

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT
FEBRUARY 19, 2026**

The Board of Park Commissioners met on this date, Thursday, February 19, 2026, 8:00 a.m., at the Board's office, 4101 Fulton Parkway, Cleveland, Ohio.

The roll call showed President Bruce G. Rinker and Vice President Yvette M. Ittu to be present in person. It was determined there was a quorum. Starting at Action Item (j), Vice President Dan T. Moore was present via video conference in compliance with Ohio Revised Code §121.221. Chief Executive Officer, Brian M. Zimmerman, Chief Financial Officer, Wade Steen, and Chief Legal and Ethics Officer, Rosalina M. Fini, were also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

No. 26-02-017: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2026, which were previously submitted to the members of the Board, and by them read.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu and Mr. Rinker.

Nays: None.

ACTION ITEMS.

- (a) ***Swearing in of Police Officer***
(*Originating Source: Kelly J. Stillman, Chief of Police*)

Krystiana Collins

Cadet Collins is projected to graduate from the Cuyahoga Community College Police Academy in February 2026. Her prior experience includes service as a security officer with the Bedford City School District and as a member of Cleveland Metroparks Police Department's Beach Safety Patrol from 2016 through 2018.

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No. 26-02-018: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to appoint Krystiana Collins as a full-time police officer for Cleveland Metroparks as authorized by Section 1545.13 of the Ohio Revised Code upon her completion of the police academy and obtaining the certification established in Section 109.77 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu and Mr. Rinker.

Nays: None.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Chief Financial Officer, Wade Steen, presented a Comparative Summary of Revenues & Expenditures 2026 vs. 2025 Year-To-Date, and for the Month Ended January 31. Also provided is a Schedule of Accounts Receivable and Investments, which along with the Comparative Summary is found on pages **105770** to **105777**.

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- (b) ***Chief Executive Officer's Retiring Guests***
(*Originating Source: Brian M. Zimmerman, Chief Executive Officer*)

Donald Anderson, Technician

Donald Anderson has served Cleveland Metroparks for over 43 years as a Handyperson, Senior Handyperson, and Technician. He was noted for his great skill set and expertise in mechanics, and his ability to repair and maintain equipment throughout South Chagrin. He assisted in many notable projects such as Coasting Hill/Sledding Hill where he excavated, built and graded the hill, and had over 20 years of house mechanics, repair and maintenance experience and over 30 years of grading and maintenance of the bridle and hiking trails. Additionally, Donald was known for his reliability and consistent work ethic that he displayed everyday he showed up for work, and he was highly noted for his impeccable customer service towards patrons and his love for nature and animals. Donald's devotion to efficiency, teamwork and love for Cleveland Metroparks was a great asset to the organization and won't be forgotten.

James R. Fox III, Senior Technician

James R. Fox III has served Cleveland Metroparks for 23 years as a Technician and a Senior Technician. James contributed tremendously to the golf industry for nearly 45 years and brought a plethora of knowledge and skills to improve Cleveland Metroparks golf sites such as Sleepy Hollow, Seneca, and Manakiki. He assisted in multiple renovation projects at Cleveland Metroparks golf courses such as greens, bunkers, cart paths, tee complexes, and fairways, and was notably instrumental in the renovations at Seneca Golf Course. His proficiency in operating heavy equipment such as bull dozers, excavators, and skid steers to

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name a few was an important asset to the golf courses. Additionally, he was a jack of all trades and was known for his arborist work that was seen on many golf courses. James’ devotion to efficiency, teamwork and love for Cleveland Metroparks was a great asset to the organization and won’t be forgotten.

No. 26-02-019: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to recognize Donald Anderson and James R. Fox III for their years of service to Cleveland Metroparks and the greater Cleveland community by adopting the Resolutions found on pages **105778** to **105779**.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu and Mr. Rinker.

Nays: None.

(c) 2026 Budget Adjustment No. 1
(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 - 2026**

Object Code	Object Description	Original Budget			Total Prior Budget Amendments	Proposed Amendment #1 2/19/2026	Total
		Baseline Budget	Carry Over Encumbrances	Total			
OPERATING							
51	Salaries	\$ 72,891,838	\$ 13,924	\$ 72,905,763	\$ -	\$ 147,050 A	\$ 73,052,813
52	Employee Fringe Benefits	25,704,801	31,692	25,736,492	-	-	25,736,492
53	Contractual Services	21,412,860	1,816,035	23,228,895	-	25,047 B	23,253,942
54	Operations	35,693,137	4,967,663	40,660,800	-	977,517 C	41,638,317
	Operating Subtotal	155,702,636	6,829,314	162,531,950	-	1,149,614	163,681,564
CAPITAL							
571	Capital Labor	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	1,000,000
572	Capital Construction Expenses	66,576,340	42,016,821	108,593,161	-	4,376,069 D	112,969,230
574	Capital Equipment	4,636,300	1,537,411	6,173,711	-	75,000 E	6,248,711
575	Zoo Animals	100,000	-	100,000	-	-	100,000
576	Land	592,150	129,002	721,152	-	-	721,152
	Capital Subtotal	72,904,790	43,683,234	116,588,024	-	4,451,069	121,039,093
TOTALS							
Grand totals		\$ 228,607,426	\$ 50,512,548	\$ 279,119,974	\$ -	\$ 5,600,683	\$ 284,720,656

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An explanation of adjustments, by category, can be found on pages **105780** to **105782**. The net effect of all adjustments is an increase of \$5,600,683 which is funded by increased revenue, donations, grants, or received but previously unappropriated funds.

No. 26-02-020: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to approve 2026 Budget Adjustment No. 1 for a total increase of \$5,600,683 as delineated on pages **105780** to **105782**.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu and Mr. Rinker.

Nays: None.

(d) *Increase for Rental of Mobile Trailer for Police at Timberlane Farms*
(Originating Sources: Michelle McHale, Director of Procurement/Kelly Stillman, Chief of Police)

On August 24, 2015, Cleveland Metroparks entered into an agreement and secured a Purchase Order (20181211 (previously 20160320 and D07765)) in the amount of \$12,350, which was reported to the Board on the \$10,000-\$50,000 list on September 9, 2015, with Apple Mobile Leasing to rent a mobile trailer as a temporary office for Police (Mounted Unit) staff.

Since that time, several increases have been made to this purchase order through 2025 due to installing an aluminum bottom skirting in December 2015 and renewing the rental agreement in one (1) year increments from 2016-2019, 2020-2023 and 2024-2025. Cleveland Metroparks staff is currently exploring office area options for Police staff. However, until a viable option is secured, Park Staff recommends renting the Mobile Trailer for an additional one (1) year. Apple Mobile Leasing is the only mobile rental provider that can provide Cleveland Metroparks with a trailer for temporary office space for Police (Mounted Unit) staff without the significant expense and staff disruption that would be required by moving from one location to another. Staff is recommending an additional \$9,425 for 2026.

In light of this, the Board is hereby asked to approve an increase of \$9,425 for 2026 to the award amount. Since the original purchase order was for an amount less than \$50,000, under the By-Laws, the Board was not required to approve the request. The cross-over to above \$50,000 in 2021 required previous Board approval as did increases for 2022 through 2025, and the additional increase above \$75,000 again requires Board approval for a revised amount as follows:

ORIGINAL AWARD (8/24/15):	\$ 12,350
Additional increases (2016-2019):	\$ 37,560
Approved additional consumption estimate (2021):	\$ 17,400
Approved additional consumption estimate (2021 & 2022-2023):	\$ 20,975
Requested additional consumption estimate (2024-2025):	\$ 18,850

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Requested additional consumption estimate (2026):	\$ 9,425
REVISED TOTAL AWARD	\$116,560

Consequently, an increase in the total amount, as shown above, is recommended for approval by the Board at this time.

No. 26-02-021: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to authorize the increase of the rental of the mobile trailer as presented above from Apple Mobile Leasing Inc. pursuant to the purchase order originally approved on August 24, 2015, for a revised total of \$116,560.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu and Mr. Rinker.
 Nays: None.

(e) *Increase for the Purchase of Additional Surveillance Trailers for Police*
(Originating Sources: Michelle McHale, Director of Procurement/Kelly Stillman, Chief of Police)

For several years, Cleveland Metroparks Police has utilized surveillance trailers in various locations throughout the Park District in an effort to deter criminal activity. The surveillance trailers are solar powered and data collection utilizes cellular connectivity which allows the trailers to be completely mobile. While the surveillance trailers were borrowed from Cuyahoga County at no cost, scheduling became an issue due to requested use by multiple public entities.

As a result of the successful use of the surveillance trailers, in 2025 Cleveland Metroparks Police solicited multiple quotes and purchased one (1) surveillance trailer from Industrial Video & Control Co., LLC for \$56,356 which was reported to the Board on the “Goods and Services (\$25,000 - \$75,000) Acquired” list. At this time, staff is recommending the purchase of two (2) additional surveillance trailers in the amount of \$114,862 from Industrial Video & Control Co., LLC.

In light of this, the Board is hereby asked to approve an increase of \$114,862 to the award amount. Since the original purchase order was for an amount less than \$75,000, the Board viewed the information item on the “Goods and Services (\$25,000 - \$75,000) Acquired” list but did not approve the recommended action. The cross-over to the \$75,000 and above level now is authorized by the by-laws as the purchase is from the contracting authority of another county but requires Board approval for a revised amount as follows:

ORIGINAL AWARD:	\$56,356
Additional purchase estimate:	\$114,862
REVISED TOTAL AWARD:	\$171,218

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Consequently, an increase in the total amount, as shown above, is recommended for approval by the Board at this time.

No. 26-02-022: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to authorize an increase for the purchase of two (2) additional surveillance trailers as presented above from Industrial Video & Control Co., LLC pursuant to the agenda originally reported on August 21, 2025, for a revised total of \$171,218.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu and Mr. Rinker.
Nays: None.

(f) *Increase in Service Fees for Flock License Plate Readers (LPR) for Cleveland Metroparks Police*
(Originating Sources: Michelle McHale, Director of Procurement/Kelly Stillman, Chief of Police)

On August 29, 2024, Cleveland Metroparks Police purchased fifteen (15) Flock License Plate Reader (LPR) Cameras, hardware, software and installation in the amount of \$54,751 from Insight Public Sector Inc, in full cooperation with OMNIA Cooperative Contract Number 23-6692-03. The initial service term was for one year and was reported to the Board on the \$25,000-\$75,000 list on September 19, 2024.

In October 2025, Cleveland Metroparks Police purchased two (2) additional Flock Licenser Plate Reader (LPR) Cameras, hardware, software and installation in the amount of \$6,650 which was reported to the Board on the \$25,000-\$75,000 list on November 20, 2025.

At this time, Cleveland Metroparks Police is recommending extending the service for one (1) additional year in the amount of \$45,000.

In light of this, the Board is hereby asked to approve an increase of \$45,000 to the award amount. Since the original purchase order was for an amount less than \$75,000, under the By-Laws, the Board was not required to approve the request. The cross-over to above \$75,000 requires Board approval for a revised amount as follows:

ORIGINAL AWARD (9/19/24):	\$ 54,751
Additional increase (11/20/25):	6,650
<u>Requested additional services:</u>	<u>45,000</u>
REVISED TOTAL AWARD	\$106,401

Consequently, an increase in the total amount, as shown above, is recommended for approval by the Board at this time.

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No. 26-02-023: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to authorize the increase of the service fees for Flock License Plate Readers (LPR) for Cleveland Metroparks Police as presented above from Insight Public Sector, Inc. in full cooperation with OMNIA Cooperative Contract Number 23-6692-03, for a revised total of \$106,401.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu and Mr. Rinker.

Nays: None.

(g) *Amendment to Toast POS System Merchant Agreement – Increase in Fees to Add Sailing Center and Spillway*
(Originating Sources: Michelle McHale, Director of Procurement/Jarrold McCarthy, Director of Enterprise Operations)

In 2023, Cleveland Metroparks implemented the Toast Point of Sale (POS) system across multiple food and beverage locations throughout the Park District. Toast offers an intuitive, cost-effective solution that enhances both guest satisfaction and employee efficiency. By leveraging modern technology, the Toast system enables our staff to serve more guests with streamlined operations, a crucial advantage in today’s ever-changing food and beverage hiring environment.

In November 2023, the Board approved Single Source #6807 pursuant to Resolution No. 23-11-187, authorizing a three-year agreement with Toast, Inc. from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026, not to exceed \$215,000. Cleveland Metroparks now seeks to expand the Toast system to two additional locations, the Spillway and the Sailing Center, for an additional \$70,000.

The Board is asked to approve a \$70,000 increase to the original award amount, as detailed below:

ORIGINAL AWARD:	\$ 215,000
Additional consumption estimate:	70,000
REVISED TOTAL AWARD:	\$285,000

No. 26-02-024: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute an amendment to the Merchant Agreement with Toast, Inc., effective through December 31, 2026, in a form approved by the Chief Legal & Ethics Officer, increasing the contract amount by \$70,000 pursuant to the agenda originally reported to the Board on November 16, 2023, for a revised total award of \$285,000.

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Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu and Mr. Rinker.

Nays: None.

- (h) ***Cleveland Metroparks Codified Rules and Regulations – Limited Update 2026***
(Originating Sources: Brian M. Zimmerman, Chief Executive Officer/Rosalina M. Fini, Chief Legal & Ethics Officer/Kelly Stillman, Chief of Police/Marisa Marniella, Chief Prosecuting Attorney/Ken Schabitzer, Captain/Charles Moore, Captain/Matthew Shearn, Lieutenant)

Background

There is a need to update the Cleveland Metroparks Codified Rules and Regulations in a limited manner to authorize the immobilization method to be utilized in addition to impoundment. The proposed new language is underlined below. The Resolution to Approve, Adopt and Enact Revised Rules and Regulations of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District; and Authorizing the Required Publication, is found on page **105783**.

303.07 REMOVING, IMPOUNDING AND IMMOBILIZATION OF VEHICLES; REDEMPTION.

- (a) Police officers are authorized to provide for the removal, impoundment or immobilization of a vehicle under the following circumstances:
- (1) When any vehicle is left unattended upon any roadway, or upon any park district land and is so illegally parked so as to constitute a hazard or obstruction to the normal movement of traffic, or so as to unreasonably interfere with street cleaning or snow removal operations.
 - (2) When any vehicle or "abandoned junk motor vehicle" as defined in Ohio R.C. 4513.63 is left on a roadway, public parking area or upon or within the right of way of any roadway, or upon any park district land for forty-eight consecutive hours or longer without notification to Police Officer Headquarters of the reasons for leaving such vehicle in such place. Prior to disposal of an "abandoned junk motor vehicle" as defined in Ohio R.C. 4513.63, it shall be photographed by a police officer.
 - (3) When any vehicle has been stolen or operated without the consent of the owner.
 - (4) When any vehicle displays illegal license plates or fails to display the current lawfully required plates and is located upon any roadway, public parking area or upon any park district land.
 - (5) When any vehicle has been used in or connected with the commission of a felony and is located upon any roadway, or public parking area, or upon any park district land.
 - (6) When any vehicle has been damaged or wrecked so as to be inoperable or violates equipment provisions of this Traffic Code whereby its continued operation would constitute a condition hazardous to life, limb or property, and is located upon any roadway or public parking area, or upon any park district land.

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- (7) When any vehicle is left unattended either on any roadway or public parking area due to the removal of an ill, injured or arrested operator, or due to the abandonment thereof by the operator during or immediately after pursuit by a police officer.
 - (8) When any vehicle has been operated by any person who has failed to stop in case of an accident or collision.
 - (9) When any vehicle has been operated by any person who is driving without a lawful license or while his license has been suspended or revoked and is located upon a roadway, public parking area, or upon any park district land.
 - (10) When any vehicle is found for which two or more citation tags for violations of this Traffic Code have been issued and the owner or operator thereof has failed to respond to such citation tags as lawfully required, and is located upon a roadway, public parking area, or upon any park district land.
- (b) Any vehicle removed under authority of subsection (a)(2) hereof shall be ordered into storage and/or disposed of as provided under Ohio R.C. 4513.60 et seq. Any other vehicle removed, impounded or immobilized under authority of this section shall be ordered into storage or outfitted with a device preventing movement and the police officer shall forthwith notify the registered vehicle owner of the fact of such removal and impounding or immobilization, reasons therefor and the place of storage or place of rest. Any person desiring to redeem an impounded or immobilized vehicle shall contact ~~Police~~ Ranger Headquarters and make arrangements to furnish satisfactory evidence of identity and ownership or right to possession. Prior to issuance of a release form, the claimant, owner or operator shall either pay the amount due for any fines for violations on account of which such vehicle was impounded or immobilized or, as the court may require, post a bond in an amount set by the court, to appear to answer to such violations. The pound operator shall release such vehicle upon the receipt of the release form and payment of all towage and storage charges. In the case of immobilization, the Police shall cause the release of such vehicle upon payment of the amount due for any fines for violations on account of which such vehicle was immobilized.
- (c) No owner or operator shall remove an impounded vehicle from the place of storage or remove an immobilized vehicle from the place of rest without complying with the above procedure. Possession of a vehicle which has been impounded or immobilized and unlawfully taken from the place of storage or rest, by the owner or operator, shall constitute prima-facie evidence that it was so removed by the owner or operator.
- (d) Whoever violates this section shall be fined not more than one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) for the first offense and not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each subsequent offense.
- (ORC 1545.99)

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No. 26-02-025: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to adopt revised Cleveland Metroparks Rules and Regulations in their entirety effective March 21, 2026 at 12:01 A.M.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Ittu and Mr. Rinker.

Nays: None.

- (i) ***Contract Amendment No. 1/Guaranteed Maximum Price #1 – Contract #1840 – RFP #6931-b, Construction Manager at Risk for PID 89034 CUY Lake Link Trail/Franklin Enhancements, Lakefront Reservation***
(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Michele Crawford, Director of Project Development/Seth Keller, Project Manager)

Background

On November 18, 2021, Cleveland Metroparks awarded the contract with Osborn Engineering Company (“Osborn”) pursuant to RFQu #6607 for the design of the last unbuilt segment of the Cleveland Foundation Centennial Lake Link Trail on Irishtown Bend along the bank of the Cuyahoga River (Board Resolution No. 21-11-164), which includes approximately 0.5 miles of all purpose trail and riverfront promenade along the Irishtown Bend. In October 2024, Cleveland Metroparks was awarded funding through the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency’s (“NOACA”) Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (“CMAQ”) program for CUY Lake Link Trail and enhancements along Franklin Boulevard.

Since early 2025, Cleveland Metroparks has worked with the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) to receive approval to construct the PID 89034 CUY Lake Link Trail/Franklin Enhancements (Project #1), which includes federal transportation funds utilizing the Construction Manager at Risk (“CMAR”) project delivery method. ODOT’s District 12 office, ODOT’s Central Office, and the Federal Highway Administration all reviewed and approved the subsequent Request for Qualifications and Request for Proposal to secure the CMAR partner. Furthermore, it was important to Cleveland Metroparks that both Lake Link Trail/Franklin Enhancements and Irishtown Bend Park Components be delivered by the same construction manager, but under separate contracts and separate Guaranteed Maximum Price processes.

On June 25, 2025, Cleveland Metroparks advertised a Request for Qualifications (RFQ #6931) for interested parties to submit qualifications related to the performance of Construction Manager at Risk for the federally funded (“Project #1”) and the Irishtown Bend Park Components (“Project #2”), Lakefront Reservation. On September 18, 2025, the Board awarded a Construction Manager at Risk Contract to The Great Lakes Construction Co. (“Great Lakes”) for Project #1 and Project #2 (Board Resolution No. 25-09-140). At the time of the Board’s award, only the preconstruction stage

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compensation was fixed at \$35,000 for Project #1. Per the contract, a Guaranteed Maximum Price (“GMP”) for construction would then be developed and brought back to the Board for approval.

The project team has been progressing with the design with Osborn and estimating with Great Lakes. Additionally, the project team has been working through project turnover details with the Port of Cleveland’s stabilization project as Project #1 cannot commence until its completion. On January 15, 2026, the Board awarded GMP #1 for Project #2 (Resolution No. 26-01-009) for front end work which includes temporary perimeter security fencing for the entire project site, temporary fall protection in areas beyond the construction along the Cuyahoga River, a portion of mobilization, and early sanitary and water taps needed ahead of Project #1 for Project #2. The bulk of the construction for Project #2 will take place during the 2027-2028 construction seasons.

Design for Project #1 has advanced to the point where a GMP can now be established by Great Lakes.

GMP #1 Establishment for Project #1

Great Lakes has established the below GMP #1 for Project #1 based upon the PID 89034 CUY Lake Link Trail/Franklin Enhancements GMP submittal set dated January 21, 2026, by the design team along with bids and estimates provided by Great Lakes and their subcontractors.

