



Legislation Text

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The City of Columbus, Department of the Recreation and Parks is engaged in the acquisition of property in the Darby Creek watershed to preserve high quality habitat and green space, Category 3 wetlands, and significant forested areas identified as the Galloway Hellbranch Restoration Project. The following is an ordinance to authorize the City Attorney to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in an approximate 25 +/-acre tract of real property near Galloway Road and Alkire Road, owned by Braumiller Development, LLC, an Ohio limited liability company, contract for professional services, and to expend the monies for payment of acquisition costs in connection with the Galloway Hellbranch Restoration Project.

Fiscal Impact: The Department of Recreation and Parks has determined that the funding necessary for this project will come from the Recreation and Parks Voted Recreation and parks Voted Bond.

Emergency Justification: Emergency action is requested to allow for the immediate acquisition of the parcels necessary to preserve high quality habitat and green space, Category 3 wetlands, and significant forested areas without delay for the public health, peace, property and safety.

To authorize the City Attorney to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in an approximate 25 +/-acre tract of real property near Galloway Road and Alkire Road owned by Braumiller Development, LLC, an Ohio limited liability company, contract for professional services, and to expend up to \$60,000.00 from the Department of the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund for costs in connection with the Department of the Recreation and Parks; and to declare an emergency. (\$60,000.00).

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus, Department of the Recreation and Parks, is engaged in the acquisition of property in the Darby Creek watershed to preserve high quality habitat and green space, Category 3 wetlands, and significant forested areas commonly known as the Galloway Hellbranch Restoration Project; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Department of the Recreation and Parks, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the City Attorney to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in and to certain parcels of real estate and to contract for the aforesaid professional services necessary in connection with said project for the preservation of the public health, peace, property and safety; **NOW, THEREFORE**

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

Section 1. That the City Attorney be, and hereby is, authorized to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in an approximate 25 +/-acre tract of real property near Galloway Road and Alkire Road owned by Braumiller Development, LLC, an Ohio limited liability company, and to contract for the professional services necessary in connection with the Galloway Hellbranch Restoration Project, Project #510112-100009.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$60,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund #702; Dept./Div. 51-01; Project No. 510112-100009; OCA Code #721209; Object Level Three 6601 for the aforesaid purpose is hereby authorized.

Section 3. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part of, 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 its passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.