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**Background:** This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with ProCon Professional Construction Services, Inc. for the John Burroughs Park Improvements Project. The contract amount is \$322,124.00, with a contingency of \$30,876.00, for a total of \$353,000.00. An additional \$22,000.00 is being authorized for interdepartmental inspections and fees for a total of \$375,000.00 being authorized by this ordinance.

John Burroughs Park, located at 551 S. Richardson Avenue, was built in 1997 in the Greater Hilltop area of Columbus. The greenspace, approximately one acre in size, is directly adjacent to the John Burroughs Elementary School on Sullivant Avenue. The space is used frequently by teachers and students as an outdoor classroom. The neighborhood park is also used for community gatherings, family outings, and special events. The park space is leased from Columbus City Schools and maintained by school staff. Recreation and Parks provides the park amenity improvements for the green space.

In 2019, the Recreation and Department met with school staff and Hilltop community stakeholders to discuss the condition of the park and prepare for the improvements plan. These improvements include replacing the playground, a new loop walking path, new family shelter, lighting improvements, additional trees, new signage, and an interpretive panel about the legacy of John Burroughs.

### **Vendor Bid/Proposal Submissions (ODI designation status):**

Proposals were originally advertised through Vendor Services, in accordance with City Code Section 329, and on June 28, 2021 and received by the Recreation and Parks Department on July 20, 2021. This project was also picked up by various local and regional plan rooms and distributed to their membership. Bids were received from the following companies:

ProCon Professional Construction Services, Inc. (MAJ): \$322,124.00  
Tyeveco, Inc. (MAJ): \$331,996.24

After reviewing the bids that were submitted, it was determined that ProCon Professional Construction Services, Inc. was the lowest and most responsive bidder. ProCon Professional Construction Services, Inc. and all proposed subcontractors have met code requirements with respect to prequalification, pursuant to relevant sections of Columbus City Code Chapter 329.

### **Principal Parties:**

ProCon Professional Construction Services, Inc.  
2530 Kingston Pike, Circleville, OH 43113  
Kyle G. Wade, (740) 474-5455, [kylewade@proconpcs.com](mailto:kylewade@proconpcs.com) <<mailto:kylewade@proconpcs.com>>  
Contract Compliance Number, Tax ID: 005817, 31-1701026  
Contract Compliance Expiration Date: March 16, 2022

**Emergency Justification:** Emergency action is requested so the work can begin during the fall 2021 construction season.

**Benefits to the Public:** John Burroughs Park is an important neighborhood park for the Hilltop community. Providing improvements to the greenspace benefits the quality of life for school children, faculty, and the surrounding neighborhood.

**Community Input/Issues:** The Department met with the Hilltop Area Commission, Columbus City Schools, and key stakeholders involved with the park to determine the improvements needed.

**Area(s) Affected:** Greater Hilltop (53)

**Master Plan Relation:** This project supports the department's Master Plan by providing safe and accessible parks in underserved communities.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$375,000.00 is budgeted and available from within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702 to meet the financial obligations of these expenditures.

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with ProCon Professional Construction Services, Inc. for the John Burroughs Park Improvements Project; to authorize the transfer of \$375,000.00 within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund, to authorize the amendment of the 2020 Capital Improvements Budget; to authorize the expenditure of \$375,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$375,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with ProCon Professional Construction Services, Inc. for the John Burroughs Park Improvements Project; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to authorize the transfer of \$375,000.00 within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to authorize the amendment of the 2020 Capital Improvements Budget Ordinance 2521-2020 in order to provide sufficient budget authority for this and future projects; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to authorize the expenditure of \$375,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operations of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to enter into contract with ProCon Professional Construction Services, Inc. so that construction can begin during the fall 2021 construction season, all for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare and, **NOW, THEREFORE**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Recreation and Parks be and is hereby authorized to enter into contract with ProCon Professional Construction Services, Inc. for the John Burroughs Park Improvements Project.

**SECTION 2.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 3.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

**SECTION 5.** That the transfer of \$375,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized between projects within the Recreation and Parks Bond Fund 7702 per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** That the 2020 Capital Improvements Budget Ordinance 2521-2020 is hereby amended as follows in order to provide sufficient budget authority for this ordinance and future projects.

**Fund / Project / Project Name / Current / Change / Amended**

Fund 7702; P512000-100000; New Development - Misc. (SIT Supported); \$3,041,219 / (\$375,000) / \$2,666,219

Fund 7702; P512017-100000; John Burroughs Park Improvements (SIT Supported) / \$0 / \$375,000 / \$375,000

**SECTION 7.** For the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$375,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the cost thereof, be and is hereby authorized from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702 in object class 06 Capital Outlay per the accounting codes in the attachments to this ordinance.

**SECTION 8.** 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.