

Legislation Text

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## **BACKGROUND:**

This ordinance will authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Columbus Downtown Development Corporation for the administration of the Riverfront Development Project known as the Scioto Mile in the amount of \$1,000,000.00.

City Council Ordinance #0488-2007 passed April 16<sup>th</sup> 2007, authorized the Director of Recreation and Parks to accept and appropriate grant funds from the Ohio Department of Natural Resourses. Grant funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 are to be used for the development of Scioto Mile Park.

It has been determined that it will be beneficial to have the Columbus Downtown Development Corporation, 20 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio, 43215, perform the administration of this project as it will allow for better coordination with other significant downtown projects including the Main and Town Street Bridges and the River South Project.

Grant funding will be used to develop parkland in the downtown riverfront area from Battelle Park to Bicentennial Park. Work will include planning, engineering, design and related services to continue developing the riverfront.

The Contract Compliance Number for Columbus Downtown Development Corporation is #76-0704655.

Emergency action is necessary to allow Columbus Downtown Development Corporation to begin work as soon as possible as plans for the park are moving forward.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

The expenditure of \$1,000,000.00 is budgeted in the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund. Funding will be reimbursed by The Ohio Department of Natural Resources according to the grant agreement on file with Recreation and Parks.

To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Columbus Downtown Development Corporation for the administration of the Riverfront Development Project from Battelle Park to Bicentennial Park (Scioto Mile), to authorize the expenditure of \$1,000,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$1,000,000.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to enter into a contract with the Columbus Downtown Development Corporation for the administration of the Riverfront Development Project; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to enter into said contract for the preservation of public health, peace, property and safety; now, therefore

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Recreation and Parks be and he is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contract with the Columbus Downtown Development Corporation for the administration of the Riverfront Development Project from Battelle Park to Bicentennial Park.

**SECTION 2.** That to pay the cost of said contract, the expenditure of \$1,000,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized from the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund No. 286, Department 51-01, as follows:

OCA Object

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Grant Title	Grant No.	Code	Level 3	_Amount	
Scioto Mile: ODNR	510702	510702	6621	\$1,000,000.00	

**SECTION 3.** That the monies in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon order of the Director of Recreation and Parks, and that no order shall be drawn or monies paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

**SECTION 4.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.