

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-03

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PARAMETERS OF A ONE-TIME ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION ADVANCE TO THE DOWNTOWN SYKESVILLE CONNECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF A BUILDING PURCHASE

WHEREAS, the Town of Sykesville Mayor and Council adopt an annual budget allocating tax revenues as necessary to advance the goal and objectives established by said Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Downtown Sykesville Connection (DSC) is a 501-c3 corporation that was established to run the Downtown Sykesville Mainstreet organization for the betterment of Sykesville residents, visitors, business owners, and stakeholders as prescribed by the National Mainstreet America standards for all main street programs; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Sykesville and the Downtown Sykesville Connection have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishing mutual benefits for the ongoing efforts of the DSC including an annual financial contribution from the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town has allocated \$50,000 per year since the formation of the DSC as part of the annual budget process; and

WHEREAS, the DSC has requested that the Town, in-lieu-of this annual allocation, advance to them the sum equivalent of the next ten (10) years' worth of annual payments for a total of \$500,000 for the purpose of purchasing a building by the DSC in Downtown Sykesville; and

WHEREAS, the DSC has agreed to pay the Town an amount equal to 1.5% interest on the advanced funds to offset any potential property tax revenue the Town would have collected should the building have not been owned by a non-profit entity; and

WHEREAS, the DSC has agreed that over the course of the next ten years, the Town will continue to receive all the same benefits listed in the current MOU (dated July 1, 2021) between the Town and DSC with the exception to any mutually agreed to modifications during the next ten-year period; and

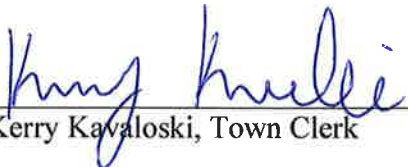
WHEREAS, the DSC has agreed to name the Town as beneficiary of the structure purchased should the DSC discontinue as an organization or should they no longer wish to own the building purchased with the advanced funds.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SYKESVILLE TOWN COUNCIL that the Mayor and Town Manager are authorized to sign all documents necessary to facilitate the transfer of \$500,000 to the Downtown Sykesville Connection. This sum is replacing the annual financial contribution the Town of Sykesville would normally make to the DSC during the annual budgeting process and is to be used solely for the purchase of the property located at 7611 Main Street, Sykesville Maryland 21784.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE SYKESVILLE TOWN COUNCIL that the Town Council and Downtown Sykesville Connection will make necessary amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding, specifically sections 2 and 13 and/or any other sections, related to annual funding for the DSC to reflect the approved advance of funds.

THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SYKESVILLE THIS 10TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

ATTEST:


Kerry Kavaloski, Town Clerk


Stacy Link, Mayor


Anna Carter, Council President


Mark Dyer, Council Member

Al Grasley, Council Member


Elizabeth Guroff, Council Member


Leo Keenan, Council Member


Jeremiah Schofield, Council Member