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The regular meeting of the *OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY* will be held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 10:00 am via video conference.

The meeting will be conducted in accordance with open meeting laws within the State of Ohio. During the current state of emergency and to protect employees, partners and the public, the Authority is offering video conference access and a call line as an option to attend the meeting remotely. To help ensure capacity on this conference line, please RSVP to info@aqda.state.oh.us with your interest to participate.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021

AGENDA

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1. [Welcome and Introduction of Guests](#) [Chairman](#)
2. [Minutes February 9, 2021](#)
3. [Minutes February 24, 2021](#)
4. [Public Hearing](#) [Cargill Incorporated](#)

A Public hearing concerning the issuance of the issuer's exempt facilities revenue bonds (Cargill, Incorporated Project), Series 2021 (the "Bonds") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$75,000,000 for the purpose of financing the (a) acquisition, construction and installation of air quality facilities consisting of solid waste disposal facilities used to (i) capture particulate matter and volatile organic compounds resulting from the processing of soybeans and (ii) process soybean meal and hull waste that would otherwise be sent to a landfill into components of cattle feed, and buildings, facilities and equipment necessary or required for the operation of the foregoing facilities (collectively, the "Project") and (b) paying certain costs of issuing the Bonds, which Project will be located at 2400 Industrial Drive, Sidney, Ohio 45365, the initial legal owner and principal user of which will be Cargill, Incorporated, a Delaware corporation.

5. [Resolution 21-13 \(CAIP\)](#) [Cargill Incorporated](#)

A resolution authorizing and directing the issuance, execution and delivery of the issuer's exempt facilities revenue bonds (Cargill, Incorporated Project), Series 2021 in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$75,000,000; authorizing the execution and delivery of an Indenture of Trust, a Loan Agreement, a Bond Purchase Agreement, and a Tax Compliance Agreement; providing for the principal amount, provisions for redemption and maturity of, and interest on, the bonds; appointing a trustee, a paying agent, and a bond registrar; requesting the trustee to authenticate the bonds; directing the imprinting of cusip numbers on the bonds; authorizing investment by the trustee; authorizing the execution and distribution of a Preliminary Official Statement and an Official Statement; and authorizing and approving related matters.

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A resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of Ohio Air Quality Development Authority Air Quality Revenue Bonds (7411 Vantage Project), Series 2021, in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$1,900,000 to assist The Hospitality Group – Worthington Portfolio II, LLC in the financing of costs of “air quality facilities” within the meaning of Chapter 3706, Ohio Revised Code; providing for the pledge of revenues for the payment of such bonds; and the execution and delivery of a bond purchase agreement, pledge agreements and the bond; and authorizing and approving related matters.

7. Resolution 21-15 (CAIP)

Avangrid Aurora Solar LLC-Great Bear

A resolution authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$70,000,000 in principal amount of an Air Quality Revenue Bond of the State of Ohio in order to assist Aurora Solar, LLC in the financing of costs of air quality facilities, thereby promoting the public purposes of Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3706; providing for the assignment of revenues for the payment of that revenue bond; authorizing the execution and delivery of a loan agreement, an assignment of loan agreement and the bond; and authorizing and approving related matters.

8. Resolution 21-16 (Inducement)

Avangrid Aurora Solar LLC-Powell Creek

A resolution agreeing to issue revenue bonds of the State of Ohio to assist in the financing of the costs of the acquisition, construction and installation of air quality facilities for the use of Aurora Solar LLC.

9. Resolution 21-17 (Administrative)

Clean Air Improvement Program (CAIP)

A resolution to extend the pilot period for the Clean Air Improvement Program Guidelines.

10. Executive Director’s Report

Christina O’Keeffe, Executive Director

11. Adjournment

OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The regular meeting of the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority (“Authority”) was held remotely, on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 10:00 am.

As authorized through House Bill 197 as passed by the General Assembly and signed into law by Governor DeWine, the Authority conducted this meeting using online videoconferencing technology via Microsoft Teams in order to protect the public during the declaration of an emergency related to COVID-19 pandemic. A telephone number and videoconference link to the meeting was published on the Authority’s website and distributed to persons of interest prior to the meeting and in compliance with Open Meeting Laws.

These are the minutes of the meeting.

The following members were present:

Jim Simon, Chairman
Michael Keenan, Vice Chairman
Ted Celeste
Michael Curtin
Cara Brook

Ex-Officio members present:

Gene Phillips, Ohio Department of Health

The following members were absent:

Ex-officio members absent:

Laura Factor, Ohio EPA

Staff present:

Christina O’Keeffe, Executive Director
Brooke Grant, Manager of Planning and Projects
Sandra Langston, Administrative Manager
Dawn Pertner, Fiscal Officer
Gabe Lorenz, Customer Service Coordinator

General Counsel:

Thad Boggs, Frost Brown Todd

Guests present:

Rob McCarthy, Bricker & Eckler
Blake Beachler, Calfee
Phil Muldoon, TE Fusion Group
Steve Sparks, Frost Brown Todd
Jeff Liebert, TE Fusion
Marisa Long, Inspire PR Group
Mike Ealy, The Hospitality Group
Adrian Markocic
Denise Barkdull, Frost Brown Todd
Tony Bornhorst, Shelby County Commissioner
Steve Smith, Frost Brown Todd

Scott Lindner, Cargill
Jim Schultz, Huntington Bank
John Kirschner, GB Solutions
Matt Schnackenberg, PFM
Jess Ensley, Inspire PR Group
Dylan Borchers, Bricker & Eckler
Katie Lundy, Inspire PR Group
Madeline Fleischer, Dickinson Wright
Mary Sullivan, Dinsmore & Shohl
Jeff Reinkemeyer, Aurora Solar

This meeting of the Authority has been duly posted and given to all news media, organizations and other persons who requested such information in accordance and in full compliance with Chapter 3706-1 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone.

The Chairman noted the meeting was being conducted through Microsoft Teams videoconferencing, in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and the administrative rules of the Authority.

Ms. Sandra Langston called the Roll:

Mr. Simon – Yea

Mr. Keenan - Yea

Mr. Celeste - Yea

Mr. Curtin – Yea

Ms. Brook – Yea

Ms. Factor - Absent

Mr. Phillips – Yea

General Counsel Thad Boggs confirmed compliance with the Open Meetings Act, that a quorum of six members was present, and that it remained an open, public meeting. Mr. Thad Boggs confirmed that the meeting was fully in compliance with state law including House Bill 197.

Chairman Simon stated that the Authority would be explicit on which item was on the table for discussion or vote, and that he would recognize members and guests by name and title during discussions or ask them to introduce themselves. Additionally, he stated that roll call votes would be taken for each vote, and that if any member left the meeting it would be noted in the minutes. As part of the orientation to the meeting, the Chairman asked Mr. Langston to provide information about Microsoft Teams software and the ground rules for the meeting.

The Chairman asked Ms. Langston to announce all guests present on the meeting. Ms. Langston announced all known guests and asked those not readily identifiable to introduce themselves. Upon introduction, Steve Sparks noted that there was a teleconference line open for the public hearing as required by the Internal Revenue Service for the project by Cargill Inc., and stated that one guest was on the line. The guest identified himself as Tony Bornhorst County Commissioner, Shelby County.

2. Minutes – Regular business meeting February 9, 2021.

Mr. Keenan moved for approval of the minutes. Mr. Celeste seconded.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Simon – Yes

Mr. Keenan – Yes
Mr. Celeste – Yes
Mr. Curtin – Yes
Ms. Brook – Yes
Mr. Phillips – Yes

Motion passed. Minutes adopted.

3. Minutes – Educational Session February 24, 2021.

Mr. Curtin moved for approval of the minutes. Mr. Celeste seconded.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Simon – Yes
Mr. Keenan – Yes
Mr. Celeste – Yes
Mr. Curtin – Yes
Ms. Brook – Yes
Mr. Phillips – Yes

Motion passed. Minutes adopted.

4. Public Hearing

Cargill Incorporated

A Public hearing concerning the issuance of the issuer’s exempt facilities revenue bonds (Cargill, Incorporated Project), Series 2021 (the “Bonds”) in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$75,000,000 for the purpose of financing the (a) acquisition, construction and installation of air quality facilities consisting of solid waste disposal facilities used to (i) capture particulate matter and volatile organic compounds resulting from the processing of soybeans and (ii) process soybean meal and hull waste that would otherwise be sent to a landfill into components of cattle feed, and buildings, facilities and equipment necessary or required for the operation of the foregoing facilities (collectively, the “Project”) and (b) paying certain costs of issuing the Bonds, which Project will be located at 2400 Industrial Drive, Sidney, Ohio 45365, the initial legal owner and principal user of which will be Cargill, Incorporated, a Delaware corporation.

Chairman Simon called the public hearing to order at 10:11 a.m. He read the following transcript:

“This public hearing is being held in connection with the issuance of State of Ohio Exempt Facilities Revenue Bonds for Cargill Incorporated, Series 2021 Bonds by the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority in an amount not to exceed \$75,000,000. The purpose of the hearing is to provide an opportunity for the public to express their views on the proposed bond issue and the proposed location and the nature of the facility to be financed. The proceeds of the bonds will be used to finance a) the acquisition, construction and installation of air quality facilities consisting of solid waste disposal facilities used to (i) capture particulate matter and volatile organic compounds resulting from the processing of soybeans and (ii) process soybean meal and hull waste that would

otherwise be sent to a landfill into components of cattle feed, and buildings, facilities and equipment necessary or required for the operation of the foregoing facilities (collectively, the “Project”) and (b) paying certain costs of issuing the Bonds, which Project will be located at 2400 Industrial Drive, Sidney, Ohio 45365, and their initial legal owner and principal user will be Cargill, Incorporated. The Authority is holding this proposed hearing on the proposed issuance of the bonds as we are required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code. Notice of this public hearing was posted on the Authority’s website homepage under the Information subheading on March 1, 2021. The notice provided that members of the public wishing to express their views regarding the issuance of the bonds could participate in this meeting via Teams or a toll-free teleconference as noted earlier by Mr. Sparks. The notice also provided that members of the public could express their views via written submission sent to the Authority’s Executive Director by 5 p.m. on March 8, 2021.”

Chairman Simon asked Director O’Keeffe if any comments had been received regarding the issuance of the bonds. She confirmed that no written comments were received regarding the issuance of the bonds. Chairman Simon asked if there were any members of the public attending the meeting via Microsoft Teams or teleconference who wanted to provide comment. Chairman Simon noted that no comments were provided, and closed the public hearing at 10:15 a.m.

5. Resolution 21-13 (CAIP)

Cargill Incorporated

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Director O’Keeffe introduced this bond resolution for Cargill Incorporated. She noted that this project was approved for an inducement resolution in January 2021, and that this is a federal tax-exempt financing including a public offering to be held in April. The project is focused on processing and recycling soybean waste as part of their facility expansion, and she noted that the bond resolution includes an increased amount of \$1 million, compared to the inducement resolution. Director O’Keeffe noted that OAQDA received approval from the Ohio Development Services Agency, who administers the volume cap for federal tax-exempt financings in the state of Ohio, for up to \$75M. She recognized Bond Counsel as Denise Barkdull and Steve Sparks from Frost Brown Todd and Issuer’s Counsel as Margy Callesen with Squire Patton Boggs. Letters of support were received from the City of Sidney and Sidney City Schools, along with verbal support from Shelby County. She introduced Scott Lindner from Cargill to present on the project.

Mr. Lindner thanked the Authority for the chance to appear before the board. He provided a brief company overview and noted that he previously provided a company overview as part of the inducement resolution approved at an earlier meeting. He stated that Cargill is a global company with

over 155,000 employees working in 70 countries, and the company was founded over 150 years ago. He stated that Cargill is one of the world's largest privately held companies, and there are four main business segments for the company. The Sidney plant is focused on the origination and processing field. The project involves upgrading and expanding the Sidney, Ohio facility which is expected to increase capacity to 180,000 bushels per day. The total capital expenditure is estimated at \$250 million with the proposed air quality project amounting to \$75M. He stated that this growth increases the likelihood of future capital allocation to the Sidney region, and that construction is expected to be completed by April 2023. He then discussed the status of the construction, noting that it is currently on target for cost and schedule.

The company produces soybean oil as its main product at the Sidney site, with leftover soybean meal and hull waste byproducts processed further into cattle feed. The total solid waste avoidance is 1.6 million tons per year through that process. Additionally, particulate matter and volatile organic compound emissions would be reduced through system processes and upgrades as part of the air quality project. He noted that the additional \$1M request is related to part of the hull transfer systems that is related to the meal processing line.

Ms. Dingus Brook left the virtual meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Mr. Lindner stated that the Company intends to enter a payment-in-lieu-of-taxes (PILOT) agreement with the local taxing entities, as the Company is requesting OAQDA approval only for the bond interest savings. He discussed the community engagement that Cargill had taken part in, noting that they contacted, and received support from the City of Sidney, the County of Shelby, and Sidney City School District. He stated that the PILOT agreement would make the taxing districts 100 percent whole from the property tax abatement created by the Authority financing.

Mr. Lindner discussed the volume cap process and said that the \$75 million volume cap allocation was approved by the Ohio Development Services Agency on March 1, 2021. He stated that the bonds were expected to be issued on or about April 21, 2021 and that they would bear interest at weekly rate with a proposed tenor of 30 years. He noted that they would be rated by Standard & Poor's and the underwriter/remarketing agent would be Thornton Farish.

Mr. Curtin stated that he appreciated the description on the PILOT agreement and the community focus in the project. He asked where the facility ranked within the overall market for soybean processing. Mr. Lindner replied that while he could not share the exact rank, the 180,000 bushel per day output would be very significant, and that the end product is shipped within Ohio, the surrounding states, and Canada.

Ms. Brook rejoined the virtual meeting at 10:30 a.m. and noted her internet connection caused her to leave the meeting briefly.

Mr. Celeste moved to approve Resolution 21-13. Mr. Curtin seconded.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Simon – Yes
Mr. Keenan – Yes
Mr. Celeste – Yes

Mr. Curtin – Yes
Ms. Brook – Yes
Mr. Phillips – Yes

Motion passed. Resolution adopted.

6. Resolution 21-14 (CAIP)

The Hospitality Group-Worthington Portfolio

A resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of Ohio Air Quality Development Authority Air Quality Revenue Bonds (7411 Vantage Project), Series 2021, in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$1,900,000 to assist The Hospitality Group – Worthington Portfolio II, LLC in the financing of costs of “air quality facilities” within the meaning of Chapter 3706, Ohio Revised Code; providing for the pledge of revenues for the payment of such bonds; and the execution and delivery of a bond purchase agreement, pledge agreements and the bond; and authorizing and approving related matters.

Director O’Keeffe introduced this resolution for The Hospitality Group-Worthington Portfolio. Their project involves the energy retrofit of a hotel in Worthington. This bond resolution is for an amount not to exceed \$1.9 million. Bond Counsel is Rob McCarthy with Bricker & Eckler and Issuer’s Counsel is Blake Beachler at Calfee, Halter & Griswold. She introduced Mike Ealy to present for the company who asked for his consultant to join in the presentation. Director O’Keeffe also recognized him as well.

Mr. Ealy said his group acquired the Courtyard by Marriott hotel in Worthington in 2019, and that he has over 20 years of property and asset management experience. He stated that the overall project is over \$5 million, with PACE financing from Imperial Ridge Real Estate Capital being \$1.9 million of the total project. He introduced John Kirschner, project consultant for the company. Mr. Kirschner discussed the energy efficiency upgrades, which includes a roofing system upgrade, LED lighting and electronic upgrades, building envelope improvements, HVAC system upgrades, and laundry equipment improvements. He provided further details, noting that the roofing upgrades would include highly reflective shingles and new insulation, which would improve climate control system efficiency. The building envelope would also include similar upgrades, and energy-equipment climate control systems, electronics, and other equipment would be installed. He showed some graphs of projected energy and gas usage, along with emissions reductions. He noted that the emissions and efficiency were all projected significantly under code. He then discussed the project budget.

Ms. Brook moved to approve Resolution 21-14. Mr. Phillips seconded.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Simon – Yes
Mr. Keenan – Yes
Mr. Celeste – Yes
Mr. Curtin – Yes
Ms. Brook – Yes
Mr. Phillips – Yes

Motion passed. Resolution adopted.

