



TO: Gahanna City Council
Clerk of Council

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DATE: February 6, 2023

SUBJECT: Dept. of Parks & Recreation Report to Council (February 13, 2023 COTW Meeting)

ACTION ITEMS

ACTION ITEM # 1: RESOLUTION OF AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR CLEAN OHIO CONSERVATION FUNDS THROUGH DISTRICT 3 NATURAL RESOURCES ASSISTANCE COUNCIL

The Big Walnut Trail (BWT) is the spine of the trail system through Gahanna. In order to continue to grow the trail system and increase walkability throughout the City, it is necessary to make connections to the east and west of the BWT. In 2022, Council approved funding to evaluate and determine a preferred alignment as well as cost estimates for construction of a trail from the Big Walnut Trail at Creekside through Shull Park to the newly renovated Columbus Metropolitan Library Gahanna Branch (to be referred to as the "Link to Literacy Trail").

The Department of Parks and Recreation is seeking alternative funding for construction of the City of Gahanna's Link to Literacy Trail through Clean OH Conservation Program Fund, which is administered through the Ohio Public Works Commission.

This application requires a Resolution of Authorization to be passed by the governing body of the agency. The Administration therefore is respectfully requesting a Resolution of Authority to seek alternative funding by means of Clean Ohio Conservation Funds.

Legislation Needed: Resolution
Emergency/Waiver: N/A
Name & Address: N/A
Already Appropriated (Amounts & Accounts Names/Titles): N/A
Supplemental/Transfer (Amounts & Account Names/Titles): N/A

Attachments: PR-ATT Authorization of Legislation – Clean OH Funds



ACTION ITEM # 2: PERMISSION TO BID THE RENOVATION OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 94 PRICE ROAD TO A RECREATION PROGRAM CENTER

The City of Gahanna currently owns a property located at 94 Price Rd, also known as the Price Road House. Given the strategic location of this parcel and structure immediately adjacent to the Big Walnut Trail and related parkland, the Department of Parks and Recreation will repurpose this facility into a recreation program center. The center would add much needed indoor programming and meeting space and would allow the Department to expand educational opportunities.

In 2022, the Administration applied for outside funding through State Capital Grants to assist with renovating the facility and was awarded \$100,000 towards the costs associated with the project. Designs have been completed for the renovation work, and the Department is now ready to proceed to the next phase of the project.

The Administration is respectfully requesting permission to bid the renovation of the Price Road House project.

Legislation Needed: Motion

Emergency/Waiver: N/A

Name & Address: N/A

Already Appropriated (Amounts & Accounts Names/Titles): N/A

Supplemental/Transfer (Amounts & Account Names/Titles): N/A