#### ORDINANCE NO. 22 - 20

By: Troy Markham

# AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND AUDITOR TO APPROVE UP TO \$50,000 OF PERSONNEL RELATED EXPENDITURES AND TO MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO PERSONNEL BENEFITS AND PAID TIME OFF ARRANGEMENTS RELATING TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the United States, State of Ohio and City of Bexley are experiencing an unprecedented emergency with the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic is placing a burden on the City of Bexley and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bexley must address the needs of its citizens in ways that were not anticipated when the 2020 budget was passed; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has issued an emergency proclamation in accordance with his powers set forth in sections 648.09 and 660.02 of the codified ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, the City must balance the needs of continuing essential services while protecting the health and safety of its employees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY:

### Section 1.

The Mayor is hereby authorized to spend up to \$50,000 on personnel-related costs during the pendency of the Mayor's emergency proclamation relating to the COVID-19 pandemic provided the City Auditor concurs in such expenditures.

#### Section 2.

City Council appropriates funds from the proper City fund for the purposes of paying for the expenditures authorized in Section 1.

#### Section 3.

Council further authorizes the Mayor to grant, on a temporary basis, additional or modified benefits and/or paid time off which, in the Mayor's judgment are necessary to enable employees to provide essential services and preventative measures relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. Any such changes under this section must be approved by the Mayor and Auditor.

## Section 4.

That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, peace, and safety and shall go into full force and effect upon the approval of the Mayor.

Passed: March 24, 2020

Attest: Willeff

Lori Ann Feibel, President of Council

Approved: March 24, 2020

Benjamin Kessler, Mayor

# **Ordinance Timeline:**

First Reading: Second Reading: Third Reading: