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**Title:** To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into the necessary lease agreement as needed for the use, operation, lease, and management of 925-927 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43203 (010-041015) by Maroon Arts Group.

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7/31/2023	1	Columbus City Council	Approved	Pass
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**BACKGROUND:** Authorization is needed for the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a 5 year lease agreement for the property at 925-927 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43203 (Franklin County Tax Parcel No 010-041015) to Maroon Arts Group, an Ohio nonprofit corporation, who is currently operating the MPACC Boxpark at the site. The project was one of the winners of the City’s Parcel to Places grant competition and is currently licensing the site under yearly agreements. This legislation authorizes the Director of Development to enter into the necessary lease agreement as needed for the use, operation, lease, and management of the property by Maroon Arts Group.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The City will collect “Rent” defined as lessee’s annual rental payment to the City in the amount of Three Hundred Sixty Dollars and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$360.00), which is calculated at \$.015 per square foot per year.

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**WHEREAS,** by Ordinance 1325-98, Council adopted and elected to use the Revised Code Chapter 5722, Land Reutilization Program, to facilitate effective reutilization of nonproductive land acquired through a sale pursuant to a foreclosure proceeding initiated by the Franklin County Treasurer, or through a sale of forfeited lands by the Franklin County Auditor, or through a conveyance in lieu of foreclosure to foster either return of such land to tax revenue generating status or its devotion to public use, or any other land acquired as part of the land reutilization program; and

**WHEREAS**, a proposal for the lease of the property which was acquired pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5722.06 meets the Land Reutilization Program’s Lease Policies and Guiding Principles and has been approved by the Land Redevelopment Office Administrator; and

**WHEREAS**, in conformity with Columbus City Code Section 329.33 which requires the lease of land reutilization properties for a term that exceeds one year to be authorized by Council. In order to complete the lease agreement of such property to the lessee, authority is needed for the Director of the Department of Development to execute any and all necessary lease agreements for the real property; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to complete the conveyance of such property to the lessee, authority is needed for the Department of Development, to execute any and all necessary agreements and leases for the real property; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary lease agreements for the use, operation, lease, and management of the property, as determined by the Director of the Department of Development, of the following parcel of real estate to Maroon Arts Group:

PARCEL NUMBER: 010-041015  
ADDRESS: 925-927 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43203  
RENT: \$360.00 per year  
USE: Community Garden & Urban Farming

**SECTION 2.** For the property stated in Section 1, that the Director of Development is hereby authorized to execute any agreements to ensure compliance with land bank program rules.

**SECTION 3.** That Council hereby finds that the selection process utilized in this matter is in accordance with the Land Bank Policies created pursuant to the City’s Land Reutilization Program and hereby approves the same.

**SECTION 4.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.