

June 8, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202201315

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager

Subject: Ordinance – Parks: Tom Jones Commons Donation

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to accept and deposit a donation in an amount up to \$105,000 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation into Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of \$105,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Parks Private Endowment and Donations Fund 430 to existing capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x192009, “Tom Jones Commons,” for the purpose of providing additional resources for improvements to Tom Jones Commons in Eden Park.

Approval of this Ordinance would authorize the acceptance, deposit, transfer, and appropriation of a donation in an amount up to \$105,000 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation to capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x192009, “Tom Jones Commons,” for the purpose of providing additional resources for improvements to Tom Jones Commons in Eden Park.

On October 17, 2018, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0325-2018, which authorized the acceptance and appropriation of a donation of \$350,000 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation for the purpose of constructing a public recreation area (Tom Jones Commons) in Eden Park.

On December 11, 2019, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0481-2019, which authorized the acceptance and appropriation of a donation of \$300,000 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation for the Tom Jones Commons project in Eden Park.

On September 1, 2021, the City Council approved Ordinance No. 0340-2021, which authorized the acceptance and appropriation of a donation of \$69,530.63 from the Cincinnati Parks Foundation for the Tom Jones Commons project in Eden Park.

Accepting this donation is in accordance with the “Live” goal to “[b]uild a robust public life,” and strategy to “[d]evelop and maintain inviting and engaging public spaces to encourage social interaction between types of people,” as described on pages 147-152 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director

Attachment