GMP #1 LAKE LINK TRAIL ITEMS	COST
Roadway	\$695,217
Erosion Control	\$144,780
Drainage	\$384,473
Pavement	\$696,866
Structures	\$1,153,310
Water Work	\$250
Lighting	\$874,194
Traffic Control	\$25,164
Landscaping/Streetscaping	\$2,023,720
Contingency	\$35,950
Incidentals	\$67,100
GMP #1 Lake Link Trail Item Subtotal	\$6,101,024
GMP #1 LAKE LINK TRAIL FEES	
Construction Contingency (1.8%)	\$109,818
General Conditions (5.5%)	\$335,556
CMR Fee (3.5%)	\$213,536
GMP #1 Lake Link Trail Fee Subtotal	\$658,910
GMP #1 Lake Link Trail TOTAL	\$6,759,934
GMP #1 FRANKLIN ENHANCEMENT ITEMS	
Roadway	\$118,813
Lighting	\$10,511
Landscaping/Streetscaping	\$91,277

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Incidentals	\$45,540
GMP #1 Franklin Enhancements Item Subtotal	\$266,141
GMP #1 FRANKLIN ENHANCEMENTS FEES	
Construction Contingency (1.8%)	\$4,791
General Conditions (5.5%)	\$14,638
CMR Fee (3.5%)	\$9,315
GMP #1 Franklin Enhancements Fee Subtotal	\$28,744
GMP #1 Franklin Enhancements Total	\$294,885
GMP #1 LAKE LINK TRAIL/FRANKLIN ENHANCEMENTS TOTAL	
	\$7,054,819

Construction Schedule

Upon approval and execution, GMP #1 of the Lake Link Trail/Franklin Enhancements will commence in May 2026 and anticipates completion in the summer of 2027. Cleveland Metroparks Staff will monitor construction progress and provide updates to the Board.

No. 26-02-026:

It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to amend the Guaranteed Maximum Price #1 (GMP #1) contract with **The Great Lakes Construction Co.** for the construction of RFP #6931-b, PID 89034 CUY Lake Link Trail/Franklin Enhancements, Lakefront Reservation, to reflect a **GMP #1** in the amount of **\$7,054,819** which will be an amount in addition of \$35,000 already awarded for Pre-Construction Stage Services, for a total **contract valued at \$7,089,819**, 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 and Mr. Rinker.
Nays: None.

(j) *Authorization to Submit an Application to the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Grant Program for CHEERS*

(Originating Sources: Brian M. Zimmerman, Chief Executive Officer/Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Kelly Coffman, Principal Planner/Kristen Trolio, Director of Grants)

Background

Cleveland Metroparks is a founding partner and co-leader, along with the Port of Cleveland (“Port”), of the Cleveland Harbor Eastern Embayment Resilience Strategy (“CHEERS”). Other CHEERS partners include Black Environmental Leaders, the City of Cleveland and Cleveland City Council (collectively, the “City”), the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (“ODNR”), and the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”).

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CHEERS seeks to expand shoreline habitat and parkland, protect existing infrastructure, and provide an urgently needed solution for dredge material placement. For every dollar spent to create CHEERS, three dollars will be returned to the local economy according to a Benefit Cost Analysis prepared for the overall CHEERS footprint.

Existing grant funding has been utilized to develop a project vision incorporating extensive community engagement. The vision has now been advanced to construction documents for the overall in-water portion of the CHEERS, encompassing nearly 100 acres of new park and habitat, including natural shorelines and emergent and submergent marsh. Through ongoing coordination with regulatory agencies and a January 2025 workshop, the desire for a smaller scale proof of concept was identified. A six (6) acre Habitat Loop Early Action Project (“Project”) was developed as a result. Construction drawings for the Project were completed last month.

The Project will be constructed and activated as a park over a five to seven year cycle. As an initial phase, construction of the in-water stone containment structures is focused on protecting Interstate 90 adjacent to the Project site. This effort, the **Cleveland Harbor – Interstate 90 Maritime and Freight Fortification (“CH-I90”)** can be implemented and receive dredge material from the Cuyahoga River by 2029, with capacity for two years of dredge operations. This ensures uninterrupted freight movement for the Port, ensuring the Port’s \$7 billion regional economic value remains fully operational by solving the pending capacity crisis at local confined disposal facilities.

Cleveland Metroparks developed the **CH-I90** grant application working with our partners at the Port. The Project is infrastructure focused and is an excellent candidate for funding through the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (“US DOT”) Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (“BUILD”) discretionary grant program. The grant requests \$13.06 million to construct the Project. Local match requirements are waived due to the Project location in a federally designated area of persistent poverty and historically disadvantaged community.

Project Description

This BUILD application requests \$13.06 million for the construction of the **CH-I90**. The Project will protect existing shoreline infrastructure and address critical harbor functions to ensure the uninterrupted operation of transportation facilities vital to Northeast Ohio’s economy. I-90 carries 127,603 vehicles through Cleveland daily. The Port moves 13 million tons of cargo annually, generating \$7 billion in economic value, including the transport of raw materials to Cleveland-Cliffs Cleveland Works steelmaking facility. These operations are essential to Northeast Ohio’s economy and the American steel industry, with the resulting products transported by ship, rail, and truck to markets across the U.S. and abroad.

CH-I90 is a 6-acre shovel-ready transportation infrastructure project. It is the result of six years of planning, community engagement, and agency coordination lead by the CHEERS partners: ODOT, ODNR, Black Environmental Leaders, the City, Cleveland Metroparks, and the Port. CH-I90 will ultimately be surrounded by and integrated into the pending 100-acre CHEERS project. CHEERS is a regional priority addressing

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protection of I-90 along the Lake Erie shore while creating capacity for dredge material from Cleveland Harbor. CH-I90 is the initial phase of the 20+ year initiative.

No. 26-02-027: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by President Rinker and carried, to authorize the submittal of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation for funding assistance from the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development discretionary grant program for the above listed project; no local match is contemplated with this application; and further, that the Board authorize the funds to be made available as needed until reimbursement is received from the BUILD program; and further, that the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into agreements and execute any documents as may be required to accept the grant award; form of agreements to be approved by the Chief Legal & Ethics Officer.

