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TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION (OPWC) CLEAN OHIO CONSERVATION FUND GRANT FOR THE BIG WALNUT TRAIL SECTION 4 PROJECT; AND IF AWARDED, TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL FUND FOR THE GRANT.

WHEREAS, the Big Walnut Trail Section 4 will impact a degraded segment of McKenna Creek on the old FOP site currently owned by Stoneybrook Church; and

WHEREAS, the Big Walnut Trial project will impact this area and incorporate approximately 400 feet of stream improvements and dam removal to restore a riparian corridor, a stable channel pattern, and provide a solution that improves water quality and aquatic habitat; and

WHEREAS, these improvements qualify for funding through the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund Grant Program administered by the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC); and

WHEREAS, in an effort to offset project costs, the City Engineer would like to pursue grant funds that could provide a grant for up to 75% of the cost of the associated stream improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAHANNA, COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to sign and submit the OPWC Clean Ohio Conservation Fund Grant for the Big Walnut Trail Section 4 Project.

Section 2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all documents required by law, policies and agreements in making such application and, if the City is selected as a grant recipient, accepting the grant funds.

Section 3. That if awarded the grant, the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to establish a special fund for the grant.

Section 4. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect after passage by this Council and after approval by the Mayor.