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Memorandum

To: The Honorable Members of the Ohio Senate

From: Matt Dolan, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee

Re: FY 25/26 Capital Budget Deadlines and Information

Timelines for the One-Time Strategic Community Investment Fund (OTSCIF)

Date: November 1, 2023

Enclosed is some information related to the upcoming FY 25/26 Capital Budget and the One-Time Strategic Community Investment Fund (OTSCIF). We anticipate that both will be appropriated in the same bill which we expect to pass in June 2024. We are aware these timelines differ from those being used by the Ohio House of Representatives. As is normal for a capital budget, there are two key dates to keep in mind as your office gets organized.

- Requests from community partners, political subdivisions, groups, entities seeking assistance are due to senators **by Monday, April 8, 2024**
- Requests from senators are due to the finance chair and finance director <u>by 4PM on</u> <u>Monday, April 22, 2024</u>

Both dates are important but we are stressing the earlier Monday, April 8th deadline to give senators time to review, digest, and ask for any additional information before the members' submission deadline of Monday, April 22, 2024.

To be clear: These dates apply to both capital budget and OTSCIF requests

I am attaching a memo from OBM which provides some helpful information about the capital budget. Please note the list of 13 informational items/questions that must be provided/answered by those seeking financial assistance. *These 13 pieces of information are required of any entity seeking a grant from the Capital Budget or OTSCIF.* Attached in this email, is a fillable PDF request form that applicants must submit to your office by Monday, April 8, 2024. This fillable PDF contains all of the requested 13 pieces of information.

When your office submits requests by Monday, April 22, 2024, you will submit

- A spreadsheet (template included). Keep the info on the spreadsheet brief
- A copy of each fillable PDF for each project your Senator is seeking assistance
 - o Please name the PDF the corresponding ID from your spreadsheet, i.e. Bacon 07

Some information related to OTSCIF: Many of the constraints that continue to apply to the capital budget do not apply to this unique one-time fund. However, we are looking for requests that are:

- One time in nature and will not require additional state assistance for completion
- Meaningful and transformational investments that positively affect the lives of Ohio citizens
- Not pilot projects
- Not for operational / salary costs
- Not creating small pots of money for a general purpose to be distributed through a program later
- Landbanks are not eligible for funding

The finance staff will be organizing an optional all-staff capital budget / OTSCIF meeting to assist staff and offices in preparing for the request submission process. Look for details in the coming weeks from Ray DiRossi and, if you have questions, please feel free to contact Ray or David Reedy.