

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YPSILANTI:

WHEREAS, the Michigan Economic Development Council (MEDC) offers a grant through the Core Communities Fund that support public facility improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Riverside Arts Center Foundation desires to accept grant in an amount not to exceed \$336,500 to support the installation of a common elevator and stairway to achieve public accessibility within the Center and the adjacent DTE Energy building in support of expanded arts and cultural programming for the Ypsilanti community; and

WHEREAS, there is a 1 to 1 local match requirement for the grant of which the MEDC confirms that \$995,000 in YDDA streetscape bonds and \$100,000 Cool Cities Catalyst grant would be defined as the local match for the project; and

WHEREAS, this project would be an important complement to the City's Cool Cities Catalyst Project that will support interior renovations at the DTE Energy building and transform this vacant storefront space into a vibrant arts annex; and

WHEREAS, this project will further efforts to build a strong arts and cultural presence within Downtown Ypsilanti as part of revitalization initiatives targeted to create a vibrant and diverse downtown neighborhood;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council approves the MEDC Contract No. GR-751 for this project and authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all related contract documents, subject to review and approval of the City Attorney; and

THAT the Council authorizes Edward B. Koryzno, Jr., City Manager to sign all subsequent documents that may be necessary to advance the construction of this project in a timely manner, subject to review and approval by the City Attorney; and Ingrid Ault, Interim DDA Director to serve as Project Director; and

THAT the City Council authorizes the Ypsilanti DDA and its Director to administer this project on behalf of the City of Ypsilanti.

OFFERED BY: _____

SUPPORTED BY: _____

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ABSENT:

VOTE: