

EMERGENCY

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AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for a grant of up to \$500,000 from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (ALN 15.916) awarded by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to provide resources for improvements at Owl’s Nest Park.

WHEREAS, the Land and Water Conservation Fund is a federally funded reimbursement grant program awarded by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources that provides up to fifty percent project funding for the acquisition, development, and rehabilitation of recreational areas; and

WHEREAS, the Parks Department has a need for funds to improve Owl’s Nest Park; and

WHEREAS, the grant requires matching funds of up to \$500,000 to be provided by existing or future Parks Department capital improvement program project accounts and/or private donations from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation; and

WHEREAS, there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant; and

WHEREAS, the grant application deadline is November 15, 2024 and the City may have already applied for the grant, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval by Council; and

WHEREAS, improving Owl’s Nest Park is in accordance with the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community” as well as the strategy to “[u]nite our communities” as described on pages 207-212 of Plan Cincinnati (2012); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the City Manager is authorized to apply for a grant of up to \$500,000 from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (ALN 15.916) awarded by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to make improvements to Owl’s Nest Park.

Section 2. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Section 1.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms

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of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to apply for grant resources prior to deadlines established by the grantor.

Passed: _____, 2024

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk