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RESOLUTION NO.

BY:

Accepting and supporting the Forward Together Vision Plan, "A Vision for Community Facilities," in partnership with the Shaker Heights City Schools and Shaker Heights Public Library, to develop a forward-looking strategy for current and future community facilities in Shaker Heights.

WHEREAS, the Forward Together Vision Plan was prepared by consultant Planning NEXT under direction of the Joint Facilities Task Force through a collaborative process including four public meetings, participation by nearly 800 people, and over 4,250 individual comments and ideas; and

WHEREAS, this process involved staff from the City, Shaker Heights City Schools and Shaker Heights Public Library, members of the Joint Facilities Task Force, public officials, representatives from neighborhood organizations, private schools and religious institutions, residents, and other community stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, goals of the Forward Together Vision Plan are to:

- Gather People. Places and programming that bring the entire community together and strengthen bonds through recreation, fun, fitness, educational and social opportunities;
- Connect Places. A network of safe and easily accessible routes that connect community facilities to one another and to the neighborhoods they serve, as well as the infrastructure that supports virtual connections within the community;
- Utilize Assets. A well-maintained network of buildings and facilities that are adaptable, multi-functional, efficient and utilized to their full potential; and
- Collaborate Broadly. A collaborative spirit and intent between the taxing authorities (School, Library, City), private entities (private schools, religious organizations, non-profits) and regional partners is at the root of all planning and investing, leading to maximum efficiency with respects to costs and the environment; and

WHEREAS, key elements of the Forward Together Vision Plan include:

- An overview of existing facilities and connections;
- Key initiatives - a collection of projects, processes or programs suggested by the community that seek to advance the future of Shaker Heights facilities; and
- Next steps to be taken by the Joint Facilities Task Force to continue this collaborative effort beyond the Vision Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Forward Together Vision Plan was published online for public review and discussed at multiple Joint Facilities Task Force meetings, and the Joint Facilities Task Force recommended acceptance of the Plan to Council at its meeting on October 17, 2019.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Shaker Heights, State of Ohio:

Section 1. This Council accepts and supports the Forward Together Vision Plan approved by the Joint Facilities Task Force on October 17, 2019 and by the City Planning Commission on November 6, 2019.

Section 2. This resolution is hereby adopted as an administrative measure not subject to referendum, and therefore this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its enactment and approval by the Mayor.

Adopted

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2019.

DAVID E. WEISS, Mayor

Attest:

JERI E. CHAIKIN
Clerk of Council

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