



## Legislation Text

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**Background:** This ordinance will authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to accept a grant in the amount of \$46,823.00 from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for recycling and litter prevention at the 2024 Jazz & Rib Festival.

The Ohio Environmental Protection Association's Community and Litter Grant, will assist in funding a robust waste diversion program at Jazz & Rib Fest. The Waste Diversion Program includes festival-wide recycling, with an onsite sorting center, pre-consumer composting, used cooking oil recycling, ash and charcoal composting, as well as purchasing a new supply of aluminum cups for beer sales. The aluminum cups are superior to traditional single-use plastic cups since aluminum can be recycled an infinite number of times without degrading, unlike plastic, which is deemed unusable after only a few times of being recycled. Since the implementation of the Diversion Program in 2022, Jazz & Rib Fest has diverted over 20,000 lbs of material from the landfill!

**Principal Parties:**

The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
50 W Town St. Unit 700  
Columbus, Ohio, 43215

**Benefits to the Public:** The promotion of recycling and prevention and efficient clean-up of litter during and after downtown festivals promotes a healthy, clean and appealing environment for our citizens.

**Area(s) Affected:** The Scioto Mile festival area.

**Master Plan Relation:** This project will support the mission of the Columbus Recreation and Parks' Master Plan by developing partnerships to broaden service opportunities and ensure long-term care of facilities.

**Fiscal Impact:** This ordinance will authorize the appropriation of \$46,823.00 to the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund 2283. This ordinance will also authorize a 25% grant match of \$11,706.00 from the Recreation and Parks Operating fund 2285.

To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into a grant agreement with the Ohio EPA and accept a grant in the amount of \$46,823.00 for recycling and litter prevention; to authorize the appropriation of \$46,823.00 in the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund. (\$46,823.00)

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks enter into a grant agreement with the Ohio EPA and accept a grant in the amount of \$46,823.00 for recycling and litter prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize the appropriation of \$46,823.00 in the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund; **NOW, THEREFORE**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Recreation and Parks is authorized and directed to enter into a grant agreement with the Ohio EPA and accept a grant in the amount of \$46,823.00 for recycling and litter prevention.

**SECTION 2.** That from the un-appropriated monies in Fund 2283 Recreation and Parks Grant Fund and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and un-appropriated for any other purpose during the grant period, the sum of \$46,823.00 is appropriated upon receipt of an executed grant agreement in accordance with the funding template attached to this legislation.

**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.** At the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

**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 this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.