A resolution authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$70,000,000 in principal amount of an Air Quality Revenue Bond of the State of Ohio in order to assist Aurora Solar, LLC in the financing of costs of air quality facilities, thereby promoting the public purposes of Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3706; providing for the assignment of revenues for the payment of that revenue bond; authorizing the execution and delivery of a loan agreement, an assignment of loan agreement and the bond; and authorizing and approving related matters.

Director O’Keeffe introduced this resolution for Avangrid Aurora Solar LLC-Great Bear. This is a utility-scale solar project located in Van Wert County. She stated that it was approved for inducement at the October 2020 meeting, and that the Authority worked with the company on its due diligence process involving the financial, technical, and community engagement aspects of the projects. The bond resolution is for not to exceed \$70 million and would approve a solar facility consisting of 46 megawatts of new capacity. She noted that Authority members were provided letters of support from the Van Wert County Commissioners and Union Township Trustees. She further noted that Matt Schnackenberg of PFM served as financial advisor for the project. She introduced Jeff Rinkemeyer from Avangrid to present for the company.

Mr. Reinkemeyer thanked the Authority for the chance to present. He stated that he is a developer of eastern renewables development for Avangrid Renewables. He provided an overview of the company, noting that Avangrid is one of the largest wind operators in the U.S. with approximately 7.5 gigawatts of wind and solar production across 22 states. He discussed the project layout, which would be on 400 acres of leased land from local landowners. This would be connected to the Blue Creek wind project, using the same substation. He discussed the budget for the project.

Construction is targeted for Spring 2022 with full commercial operation at the end of that year. He discussed the community benefits for the project, including \$300,000 of first-year landowner lease payments and \$9.8 million over 25 years, 200 anticipated construction jobs and up to two permanent technicians, and a PILOT payment to local taxing districts. The PILOT payment would be \$9,000 per megawatt for approximately \$414,000 in year one and \$10.35 million over 25 years. He noted that these revenues would support Van Wert County, Union Township and Fire District, Crestview School, Vantage Point Vocational School District, and the Tri County Mental Health District. He provided letters of support from Union Township and Van Wert County, along with the County and Township Road Agreement.

Mr. Reinkemeyer stated that no odors, airborne toxins, or acid rain creating materials would be emitted or released from the facility, and that approximately 85 million pounds per year of carbon dioxide emissions would be offset. He noted that the project would be fully decommissioned with the site being restored for agricultural use at the conclusion of the project.

Mr. Celeste asked if there was any tie in between the vocational school support and the construction jobs. Mr. Reinkemeyer stated that Company worked closely with the vocational school while they were doing their wind farm project and he anticipates the same for this project. Mr. Curtin asked how wind turbine technology and solar technology were anticipated to evolve over the next 20 years. Mr. Reinkemeyer replied that wind and solar technology has improved significantly over the past ten years,

and that wind production has increased by approximately 5-10 percent over that time. He noted that capacity had also increased, and that he was seeing projects matching output from older farms with half the turbines. He stated that solar technology is advancing faster than wind, and that even over the development of this project the technology and their plans had changed.

Mr. Keenan asked about procurement of the solar technology including if any solar modules were from Ohio-based locations. He asked if solar technology is still being manufactured near Toledo. Mr. Reinkemeyer said the primary area, based on price and technology, that they source their solar panels from is Southeast Asia. Mr. Borchers stated there is a manufacturing facility in Perrysburg. Mr. Keenan asked if there was a possibility to source the technology in Ohio. Mr. Reinkemeyer stated that the company was open to reviewing proposals.

Mr. Celeste moved to approve Resolution 21-15. Ms. Brook seconded.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Simon – Yes
Mr. Keenan – Yes
Mr. Celeste – Yes
Mr. Curtin – Yes
Ms. Brook – Yes
Mr. Phillips – Yes

Motion passed. Resolution adopted.

8. Resolution 21-16 (Inducement) Avangrid Aurora Solar LLC-Powell Creek

A resolution agreeing to issue revenue bonds of the State of Ohio to assist in the financing of the costs of the acquisition, construction and installation of air quality facilities for the use of Aurora Solar LLC.

