1	RESOLUTION NO	<u>2023-252</u>	<u>First Reac</u>	ding Passage Requested
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3	SPONSOR Executive Sh	napiro		
4 5 6	DATEAugust 21, 2023		COMMITTEE	Public Works

A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute an Ohio Department of Natural Resources grant application and any other documents necessary to apply for and accept Ohio River Basin H2Ohio Wetland Grant Program funds, in the amount of \$891,800.00, for the Idle Brook Bankfull Wetlands Project, located in Bath Township, in Council District 5, with a local match of \$928,200.00 in American Rescue Plan Act funds, for the Executive and Engineer, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, the Engineer concludes that there is a public need for the Idle Brook Bankfull Wetlands Project (herein referred to as the "Project"), which will construct additional wetlands along Idle Brook, Yellow Creek and West Fork to restore the floodplain area in order to improve water quality and reduce flooding, located in Bath Township, in Council District 5, and

WHEREAS, the County of Summit is eligible to acquire Ohio Department of Natural Resources Ohio River Basin H2Ohio Wetland Grant Program funds, in the amount of \$891,800.00, for the Project with a local match of \$928,200.00 which will be paid for with American Rescue Plan Act funds and/or Clean Ohio grant funds; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to authorize the Executive to execute an Ohio Department of Natural Resources grant and any other documents necessary to accept and administer the Ohio River Basins H2Ohio Wetland Grant Program funds for the aforementioned purpose;

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

## **SECTION 1**

The Executive is authorized to execute an Ohio Department of Natural Resources Ohio River Basin H2Ohio grant application and any other documents necessary to accept and administer a grant for the Ohio River Basin H2Ohio Wetland Grant Program funds, for the purpose of constructing the Idle Brook Bankfull Wetlands Project, located in Bath Township, in Council District 5 (the "Project").

## **SECTION 2**

The terms of said application shall request \$891,800.00 towards the construction cost of the Project from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources with the County agreeing to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms and conditions of the Ohio River Basin H2Ohio Wetland Grant program.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-252 1 2 **PAGE TWO** 3 **SECTION 3** 4 5 The Clerk of Council is instructed to provide two certified copies of this Resolution to the 6 Engineer, for submission to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources with said grant 7 application. 8 9 **SECTION 4** 10 11 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and 12 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it will allow the 13 County to obtain grant funds for a critical water quality project. 14 15 **SECTION 5** 16 17 Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take 18 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take 19 effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law. 20 21 22 **SECTION 6** 23 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating 24 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all 25 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, 26 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 27 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code. 28 29 30 31 INTRODUCED August 21, 2023 32 August 21, 2023 **ADOPTED** 33 34 DocuSigned by: 35 hauren march 36 CLERK OF COUNCIL 37 38 August 21, 2023 APPROVED 39 40 DocuSigned by: 41 42 43

Voice Vote – YES: 10 – 0: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio, McKenney, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite

August 22, 2023

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Absent: Rodgers

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