

RESOLUTION NO. 36 - 2022

**EXPRESSING** the support of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for the application for a grant from the 2022 Clean Ohio Conservation Fund, NRAC 2, Round 17, by the Cardinal Land Conservancy on behalf of David Nathan Rosenberg, for the purchase of approximately six acres of land in fee title and four acres of land for an agricultural easement by the Cardinal Land Conservancy from David Nathan Rosenberg, in order to create permanent greenspace within the City of Cincinnati and preserve a protected area for agricultural uses in the historic Wooden Shoe Hollow area within the City.

WHEREAS, the Cardinal Land Conservancy, formerly known as the Citizen's Land Conservancy of Hamilton County ("the Conservancy"), a non-profit, 501(c)(3) land preservation organization and land trust, has worked since 1999 to preserve land in Hamilton County and elsewhere in southwest Ohio for farmland, agricultural use, natural areas, and open space, focusing on the preservation of regional lands with natural, recreational, scenic, historic, or agricultural value; and

WHEREAS, the Conservancy seeks a resolution of support from the City of Cincinnati for the award of a grant from the State of Ohio 2022 Clean Ohio Conservation Fund ("the Fund"), which would allow the Conservancy to create a permanent nature preserve on approximately six acres of land, and to preserve, pursuant to an agricultural easement, an additional area of land of over four acres within the historic Wooden Shoe Hollow area within the City; and

WHEREAS, David Nathan Rosenberg intends to sell certain real property more particularly described as Hamilton County, Ohio parcel numbers 238-0001-0092, 238-0001-0051, 238-0001-0073, and 233-0001-0083 totaling approximately 10.78 acres (the "Property") and further identified in attachment "A" to this resolution, to the Conservancy at a reduced price in coordination with the Conservancy's intention to apply for a grant from the Fund to help preserve the Property in its natural and agricultural state as a farmstead and preserve; and

WHEREAS, Council has received a request from the Conservancy and David Nathan Rosenberg for the support of the Conservancy's application to the State of Ohio for grant funds to purchase the Property; and

WHEREAS, Council further acknowledges that the requirements of the Fund require at least a 25 percent match for project costs, to be provided by David Nathan Rosenberg; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that the request for the preservation of the Property as open space, natural habitat, and agricultural use, through nomination of the Property for the Fund program, is compatible with the long-range goals regarding greenspace preservation for the City; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council support the application for a grant from the 2022 Clean Ohio Conservation Fund, NRAC 2, Round 17, by the Cardinal Land Conservancy on

behalf of David Nathan Rosenberg, for the purchase of approximately 10.7 total acres of land by the Cardinal Land Conservancy from David Nathan Rosenberg, in order to create permanent greenspace within the City of Cincinnati and preserve a portion of the historical agricultural use in the Wooden Shoe Hollow area within the City.

Section 2. That Council has determined that the purchase of the nominated land and its proposed use of the majority of it as permanent greenspace is compatible with the long-range land use goals of the City of Cincinnati.

Section 3. That Council acknowledges that as the sponsor, Cardinal Land Conservancy has agreed to hold, monitor, and supervise the land to be purchased with the 2022 Clean Ohio Conservation grant monies, and will do so in conjunction with the rights of the Public Works Commission according to the terms of the 2022 Clean Ohio Conservation Fund.

Section 4. That Council acknowledges that, per the 2022 Clean Ohio Conservation Fund requirements, David Nathan Rosenberg as landowner is required to donate a local match of at least 25 percent of the appraised property value, and that Council appreciates this commitment by the landowners who voluntarily participate in the program.

Section 5. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be sent to Cardinal Land Conservancy, c/o Mr. Andy Dickerson, 790 Garfield Avenue, P.O. Box 957, Milford, OH 45150.

Passed: October 26, 2022

Attest:   
Clerk

  
Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Submitted by Councilmember Meeka Owens