

RESOLUTION NO. 203-2024(PD), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution supporting and authorizing the Mayor to submit an application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Land and Water Conservation Fund for a grant under the program, and to accept funding if awarded for the Attleboro-Shelburne trail, for the Don Brook Restoration Park Improvements – Trails Project; 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 State of Ohio, through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (“ODNR”), administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland Heights desires financial assistance under the Land and Water Conservation Fund program for the construction of a 10-foot-wide multipurpose trail as part of the Doan Brook Restoration Park Improvement; and

WHEREAS, a joint application is being prepared between the City of Cleveland Heights, the City of Shaker Heights and perhaps the City of Cleveland, to the ODNR – 2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund Program for a grant for the Attleboro-Shelburne trail, for the Doan Brook Restoration Park Improvements – Trails Project, in the amount up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the grant requires a minimum 50% local match which the city anticipates being made through the NEORSD Doan Brook Restoration Near Horseshoe Lake project and those NEORSD funds being used as the cash match;

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 the Land and Water Conservation Fund program for financial assistance, and if awarded, enter into a project agreement and any related documents with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) – 2024 Land and Water Conservation Fund program for the Attleboro-Shelburne trail, Doan Brook Restoration Park improvements – Trails Project, in a total amount of up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00).

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 Land and Water Conservation Fund and the project agreement.

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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, or by posting the full text of this Resolution on the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary 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 November 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 Council



ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

PASSED: November 4, 2024

Presented to Mayor: 11/07/2024 Approved: 11/14/2024



KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor