

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT
JANUARY 16, 2025**

The Board of Park Commissioners met on this date, Thursday, January 16, 2025, 8:00 a.m., at the Board's office, 4101 Fulton Parkway, Cleveland, Ohio.

The roll call showed Yvette M. Ittu, Dan T. Moore, and Bruce G. Rinker to be present. It was determined there was a quorum. Chief Executive Officer, Brian M. Zimmerman, Chief Financial Officer, Wade Steen, and Chief Legal and Ethics Officer, Rosalina M. Fini, were also in attendance.

**JUDGMENT ENTRY FROM CUYAHOGA COUNTY PROBATE COURT
APPOINTING BRUCE G. RINKER AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF PARK
COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025 AND ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2027.**

In the absence of Presiding Probate Court Judge Anthony J. Russo, Chief Legal and Ethics Officer Rosalina M. Fini administered the Oath of Office to Bruce G. Rinker as a member of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District for the full term of three years, beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2027.

A copy of the Judgment Entry, Doc. 142, Case No. 89032, is reflected on pages **102897** to **102900**. The bond, in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000), written by the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, and the Judgment Entry, were filed with the Auditor of Cuyahoga County, in accordance with the requirements of the law, as shown on pages **102901** to **102903**.

Bruce G. Rinker took the Oath of Office, thereby becoming a qualified member of the Board.

ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

No. 25-01-002: It was moved by Dan T. Moore, seconded by Bruce G. Rinker and carried, that Yvette M. Ittu be nominated as President of the Board for 2025, and further, to nominate Dan T. Moore and Bruce G. Rinker as Vice Presidents of the Board for 2025; and further, to appoint Brian M. Zimmerman as Chief Executive Officer/Secretary and to serve in his official capacity on the boards of Destination Cleveland, Flats Forward, Northeast Ohio Sustainability Community Consortium, iHeartMedia Local Advisory Board, Achievement Centers for Children, and American Red Cross Northeast Ohio Chapter Board of Directors; and further, to continue the appointment of Wade Steen as Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

APPOINTMENT OF LEGAL COUNSEL.

Pursuant to Article 5, Section 2(b) of the By-Laws, Request for Proposal #6611 was issued for legal services on October 8, 2021 for a term of one year with the ability for four (4), one-year renewals. A review of the proposals was conducted based upon the following categories: (1) Statement of Capability/Biographies; (2) Prior Work History; (3) Compensation/Billing Rate; and (4) Core Values. The firms listed below are recommended by staff. One (1) one-year renewal under RFP #6611 is able to be exercised after 2025.

No. 25-01-003: It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to appoint the following law firms for 2025:

1. **Thompson Hine LLP. General Legal Services** at the rate of \$295 per hour for attorneys and \$183 per hour for the time of non-lawyers, i.e., paralegals, law clerks and other non-lawyers.
2. **Employment & Labor & Ancillary Practice Areas**
 - a. **Zashin & Rich Co., LPA**
 - i. **Labor Relations & Employment** at the rate of \$270 per hour for partner-level attorneys; \$245 per hour for associate-level attorneys; and \$125 per hour for the time of non-lawyers, i.e., paralegals, law clerks and other non-lawyers; and,
 - ii. **Employment Defense Litigation** at the rate of \$270 per hour for partner-level attorneys; \$245 per hour for associate-level attorneys; and \$125 per hour for the time of non-lawyers, i.e., paralegals and law clerks. Disclaimer: Zashin & Rich agrees to perform this work at the agreed

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upon rate with the applicable carrier. Rate would also never exceed the agreed upon non-insurance CM/ZR rate; and,

- iii. **Workers' Compensation** at the rate of \$215 per hour for partner-level attorneys; \$165 per hour for associate-level attorneys; and \$110 per hour for the time of non-lawyers, i.e., paralegals, law clerks and other non-lawyers.

b. Jackson Lewis

- i. **Immigration, Privacy, Data & Cybersecurity** at the rate of \$270 per hour for partner-level attorneys; \$245 per hour for associate-level attorneys and \$125 per hour for the time of non-lawyers, i.e., paralegals and law clerks; and,
- ii. **Labor Relations & Employment** at the rate of \$270 per hour for partner-level attorneys; \$245 per hour for associate-level attorneys; and \$125 per hour for the time of non-lawyers, i.e., paralegals, law clerks and other non-lawyers; and,
- iii. **Employment Defense Litigation** at the rate of \$270 per hour for partner-level attorneys; \$245 per hour for associate-level attorneys and \$125 per hour for the time of non-lawyers, i.e., paralegals and law clerks. Disclaimer: Jackson Lewis agrees to perform this work at the agreed upon rate with the applicable carrier. Rate would also never exceed the agreed upon non-insurance CM/JL rate.

3. Defense Litigation Counsel

- a. **Mazanec, Raskin & Ryder Co., L.P.A.** at the rate of \$185 per hour for partners; \$165 per hour for associates; and \$115 per hour for the time of non-lawyers, i.e., paralegals, law clerks and other non-lawyers.

- 4. **McMahon DeGulis** for **environmental legal services** at the rate of \$250 per hour for partners; \$210 per hour for associates and \$170 per hour for the time of non-lawyers, i.e., paralegals, law clerks and other non-lawyers.

- 5. **Christina F. Londrico, Esq., LLC** for **criminal prosecution services** at the rate of \$80 per hour.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

No. 25-01-004: It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of December 19, 2024, which were previously submitted to the members of the Board, and by them read.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Chief Financial Officer, Wade Steen, presented a Comparative Summary of Revenues & Expenditures 2024 vs. 2023 Year-To-Date, and for the Month Ended December 31. Also provided is a Schedule of Accounts Receivable and Investments, which along with the Comparative Summary is found on pages **102884** to **102891**.

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(a) 2024 Budget Adjustment No. 13

(Originating Sources: Wade Steen, Chief Financial Officer/Brian M. Zimmerman, Chief Executive Officer)

The following amendments are requested for Board approval:

**CLEVELAND METROPARKS
Appropriation Summary - 2024**

Object Code	Object Description	Original Budget			Total Prior Budget Amendments	Proposed Amendment #13 1/16/2025	Total
		Baseline Budget	Carry Over Encumbrances	Total			
OPERATING							
51	Salaries	\$ 70,457,162	\$ 3,669	\$ 70,460,831	\$ 677,612	\$ -	\$ 71,138,443
52	Employee Fringe Benefits	21,396,109	543,837	21,939,946	234,150	(131,614) A	22,042,481
53	Contractual Services	17,161,050	2,919,032	20,080,082	307,319	131,614 B	20,519,015
54	Operations	31,109,745	3,763,826	34,873,572	1,352,573	-	36,226,145
	Operating Subtotal	140,124,067	7,230,364	147,354,431	2,571,654	-	149,926,085
CAPITAL							
571	Capital Labor	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 269,270	\$ -	1,269,270
572	Capital Construction Expenses	27,875,059	13,556,329	41,431,388	61,069,148	-	102,500,536
574	Capital Equipment	6,394,036	2,207,611	8,601,647	1,417,662	-	10,019,309
575	Zoo Animals	100,000	298	100,298	-	-	100,298
576	Land	2,500,000	110,632	2,610,632	3,927,068	-	6,537,700
	Capital Subtotal	37,869,095	15,874,871	53,743,966	66,683,148	-	120,427,114
TOTALS							
Grand totals		\$ 177,993,162	\$ 23,105,235	\$ 201,098,397	\$ 69,254,802	\$ -	\$ 270,353,199

An explanation of adjustments, by category, can be found on pages **102892** to **102893**.

The net effect of all adjustments is an increase of \$0 which is funded by increased revenue, donations, grants, or received but previously unappropriated funds.

No. 25-01-005:

It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to approve 2024 Budget Adjustment No. 13 for a total increase of \$0 as delineated on pages **102892** to **102893**.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

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- (b) ***Designation of 2025 Legislative Consultant***
(*Originating Source: Brian M. Zimmerman, Chief Executive Officer*)

Background

It is beneficial for Cleveland Metroparks to retain legislative consulting services related to the State of Ohio to monitor State programs, laws, and initiatives that impact the Park District. Local government funding, state grants, workers' compensation, etc., represent examples of Ohio legislative policy which potentially affect Cleveland Metroparks.

Recommendation Re: Capitol Consulting Group, Inc.

During November and December of 2009, the Board interviewed potential legislative consulting groups, and on February 25, 2010, the Board awarded 2010 consulting services to Capitol Consulting Group, Inc., located in Columbus, Ohio and led by President Dan Jones.

In 1982, Mr. Jones began his career as an employee of the Ohio House of Representatives. In 1985, Mr. Jones embarked upon his lobbying career as Public Affairs Director for the Ohio Council of Retail Merchants. In 1989, the State's largest Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan (Community Mutual Insurance Company) hired Mr. Jones as Manager of Government Affairs. In 1990, Mr. Jones was recruited to serve as Legislative Liaison for Governor George Voinovich. After leaving the Governor's office in 1992, Mr. Jones formed Capitol Consulting Group, Inc. where he has served the interests of a variety of private, corporate and association clients in the following: health care, manufacturing, agriculture, waste, construction, telecommunications and service industries.

Dan Jones is a graduate of The Ohio State University where he earned the following degrees: Bachelor of Science in International Business, Bachelor of Arts in Russian Language and a Master of Business Administration.

Having worked successfully with Mr. Jones since 2010, staff has concluded that Capitol Consulting Group would continue to be effective in representing Cleveland Metroparks. Capitol Consulting has submitted a fee proposal and scope of work for professional services to commence January 1, 2025, payable in installments of \$2,750 per month, for an annual fee of \$33,000.

- No. 25-01-006:** It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an agreement with Capitol Consulting Group, Inc., in form acceptable to the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer, for legislative consultant professional services from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, at the rate of \$2,750 per month, for a total annual fee of \$33,000.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

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- (c) ***Contract Amendment No. 1 #1738 – Design-Builder for Cleveland Metroparks Baldwin Creek Low-Head Dam Removal, Mill Stream Run Reservation – Guaranteed Maximum Price No. 1***

(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Michele Crawford, Project Development Manager/Seth Keller, Project Manager)

Background

On August 29, 2023, Cleveland Metroparks advertised a Request for Qualifications (RFQu #6767) for interested parties to submit qualifications related to the performance of design-builder services for the Cleveland Metroparks Baldwin Creek Low-Head Dam Removal and Restoration Project, Mill Stream Run Reservation (“Project”). The Project’s desired outcome is to restore normal hydrology and sediment transport in Baldwin Creek and bring the segment of the creek into full attainment of Warm Water Habitat (“WWH”) status, improve fish passage and restore ecosystem function in the floodplain and adjacent habitats. Approximately 510 linear feet of Baldwin Creek flows northwest through the Project site and a low head dam was constructed on this stretch of the creek. This dam is cited as the major source of impairment in this reach of Baldwin Creek. Funding to support the Project has been awarded by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (“Ohio EPA”) Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (“WRRSP”). The Project will restore and reverse damage from manmade structures that have significantly impaired this stretch of Baldwin Creek. Overall, the Project will directly address the major sources of impairment as listed in the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District’s Baldwin Creek Stormwater Master Plan.

On November 16, 2023, the Board awarded a Design-Builder Contract to Biohabitats, Inc. (“Biohabitats”) (Board Resolution No. 23-11-182) for the Project. At the time of the Board’s award, only the preconstruction stage compensation was fixed at \$114,232.00.

Per the contract, a Guaranteed Maximum Price (“GMP”) for construction is then developed and brought back to the Board for approval.

The design documents for the Project have now reached a 30% completion status. The design has reached a point where a preliminary Guaranteed Maximum Price #1 (“GMP #1”) can be estimated for the demolition of the existing structures, bridge demolition, and tree clearing portion of the Project. Although final design has not been completed for the dam removal and stream restoration, the structure demolition plan has been approved by Cleveland Metroparks which has allowed Biohabitats GMP #1 to be developed. In addition to GMP #1 and preconstruction costs, costs for additional design work has also been requested for design for bridge removal. The removal of the existing bridge was not previously incorporated into the Project and later determined its removal would be more beneficial to the stream restoration.

GMP Establishment

Biohabitats has established the below GMP #1 based upon 30% complete Construction Documents and bids and estimates provided by their subcontractors. In addition to GMP #1, additional design services for bridge removal is shown below which will be shown as a contract amendment for pre-construction services.

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<u>GMP No. 1 Construction Items</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Site Setup and Access	\$35,784.00
Site Demolition (Buildings, Pavement, Fences)	\$219,883.09
Bridge Demolition	\$58,812.00
Tree Removal	\$17,352.00
Cost of Work Subtotal	\$ 331,831.09
Design Builders Fee (5.50%)	\$18,250.71
General Conditions (7.40%)	\$24,555.50
Construction Stage Design Service Fee (3.47%)	\$11,514.54
Contingency (3.0%)	\$9,954.93
Fee Subtotal	\$64,275.68
GMP #1 Total	\$396,106.77
<u>Pre-Construction Stage</u>	
Bridge Removal Design	\$13,158.00

Construction Schedule

Biohabitats’ construction schedule associated with GMP #1 anticipates a February of 2025 commencement for demolition of the structures and a March 31, 2025 completion date for tree clearing. Cleveland Metroparks staff will monitor construction progress and provide updates to the Board. Staff will return to the Board with a GMP #2 when design development is completed for dam removal and stream restoration.

No. 25-01-007:

It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to amend the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) contract with **Biohabitats**, for the construction of RFP #6767-b, Design-Builder for Cleveland Metroparks Baldwin Creek Low-Head Dam Removal, Mill Stream Run Reservation to reflect a **GMP** in the amount of \$396,106.77, and additional preconstruction stage compensation in the amount of \$13,158.00 which will be in addition to \$114,232.00 already awarded for preconstruction stage services, for a total **contract valued at \$523,496.77**, in a form of contract to be approved by the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

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- (d) ***Award of RFP #6876-b – Design-Builder for Cleveland Metroparks Wood Creek Fish Passage and Stabilization, Bedford Reservation***
(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Conner Karakul, Landscape Architect/Michele Crawford, Project Development Manager/Elizabeth Hiser, Stream Restoration Ecologist)

Background

On October 1, 2024, Cleveland Metroparks advertised a Request for Qualifications (RFQu #6876) for interested parties to submit qualifications related to the performance of design-builder services for the Cleveland Metroparks Wood Creek Fish Passage and Stabilization Project, Bedford Reservation (“Project”). The Project’s desired outcome is to modify an existing fish barrier and install a rock ramp for fish passage on Wood Creek located in the Tinker’s Creek watershed, which is the largest tributary to the Cuyahoga River in the Area of Concern (“AOC”). Implementation of the Project will aid in delisting the Cuyahoga River as an AOC, which is a directive of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (“Ohio EPA”) and the Ohio Lake Erie Commission by 2030. Cleveland Metroparks was awarded \$450,000.00 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Program and \$50,000.00 from Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (“NEORS”) to complete this work and assist with removal of the Cuyahoga AOC Fish Population Beneficial Use Impairment (“BUI”).

This section of Wood Creek flows through Cleveland Metroparks Bedford Reservation adjacent to the Hemlock Creek (vernacular for Wood Creek) Picnic Area and crosses Button Road, a public roadway that runs through the park. The Project will restore and reverse damage from a fish passage barrier (a ford) that is significantly impacting this stretch of Wood Creek and preventing fish passage from Tinker’s Creek. The Project goals include improving fish passage, stabilizing 181+/- linear foot of streambank (both banks), and reconnecting 5 miles of Wood Creek to Tinker’s Creek for fish passage. Design services will start in February 2025 and construction will start in 2026 with significant Project completion by winter.

RFQu Response and Analysis

Cleveland Metroparks staff prepared RFQu #6876 and requested that the respondents demonstrate qualifications relative to scope of the Project. The design-builder RFQu yielded (3) responding design-build teams. Each firm’s statements of qualifications were reviewed by a panel of Cleveland Metroparks staff, including Michele Crawford, Elizabeth Hiser, Sean McDermott, and Conner Karakul.

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Design-Builder for Cleveland Metroparks Wood Creek Fish Passage and Stabilization, Bedford Reservation	
RFQu # 6876	
Design-Builder Teams	Short List
BHK Enterprises	
Marks Construction	X
Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.	X

Through an independent evaluation of the qualifications, the review panel determined a short list of two firms and requested a proposal (RFP #6876-b) from each. Following

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receipt of the proposals each short-listed team was interviewed. Following the interviews, the proposals from each short-listed design-build team was then ranked by the panel in compliance with the Ohio Revised Code (“ORC”). As permitted by the ORC, both the qualifications of the firm and their proposed price are blended to produce a “best value” score. At Cleveland Metroparks election, qualifications are weighted at 80% and price at 20%.

Below is a listing of the two short-listed firms, and their correlating “best value” score.

RFP #6876-b Results

Ranking	Design-Builder	Price (sum)	(1) Price Component (20 pts max)	(2) Qualifications Component (80 pts max)	(1)+(2) Best Value Score (100 pts max)
1	Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.	\$172,600.00	20	65.6	85.6
2	Marks Construction	\$208,121.00	15.9	57.6	73.5

The price reflected in the above table includes the preconstruction services fee, due diligence and preconstruction stage design-service fee, the preconstruction stage expenses, estimated general conditions costs (based on percentage of construction cost), construction stage design services (based on percentage of construction cost) and the design-build fee (based on percentage of construction cost). The subtotal of the preconstruction fee, due diligence and preconstruction stage design-service fee and preconstruction stage expenses is \$74,850.00. The current construction cost is estimated at \$425,000.00. Once construction documents are nearing finalization, staff will return to the Board to set a Guaranteed Maximum Price for project construction, at which time the construction costs, the general conditions costs, and the design-build fee will be finalized. Upon the negotiation of a contract with the recommended design-builder, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. (“Stantec”), the total preconstruction stage compensation will be established at \$74,850.00.

RFP Analysis

Staff recommends that a design-build contract be negotiated and awarded to **Stantec**. Stantec offers sustainable engineering, architecture, and environmental consulting from over 450 locations across 6 continents and has a local presence in Cleveland, Ohio. The Project approach by Stantec demonstrates a strong understanding of how to provide the necessary velocities and depth for fish to move from Tinker’s Creek upstream into Wood Creek while providing efficiencies and competitive pricing due to their ability to self-perform design, construction, and ecological services. Their Project team and goals align with the mission of Cleveland Metroparks. Their understanding of the Project, approach and methodology will prove valuable in the execution of the Project relative to the final deliverable desired. Stantec’s experience with similar and complementary projects, along with the strong qualifications associated with their services, establishes their firm as the “best value” when ranked against the other short-listed design-build firms. Their experience with Ohio-based Park Districts, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources,

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the Ohio Department of Transportation, and others on similar design build projects will prove valuable in the Project's successful completion. Stantec is proposing all requested services "in house" and to deliver the Project from cradle to grave as both the Architect of Record and the Design-Build Contractor. Limiting the number of subcontractors on the Project minimizes risk and saves substantial markup fees. Stantec also owns and operates one of the largest native plant nurseries in the Midwest which will significantly cut costs and help with acquiring appropriate species for the Project.

Notwithstanding, Marks Construction and Davey Resource Group team submitted a thorough and competitive proposal and interviewed extremely well.

No. 25-01-008: It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a Guaranteed Maximum Price contract with **Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.**, being ranked as the "best value" for RFP #6876-b, Design-Builder for Cleveland Metroparks Wood Creek Fish Passage and Stabilization, inclusive of \$74,850 for preconstruction stage compensation. In the event that a contract cannot be negotiated with the design-builder, a contract would then be negotiated, per Ohio Revised Code, with the next ranked design-builder, who the Board, in its discretion, has reflected in the minutes as being the next ranked design-builder. Form of contract to be approved by the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

(e) ***Rocky River Reservation: Authorization to Submit Grant Application and Commit Funds***

(Originating Sources: Natalie Ronayne, Chief Development Officer/Joseph V. Roszak, Chief Operating Officer/Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Jim Rodstrom, Director of Construction/Kristen Trolino, Director of Grants/Conner Karakul, Landscape Architect)

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Office of Coastal Management offers funds through the Coastal Management Assistance Grant ("CMAG") Program to support Lake Erie coastal resources, including enhancing public access to Lake Erie. Cleveland Metroparks has been successful with this grant program in 2021 and 2023 with awards for the design and subsequently the construction of the nature-based shoreline restoration project at Wendy Park.

Cleveland Metroparks has now applied to the CMAG Program for improvements at Scenic Park at Emerald Necklace Marina in Rocky River Reservation. This project will improve access to the Lake Erie Water Trail and will improve safety and the user experience at the park. Scenic Park provides direct access to the Rocky River and to the

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Lake Erie Water Trail and is a recreational hub for both motorized and non-motorized watercraft. Scenic Park currently offers a designated public kayak launch, which offers ADA accessible features. There is no fee for paddlers to use this launch. Scenic Park also offers a public motorized boat launch area and transient docks for motorized boats to access the adjacent marina.

Currently, the kayak launch is located south (upriver) of the boat launches and paddlers must pass the boat launches in the water to reach the Lake Erie Water trail route, which is both challenging and potentially unsafe for paddlers. This project will relocate the existing kayak launch north (downriver) of the boat launches, will add two additional kayak launches, and will re-surface the new kayak launch area with beach gravel-like surface. This project will also add a designated drop-off lane for paddlers with kayak racks for easy drop-off. This will reduce traffic conflicts between motorized and non-motorized boaters and improve the user experience.

The project budget is as follows:

Cleveland Metroparks (50%)	\$125,000
<u>Coastal Management Assistance Grant (50%)</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>
Total Project:	\$250,000

No. 25-01-009:

It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to approve the adoption of the resolution to authorize the submittal of a grant application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for ±\$125,000 through the Coastal Management Assistance Grant Program as described above; upon grant award notification, to authorize and agree to obligate the required matching funds of ±\$125,000 as described above and all funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed projects and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms and conditions of the Program; further, that the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into agreement and execute any other documents as may be required to accept the grant upon award; form of document(s) to be approved by Chief Legal and Ethics Officer; and finally, that the Board authorize the resolution as referenced on page **102894**.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.
 Nays: None.

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(f) *Ohio Department of Development Brownfield Remediation Program – Demolition and Remediation of the Grain Craft Property – Authorization to Submit Grant Application and Commit Funds*

(Originating Sources: Natalie Ronayne, Chief Development Officer/Rosalina M. Fini, Chief Legal & Ethics Officer/Kyle G. Baker, Director of Real Estate & Senior Legal Counsel/Kristen Trolio, Director of Grants)

On August 17, 2023, pursuant to Board Resolution No. 23-08-130, the Board authorized the purchase of the ±3.3-acre Grain Craft Property (“Grain Craft Property”), which is located north of French Street and both east and west of Fall Street, with close proximity to Canal Basin Park and Heritage Park I, and with parcels directly adjacent to property owned by Cleveland Metroparks (reference map, page **102895**). The Grain Craft Property contains a 6,030 square foot mill building, a 1,075 square foot storage shed, and a series of 22 grain silos.

The Brownfield Remediation Program (“Program”) administered by the Ohio Department of Development provides funds for assessment and remediation of brownfield sites, including building demolition. The Cuyahoga County Land Bank is Cuyahoga County’s designated agency to receive and prioritize applications from local entities for subsequent submittal to the Ohio Department of Development. Cleveland Metroparks has applied to the Cuyahoga County Landbank for funds to remediate portions of the Grain Craft Property that have been impacted by past operations.

A portion of the Grain Craft Property will be remediated in accordance with the Program. Funds are also requested through the Program for administrative fees to ensure Voluntary Action Plan (“VAP”) compliance, a Covenant Not to Sue (“CNS”), and to file a No Further Action (“NFA”) notice, all of which are requirements of the Program. The proposed funding is as follows:

Ohio Department of Development	\$2,215,335
Cleveland Metroparks	\$1,804,492*
TOTAL	\$4,019,827

*A portion of Cleveland Metroparks required match includes fee title acquisition costs and costs for Phase I and II Environmental Site Assessments that have already been incurred towards the project during the acquisition of the Grain Craft Property.

No. 25-01-010: It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to approve the adoption of the resolution to authorize the submittal of a grant application to the Ohio Department of Development via the Cuyahoga County Land Bank for ±\$2,215,335 for remediation of the Grain Craft Property through the Brownfield Remediation Program as described above; upon grant award notification, to authorize and agree to obligate the required matching funds of ±\$1,804,492 as described above and all funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed projects and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms and conditions of the Program; further, that the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into agreement and execute

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any other documents as may be required to accept the grant upon award; form of document(s) to be approved by Chief Legal and Ethics Officer; and finally, that the Board authorize the resolution as referenced on page **102896**.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

AWARD OF BIDS/RFPS/CO-OPS/SINGLE SOURCES.

No. 25-01-011: It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to authorize the following awards:

- (a) **Commodities Usage Report:**
 - **Sourcewell Co-Op ORC 125.04 #6738:**
Portable Toilet Rentals (see page **102873**);
- (b) **Single Source #6912:** 2025 Marine Fuel (see page **102874**);
- (c) **Ohio Co-Op #6915:** Two (2) New 2024 Police Chevrolet Tahoes (see page **102875**); and,
- (d) **Single Source #6916:** Lakefront Building: The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Enbridge Gas Ohio (“Enbridge”) Main Line Extension (see page **102876**).

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

AWARD OF BIDS/RFPS/CO-OPS/SINGLE SOURCES (cont.)

SINGLE SOURCE #6912 SUMMARY: 2025 MARINE FUEL for resale at East 55th, Emerald Necklace, and Wildwood Marinas

HIGHLIGHTS AT A GLANCE
2024 Expenditure - \$328,395.64
2025 Estimate - \$500,000.00

Background

Since 2014, Cleveland Metroparks has purchased marine fuel for resale (87 Conventional without lead or ethanol) for East 55th Marina from Great Lakes Petroleum; Cleveland Metroparks added that service at Emerald Necklace Marina in 2016 and Wildwood Marina in 2020.

Great Lakes Petroleum provides a high-quality additive called ValvTect, which is an industry leader in fuel additives for marine engines. Boaters recognize that utilization of ValvTect products prevents ethanol/gasoline related problems by keeping moisture in suspension and preventing bacteria and other microbiological growth. This, in turn, improves engine performance, reduces fuel consumption, and minimizes harmful exhaust emissions.

Research by Cleveland Metroparks staff found an overwhelming majority of Great Lakes boaters prefer to purchase and utilize fuel with the ValvTect additives to keep their engines sound and free from failure. ValvTect’s strict regulations for its product cause limited access to suppliers to be sure that those it authorizes can maintain its standards.

ValvTect can only be sold by Certified ValvTect Marine Fuel Distributors that meet strict quality control specifications when adding this product to 87 Conventional Fuel without lead or ethanol. There are several fuel distributors in Ohio; however, Great Lakes Petroleum is the only distributor in the City of Cleveland that holds the ValvTect certification. Cleveland Metroparks will follow the pricing set by OPIS (Oil Price Information Service), which is the oil industry index used to verify base prices submitted by suppliers and will hold the additive cost per gallon at ±\$0.04.

Cleveland Metroparks staff recommend continuing the purchase and supply of marine fuel with the ValvTect additive from Great Lakes Petroleum.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board authorize the purchase of marine fuel (87 Conventional Fuel without lead and ethanol that has been treated with ValvTect marine-additive products) as per Single Source #6912, as noted in the summary above, to be supplied on an as needed basis for the 2025 boating season, from certified distributor **Great Lakes Petroleum**, for a **total cost not to exceed \$500,000**, for dispensation/resale at the East 55th, Emerald Necklace, and Wildwood Marinas. In the event the log of consumption approaches 90 percent and is likely to surpass 100 percent of the estimate during the approved time period, an action item will be presented to the Board requesting an estimated increase.

(See Approval of this Item by Resolution No. 25-01-011 on Page 102872)

AWARD OF BIDS/RFPS/CO-OPS/SINGLE SOURCES (cont.)

OHIO CO-OP #6915 SUMMARY: TWO (2) NEW 2024 POLICE CHEVROLET TAHOES for Police

ITEM	Two (2) New 2024 Police Chevrolet Tahoes for Police
Description	The Tahoes will be equipped with 5.3L V8 gasoline engine, ten (10) speed auto transmission, 4x4, white exterior color, power doors and locks; Police equipment installed with seven (7) year unlimited mile warranty, as per quote and in full cooperation with Ohio Cooperative Contract #RSI024953.
New unit base cost-plus accessories, includes delivery and tags.	\$73,627 each
Unit replaced	EO0417 – 2017 Ford Explorer Police with 190,000 miles EO0517 – 2017 Ford Explorer Police with 214,000 miles
TOTAL (x2)	\$147,254

The replaced units will go to online auction or replace units of lesser value that will go to online auction.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board approve the purchase of two (2) new 2024 Police Chevrolet Tahoes as per Ohio Co-Op #6915, equipped as specified in the above summary, from **Tim Lally Chevrolet**, for a total cost of **\$147,254**, in full utilization of the Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Program, Contract Number RSI024953.

(See Approval of this Item by Resolution No. 25-01-011 on Page 102872)

AWARD OF BIDS/RFPS/CO-OPS/SINGLE SOURCES (cont.)**SINGLE SOURCE #6916 SUMMARY: LAKEFRONT BUILDING: THE EAST OHIO GAS COMPANY D/B/A ENBRIDGE GAS OHIO (“ENBRIDGE”) MAIN LINE EXTENSION**

(Originating Sources: Sean McDermott, Chief Planning & Design Officer/Seth Keller, Project Manager)

Background

On September 27, 2022, Cleveland Metroparks entered into a contract with Osborn Engineering (“Osborn”) pursuant to RFQu #6665 for professional design services for the Lakefront Building (“Project”). Osborn was selected as the top-ranked firm to perform professional engineering services for the Project and a contract was authorized by the board on July 21, 2022 (Board Resolution No. 22-07-104) in the amount of \$114,700.00 for the schematic design phase.

On April 25, 2024, Cleveland Metroparks authorized Amendment No. 1 to the contract with Osborn Engineering for additional professional design services for the Project. Osborn was tasked with finalization of construction documents for civil, structural, mechanical, plumbing, technology, fire protection, and kitchen design for the new buildings in the form of construction drawings and specifications.

As design progressed, it was known that the gas service to the Project would be the preferred option for operations of the heating system as well as the kitchen equipment versus using electricity due to its efficiency and long-term feasibility. In October of 2024 the Project design team met with The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Enbridge Gas Ohio (“Enbridge”) to discuss extending the existing gas main line on North Marginal to bring gas to the Project site and service the E. 55th Marina. In addition, the Project design team believed it would be in the best interest of Cleveland Metroparks to extend the gas service for potential capacity for the future Cleveland Harbor Eastern Embayment Resiliency Strategy (“CHEERS”) Project.

In order for Enbridge to begin design and engineering of the gas line extension, Cleveland Metroparks has been requested to pay upfront a partial share of Enbridge’s estimated cost. These costs shall be credited back to Cleveland Metroparks when the gas main extension proceeds to construction. The Project team will plan to return to the Board for the request of additional funds for construction of the gas main line extension which will also be performed by Enbridge.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board authorize Cleveland Metroparks to issue payment to **The East Ohio Gas Company d/b/a Enbridge Gas Ohio** per Single Source #6916 for the design and engineering fee as described above, to authorize and agree to obligate these funds in the sum of \$76,401.33; and further, that the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement and execute any other documents as may be required to effectuate the above; form of document(s) to be approved by Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

(See Approval of this Item by Resolution No. 25-01-011 on Page 102872)

GOODS AND SERVICES (\$25,000 - \$75,000) ACQUIRED
SINCE LAST BOARD MEETING (Presented 1/16/25)

Pursuant to Cleveland Metroparks By-Laws, Article 5 (Procurement), Section 5(a), “The CEO is authorized to enter into contracts and contract amendments for construction, change orders, and to purchase equipment, goods and services, and real estate, without prior approval of the Board in each instance, if the cost of the contract or contract amendment, for any single project, or the amount of the purchase, does not exceed \$75,000. Any contracts where the cost exceeds \$25,000 or any purchase where the amount exceeds \$25,000, and approved by the CEO, shall be reported to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting following the execution of said contract or said purchase,” the following is provided:

<u>REF. NO. / ITEM – SERVICE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>PROCEDURE</u>
Professional services for interior renovations to remove existing flooring and installation of new flooring at Sleepy Hollow Golf Course Clubhouse at Brecksville Reservation.	D & R Carpet Service, Inc.	\$27,946.52	(2)
Professional services for emergency mooring repairs to Barge 225 at Euclid Creek Reservation.	Huffman Equipment Rental, Inc.	\$35,000.00	(3)
Scholars program for a two (2) year period beginning September 1, 2024 through September 30, 2026 for HR.	Cuyahoga Community College	\$75,000.00	(3)
Professional services to install a transformer for PC&A building chiller project at the Zoo.	Sunbelt Transformer	\$31,200.00	(7)
Various iPhones, iPad, etc. for purchase beginning January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; additional equipment.	Verizon Wireless	\$25,000.00	(2)
		<u>50,000.00</u>	
		\$75,000.00	
2025 institutional membership for Zoo animal collection database.	Species 360	\$25,002.71	(3)
LinkedIn for recruitment and job postings for a three (3) year period beginning January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027.	LinkedIn Corporation	\$43,423.80	(2)

GOODS AND SERVICES (\$25,000 - \$75,000) ACQUIRED (cont.)

<u>REF. NO. / ITEM – SERVICE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>PROCEDURE</u>
Repair parts for Edgewater Beach Cherrington beach cleaner at Lakefront Reservation.	Kassbohrer All Terrain	\$28,162.89	(3)
2025 UPS shipping charges for various locations.	UPS Stores	\$75,000.00	(2)
2025 fuel infrastructure, maintenance inspection, and installations for various locations.	Collins Equipment Corp.	\$75,000.00	(2)
2025 Caterpillar equipment rental and purchases for various locations.	Ohio Cat	\$75,000.00	(2)
2025-2026 copier maintenance agreement (cost-per-copy program) for various Xerox copiers throughout the Park District.	ComDoc, Inc.	\$75,000.00	(2)
2025-2026 printer maintenance agreement (cost-per-copy program) for various Xerox copiers throughout the Park District.	ComDoc, Inc.	\$50,000.00	(2)
NextRequest public records management standard subscription for a one (1) year period beginning January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 with the option to renew annually.	CivicPlus, Inc.	\$75,000.00	(7)
Data collection services including reporting and analysis for a one (1) year period beginning December 25, 2024 through December 24, 2025 for ITS.	Placer Labs Inc.	\$36,750.00	(3)

GOODS AND SERVICES (\$25,000 - \$75,000) ACQUIRED (cont.)

<u>REF. NO. / ITEM – SERVICE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>PROCEDURE</u>
Deer processing for 2025/2026 deer management program for a one (1) year period beginning January 6, 2025 through January 6, 2026.	Duma Deer Processing, LLC	\$48,600.00	(7)
Professional services for the removal and installation of a steam heating coil for the PC&A animal area air handler at the Zoo.	Carrier Corp – Commercial	\$47,000.00	(2)
Three (3) 100-gallon Cyclone industrial hot water tanks and accessories for the Zoo Hospital.	Lakeside Supply Co.	\$25,722.05	(7)
Program service and support fees for health/safety certifications for a 27-month period beginning January 1, 2025 through March 25, 2027.	American Red Cross Health & Safety Services	\$50,000.00	(3)

===== **KEY TO TERMS** =====

- (1) "**BID**" – Formal bid invitations sent and advertised in *The Plain Dealer* 15 days preceding the bid opening.
- (2) "**COOPERATIVE**" – Purchased through cooperative purchasing programs i.e. – State of Ohio, OMNIA, etc.
- (3) "**SINGLE SOURCE**" – Purchased from one source as competitive alternatives are not available.
- (4) "**PROPRIETARY**" – Products purchased for resale directly from the brand’s manufacturer.
- (5) "**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**" – Services of an accountant, architect, attorney at law, physician, professional engineer, construction project manager, consultant, manager, surveyor or appraiser as outlined under Article 5, Sections 1-4 of the Board By-Laws and defined by ORC 307.86.
- (6) "**COMPETITIVE QUOTE (over \$5,000 up to \$25,000)**" – Originally estimated \$25,000 or less, quoted by three vendors.
- (7) "**COMPETITIVE QUOTE (over \$25,000 to \$75,000)**" – Chosen through the accumulation of three written quotes.

**CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDERS OR AMENDMENTS TO
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS (1/16/25)**

Pursuant to Cleveland Metroparks By-Laws, Article 5 (Procurement), Section 5(b) and (c), “...the CEO is not authorized to enter into any change orders to construction contracts, without prior approval of the Board in each instance, except that the CEO is authorized to enter into change orders to construction contracts, without prior approval of the Board in each instance, where the additional cost is less than THE LESSER OF: (i) \$75,000, or (ii) ten percent (10%) of the total cost of the contract at the time of the change order. Each change order by the CEO under this Article shall be reported to the Board at the next meeting of the Board following the execution of said change order. The aggregate value of all change orders authorized by the CEO shall not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the original contract value without prior approval of the Board. If the Board approves a revised contract value, then the aggregate value of all change orders issued after Board approval of the revised contract value shall not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the revised contract value without additional approval of the Board.”

I. “Amendment to Professional Service Contract. For professional service contracts greater than \$75,000, the CEO is not authorized to enter into any amendment to professional services or other special services agreement, without prior approval of the Board in each instance, except that the CEO is authorized to enter into amendments to professional services and other special services agreements for additional fees, without prior approval by the Board in each instance, where the additional fees for the agreement by the CEO pursuant to this Section, are less than THE LESSER OF: (i) \$75,000, or (ii) ten percent (10%) of the total cost of the agreement at the time of the amendment. Each amendment by the CEO under this Section shall be reported to the Board at the next meeting of the Board following the execution of said amendment. The aggregate value of all amendments authorized by the CEO shall not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the original contract value without prior approval of the Board. If the Board approves a revised contract value, then the aggregate value of all change orders issued after Board approval of the revised contract value shall not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the revised contract value without additional approval of the Board,” the following is provided:

<u>Contract</u>	<u>Item/Service</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Change Order or Amendment</u>
<u>Lakefront Parking Lots Green Infrastructure Improvements</u> <u>Contract Amount:</u> Original Amount: \$403,347.00 Change Order No. 1 Amount: \$27,506.07 Revised Contract Amount: \$430,853.07	Additional 163.7 cubic yards of biosoil backfill, trucking and excavation costs, and electric underground conduit relocation.	Platform Cement, Inc.	#1

AWARD OF BIDS/RFPs/CO-OPS/SINGLE SOURCES; GOODS AND SERVICES (\$25,000 - \$75,000) ACQUIRED; CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDERS.

The following were presented to the Board for award/acknowledgment: bid/RFP/co-op/single source tabulations, as shown on pages 102872 through 102876; \$25,000 to \$75,000 purchased items/services report, pages 102877 through 102879; and construction change orders, page 102880.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL.

No. 25-01-001: It was moved by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, to approve vouchers, net payroll, employee withholding taxes, and procurement card charges, as identified on pages 102904 to 103009.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.

Nays: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Public comments were offered by Marty Leshner of Olmsted Township and Tom Yablonsky of Cleveland. All such comments can be heard in their entirety by accessing the "About" section of Cleveland Metroparks website at <https://www.clevelandmetroparks.com/about/cleveland-metroparks-organization/boards-of-park-commissioners/board-meeting-archives>.

INFORMATION/BRIEFING ITEMS/POLICY.

- (a) ***Patrick S. Parker Community Sailing Center – Lakefront Reservation***
(Originating Source: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer)

The Patrick S. Parker Community Sailing Center, to be built at Cleveland Metroparks E. 55th Street Marina in the city of Cleveland, will be the first of its kind along Lake Erie in Ohio, providing unprecedented public access and free and low-cost sailing opportunities to the community in a state-of-the-art facility.

The facility will feature multi-purpose learning spaces, indoor and outdoor community areas, concessions and dining, a roof deck, overlook tower, and a separate boathouse that will serve as the sailing hub. Employing universal design principles, the Sailing Center will be fully accessible, from adaptive equipment to wheelchair-accessible facilities, going beyond ADA compliance to create an environment where every individual can thrive.

Staff will provide an update on the development of the Patrick S. Parker Community Sailing Center as the project is approaching a spring 2025 groundbreaking.

- (b) ***2024 Outdoor Experiences Division Highlights***
(Originating Sources: Joseph V. Roszak, Chief Operating Officer/Mary A. Rouse, Director of Outdoor Experiences)

In 2024, the Outdoor Experiences Division of Cleveland Metroparks achieved significant growth and innovation. Key highlights include the expansion of camp programs and scholarships, the opening of the Garfield Park Nature Preschool, enhanced community outreach bolstered by the award of federal grants, and new program series for diverse audiences. Additionally, upgrades to facilities and exhibits at several nature centers and new adaptive recreation and education equipment were funded by grants and donors.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was scheduled by the Board for Thursday, February 20, 2025, 8:00 a.m. at the Board's office, 4101 Fulton Parkway, Cleveland, Ohio.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

No. 25-01-012: At 9:08 a.m., upon motion by Vice President Moore, seconded by Vice President Rinker and carried, the meeting adjourned to an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the Purchase/Acquisition of Real Property, as stated by Chief Legal and Ethics Officer, Rose Fini.

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ittu.
Aye: Mr. Rinker.
Aye: Mr. Moore.
Nays: None.

No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT.

No. 25-01-013: There being no further matters to come before the Board, upon motion by Vice President Rinker, seconded by President Ittu, and carried, President Ittu adjourned the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu, Messrs. Moore and Rinker.
Nays: None.

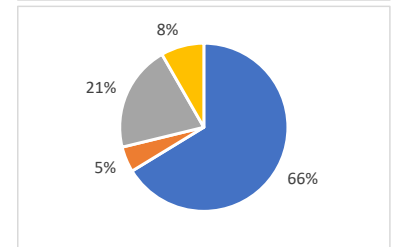
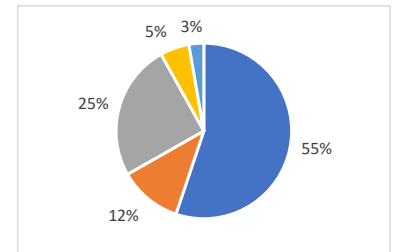
Attest:

President.

Secretary.

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 CM Park District

	Actual December '23	Actual December '24	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD December '23	Actual YTD December '24	Fav (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Property Tax	0	0	0	97,514,599	98,234,238	719,639
Local Gov/Grants/Gifts	2,368,809	4,189,020	1,820,211	26,443,508	20,715,806	(5,727,702)
Charges for Services	2,108,093	1,981,193	(126,900)	39,379,495	44,761,904	5,382,409
Self-Funded	803,958	835,207	31,249	8,446,424	9,542,283	1,095,859
Interest, Fines, Other	<u>772,522</u>	<u>320,855</u>	<u>(451,667)</u>	<u>5,235,003</u>	<u>4,865,818</u>	<u>(369,185)</u>
Total Revenue	6,053,382	7,326,275	1,272,893	177,019,029	178,120,049	1,101,020
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	6,748,275	6,867,075	(118,800)	78,345,398	85,711,604	(7,366,206)
Contractual Services	353,023	313,109	39,914	6,379,221	6,358,186	21,035
Operations	2,239,772	1,940,470	299,302	24,140,828	26,511,195	(2,370,367)
Self-Funded Exp	<u>1,503,042</u>	<u>1,122,242</u>	<u>380,800</u>	<u>10,274,663</u>	<u>10,736,314</u>	<u>(461,651)</u>
Total OpEx	10,844,112	10,242,896	601,216	119,140,110	129,317,299	(10,177,189)
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	(4,790,730)	(2,916,621)	1,874,109	57,878,919	48,802,750	(9,076,169)
CapEx:						
Capital Labor	59,109	130,739	(71,630)	822,431	1,144,224	(321,793)
Construction Expenses	3,583,498	1,738,745	1,844,753	35,083,391	35,025,420	57,971
Capital Equipment	342,023	129,748	212,275	6,596,962	7,766,690	(1,169,728)
Land Acquisition	5,380,237	438,113	4,942,124	9,540,591	6,163,112	3,377,479
Capital Animal Costs	<u>8,577</u>	<u>2,222</u>	<u>6,355</u>	<u>28,019</u>	<u>34,906</u>	<u>(6,887)</u>
Total CapEx	9,373,444	2,439,567	6,933,877	52,071,394	50,134,352	1,937,042
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(14,164,174)	(5,356,188)	8,807,986	5,807,525	(1,331,602)	(7,139,127)



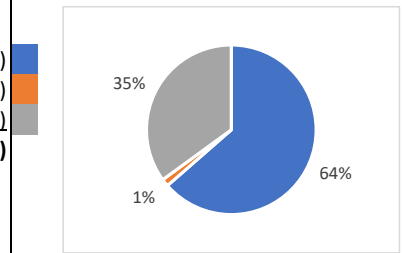
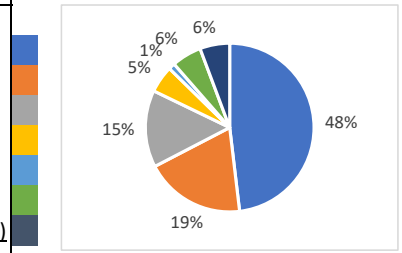
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	Actual December '23	Actual December '24	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD December '23	Actual YTD December '24	Fav (Unfav)
Revenue:						
General/SE Admissions	739,978	826,344	86,366	7,769,622	8,760,228	990,606
Guest Experience	39,173	4,726	(34,447)	1,043,894	1,054,451	10,557
Zoo Society	0	0	0	2,948,090	3,110,197	162,107
Souvenirs/Refreshments	117,807	84,486	(33,321)	2,869,600	3,089,895	220,295
Education	2,755	496	(2,259)	330,811	357,575	26,764
Rentals & Events	4,250	6,500	2,250	676,766	590,607	(86,159)
Consignment	0	0	0	40,158	48,568	8,410
Other	<u>9,892</u>	<u>10,595</u>	<u>703</u>	<u>12,770</u>	<u>(120,613)</u>	<u>(133,383)</u>
Total Revenue	913,855	933,147	19,292	15,691,711	16,890,908	1,199,197
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	1,403,853	1,420,543	(16,690)	17,104,489	18,065,107	(960,618)
Contractual Services	3,839	21,124	(17,285)	237,663	228,918	8,745
Operations	<u>596,114</u>	<u>448,896</u>	<u>147,218</u>	<u>5,445,636</u>	<u>5,889,230</u>	<u>(443,594)</u>
Total OpEx	2,003,806	1,890,563	113,243	22,787,788	24,183,255	(1,395,467)
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	(1,089,951)	(957,416)	132,535	(7,096,077)	(7,292,347)	(196,270)
CapEx:						
Capital Labor	0	0	0	26,792	8,365	18,427
Construction Expenses	180,758	(3,148,316)	3,329,074	8,374,512	1,112,022	7,262,490
Capital Equipment	0	0	0	230,803	830,196	(599,393)
Capital Animal Costs	<u>8,577</u>	<u>2,222</u>	<u>6,355</u>	<u>28,019</u>	<u>34,906</u>	<u>(6,887)</u>
Total CapEx	189,335	(3,146,094)	3,335,429	8,660,126	1,985,489	6,674,637
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(1,279,286)	2,188,678	3,467,964	(15,756,203)	(9,277,836)	6,478,367
Restricted Revenue-Other	119,655	232,143	112,488	4,344,286	7,217,018	2,872,732
Restricted Revenue-Zipline	46,403	28,657	(17,746)	528,110	485,569	(42,541)
Restricted Expenses	<u>841,076</u>	<u>3,646,016</u>	<u>(2,804,940)</u>	<u>7,070,761</u>	<u>5,641,987</u>	<u>1,428,774</u>
Restricted Surplus/(Subsidy)	(675,018)	(3,385,216)	(2,710,198)	(2,198,365)	2,060,600	4,258,965



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	Actual December '23	Actual December '24	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD December '23	Actual YTD December '24	Fav (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Greens Fees	85,889	53,313	(32,576)	6,179,894	7,117,530	937,636
Equipment Rentals	32,160	16,077	(16,083)	2,356,088	2,849,005	492,917
Food Service	15,697	44,425	28,728	1,415,062	2,186,830	771,768
Merchandise Sales	18,164	17,384	(780)	572,530	764,596	192,066
Pro Services	830	0	(830)	171,523	182,320	10,797
Driving Range	11,423	7,635	(3,788)	765,784	846,911	81,127
Other	<u>70,337</u>	<u>51,194</u>	<u>(19,143)</u>	<u>906,591</u>	<u>844,400</u>	<u>(62,191)</u>
Total Revenue	234,500	190,028	(44,472)	12,367,472	14,791,592	2,424,120
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	425,846	417,536	8,310	5,900,940	7,042,449	(1,141,509)
Contractual Services	8,593	19,181	(10,588)	83,064	156,881	(73,817)
Operations	<u>366,945</u>	<u>155,084</u>	<u>211,861</u>	<u>3,290,979</u>	<u>3,879,248</u>	<u>(588,269)</u>
Total OpEx	801,384	591,801	209,583	9,274,983	11,078,578	(1,803,595)
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	(566,884)	(401,773)	165,111	3,092,489	3,713,014	620,525
CapEx:						
Capital Labor	13,579	51,273	(37,694)	176,506	320,794	(144,288)
Construction Expenses	312,507	29,972	282,535	4,297,311	2,869,420	1,427,891
Capital Equipment	<u>0</u>	<u>38,907</u>	<u>(38,907)</u>	<u>579,212</u>	<u>1,764,754</u>	<u>(1,185,542)</u>
Total CapEx	326,086	120,152	205,934	5,053,029	4,954,968	98,061
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(892,970)	(521,925)	371,045	(1,960,540)	(1,241,954)	718,586

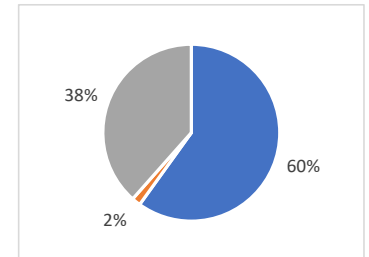
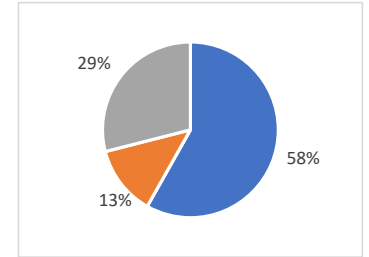


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12/31/2024
Golf Detail

	Big Met (18)		Little Met (9)		Mastick Woods (9)		Manakiki (18)		Sleepy Hollow (18)		Total	
	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24
Operating Revenue	1,953,450	2,242,772	635,951	751,194	440,079	500,497	1,740,854	1,845,067	2,571,129	2,855,207	12,367,472	14,791,594
Operating Expenses	<u>1,514,816</u>	<u>1,643,648</u>	<u>359,001</u>	<u>415,425</u>	<u>369,660</u>	<u>426,761</u>	<u>1,213,473</u>	<u>1,209,749</u>	<u>1,757,641</u>	<u>2,044,355</u>	<u>9,274,982</u>	<u>11,078,579</u>
Operating Surplus/(Subsidy)	438,634	599,124	276,950	335,769	70,419	73,736	527,381	635,318	813,488	810,852	3,092,490	3,713,015
Capital Labor	0	0	0	1,474	0	0	21,748	231,641	50,104	13,287	176,507	320,795
Construction Expenses	0	0	0	12,402	0	0	3,878,143	1,411,106	157,691	29,966	4,297,310	2,869,420
Capital Equipment	<u>44,074</u>	<u>37,725</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>49,151</u>	<u>891,030</u>	<u>49,151</u>	<u>166,656</u>	<u>436,117</u>	<u>1,764,754</u>
Total Capital Expenditures	44,074	37,725	0	13,876	0	0	3,949,042	2,533,777	256,946	209,909	5,053,030	4,954,969
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	394,560	561,399	276,950	321,893	70,419	73,736	(3,421,661)	(1,898,459)	556,542	600,943	(1,960,540)	(1,241,954)
	Shawnee Hills (27)		Washington Park (9)		Seneca (36)		Ironwood		Golf Admin		Total	
	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24
Operating Revenue	1,658,717	1,798,550	809,635	898,810	2,530,547	2,537,955	27,110	1,361,542	0	0	12,367,472	14,791,594
Operating Expenses	<u>1,105,943</u>	<u>1,232,182</u>	<u>579,244</u>	<u>658,221</u>	<u>1,386,279</u>	<u>1,542,708</u>	<u>75,563</u>	<u>1,011,830</u>	<u>913,362</u>	<u>893,700</u>	<u>9,274,982</u>	<u>11,078,579</u>
Operating Surplus/(Subsidy)	552,774	566,368	230,391	240,589	1,144,268	995,247	(48,453)	349,712	(913,362)	(893,700)	3,092,490	3,713,015
Capital Labor	24,376	17,513	28,028	0	52,251	42,746	0	9,911	0	4,223	176,507	320,795
Construction Expenses	41,840	534,855	14,331	0	156,938	828,585	0	19,645	48,367	32,861	4,297,310	2,869,420
Capital Equipment	<u>720</u>	<u>217,227</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>88,084</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>101,746</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>34,886</u>	<u>436,117</u>	<u>227,400</u>	<u>579,213</u>	<u>1,764,754</u>
Total Capital Expenditures	66,936	769,595	42,359	88,084	209,189	973,077	0	64,442	484,484	264,484	5,053,030	4,954,969
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	485,838	(203,227)	188,032	152,505	935,079	22,170	(48,453)	285,270	(1,397,846)	(1,158,184)	(1,960,540)	(1,241,954)

**Cleveland Metroparks
Financial Performance
12/31/2024
Enterprise Summary**

	Actual December '23	Actual December '24	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD December '23	Actual YTD December '24	Fav (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Concessions	228,556	179,424	(49,132)	3,994,402	4,205,226	210,824
Dock Rentals	65,960	63,200	(2,760)	768,727	928,306	159,579
Other*	<u>271,243</u>	<u>233,133</u>	<u>(38,110)</u>	<u>2,073,242</u>	<u>2,094,519</u>	<u>21,277</u>
Total Revenue	565,759	475,757	(90,002)	6,836,371	7,228,051	391,680
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	282,474	241,659	40,815	3,901,433	4,118,175	(216,742)
Contractual Services	3,012	3,555	(543)	98,684	110,514	(11,830)
Operations	<u>107,508</u>	<u>92,193</u>	<u>15,315</u>	<u>2,405,562</u>	<u>2,642,780</u>	<u>(237,218)</u>
Total OpEx	392,994	337,407	55,587	6,405,679	6,871,469	(465,790)
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	172,765	138,350	(34,415)	430,692	356,582	(74,110)
CapEx:						
Capital Labor	0	0	0	17,019	7,504	9,515
Construction Expenses	195	1,727	(1,532)	13,341	33,811	(20,470)
Capital Equipment	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12,241</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12,241</u>
Total CapEx	195	1,727	(1,532)	42,601	41,315	1,286
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	172,570	136,623	(35,947)	388,091	315,267	(72,824)



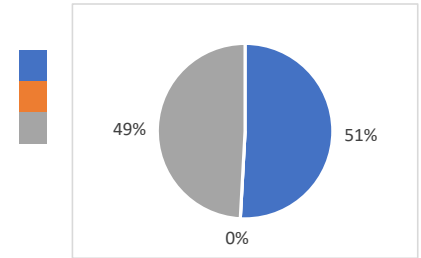
*Other includes Chalet fees, parking, hayrides, aquatics, gift cards, misc.

Cleveland Metroparks
 Financial Performance
 12/31/2024
 Enterprise Detail

	Merwin's Wharf		EW Beach House		E55th Marina		E55th Restaurant		Wildwood		Euclid Beach		EmerNeck Marina		EmerNeck Restaurant		Edgewater Pier		Wallace Lake		Hinckley Lake		Huntington		Boat Dock		Chalet		Ledge Lake		Parking		Enterprise Admin		Total	
	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24	YTD December '23	YTD December '24		
Operating Revenue	2,515,228	2,364,115	465,864	486,668	928,171	1,096,050	552,840	591,066	25,826	12,418	2,670	2,231	425,892	455,144	342,808	481,055	30,180	43,518	34,761	24,684	19,549	0	381,871	590,294	1,916	2,518	488,796	482,816	139,513	174,779	480,486	420,695	0	0	6,836,371	7,228,051
Operating Expenses	<u>2,246,388</u>	<u>2,137,542</u>	<u>365,270</u>	<u>374,133</u>	<u>449,076</u>	<u>488,501</u>	<u>517,997</u>	<u>464,175</u>	<u>40,941</u>	<u>34,758</u>	<u>7,164</u>	<u>7,491</u>	<u>304,431</u>	<u>344,933</u>	<u>346,968</u>	<u>463,983</u>	<u>31,085</u>	<u>45,315</u>	<u>44,176</u>	<u>38,930</u>	<u>21,690</u>	<u>320</u>	<u>289,929</u>	<u>435,657</u>	<u>2,369</u>	<u>2,142</u>	<u>348,046</u>	<u>392,916</u>	<u>150,405</u>	<u>152,791</u>	<u>21,818</u>	<u>23,793</u>	<u>1,217,926</u>	<u>1,464,088</u>	<u>6,405,679</u>	<u>6,871,468</u>
Operating Surplus/(Subsidy)	268,840	226,573	100,594	112,535	479,095	607,549	34,843	126,891	(15,115)	(22,340)	(4,494)	(5,260)	121,461	110,211	(4,160)	17,072	(905)	(1,797)	(9,415)	(14,246)	(2,141)	(320)	91,942	154,637	(453)	376	140,750	89,900	(10,892)	21,988	458,668	396,902	(1,217,926)	(1,464,088)	430,692	356,583
Capital Labor	0	3,764	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Construction Expenses	6,927	21,891	0	0	1,771	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Capital Equipment	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Capital Expenditures	6,927	25,655	0	0	1,771	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	261,913	200,918	100,594	112,535	477,324	607,549	34,843	126,891	(15,115)	(22,340)	(4,494)	(5,260)	121,461	110,211	(4,160)	17,072	(905)	(1,797)	(9,415)	(14,246)	(2,141)	(320)	91,942	154,637	(453)	376	140,750	89,900	(10,892)	21,988	458,668	396,902	(1,251,829)	(1,479,749)	388,091	315,267

Cleveland Metroparks
 Financial Performance
 12/31/2024
 Nature Shops and Kiosks

	Actual December '23	Actual December '24	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD December '23	Actual YTD December '24	Fav (Unfav)
Retail Revenue	112,558	122,486	9,928	760,130	688,799	(71,331)
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	27,907	30,313	(2,406)	401,325	368,460	32,865
Contractual Services	2,081	0	2,081	28,239	0	28,239
Operations	<u>28,922</u>	<u>33,249</u>	<u>(4,327)</u>	<u>320,031</u>	<u>355,898</u>	<u>(35,867)</u>
Total OpEx	58,910	63,562	(4,652)	749,595	724,358	25,237
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	53,648	58,924	5,276	10,535	(35,559)	(46,094)
CapEx:						
Capital Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Equipment	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>21,554</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>21,554</u>
Total CapEx	0	0	0	21,554	0	21,554
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	53,648	58,924	5,276	(11,019)	(35,559)	(24,540)



**CLEVELAND METROPARKS
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND INVESTMENTS SCHEDULES
FOR THE MONTH ENDED DECEMBER 2024**

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Current	Past Due				Total
	1-30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	Over 90 Days	
\$541,030	\$40,005	\$16,923	\$15,834	\$465,113	\$1,078,904

Date Placed	Bank	Description	Days of Duration	Rate	Date of Maturity	Interest Earned	EOM Balance
12/01/24	Fifth Third Securities	Money Market (A)	29	9.28%	12/30/24	27.50	\$3,692
12/01/24	Key Bank Capital Markets	Portfolio (B)	29	5.160% (D)	12/30/24	138,048.72	\$33,278,503
12/01/24	STAR Ohio	State pool (C)	29	4.88%	12/30/24	165,593.24	\$38,150,273

(A) Federated Government Money Market Account

Investment balance ranged from \$3,665 TO \$3,692 in December 2024.

(B) KBCM - Net Change in Portfolio \$1,609. Ending Account Value \$34,145,486.

Investment balance ranged from \$33,140,454 to \$33,278,503 in December 2024.

(C) State Treasurer's Asset Reserve (STAR Ohio)

Investment balance ranged from \$45,984,680 to \$38,150,273 in December 2024.

(D) The calculated rate includes any realized appreciation on bonds that matured during the period.

