

ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 16

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF KENT SERVICE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ODOT) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000, AND TO ACCEPT THE GRANT, IF AWARDED, WITH CORRESPONDING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Kent Service Department would like to apply for a Safe Routes to School (SRST) grant from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to be used for the North Mantua Street Project. If awarded, the grant would be worth \$800,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the City wishes to apply for and accept said grant.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio:

**SECTION 1.** That Kent City Council approves submission of the application for the Safe Routes to School (SRST) grant funds through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), execution of the subsequent agreements, and authorizes that the Administration provide all information, funds, and documentation required in said applications for submission.

**SECTION 2.** That Kent City Council hereby approves the City's acceptance of the grants, if awarded to the City, with corresponding appropriations for its use.

**SECTION 3.** That the Kent City Council hereby understands and agrees that participation in the program will require compliance with program guidelines and assurances.

**SECTION 4.** That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 5.** That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the residents of this City, for which reason and other reasons manifest to this Council this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force immediately after passage.

PASSED: February 18, 2026  
Date

  
Jack Amrhein  
Mayor and President of Council

EFFECTIVE: February 18, 2026  
Date

ATTEST: Kathleen Coleman  
Kathleen Coleman  
Clerk of Council

I, KATHLEEN COLEMAN, CLERK OF COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF KENT, COUNTY OF PORTAGE, AND STATE OF OHIO, AND IN WHOSE CUSTODY THE ORIGINAL FILES AND RECORDS OF SAID COUNCIL ARE REQUIRED TO BE KEPT BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-16, ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT ON February 18, 2026.

(SEAL)



KATHLEEN COLEMAN  
CLERK OF COUNCIL