**ORDINANCE 31-25-O**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FUND 320 ENTITLED “PUBLIC WORKS NEW BUILDING CONSTRUCTION” TO ACCOUNT FOR THE SALE AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the City of Celina has sold the Public Works building located at 308 Portland Street in Celina, Mercer County, Ohio to the Celina City School District Board of Education in accordance with Ordinance 40-24-O; and

WHEREAS, construction of the new Public Works facility is underway to ensure continued operational efficiency and meet the growing infrastructure needs of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works building located at 308 Portland Street qualifies as a permanent improvement under Ohio Revised Code §5705.01(E); and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code §5705.10(F) requires that proceeds from the sale of a permanent improvement be deposited into a special fund designated for the construction or acquisition of permanent improvements; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish a dedicated fund to properly account for the sale proceeds, and related expenditures for the new Public Works facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Celina, County of Mercer and State of Ohio.

SECTION ONE

THAT, there is hereby established fund 320, to be titled “Public Works New Building Construction”, for the purpose of recording revenues from the sale of the former Public Works building and expenditures associated with the construction of the new Public Works building.

SECTION TWO

THAT, the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.00) be appropriated from the unappropriated balance of the said fund, and the Auditor is hereby authorized to draw warrants for payment of projects from said fund.

SECTION THREE

THAT, this Ordinance shall be declared an emergency measure for the immediate for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare, and out of the necessity to establish this fund to accurately document the revenues and expenditures for this permanent improvement. NOW, therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor at the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED this day of , 2025

Jason D. King, President of Council

ATTEST:

Kari Fox, Clerk of Council

APPROVED , 2025

Jeffrey S. Hazel, Mayor

DRAFTED BY:

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