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Rinker.

Aye: Ms. Ittu.

Aye: Mr. Moore.

Nays: None.

(k) *Authorization of Grant Submittal to Clean Ohio Trail Fund – Sagamore Connector Trail – Bedford Reservation*

(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/ Jack Caruso, P.E., Planning Engineer/Sara Byrnes Maier, Principal Planner)

Cleveland Metroparks proposes to submit a grant application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' ("ODNR") Clean Ohio Trail Fund ("COTF") Program to construct the Sagamore Connector Trail in the Village of Valley View and Sagamore Hills Township ("Connector Trail"). The Connector Trail will create a continuous paved, off-road trail connection of more than 51 miles between Rocky River Reservation at Detroit Avenue to South Chagrin Reservation at Chagrin River Road, filling the last remaining gap in the Emerald Necklace Trail by linking Brecksville Reservation and the Towpath Trail to Bedford Reservation through the Summit Metro Parks' Hike and Bike Trail. See the maps on pages **105784** and **105785**.

Background

Cleveland Metroparks' *Second Century of Stewardship System Plan* identifies "Connections" as one of six core goals of the agency. To achieve this goal, staff collaborate on and are involved in community master planning and trail planning efforts to develop neighborhood connectors as well as regionally significant trails. The Connector Trail is a regionally significant trail and is identified as one of 12 Critical Gaps in the Cuyahoga Greenways Plan (CG-09).

The Board authorized a project development agreement with Summit Metro Parks, Sagamore Hills Township, and the National Park Service to guide design and

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development of the Connector Trail on October 15, 2025 (Resolution No. 25-10-152). The Connector Trail includes elements roughly broken into the Cleveland Metroparks' portion and Summit Metro Parks' portion. The Cleveland Metroparks' portion includes a new bridge across the Ohio-Erie Canal with connection to the Towpath Trail, traffic safety modifications to Valley View Road for the trail crossing, a trailhead with a parking lot off Sagamore Road, and approximately 500 linear feet of all purpose trail paralleling Sagamore Road, for a total of about 650 linear feet. The Summit Metro Parks' portion includes approximately 9,100 linear feet of trail with part paralleling Sagamore Road and the remainder running through Sagamore Hills park property to the Hike and Bike Trail.

Funding Request

Cleveland Metroparks seeks \$500,000 in funding from the ODNR's COTF program for the Park District's portion of the Connector Trail. The current estimated cost for construction and construction inspection for Cleveland Metroparks' portion of the Connector Trail is ±\$1,065,000. Required local match will be provided through Cleveland Metroparks and/or private funds. It is anticipated that Summit Metro Parks will also apply to the COTF program for their portion of the Connector trail during the 2026 application round.

No. 26-02-028:

It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by Vice President Moore and carried, to authorize and agree to submit an application to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for funding assistance from the Clean Ohio Trail Fund grant program in the amount of \$500,000 for the above listed Connector Trail project; upon grant award notification, to authorize and agree to obligate matching funds, in the approved program year, to satisfactorily complete said project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms and conditions of the program; and further, that the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into any agreement(s) and execute any other documents as may be required to accept the grant award; form of document(s) to be approved by the Chief Legal & Ethics Officer; and finally, that the Board authorize a resolution as referenced on page **105786**.

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Rinker.

Aye: Ms. Ittu.

Aye: Mr. Moore.

Nays: None.

(I) *Approval of LPA Local-Let Project Agreement for the CUY-Euclid Creek Greenway Phase 3 Project – Euclid Creek Reservation*

(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/ Jack Caruso, P.E., Planning Engineer/Sara Byrnes Maier, Principal Planner)

Staff requests authorization to enter into a Local Public Agency ("LPA") Federal Local-Let Project Agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT") for the

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CUY-Euclid Creek Greenway Phase 3 (“Project”) (ODOT Project ID 122357). The Euclid Creek Greenway is a multi-phased all purpose trail project connecting the lower portion of the Euclid Creek Reservation to the lakefront portion. The Cuyahoga Greenways Plan, a county-wide trail and bikeway plan, identified the Euclid Creek Greenway as one of twelve critical gaps in Northeast Ohio’s active transportation network (CG-11).

Background

The Euclid Creek Greenway has been and will be developed in phases, with the first two phases totaling ±0.75 miles opening in November 2023. In 2021, Cleveland Metroparks received a federal Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (“RAISE”) planning grant to study four trail projects, including a detailed feasibility study of an extension of the Euclid Creek Greenway from the end of Phase 2 on Chardon Road approximately 800 feet north of Euclid Avenue to the lakefront at Lakeshore Boulevard near Villa Angela Drive.

On June 19, 2025, the Board awarded a professional services contract with Chagrin Valley Engineering (Resolution No. 25-06-096) to complete design and engineering for the Euclid Creek Greenway Phase 3 Project along with additional due diligence for Phase 4. This design work was funded through \$500,000 from the City of Cleveland. Design of the ±0.6-mile Phase 3 from its current terminus on Chardon Road to St. Clair Avenue will be completed in summer 2026. The Project is anticipated to begin construction in late 2026 and will be completed in 2027. See the map on page **105787**.

Staff intends to return to the Board for future design authorization of the ±1.1-mile Phase 4 and will seek construction funding to complete this final phase of the Euclid Creek Greenway. In total, the Euclid Creek Greenway will be ±2.5 miles.

