



City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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Background:

The total amount of the project is \$285,000.00. The grant amount is \$142,500.00, with the City of Columbus being responsible for a match amount of \$142,500.00. The NatureWorks Grant is administered by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. This grant is for the construction of The King and Olentangy River Road River Access by improving the City of Columbus parkland at the intersection of Olentangy River Road and King Avenue. This area is located in the Fifth by Northwest Neighborhood. Per their most recent neighborhood plan (2009) developed by the City of Columbus's Planning Department, this plan is based on community input to help shape and direct the pattern of growth and development within their neighborhood.

These improvements would serve both users of the existing Olentangy Water Trail, the OSU campus, Friends of the Lower Olentangy as well as the Fifth by Northwest Community and the Fifth by Northwest Commission. The Recreation and Parks Department is currently working with the Friends of the Lower Olentangy, Fifth by Northwest Neighborhood and the DLZ consultants that will guide the design and layout of these improvements

Fiscal Impact:

The grant amount is \$142,500.00, with the City of Columbus being responsible for a 50% match amount of \$142,500.00 for a total of \$285,000. If awarded the grant, future legislation will accept and appropriate the grant funds as well as identify the source of the city match.

Emergency Justification:

An emergency exists in that the grant application is due May 1st, 2015. A completed "Resolution of Authorization" must be submitted within one month of the grant application deadline.

Principal Party:

Ohio Department of Natural Resources
2045 Morse Road, E-2, Columbus, OH 43229
Mary Fitch, (614) 265-6477
31-6402047

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to submit a grant application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for the construction of the King and Olentangy River Road River Access; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources is accepting grant applications; and

WHEREAS, future legislation would accept and appropriate the grant funds as well as identify a city match not to exceed 50 percent; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to apply for said grant to meet application deadlines; **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 apply for a grant

with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for the construction of the King and Olentangy River Road River Access.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance authorizes an application for the grant funds only, and is not a commitment to expend city funds.

SECTION 3. That future legislation will follow to authorize acceptance, appropriation and expenditure of funds.

SECTION 4. That the City of Columbus does agree to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms and conditions of the Clean Ohio Trails Fund Program.

SECTION 5. 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 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.