Director O’Keeffe introduced this Resolution for Avangrid Aurora Solar LLC-Powell Creek. This project will be located in Putnam County, and is a solar project with a capacity of 150 megawatts. This Inducement Resolution is for a not-to-exceed amount of \$215 million. She noted that they were beginning the due diligence process of verifying technical details, performing financial analysis, and working through the community engagement aspect of the project. The project is in the pipeline for the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO)’s Power Siting Board due to its projected capacity. She reintroduced Mr. Reinkemeyer to present on behalf of the project.

Mr. Reinkemeyer stated that this project is coming to OAQDA for support due to the national grid dynamics and the amount being requested is \$225.1 million. He stated that PJM now has a minimum offered price that would impact programs deemed as state subsidies. He noted, in his opinion, that OAQDA’s program would not be counted as a state subsidy since it is not specific to energy. This project is bigger than the Great Bear project and would be located on approximately 1,400 acres in and around Miller City. He discussed the budget for the project, noting that he had a slightly higher maximum on his budget than had been previously applied for. This project will be constructed in parallel with the Great Bear project; however, it would take longer due to the size.

Mr. Reinkemeyer stated that this project would also use similar landowner lease and PILOT payments as the Great Bear project, with similar job creation. The PILOT payments would equal approximately \$1.2 million in year one and \$30 million over 25 years. There are more taxing districts affected by these payments than those of the Great Bear project. They include Putman County, the Putnam County Health Department, Mental Health Board, Council on Aging, E-911 Services, and EMS, Brookhill Center, Miller City School District, Ottawa Glandorf School District, Palmer Township, Liberty Township, and the Village of Miller City. He discussed the importance of Miller City's support to the project, noting that the project logo contains a reference to the 1950 Miller City Wildcats state champion basketball team. He stated that the city provided incredible support to this team, and that the community is rallying around the Powell Creek project. He noted that the city is under Ohio Environmental Protections Agency (OEPA) monitoring for water treatment which restricts the ability to build houses in the city, and that they are discussing annexation of the project to allow for improvements to be funded. He stated that Avangrid is participating in these discussions as a stakeholder. He provided support letters from local districts including County, Townships, the Village, and the local schools.

Approximately 273 million pounds of carbon dioxide emissions would be offset, and similarly to the Great Bear project, the decommissioning at the end of the project would return it to agricultural use. Director O'Keeffe noted that the presentation referenced a larger amount for bond issuance, and the team will review the application materials to substantiate an increase to the current requested amount of not to exceed \$215 million. Any changes can be incorporated as part of the bond resolution for consideration by the board.

Mr. Celeste moved to approve Resolution 21-16. Mr. Phillips seconded.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Simon – Yes
Mr. Keenan – Yes
Mr. Celeste – Yes
Mr. Curtin – Yes
Ms. Brook – Yes
Mr. Phillips – Yes

Motion passed. Resolution adopted.

9. Resolution 21-17 (Administrative) Clean Air Improvement Program (CAIP)

A resolution to extend the pilot period for the Clean Air Improvement Program Guidelines.

Director O'Keeffe introduced this Resolution, which is presented based on discussions during the February 24 Member Educational Session. She said the extension of the pilot period would allow for further examination of project activity, along with additional comment from stakeholders. She stated that the pandemic necessitated more time for projects to come through the pipeline and the pilot period is recommended to be extended until December 31, 2021.

Mr. Keenan moved to approve Resolution 21-17. Mr. Celeste seconded.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Simon – Yes
Mr. Keenan – Yes
Mr. Celeste – Yes
Mr. Curtin – Yes
Ms. Brook – Yes
Mr. Phillips – Yes

Motion passed. Resolution adopted.

10. Executive Director's Report

Director O'Keeffe provided the Authority members with an update on the 50th anniversary celebration for the Authority, noting that social media is being updated frequently about the celebration. She stated that the Authority is continuing to monitor legislative activity, and that any additional updates would be provided to the Authority members. She reminded the members to view the written report she provided, which included the monthly financial reports, and she can address any questions should there be any on the materials provided.

11. Adjournment

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.

The regular meeting of the *OHIO AIR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY* will be held remotely on **Tuesday, April 13, 2021.**