The funding for the Project consists of federal funding for 80% of eligible project costs from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality improvement program up to \$1,011,690 and the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program up to \$2,000,000. Additionally, the Project was awarded \$385,000 from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources’ Clean Ohio Trail Fund program to be used towards design and construction costs. Cleveland Metroparks and/or partners will provide the local share and any remaining costs. The estimated total construction cost including construction administration of the Project is approximately ±\$3,764,613.

When the Project nears the bidding and construction stage, staff will return to the Board to enter into a new Professional Services Agreement for construction administration by a 3rd party related to ODOT’s LPA compliance.

No. 26-02-029: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by Vice President Moore and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer through the resolution found on pages **105788** to **105789** to enter into an LPA Federal Local-Let Project Agreement with the **Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”)** for the Euclid Creek Greenway Phase 3 project, with ODOT contributing 80% of eligible construction costs up to

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\$3,011,690 and Cleveland Metroparks covering the remaining costs with local funds and a Clean Ohio Trail Fund award, for a current total of ±\$3,764,613, as outlined above and in a form acceptable to the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Rinker.

Aye: Ms. Ittu.

Aye: Mr. Moore.

Nays: None.

- (m) ***Willow Bend Neighborhood Trail Link: Project Development Agreement, Rocky River Reservation***
(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Kyle Baker, JD, Senior Legal Counsel & Director of Real Estate/Kelly Coffman, Principal Planner)

Background

Cleveland Metroparks seeks to improve bicycle and pedestrian connections into the Park District's 18 Reservations as set forth in our mission: *Protecting nature, connecting communities, and inspiring conservation of our world*. Connectivity into various parks can be challenging due to topography, and neighborhoods adjacent to park property sometimes lack accessible routes into the neighboring reservation.

Portions of the cities of Berea and Brook Park are an example of this lack of connection. While Grayton Road is adjacent to Rocky River Reservation, residents of nearby neighborhoods including Berea's Stone Ridge Apartments and Riveredge neighborhood and Brook Park's Acadian Apartments, Christene Boulevard, and other neighborhoods along Sheldon Road face a circuitous, 1.5 mile route to be able to access Rocky River Reservation. Road conditions along Grayton Road and steep hillsides in the park make any proposed connections challenging.

To remedy this lack of access, staff from Cleveland Metroparks has worked with neighborhood residents, city staff, and elected officials from Berea and Brook Park to identify a new access point into Rocky River Reservation. The proposed natural surface trail will connect Rocky River Reservation's Willow Bend Picnic area to Grayton Road in the vicinity of Sheldon Road.

Project Description

The proposed trail and sidewalk connection is depicted on the map on page **105790**. Cleveland Metroparks staff will construct a link from the existing all purpose trail along Valley Parkway to the Willow Bend Picnic Area. A natural surface trail will lead from the picnic shelter up the steep slope to Grayton Road. Berea will construct a sidewalk from the terminus of the Cleveland Metroparks trail within the public right of way along the west side of Grayton Road. Berea will identify, stripe, and provide signage for a

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crosswalk connection to an existing sidewalk on the east side of Grayton Road. Berea will coordinate this portion of the work with Brook Park.

By connecting to the existing Grayton Road sidewalk, residents of neighborhoods along Sheldon Road will now have direct pedestrian access into Rocky River Reservation. Upon execution of the proposed Project Development Agreement, Berea will provide funding in the amount of \$40,000 within 60 days. Cleveland Metroparks construction will be completed no later than one year after receipt of funds. Additional sidewalk connections within Brook Park and Berea will be determined at the discretion of each city.

No. 26-02-030: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by Vice President Moore and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a Project Development Agreement with Berea and/or Brook Park and any other documents/agreements as may be necessary to effectuate the above, in form(s) to be approved by the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Rinker.

Aye: Ms. Ittu.

Aye: Mr. Moore.

Nays: None.

(n) *Edgewater Fiber Conduit Installation – Edgewater Yacht Club Memorandum of Understanding – Lakefront Reservation*
(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Andrew Stahlke, Project Developer)

Cleveland Metroparks, through the Lakefront Lease with the City of Cleveland, leases and manages Edgewater Park and associated facilities situated along the Lake Erie coast, north of the Cleveland Memorial Shoreway and west of the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (“NEORS”) Westerly Wastewater Treatment Plant within the Lakefront Reservation.

The Edgewater Yacht Club of Cleveland, Inc. (“Edgewater Yacht Club”), situated adjacent to Edgewater Park on dry land and a harbor basin leased from Cleveland Metroparks, is a non-profit social club chartered in 1914 offering dockage and numerous amenities to its members.

Cleveland Metroparks and Edgewater Yacht Club (the “Parties”), recognizing that current internet service to their respective facilities is unreliable and/or set to become unavailable by the end of 2026, wish to procure new AT&T high speed fiber optic data transmission service to Edgewater Park and Edgewater Yacht Club.

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Cleveland Metroparks intends to design and construct approximately 3,400 linear feet of new underground conduit (the “Project”) which AT&T would use to provide high speed fiber optic service to the Edgewater Fishing Pier Concession Building and Edgewater Yacht Club. The Project will occur within Cleveland Metroparks and Edgewater Yacht Club-leased property. An existing AT&T data service connection is available adjacent to the NEORS Westlerly Wastewater Treatment Plant, where new conduit will originate and run west along Whiskey Island Drive before turning north toward Edgewater Yacht Club and the Edgewater Pier Concession Building. Once the Edgewater Pier Concession Building is connected to fiberoptic service, the existing connection to Edgewater Beach House will also provide reliable fiberoptic service for all data needs.

