

RESOLUTION NO.49-2021 (PD)

By Council Member Ungar

A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Family Connections of Northeast Ohio a non-profit corporation, for the use of Community Development Block Grant funds to provide funding for assistance with its Parent Café Program; providing compensation therefor; and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, Family Connections of Northeast Ohio is a non-profit corporation with the mission to strengthen families and promote the healthy development of children by providing parent education, parent support and activities for families with children from birth to age ten; and

WHEREAS, Family Connections of Northeast Ohio has established a Parent Cafe Program to provide support to parents and youth; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City and its residents to provide partial funding to assist such programming; and

WHEREAS, there are monies available for such purpose from Year 46 Community Development Block Grant Funds through the Strategic Impact Opportunity Funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The City Manager be, and she is hereby, authorized to enter into an agreement and any related documents with Family Connections of Northeast Ohio, a non-profit corporation, for assistance with its Parent Café Program. The agreement shall provide for funding in the amount of up to Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) from Year 46 Community Development Block Grant funds. The services to be performed by Family Connections of Northeast Ohio are set forth in the Statement of Work attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein. The agreement shall be for a eighteen month period commencing January 1, 2021, and terminating June 30, 2022, and shall be approved as to form by the Director of Law.

SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to allow the services of the Family Connections of Northeast Ohio to continue without interruption. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

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JASON S. STEIN
President of the Council

AMY HIMMELEIN
Clerk of Council

PASSED: April 19, 2021

EXHIBIT A
STATEMENT OF WORK

FAMILY CONNECTIONS

Family Connections has established the Parent Café Program to assist parents, their preschool and elementary students. A Parent Cafe is a parent education experience designed to create opportunities for parents to connect, share and learn from each other in a space that appreciates that all parents have something to offer and have all that they need. Parent Cafes are driven by the knowledge that parents can, must and do tap into their wisdom and resources in order to strengthen their own families. It is guided by trained Parent Hosts. Parents gather in small groups and explore questions that really matter to them. Through these meaningful conversations, parents are working to build five Protective Factors that will benefit their family. These Protective Factors have been shown through research to prevent child abuse and neglect in families. These Protective Factors are: Parental Resilience; Social Connections; Concrete Support in Times of Need; Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development and Social and Emotional Competence of Children.

The program will serve 26 families. CDBG funds will contribute towards personnel and supply expenses. If necessary, programming may take place online.