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As part of their capital improvement program, Columbus Public Schools (CPS) is requesting the transfer of Southern Pines Park from the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department (CRPD) to create a campus-like facility that offers more than just an elementary school for southside residents. The Director of CRPD requested and received a letter from the community agreeing to this transfer and loss of park space. In return, CPS is offering two properties -- the Beatrice Road site next to Willis Park and the Sharon School Park which is currently leased by CRPD. The neighborhoods support the transfer of these parcels to CPRD. Emergency legislation is requested to allow CPS to combine parcels and continue on their schedule to bid the Cedarwood School project.

To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to transfer Southern Pines Park to Columbus Public Schools for re-development of the Cedarwood Elementary School for enhanced service to the southside community; and to authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to accept the Beatrice School and Sharon School properties from Columbus Public Schools for park space; and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus, Recreation and Parks Department, desires to transfer Southern Pines Park, Parcel ID 010-080653, to Columbus Public Schools for re-development of the Cedarwood Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Columbus Public Schools wishes to transfer the Beatrice School property, Parcel ID 010-105987, and the Sharon School property, Parcel ID 010-11066, to the City of Columbus Recreation and Parks Department for park space; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City of Columbus in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to execute those documents necessary for the transfer of said real property for the immediate 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 Director of the Recreation and Parks Department be, and hereby is, authorized to execute those documents necessary for the transfer of the following described real property:

Southern Pines Park Parcel ID 010-080653 to Columbus Public Schools for re-development of the Cedarwood Elementary School for enhanced service to the southside community.

Columbus Public Schools wishes to transfer the Beatrice School property, Parcel ID 010-105987, and the Sharon School property, Parcel ID 010-11066, to the City of Columbus Recreation and Parks Department for park space.

Section 2. 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.