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## **Motion**

WE MOVE that the administration prepare a report in the wake of the fire and destruction of the 1,000 hands playground at Sawyer Point, resulting in the damage and closure of the I-471 Daniel Carter Beard Bridge. The report should address options for restoring this significant resource for the families of Cincinnati. The report should include the following:

- 1) The resources, timeline, and alternative possible locations necessary for the replacement of the playground, including other possible uses for the former site;
- 2) The possibility that the replacement playground could be themed to support the 2025 River Roots celebration;
- 3) In the spirit of the “1,000 hands concept” that built the original playground, the possibility that the rebuild could utilize volunteer labor;
- 4) Options for the new playground to be as accessible as possible so it can be available for children of all abilities.

## **Background**

The 1,000 hands playground at Sawyer Point was destroyed in the fire at Sawyer Point on October 31<sup>st</sup>. This playground has been an important asset to Cincinnati families for decades, and we are asking the administration to prioritize re-building a park in the area that can be used by Cincinnatians once again. As this park was dedicated in 1988 for the City’s Bicentennial, it would be fitting to coincide the building of a new park with the planned 2025 River Roots celebration and this theme be incorporated.

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