

May 11, 2022

To: Mayor and Members of City Council **202201154**

From: John P. Curp, Interim City Manager

Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Parks: PRUS Construction Moral Obligation

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the payment of \$69,530.63 from the capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x0000x7671x192009, “Tom Jones Commons,” and \$5,873.37 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x0000x7671x212000, “Park Infrastructure Rehabilitation,” as a moral obligation to PRUS Construction for services provided to the City related to the Tom Jones Commons project in Eden Park.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance will authorize the Finance Director to make a payment of \$69,530.63 from the Cincinnati Parks capital improvement program project no. 980x203x122009, “Tom Jones Commons,” and \$5,873.37 from capital improvement program project account no. 980x203x0000x7671x212000, “Park Infrastructure Rehabilitation,” as a moral obligation to PRUS Construction for services provided to the City related to the Tom Jones Commons project in Eden Park.

PRUS Construction is the construction partner for the Tom Jones Commons project in Eden Park. The Parks Department’s Planning and Design Team approved a change order to the project in Spring of 2021. Current City policy stipulates departments must receive an approved change order request from the Office of Procurement prior to new work beginning.

Approval of this Emergency Ordinance as a moral obligation is also necessary due to City policies regarding the certification of any expenses over \$3,000. The Parks Department was reminded of these policies and is committed to receiving the proper approval and properly certifying resources in the future.

The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to make payment to PRUS Construction for the construction services that have been provided.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

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

Attachment