Source: Wade Steen, Chief Finance Officer
01/03/25

**CLEVELAND METROPARKS
Appropriation Summary - 2024**

Object Code	Object Description	Original Budget			Total Prior Budget Amendments	Proposed Amendment #13 1/16/2025	Total
		Baseline Budget	Carry Over Encumbrances	Total			
OPERATING							
51	Salaries	\$ 70,457,162	\$ 3,669	\$ 70,460,831	\$ 677,612	\$ -	\$ 71,138,443
52	Employee Fringe Benefits	21,396,109	543,837	21,939,946	234,150	(131,614) A	22,042,481
53	Contractual Services	17,161,050	2,919,032	20,080,082	307,319	131,614 B	20,519,015
54	Operations	31,109,745	3,763,826	34,873,572	1,352,573	-	36,226,145
	Operating Subtotal	140,124,067	7,230,364	147,354,431	2,571,654	-	149,926,085
CAPITAL							
571	Capital Labor	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 269,270	\$ -	1,269,270
572	Capital Construction Expenses	27,875,059	13,556,329	41,431,388	61,069,148	-	102,500,536
574	Capital Equipment	6,394,036	2,207,611	8,601,647	1,417,662	-	10,019,309
575	Zoo Animals	100,000	298	100,298	-	-	100,298
576	Land	2,500,000	110,632	2,610,632	3,927,068	-	6,537,700
	Capital Subtotal	37,869,095	15,874,871	53,743,966	66,683,148	-	120,427,114
TOTALS							
Grand totals		\$ 177,993,162	\$ 23,105,235	\$ 201,098,397	\$ 69,254,802	\$ -	\$ 270,353,199

CLEVELAND METROPARKS

Appropriations 2024 - Legend - Amendment #13

OPERATING

51 SALARIES

A \$ - Total increase (decrease) to Salaries

52 FRINGE BENEFITS

\$ (131,614) Transfer of appropriations from Unemployment Compensation to Contractual Services for Human Resources
Net budget effect is zero

B \$ (131,614) Total increase (decrease) to Fringe Benefits

53 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

\$ 131,614 Transfer of appropriations from Fringe Benefits to Hospital Claim for Human Resources
Net budget effect is zero

C \$ 131,614 Total increase (decrease) to Contractual Services

54 OPERATIONS

\$ - TOTAL INCREASE (DECREASE) TO OPERATIONS

CAPITAL

\$ - TOTAL INCREASE (DECREASE) TO CAPITAL

\$ - GRAND TOTAL - INCREASE (DECREASE) FOR AMENDMENT

**Resolution of Authorization
Coastal Management Assistance Grant
January 16, 2025**

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Office of Coastal Management, administers financial assistance through the federal Coastal Management Assistance Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, Cleveland Metroparks desires financial assistance under the Coastal Management Assistance Grant Program,

WHEREAS, Cleveland Metroparks desires to improve kayak access to the Lake Erie Water Trail at Scenic Park in Rocky River Reservation, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District:

That the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District approves filing this application for financial assistance.

That Brian M. Zimmerman is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.

That the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District does agree to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms of the Coastal Management Assistance Grant Program.

Yvette M. Ittu, President
Board of Park Commissioners

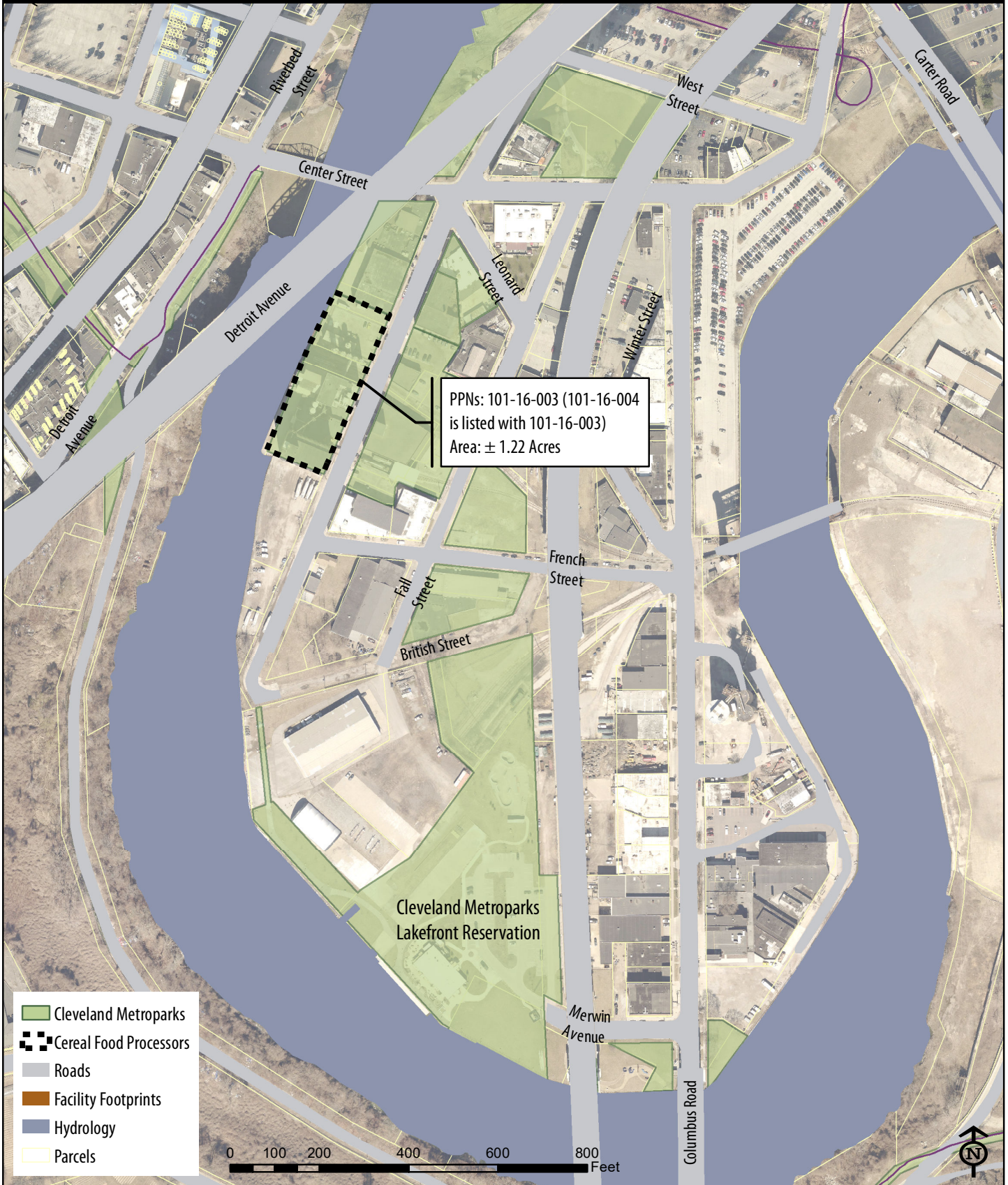
CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

I the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by Cleveland Metroparks on the 16th day of January 2025, and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate.

Brian M. Zimmerman
Chief Executive Officer

Lakefront Reservation

Cereal Food Processors Property - Cleveland



**Resolution of Authorization
Brownfield Remediation Program, Ohio Department of Development
January 16, 2025**

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Department of Development, administers financial assistance for remediation of brownfield sites through the Brownfield Remediation Program, and

WHEREAS, Cleveland Metroparks desires financial assistance provided under the Brownfield Remediation Program, and

WHEREAS, Cleveland Metroparks desires to demolish the existing structures on the Grain Craft Property and remediate portions of the property,

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District:

That the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District approves filing this application for financial assistance.

That Brian M. Zimmerman, Chief Executive Officer, is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Development via the Cuyahoga County Land Bank and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance and further, that Brian M. Zimmerman is authorized to enter into any agreements as necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance.

That the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District does agree to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms of the Brownfield Remediation Program.

Yvette M. Ittu, President
Board of Park Commissioners

CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by Cleveland Metroparks on the 16th day of January 2025, and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate.

Brian M. Zimmerman
Chief Executive Officer

THE PROBATE COURT
DIVISION OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO

PROBATE COURT
FILED
DEC - 9 2024
CUYAHOGA COUNTY, O.

IN RE: : Doc. 142 Case No. 89032
Board of Park Commissioners :
of the Cleveland Metroparks District :
: JUDGMENT ENTRY

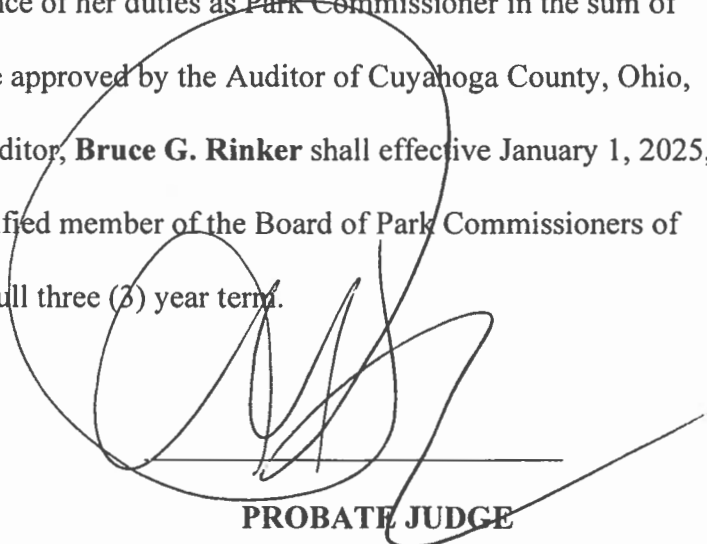
On this 9th day of December, 2024, the Court finds that, effective 1/1/25 a vacancy will exist on the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metroparks District, and the Court further finds that **BRUCE G. RINKER**, currently serving as a Board of Park Commissioner, is a person well qualified to continue to serve as a member of said Board. (See Resume attached as Exhibit-A).

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that, pursuant to the provisions of O.R.C. 1545.05, the Court hereby re-appoints **BRUCE G. RINKER** as a Member of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metroparks District for the term beginning January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2027.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that **BRUCE G. RINKER** shall give bond for the faithful performance of her duties as Park Commissioner in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), to be approved by the Auditor of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and that upon approval of the County Auditor, **Bruce G. Rinker** shall effective January 1, 2025, continue to be a duly appointed and qualified member of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metroparks District for a full three (3) year term.

DEC - 9 2024

DATE


PROBATE JUDGE

JUDGE ANTHONY J. RUSSO




Exhibit A

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BRUCE G. RINKER

My colleagues and I believe in quality. We strive to figure out what works and how best to achieve what is, at heart, a business decision. We are highly motivated and really enjoy our work together.

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Mr. Rinker is a shareholder of the firm and has extensive experience as a litigator and practitioner for cases involving eminent domain, planning and zoning, land use, permitting, and administrative review by local governmental agencies, boards, commissions and councils.

Bruce was a labor relations representative, state appellate court law clerk, Assistant County Prosecutor in the felony criminal division and has been a trial attorney for over 30 years.

He is licensed in Ohio and has been admitted to the Ohio and U.S. District Courts. Notable cases include:

Mentor Lagoons (park assemblage)

Euclid Corridor Widening

Speedway v. Berea Planning Commission, 2013-Ohio-3422 (8th Dist. 2013)

DiSanto v. Solon, 2008 Ohio 293, 8th Dist. Ct. of Appeals

South Park v. Avon City Council, 2006 Ohio 2846, 9th Dist. Ct. of Appeals

Visconsi v. Strongsville, 2004 Ohio 4908, 8th Dist. Ct. of Appeals

Mayfield Heights v. Shemo, 2002 96 Ohio St.3d 379

Bruce is also the Mayor of Mayfield Village, holding that office since 1993. He still finds free time to be an avid swimmer, duffer and music lover. He lives in Mayfield Village with his wife, Laura, where he enjoys dabbling in landscape architecture.

