

November 10, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202103092
From: Paula Boggs Muething, City Manager
Subject: Emergency Ordinance – Mill Creek Scour Hole Repair

Attached is an Emergency Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the expenditure of City funds from Stormwater Management Fund non-personnel operating account no. 107x311x4000x7264 for the repair of a scour hole in a portion of the Mill Creek Channel owned by the Millcreek Valley Conservancy District; and **DECLARING** such expenditure to serve a public purpose.

A scour hole has developed in a portion of the Mill Creek in the South Cumminsville neighborhood at the confluence with the City-owned West Fork channel. Unaddressed, the continued expansion of the scour hole threatens to undermine the concrete floor of the West Fork channel. In addition, an accidental drowning occurred at the site in 2019. The Millcreek Valley Conservancy District (MVCD) owns the location where the scour hole is located and has indicated that it is willing to provide the access to the City to repair the hole, but that it does not have funds to contribute to the repair work.

This ordinance is to authorize the use of up to \$100,000 in City stormwater rate funds to backfill the scour hole and to declare the use to be a public purpose to enhance public safety and protect public assets. The funding is available and has been appropriated to non-personnel operating account 107x311x4000x7264.

The Administration recommends passage of this Emergency Ordinance.

cc: Cathy B. Bailey, Executive Director/Greater Cincinnati Water Works 