

Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a Capital Improvement Project Agreement with the Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed (FLOW) in support of constructing a pedestrian bridge over Slyh Run.

The construction of a pedestrian bridge over Slyh Run will connect the nearby neighborhood to Cranbrook Elementary and the 10 wooded acres surrounding the stream. Teachers, students, and families can access the woods, stream, and prairie as an outdoor education laboratory, and students can use the bridge as a safe route to school.

The city is joined in its support of the project with a Better Together grant from the Columbus Foundation. FLOW will administer the construction of the bridge and will retain maintenance responsibilities upon completion via an agreement with Columbus City Schools. The city will reimburse FLOW up to a maximum of \$20,000.00 for costs incurred through construction.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Development Taxable Bond Fund.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into a Capital Improvement Project Agreement with the Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed in support of constructing a pedestrian bridge over Slyh Run; to amend the 2018 Capital Improvements Budget; and to authorize an expenditure within the Development Taxable Bond Fund. (\$20,000.00)

WHEREAS, The Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed will construct a pedestrian bridge over Slyh Run to connect the nearby neighborhood to Cranbrook Elementary and the 10 wooded acres surrounding the stream; and

WHEREAS, teachers, students, and families can access the woods, stream, and prairie as an outdoor education laboratory, and students can use the bridge as a safe route to school; and

WHEREAS, the city is joined in its support of the project with a Better Together grant from the Columbus Foundation; and

WHEREAS, FLOW will administer the construction of the bridge and will be reimbursed by the city up to a maximum of \$20,000.00 for costs incurred; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to enter into a Capital Improvement Project Agreement with the Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed in support of constructing a pedestrian bridge over Slyh Run.

SECTION 2. That the Capital Improvements Budget, authorized by Ordinance 1010-2018, be amended as follows to establish sufficient authority for this project:

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

7739 / P590415-100000 / Economic & Community Development Taxable / \$50,000.00 / (\$20,000.00) / \$30,000.00

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7739 / P441769-100000 / Slyh Run Pedestrian Bridge / \$0 / \$20,000.00 / \$20,000.00

SECTION 3. That the transfer of \$20,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized between projects within the Development Taxable Bond Fund 7739 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That in regard to the action authorized by Section 1 of this ordinance, the expenditure of \$20,000.00 is hereby authorized in the Development Taxable Bond Fund 7739 per the accounting codes contained in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 5. 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 6. 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 7. 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 8. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date allowed by law.