

**AUTHORIZING** the City Manager to accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$142,500 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to Park Miscellaneous Revenue and Special Activity Fund 326 program account no. 2025CPF, “French Park Conservation Grant,” to provide resources for trail improvements and invasive species removal at French Park; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to deposit the grant resources into Park Miscellaneous Revenue and Special Activity Fund 326 program account no. 2025CPF, “French Park Conservation Grant.”

WHEREAS, French Park is a 281-acre park, located in Amberley Village, that boasts miles of hiking trails, creeks, meadows, and wooded hillsides; and

WHEREAS, the Parks Department has determined that many sections of trail corridors in French Park are infested with invasive species that have destroyed native vegetation and that several trails require improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Parks Foundation raises funding through endowments and donations that support the operations and capital needs of City parks; and

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Parks Foundation has awarded a generous \$142,500 grant to the City to support invasive species removal and trail improvements in French Park; and

WHEREAS, this grant does not require local matching resources, and there are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with acceptance of this grant; and

WHEREAS, removing invasive species at French Park aligns with the “Sustain” goal to “[p]reserve our natural and built environment,” the “Collaborate” goal to “[w]ork in synergy with the Cincinnati community,” and the strategy to “[u]nite our communities” as described on pages 193-195 and 209-211 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 accept and appropriate a grant of up to \$142,500 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to Park Miscellaneous Revenue and Special Activity Fund 326 program account no. 2025CPF, “French Park Conservation Grant,” to provide resources for trail improvements and invasive species removal at French Park.

Section 2. That the Director of Finance is authorized to deposit the grant resources into Park Miscellaneous Revenue and Special Activity Fund 326 program account no. 2025CPF, “French Park Conservation Grant.”

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of the grant and Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk