

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2022-303

First Reading Passage Requested
(D. Matz)

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3 SPONSORS Executive Shapiro & Mrs. Darrow

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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 West Creek**
8 **Conservancy's Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program Grant Application for the**
9 **Furnace Run Land Lab Project, located in the Village of Richfield, in Council District 1, to**
10 **be submitted by the West Creek Conservancy for funding under the Clean Ohio Green**
11 **Space Conservation Program, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

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13 WHEREAS, the West Creek Conservancy intends to submit a grant application to the
14 Ohio Public Works Commission and the District 8 Natural Resources Assistance Council for the
15 conservation and preservation of the Furnace Run Land Lab Project (the "Project") which would
16 preserve property along Everett Road, located in the Village of Richfield, in Council District 1,
17 for funding through the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program (the "Clean Ohio
18 Grant"); and

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

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24 WHEREAS, the West Creek Conservancy is pursuing a plan to conserve and protect the
25 Project in a thoughtful, conscientious and measured manner; and

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27 WHEREAS, the County of Summit's approval and support is predicated on the Village of
28 Richfield's support of West Creek Conservancy's Clean Ohio Grant Application; and

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30 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County of Summit to collaborate with West
31 Creek Conservancy and the Village of Richfield in furtherance of conservation and preservation
32 of the Project's natural resources; and

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

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

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42 SECTION 1

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44 This Council hereby approves and supports the West Creek Conservancy's Clean Ohio
45 Grant Application, located in the Village of Richfield, in Council District 1, to be submitted to
46 the Ohio Public Works Commission and the District 8 Natural Resources Assistance Council for
47 funding through the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program, in order to conserve and
48 preserve the Furnace Run Land Lab Project's natural resources, streams, 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 West Creek Conservancy to timely submit its grant
9 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