

RESOLUTION NO. 028-2024(CRR),
First Reading

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution supporting and authorizing the Mayor to submit an application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Recreational Trails Program for a grant under the program, and to accept funding if awarded; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the City has been working with the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District ("NEORSD") and the City of Shaker Heights on the Doan Brook Restoration Park Improvements, and

WHEREAS, the City of Shaker Heights is preparing a complementary project that our Cleveland Heights trails will connect with; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources ("ODNR"), administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the Recreational Trails Program; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the NEORSD expenses for the earthwork required for the larger Doan Brook Restoration project may be utilized as match for this grant; and

WHEREAS, this Council has determined that it would be in the City's best interest to pursue financial assistance under the Recreational Trails Program that will support the improvements of the Doan Brook Restoration area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to file an application for financial assistance from the Recreational Trails Program, and if awarded, enter into a project agreement and any related documents with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. The project agreement shall provide for grant funding of up to One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).

SECTION 2. The City does agree to obligate the funds to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement funding under the terms and conditions of the Recreational Trails Program and the project agreement.

SECTION 3. Notice of passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

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SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to meet the application deadline of March 15. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.



TONY CUDA
President of the Council



ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: March 4, 2024

Presented to Mayor: 03/07/2024

Approved by Mayor: 03/18/2024



KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor

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