

ORDINANCE NO. 357 (22-23)

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 203 (22-23), that was passed on February 2, 2023, by the Council of the City of Marietta, Ohio, and declaring an EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, on February 2, 2023, the Council of the City of Marietta, Ohio, passed Ordinance No. 203 (22-23); and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 203 (22-23) was an ordinance to authorize the Auditor of the City of Marietta, Ohio, to allocate and/or set aside the sum of \$300,000.00 from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to be used for the Citywide Tree Maintenance and Stump Grinder Project; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of Ordinance No. 203 (22-23) on February 2, 2023, the City of Marietta, Ohio has decided not to purchase a stump grinder; and

WHEREAS, the City now wishes to use the monies that were set aside for the Citywide Tree Maintenance and Stump Grinder Project, solely for purposes of tree removal and/or tree trimming; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marietta, Ohio intends to advertise for bids for tree removal and/or tree trimming, as certain trees within the City are dead, rotted and in danger of falling should there be a wind event, and furthermore, with Winter approaching, trees will likely be laden with snow and ice, causing branches to break if they are not trimmed; and

WHEREAS, because the City has elected not to purchase a stump grinder, the City now wishes to use all of the monies allocated for the Citywide Tree Maintenance and Stump Grinder Project to be used solely for the removal and/or trimming of certain trees as identified by the Tree Commission of the City of Marietta, Ohio; now therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARIETTA OHIO:

Section 1: That Ordinance No. 203 (22-23) is amended in order to reflect that the City of Marietta, Ohio has elected not to purchase a stump grinder with the \$300,000.00 that was set aside from ARPA funds and instead to use the entire \$300,000.00 that

was set aside, per the passage of Ordinance No. 203 (22-23), solely for the removal and/or trimming of various trees within the City of Marietta,

Section 2: That this Ordinance shall be and is hereby declared to be an EMERGENCY measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City of Marietta, Ohio, and for the further reason that the City wishes to advertise for bids as quickly as possible for the removal and trimming of various trees, and wishes to have the entire \$300,000.00 that was set aside, available to pay for the removal and trimming of the trees. WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

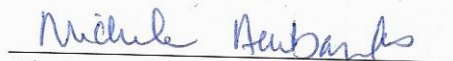
Introduced by the Finance and Taxation Committee, Michael Scales, Chairman.


Chairman

Passed this 16th day of Nov., 2023.


President of Council
PRO TEM

ATTEST:


Clerk of Council

Approved this 16th day of November, 2023.

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Jason J. Vessels, ACTING
Mayor

First Reading November 16, 2023

Second Reading Suspended

Third Reading Suspended