Practice Areas

■ Real Estate and Land Use

Education

B.A. from Hamilton College (1973)

J.D. from Case Western Reserve University School of Law (1976)

Involvement

Ohio State, Cleveland Metropolitan and American Bar Associations

Commissioner, Cleveland Metroparks

Member, American Planning Association

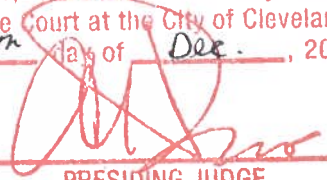
Member, Urban Land Institute

Member, The City Club


(FEB. 1, 1993 -
DEC. 31, 2015)



The State of Ohio, Cuyahoga County IN THE PROBATE
COURT I, Anthony J. Russo, Presiding Judge of the Probate
Court within and for the County of Cuyahoga, do hereby
certify this instrument is a true and correct copy, taken
from the Probate Court Records in this office, where the
same are required to be kept by law.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and
the seal of said Probate Court at the City of Cleveland, in
said County, this 9th day of Dec., 2024.

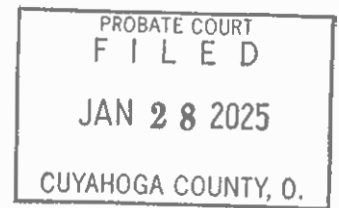


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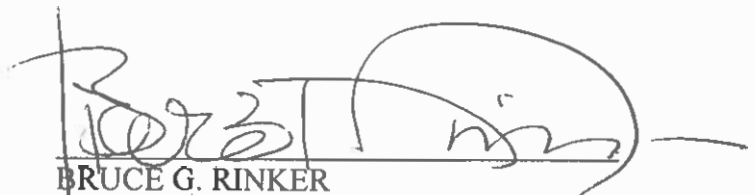
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**BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
OATH IN OFFICE**

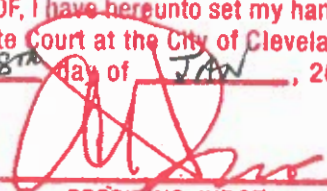
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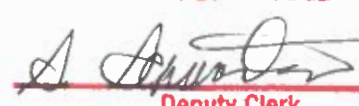
I, Bruce G. Rinker, do hereby swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America, and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and that I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge the duties as a member of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District.

This I promise to do as I shall answer unto God.



BRUCE G. RINKER
Date 1/16/2025

The State of Ohio, Cuyahoga County: IN THE PROBATE COURT I, Anthony J. Russo, Presiding Judge of the Probate Court within and for the County of Cuyahoga, do hereby certify this instrument is a true and correct copy, taken from the Probate Court Records in this office, where the same are required to be kept by law.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Probate Court at the City of Cleveland, in said County, this 28th day of JAN, 2025.


PRESIDING JUDGE


Deputy Clerk

1998MSC89032



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AMOUNT: \$ 5,000.00 **OFFICIAL BOND** Bond No. POB8936555

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That Bruce G. Rinker as Principal (hereinafter called Principal), and Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland a corporation of the State of Maryland, having its principal office in the City of Owings Mills, MD 21117, as Surety (hereinafter called Surety), are held and firmly bound unto the Cleveland Metroparks

in the penalty of Five Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$ 5,000.00), to the payment whereof, well and truly to be made and done, the Principal binds himself, his heirs, executors and administrators, and the Surety binds itself, its successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.


Signed, sealed and dated this 10th day of December, A.D. 2012.

THE CONDITIONS OF THE AFOREGOING OBLIGATION ARE SUCH, That, WHEREAS, the Principal was elected or appointed Park Commissioner

NOW, THEREFORE, if the Principal shall, during the term beginning on the 1st day of January, 2013 well and faithfully perform all and singular the duties incumbent upon him by reason of his election or appointment as aforesaid, and honestly account for all moneys coming into his hands according to law, except as hereinafter limited, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise of full force and virtue.

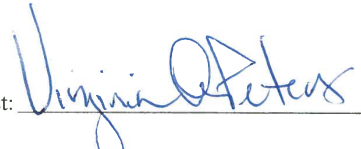
This Bond is executed by the Surety upon the following express conditions, which shall be conditions precedent to the right of recovery hereunder:

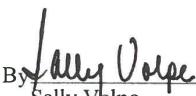
That regardless of the number of years this Bond shall continue or be continued in force, or be renewed, and of the number of annual premiums that shall be payable or paid, the Surety shall not be liable hereunder for more in the aggregate than the above named penalty.

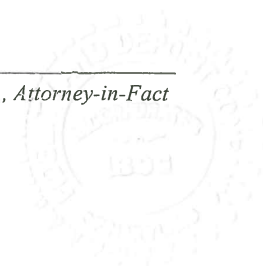
Bruce G. Rinker  (SEAL)
Principal

Witness: 
As to Principal

Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

Attest: 
POB17500ZZ0501F

By 
Sally Volpe, Attorney-in-Fact



**Power of Attorney
FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, a corporation of the State of Maryland, by THEODORE G. MARTINEZ, Vice President, and GREGORY E. MURRAY, Assistant Secretary, in pursuance of authority granted by Article VI, Section 2, of the By-Laws of said Company, which are set forth on the reverse side hereof and are hereby certified to be in full force and effect on the date hereof, does hereby nominate, constitute and appoint Sally VOLPE, Virginia A. PETERS and Donna WILSON, all of Columbus, Ohio, EACH its true and lawful agent and Attorney-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver for, and on its behalf as surety, and as its act and deed: **any and all bonds and undertakings, each in a penalty not to exceed the sum of TEN MILLION DOLLARS (\$10,000,000)** and the execution of such bonds or undertakings in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon said Company, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if they had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company at its office in Baltimore, Md., in their own proper persons. This power of attorney revokes that issued on behalf of Sally VOLPE, Virginia A. PETERS, Dona WILSON, dated October 29, 2007.

The said Assistant Secretary does hereby certify that the extract set forth on the reverse side hereof is a true copy of Article VI, Section 2, of the By-Laws of said Company, and is now in force.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said Vice-President and Assistant Secretary have hereunto subscribed their names and affixed the Corporate Seal of the said FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, this 8th day of January, A.D. 2008.

ATTEST:

FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND



Gregory E. Murray

Theodore G. Martinez

By:

Gregory E. Murray Assistant Secretary

Theodore G. Martinez

State of Maryland }
City of Baltimore } ss:

On this 8th day of January, A.D. 2008, before the subscriber, a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, duly commissioned and qualified, came THEODORE G. MARTINEZ, Vice President, and GREGORY E. MURRAY, Assistant Secretary of the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, to me personally known to be the individuals and officers described in and who executed the preceding instrument, and they each acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, severally and each for himself deposed and saith, that they are the said officers of the Company aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the preceding instrument is the Corporate Seal of said Company, and that the said Corporate Seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority and direction of the said Corporation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal the day and year first above written.



Constance A. Dunn

Constance A. Dunn

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: July 14, 2011

EXTRACT FROM BY-LAWS OF FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND

"Article VI, Section 2. The Chairman of the Board, or the President, or any Executive Vice-President, or any of the Senior Vice-Presidents or Vice-Presidents specially authorized so to do by the Board of Directors or by the Executive Committee, shall have power, by and with the concurrence of the Secretary or any one of the Assistant Secretaries, to appoint Resident Vice-Presidents, Assistant Vice-Presidents and Attorneys-in-Fact as the business of the Company may require, or to authorize any person or persons to execute on behalf of the Company any bonds, undertakings, recognizances, stipulations, policies, contracts, agreements, deeds, and releases and assignments of judgements, decrees, mortgages and instruments in the nature of mortgages,...and to affix the seal of the Company thereto."

CERTIFICATE

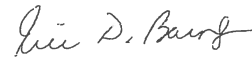
I, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND, do hereby certify that the foregoing Power of Attorney is still in full force and effect on the date of this certificate; and I do further certify that the Vice-President who executed the said Power of Attorney was one of the additional Vice-Presidents specially authorized by the Board of Directors to appoint any Attorney-in-Fact as provided in Article VI, Section 2, of the By-Laws of the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND.

This Power of Attorney and Certificate may be signed by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution of the Board of Directors of the FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND at a meeting duly called and held on the 10th day of May, 1990.

RESOLVED: "That the facsimile or mechanically reproduced seal of the company and facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any Vice-President, Secretary, or Assistant Secretary of the Company, whether made heretofore or hereafter, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed."

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seal of the said Company,

this 10th day of December, 2012.



Assistant Secretary

RESOLUTION NO. 25-01-001

The following vouchers have been reviewed as to legality of expenditure and conformity with the Ohio Revised Code.

Attest: _____

Chief Financial Officer

BE IT RESOLVED, that the payment of the following items, which may include Then and Now Certificates, are ratified by the Board of Park Commissioners. All expenditures have been reviewed and approved for payment by the Chief Financial Officer and Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the by-laws of the Board of Park Commissioners.

Direct Disbursements dated December 13, 2024 in the amount of \$33,840.10

Wire Transfers dated December 13, 2024 in the amount of \$15,759.92

Printed Checks dated December 13, 2024 in the amount of \$701,275.62

Direct Disbursement dated December 20, 2024 in the amount of \$208,484.38

Wire Transfers dated December 20, 2024 in the amount of \$104,509.27

Printed Checks dated December 20, 2024 in the amount of \$1,358,976.01

Direct Disbursement dated December 27, 2024 in the amount of \$225,000.00

Printed Checks dated December 27, 2024 in the amount of \$106,318.02

Wire Transfers dated January 3, 2025 in the amount of \$104,451.01

Printed Checks dated January 3, 2025 in the amount of \$1,746,978.08

Direct Disbursement dated January 7, 2025 in the amount of \$250,000.00

Net Payroll dated November 17, 2024 to November 30, 2024 in the amount of \$1,931,626.23

Withholding Taxes in the amount of \$452,466.85

Net Payroll dated December 1, 2024 to December 14, 2024 in the amount of \$1,674,868.52

Withholding Taxes in the amount of \$389,186.61

Bank Fees/ADP Fees in the amount of \$33,128.08

Cigna Payments in the amount of \$980,256.83

ACH Debits (First Energy; Sales Tax) in the amount of \$260,598.77

OPERS in the amount of \$575,693.62

JP Morgan Mastercard dated December 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024 in the amount of \$480,613.42

Total amount: \$11,634,031.34

PASSED: January 16, 2025

Attest: _____

President of The Board of Park Commissioners

Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the Board of Park Commissioners approves **Resolution No. 25-01-001** listed above.