

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2022-305

First Reading Passage Requested

(D. Matz)

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3 SPONSORS Executive Shapiro & Ms. Sims

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5 DATE October 24, 2022

COMMITTEE Planning

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7 **A Resolution declaring the County of Summit's approval and support for the Western**
8 **Reserve Land Conservancy's Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program Grant**
9 **Application for the Pigeon Creek Preserve Project, located in Copley Township, in Council**
10 **District 5, to be submitted by the Western Reserve Land Conservancy for funding under**
11 **the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program, for the Executive, and declaring an**
12 **emergency.**

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14 WHEREAS, the Western Reserve Land Conservancy intends to submit a grant
15 application to the Ohio Public Works Commission and the District 8 Natural Resources
16 Assistance Council for the conservation and preservation of the Pigeon Creek Preserve Property
17 (the "Project") which would preserve property between Pigeon Creek and Schocalog Run located
18 in Copley Township, in Council District 5, for funding through the Clean Ohio Green Space
19 Conservation Program (the "Clean Ohio Grant"); and

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21 WHEREAS, preservation of the Project will protect natural resources including habitat
22 for diverse plant and animal species, natural riparian corridors, and high-quality wetlands, and
23 will help protect and maintain ground water supplies and water quality in the area; and

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25 WHEREAS, the Western Reserve Land Conservancy is pursuing a plan to conserve and
26 protect the Project in a thoughtful, conscientious and measured manner; and

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28 WHEREAS, the County of Summit's approval and support is predicated on Copley
29 Township's support of the Western Reserve Land Conservancy's Clean Ohio Grant Application;
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32 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County of Summit to collaborate with the
33 Western Reserve Land Conservancy and Copley Township in furtherance of conservation and
34 preservation of the Project's natural resources; and

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36 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
37 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to declare its approval and
38 support for the Western Reserve Land Conservancy's Clean Ohio Grant Application to be
39 submitted for funding through the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program;

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41 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Summit, State
42 of Ohio, that:

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44 SECTION 1

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46 This Council hereby approves and supports the Western Reserve Land Conservancy's
47 Clean Ohio Grant Application, located in Copley Township, in Council District 5, to be
48 submitted to the Ohio Public Works Commission and the District 8 Natural Resources
49 Assistance Council for funding through the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program, in
50 order to conserve and preserve the Pigeon Creek Preserve Property's natural resources, streams,
51 and wetlands.

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4 SECTION 2

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6 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and
7 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to immediately
8 provide a necessary prerequisite for the Western Reserve Land Conservancy to timely submit its
9 grant application for grant funding.

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11 SECTION 3

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13 Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take
14 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take
15 effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

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17 SECTION 4

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19 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
20 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
21 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
22 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
23 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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26 INTRODUCED October 24, 2022

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28 ADOPTED October 24, 2022

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32 CLERK OF COUNCIL


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34 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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36 APPROVED October 25, 2022

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39 EXECUTIVE

40 ENACTED EFFECTIVE October 26, 2022

Voice Vote - YES: 9-0: Darrow, Dickinson, Donofrio, Rodgers,
Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite
ABSENT: DeVitis, McKenney