

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Resolution No. R2017-0171

<p>Sponsored by: Councilmember Simon on behalf of Cuyahoga County Planning Commission</p> <p>Co-sponsored by: Councilmember Miller</p>	<p>A Resolution supporting an application for funding under the Clean Ohio Fund Green Space Conservation Program available through the Ohio Public Works Commission on behalf of City of Brook Park for the conservation of ecologically significant areas in the Abram Creek City-wide Greenway Trail – Phase I in the City of Brook Park, and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.</p>
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WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County has received a request from City of Brook Park for a Resolution supporting an application for twelfth-round funding under the Clean Ohio Fund Green Space Conservation Program available through the Ohio Public Works Commission for the conservation of ecologically significant areas in Abram Creek City-wide Greenway Trail – Phase I, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 164.23; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brook Park project includes the Abram Creek City-wide Greenway Trail – Phase I plan that aligns an off-road trail to connect the City of Brook Park to the Lake to Lake Trail in Middleburg Heights, to the Metro Parks Rocky River Reservation and to the Big Creek Greenway in Parma; Phase I of the project aligns Brook Park at Sheldon and Engle to the Rocky River Reservation by following the Abram Creek water course through Brook Park and behind the Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, which will connect directly to the Lake to Lake Trail with a first class pedestrian and bicycle friendly trail way; and

WHEREAS, the project is known as “Abram Creek City-wide Greenway Trail – Phase I” and is located in County Council District No. 2; and

WHEREAS, the total estimated project cost for Phase I is \$7,462,113.00; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 164.23 provides that “an entity seeking a grant for a project that is eligible for funding shall submit an application to the natural resources assistance council with geographical jurisdiction over the proposed project area;” and, Ohio Revised Code Section 164.23(B) further provides that “in addition to the application, an applicant for a grant for a project shall include a copy of a resolution supporting the project from each county in which the proposed project is to be conducted;” and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Public Works Commission provides financial assistance to Natural Resources Assistance Councils for the purpose of preserving open spaces, sensitive ecological areas, and stream corridors; and

WHEREAS, the applications for the twelfth-round funding under the Clean Ohio Fund Green Space Conservation Program are due on October 20, 2017 to the Cuyahoga County Natural Resources Assistance Council; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order to meet the application deadline required by the Cuyahoga County Natural Resources Assistance Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby supports the submission of an application on behalf of City of Brook Park for twelfth-round funding under the Clean Ohio Fund Green Space Conservation Program available through the Ohio Public Works Commission for the conservation of ecologically significant areas located in the City of Brook Park known as “Abram Creek City-wide Greenway Trail – Phase I Project.”

SECTION 2. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health, or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

SECTION 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Simon, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Hairston, Simon, Baker, Miller, Tuma, Gallagher, Conwell, Jones, Brown and Brady

Nays: None

County Council President Date

County Executive Date

Clerk of Council Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: September 26, 2017

Committee(s) Assigned: Education, Environment & Sustainability

Additional Sponsorship Requested on the Floor: September 26, 2017

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