



CITY OF GAHANNA

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION

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TO: Gahanna City Council  
Thomas R. Kneeland, Mayor

FROM: Troy Euton, Director, Department of Parks & Recreation

DATE: June 9, 2016

**RE: Parks & Recreation - Report to Council for Monday, June 13, 2016**

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**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Item #1 –Resolution**

We are requesting a Resolution for Council to support the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department acquisition of open space through the Clean Ohio Conservation fund for the purchase of 0.72 acres of property within the City of Gahanna corporate limits, adjacent to the Big Walnut Creek.

Columbus Recreation and Parks applied for a Clean Ohio Conservation Fund grant to acquire the former Red & Sons Nursery on Stygler Road. This parcel is a total of 5.36 acres. 0.72 Acres of this property is within the City of Gahanna (see attached map). The grant administrators, Ohio Public Works Commission, have requested a resolution to ensure we are supportive of this acquisition. We recommend supporting this initiative.

This property will have a conservation easement placed upon it. The conservation easement language will allow for nature trails, multipurpose paved trails and creek access for paddlers. This acquisition will also provide for additional riparian corridor protection for the Big Walnut Creek.

**COUNCIL UPDATES**

I received a phone call from Chris Corder, Ann Gonzales' aide, regarding our request for state capital budget funding for McCutcheon Road Park. We requested \$500,000 to help develop this neighborhood park. The legislature has appropriated \$250,000 in their FY 2017-2018 capital budget for our project. More discussion to come soon on this item.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:**

**Senior Center Open House**

Come visit the Gahanna Senior Center during our monthly Open House events held every first Monday (except holidays) from 10am-6pm. (July 11, and August 1)

If our Open House times are not conducive to your schedule, stop by anytime during our normal business hours for a tour.

## **Creekside Live Creekside Rotary Stage**

Creekside comes alive the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday's June-August. Join us for a summer concert series featuring summer entertainment throughout the Creekside District headlined by popular bands from Central Ohio. The event brings the community together celebrating the heart of Gahanna, the Creekside District. Come early and one of our many local restaurants. Onsite beverage sales available supported by the Gahanna parks & Recreation Foundation, net proceeds support the Foundation's focus on making Gahanna a great place to live, work and play.

### **June 10**

6pm The Ramshacklers (Rock/Blues)

7:30pm MojoFlo (Neo Funk)

### **June 24**

6pm The Goldsberry's & Friends (Jamgrass)

7:30pm Parrots of the Caribbean (Jimmy Buffett Tribute)

### **July 8**

6pm Simba Jordan Duo (Country)

7:30pm The Lee Gantt Band (Country/Rock)

### **July 22**

6pm Megan Bee (Americana)

7:30pm Angela Perley & the Howlin' Moons (Rock & Roll)

### **August 12**

6pm Hebdo (Adventure Folk)

7:30pm Reaganomics (80's Party Rock)

### **August 26**

6pm Fox N Hounds (Newgrass)

7:30pm Soul Kitch'n (Funk & Soul)