



Legislation Text

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Background: This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Tyevco for the Glenwood Park Natural Area Improvements Project. The contract amount is \$282,690.00, with a contingency of \$75,000.00, for a total of \$357,690.00. An additional \$2,000.00 is being authorized for interdepartmental inspections and fees for a total of \$359,690.00 being authorized by this ordinance.

This ordinance will enable improvements to an eight acre natural area of Glenwood Park that is adjacent to Broad Street. The construction will include an ADA accessible natural trail, including vernal pool and wetland enhancements. The project will also include improvements to park signage and park amenities. Improved park boundaries will also be established by this project, improving the aesthetics along the entrance into the Hilltop Neighborhood along the Broad Street frontage of this park. Access and safety to this area of the park will also be improved by replacing deteriorated stairs. Safety will further be improved by removing trash and debris, including homeless camps.

For years, the local community has advocated for beautification of the Greater Hilltop Area as presented in the Envision Hilltop: A Community Plan for Shared Success (<https://www.envisionhilltop.com/>). Neighborhood volunteer groups, including Friends of Glenwood Park and the Highland West Civic Association, have partnered with the City to remove litter, invasive plant species, as well as dead, dying, and diseased trees. These efforts reflect the Hilltop Community's desire to revitalize this underutilized eight acre natural space of Glenwood Park. The goals to be achieved with improving Glenwood Park include creating additional safer access points, improving the line of sight in the park, and enhancing overall site safety for the community.

Vendor Bid/Proposal Submissions (ODI designation status):

Bids were advertised through Vendor Services, in accordance with City Code Section 329, on March 7, 2023 and received by the Recreation and Parks Department on March 28, 2023. Bids were received from the following companies:

Tyevco (MAJ): \$282,690.00

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

Principal Parties:

Tyevco Inc.
1678 West Audubon Boulevard
Lancaster, Ohio 43130
Scott Boggess, (614) 284-0251
Contract Compliance Number: 005691
Contract Compliance Expiration Date: July 27, 2023

Emergency Justification: Emergency action is requested in order to address safety concerns related to the existing deteriorated stairs, poor visibility within the park, and frequent loitering between Broad Street and the Glenwood Community Center as quickly as possible, creating a safe ADA accessible natural area for park users to experience.

Benefits to the Public: In addition to the safety improvements mentioned above, this project will benefit the community

by providing a safe, ADA accessible, and fun space for the community. The project will provide a place for children to play and adults to passively recreate. It will also provide educational components of the natural resources in the area, such as wetlands and tree species, to support the neighborhoods knowledge of these resources.

Community Input/Issues: The concept of the improving the Glenwood Park Natural Area has been discussed by the Greater Hilltop Area Commission, the Highland West Civic Association, and friends of groups within this area for the past five years. Over the past 24 months, there have been monthly meetings with these groups and staff has visited groups separately at their monthly scheduled meetings. These groups are supportive of the construction as well as providing volunteer support. Community input for these improvements has been strong from the Hilltop Area. The community has long been waiting for this construction project that addresses the poor visibility and access of the 8 acres of lower lying areas of Glenwood Park.

Area(s) Affected: Greater Hilltop (53)

Master Plan Relation: This project will support the mission of the Recreation and Parks Master Plan to provide quality recreational parks, trails, and easy, all-age connectivity for Columbus residents.

Fiscal Impact: \$359,690.00 is budgeted and available from within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702 to meet the financial obligations of this contract.

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Tyevco for the Glenwood Park Natural Area Improvements Project; to authorize the transfer of \$359,690.00 within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; to authorize the amendment of the 2022 Capital Improvements Budget; to authorize the expenditure of \$359,690.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$359,690.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with Tyevco for the Glenwood Park Natural Area Improvements Project, the only company that bid for the work on this project; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the transfer of \$359,690.00 within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the amendment of the 2022 Capital Improvements Budget Ordinance 1896-2022 in order to provide sufficient budget authority for this and future projects; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the expenditure of \$359,690.00 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 Tyevco in order to address safety concerns related to the existing deteriorated stairs, poor visibility within the park, and frequent loitering between Broad Street and the Glenwood Community Center as quickly as possible, creating a safe ADA accessible natural area, 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 is authorized to enter into contract with Tyevco for the Glenwood Park Natural Area Improvements Project.

SECTION 2. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are 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 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 \$359,690.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is 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 2022 Capital Improvements Budget Ordinance 1896-2022 is 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 / P510020-100000 / Park Improvements (Voted Carryover) / \$752,539 / (\$359,690) / \$392,849

Fund 7702 / P511036-100000; Glenwood Park Natural Area Improvements (Voted Carryover) / \$0 / \$359,690 / \$359,690

SECTION 7. For the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$359,690.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the cost thereof, is authorized from the Recreation and Parks and 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 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.