gahanna CIC. This is a reimbursement grant with terms that require demolition to be completed by December 31, 2025.

In order to ensure that the CIC is able to meet the deadlines imposed by the grant requirements, the Department of Economic Development respectfully requests a transfer of \$500,000.00 from the unappropriated and unencumbered balance of the General Fund 1010 to Development Contract Services 101.09.000.5205, allowing demolition to move forward by the date prescribed

by the state grant. **Waiver** is requested to provide time to execute demolition of buildings in order to meet grant requirements. Once the CIC receives reimbursement, the City would be reimbursed for up to the amount of the grant award.

Requested Legislation and Funding:

Legislation Needed:	Ordinance
Emergency/Waiver:	Waiver
Vendor Name:	N/A
Vendor Address:	N/A
Already Appropriated:	N/A
Supplemental/Transfer:	\$500,000.00 from the unappropriated and unencumbered General Fund 1010 to Development Contract Services 101.09.000.5205

Contract Approvals:

- o This item has been approved by the Mayor.
- o This item has been approved by the Director of Finance.