



TO: Gahanna City Council
Clerk of Council

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DATE: August 6, 2024

SUBJECT: Dept. of Parks & Recreation Report to Council (August 12, 2024 COTW Meeting)

ACTION ITEMS

ACTION ITEM # 1 – RESOLUTION OF AUTHORITY TO APPLY FOR MORPC ATTRIBUTABLE FUNDS

Section 8 of the Big Walnut Trail is the final phase of the regional trail running north-south through the City of Gahanna. The existing trail travels south from Morse Road for approximately 4.5 miles to Rocky Fork Drive. Trail Section 8 will begin at Rocky Fork Dr S. and travel within the City of Gahanna's property south along the creek, then east along the I-270 on-ramp to Hamilton Rd. The multi-use trail will then proceed south, across the west side of the FRA-317-1720 bridge structure.

The Department of Parks and Recreation is seeking alternative funding for the Big Walnut Trail Section 8. The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) utilizes an application and selection process to allocate a portion of federal transportation funding, also known as MORPC-Attributable Funds. The application requires a resolution of authorization to be passed by the governing body of the agency. Based on the foregoing, the Administration is respectfully requesting a Resolution of Authority to seek alternative funding through MORPC Attributable Funds.

Requested Legislation and Funding:

Legislation Needed: Resolution

Emergency/Waiver: N/A

Name & Address: N/A

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

Attachments:

PR-ATT – MORPC Funding Authorization