RESOLUTION 1920-AU-008

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY SUBSIDIZES THE EXPENSES OF BUCKEYE VILLAGE RESIDENTS WHO CONTINUE INTO ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-2021 AT UNIVERSITY VILLAGE AND PROVIDES FACILITIES IN LINE WITH THE UNIVERSITY'S KEY VALUES

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Sponsor: Executive Committee

WHEREAS, as you are already aware from CGS RESOLUTION 1920-AU-006¹, The Ohio State University announced on October 28, 2019 that all the current residents of Buckeye Village (BV) will have to move out by the start of the 2020-2021 academic year; and

WHEREAS the Council of Graduate Students opposes the demolition of Buckeye Village, but recognizes the university will go forward anyway; and

WHEREAS the Council of Graduate Students opposes the privatization or outsourcing of university services; and

WHEREAS, the University announced an option for current residents of Buckeye Village to move to University Village (UV), a privately-owned entity, while maintaining current Buckeye Village rental rates plus a 2-3 percent increase for the next two years; and

WHEREAS, currently at Buckeye Village, residents currently pay a yearly total of about \$6,670 for a onebedroom apartment and \$8,410 for a two-bedroom apartment²; and

WHEREAS, similar expenses at University Village would be approximately \$10,836 for a one-bedroom apartment and \$13,416 for a two-bedroom apartment³: CIVITATEM

WHEREAS, the residents of Buckeye Village have a dedicated Buckeye Village Campus Area Bus Service (CABS) bus, and this bus does not currently serve the University Village area; and

WHEREAS, University Village has their own buses that take residents to and from The Ohio State University's campus, serving 7 bus stops in the campus area⁴; and

WHEREAS, the bus service offered by University Village is not accessible to people with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, although the distance between University Village and Buckeye Village is less than 2 miles, the estimated cost of moving out from BV and moving into UV would be between \$1,000 - \$1,500 for a one-bedroom apartment⁵;

WHEREAS the Buckeye Village community is being broken up without any attempt to maintain the support and culture of said community;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Graduate Students calls on President Drake and the Administration to:

¹ <u>https://cgs.osu.edu/posts/documents/res-1920-au-006-buckeye-village.pdf</u>

² See Table 1 of Appendix A.

³ See Table 2 of Appendix A.

⁴ <u>http://universityvillage.com/shuttle-schedule/</u>

⁵ See Figure 1 of Appendix B for details.

- Make sure that current residents of Buckeye Village who choose to move to University Village get a subsidized rate (for rent, heating, trash, water, internet, and Resident Life Center fees) at University Village that matches the expenses currently at Buckeye Village, while maintaining a 2-3 percent increase for the next two years
- Extend the services of the Buckeye Village CABS route to service University Village during this relocation period
- Cover the moving expenses of all the Buckeye Village residents who continue to stay after academic year 2019-2020 and move into University Village
- Create programming funded by the university to support community building and community service such as daycare

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to The Ohio State University President Michael V. Drake, Executive Vice President and Provost Bruce McPheron, Senior Vice President for Administration and Planning Jay Kasey, Vice Provost for Graduate Studies and Dean of the Graduate School Alicia Bertone, Interim Vice President for Student Life Molly Ranz Calhoun, Incoming Vice President for Student Life Melissa Shivers, and Chair of the University Senate Committee on Physical Environment Jason Kentner.

Approved: Yes/No

Date: 12/10/19

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Council of Graduate Students at The Ohio State University

Stephen J. Post, President

APPENDIX A

	Single Bedroom	Two Bedroom
Rent	\$555.00	\$700.00
Heat, Trash, and Water	FREE	FREE
Internet (Wi-Fi)	FREE	FREE
Activity Fee ⁷	\$5.00	\$5.00
Total Yearly Expense (12 month period) on Rent,	\$6670.00	\$8410.00
Heat, Trash, Water, Internet, and Activity Fee		

Table 1: Current Expenses at Buckeye Village⁶

Table 2: Current Expenses at University Village Assuming Two Occupants Per Apartment

	Single Bedroom	Two Bedroom
Rent	\$695.00	\$890.00
Heat, Trash, and Water	\$122.00	\$142.00
Internet (Wi-Fi) ⁸	\$50.00	\$50.00
Resident Life Fee ⁹	\$18.00	\$18.00
Total Yearly Expense (12 month period) on Rent,	\$10836.00	\$13416.00
Heat, Trash, Water, Internet, and Activity Fee		

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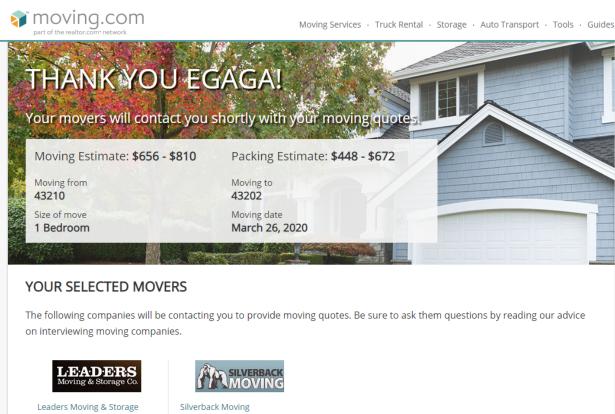
⁶ <u>http://web.archive.org/web/20160604065454/https://housing.osu.edu/living-on-campus/family-housing/</u>

⁷ Paid one month of each semester. See footnote 6 for more information.

⁸ <u>https://www.spectrum.com/</u>

⁹ Resident Life Fee in UV is paid monthly per head. Calculations assumed two residents per apartment.

APPENDIX B



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Figure 1: Estimated Moving Expenses From 43210 to 43202 Zip Code Council of Graduate Students at The Ohio State University