The Parties wish to partner through a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) to complete construction of the underground fiber conduit, fiber, handholes, and connection of AT&T service in 2026. Cleveland Metroparks responsibilities will include, but are not limited to, design, construction, procurement of required contractors, and coordination with AT&T. Edgewater Yacht Club will contribute funds toward the costs associated with the Project.

No. 26-02-031: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by Vice President Moore and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (or other related agreements as necessary) with the Edgewater Yacht Club of Cleveland, Inc. for design and construction of fiber optic conduit and any other documents/agreements as may be necessary to effectuate the above, in form(s) to be approved by the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Rinker.

Aye: Ms. Ittu.

Aye: Mr. Moore.

Nays: None.

(o) *Award of Bid #6991 – 1600 Merwin Ave Building Demolition – Bid Award – Ohio and Erie Canal Reservation*

(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Keith Carney, Project Manager/Andrew J. Stahlke Project Developer)

Background

On May 23, 2024, Cleveland Metroparks acquired Permanent Parcel No. 101-16-001 from Marlin Investment Group, LLC (the “Property”). The Property is located at 1600 Merwin Avenue on the Columbus Peninsula in the Flats area of Downtown Cleveland. It includes four structures comprising the vacant former Catanese Classics Seafood Buildings, totals approximately 28,600 square feet, and is the subject of this bid award.

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The work consists of hazardous material abatements and removal of buildings containing offices, warehousing and cold storage, and a retail storefront, in-water riverfront decking, and site restoration (the “Project”). The final Project results will be an interim condition intended to ensure the safety of the site while a re-development plan for the site and its surrounding area is developed and executed at a later date, inclusive of public access along the east bank of the Cuyahoga River .

Staff last provided an update on the Property on December 18, 2025 when the Board provided authorization (Resolution No. 25-12-182) to submit a grant application to the Ohio Department of Development (“ODOD”) through the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation (“County Land Bank”). The Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program (“Program”) administered by ODOD provides funds for demolition of commercial and residential buildings that are not brownfields. The County Land Bank is Cuyahoga County’s designated agency to receive and prioritize applications from local entities for subsequent submittal to ODOD.

The requested grant amount totals \$515,063 for demolition related activities at the Property and requires matching funds of \$171,687, of which \$86,750 was previously spent for acquisition costs and environmental assessment fees.

Cleveland Metroparks advertised and subsequently opened Bid #6991 Building Demolition in Ohio and Erie Canal Reservation on February 11, 2026.

Building Demolition Scope of Work

All on-grade and above-grade improvements encompassing four separate buildings of one-to-two stories tall and of varying materials shall be removed. All below-grade improvements inclusive of foundations shall be removed. All riverfront decking over water including steel beams and columns, decking, and material over the steel supports shall be removed. All hazardous materials shall be removed and disposed of appropriately. The site shall be restored to a fenced-in and gated gravel area which shall serve as construction laydown or parking for future phases of potential redevelopment on neighboring parcels.

Bid Results

On February 11, 2026, the following sealed bids were received for Bid #6991 – Building Demolition. The cost estimate for this work was \$675,000 which included a \$15,000 owner allowance. Ten (10) bids were received for the Project. The bids are summarized below:

VENDOR	BASE BID	ADD ALTERNATE BID (Remove /Replace Fill)	BID TOTAL
ProQuality Demolition	\$414,000	\$38,000	\$452,000
Baumann Enterprises, Inc.	\$416,777	\$83,000	\$499,777
C&J Contractors	\$471,800	\$32,000	\$503,800
Eagle Abatement & Demolition	\$484,000	\$37,800	\$521,800
Dore & Associates Contracting, Inc.	\$524,100	\$38,600	\$562,700

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B & B Wrecking & Excavating, Inc.	\$560,250	\$64,800	\$625,050
Green Demolition Contractors, Inc.	\$593,000	\$68,000	\$661,000
Daniel R. Schmoldt Enterprises, Inc.	\$636,397	\$58,425	\$694,822
Siegel Excavating, LLC	\$597,000	\$135,000	\$732,000
Ritter & Paratore Contracting, Inc.	\$849,000	\$108,700	\$957,700

Bid Analysis

Staff performed a review of the bid results. ProQuality Demolition demonstrated a full understanding of the scope of work and has significant demolition experience. Staff recommends acceptance and award of ProQuality Demolition’s base bid and add alternate bid for the Project, for a total amount of **\$452,000**.

No. 26-02-032:

It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by Vice President Moore and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract with ProQuality Demolition as the lowest responsive bidder for Bid #6991 – Building Demolition, Ohio and Erie Canal Reservation in a **not to exceed amount of \$452,000** as noted above. In the event that the bidder cannot satisfy the bid, the award will be given to the next successive bidder who the Board, in its discretion, has reflected in the minutes as being the next lowest responsive bidder. The form of the contract shall be approved by the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

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

(p) *Contract Amendment No. 2 – Contract #1786 – Cleveland Metroparks Barge 225 Permanent Mooring and Renovation, Euclid Creek Reservation – Guaranteed Maximum Price #2*

(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Michele Crawford, Director of Project Development/Keith Carney, Project Manager/Andrew Stahlke, Project Developer)

Background

On June 20, 2024, the Board authorized (Resolution No. 24-06-076) Cleveland Metroparks to enter into a professional services contract with DS Architecture for the design of Barge 225 Renovation.

On August 5, 2024, Cleveland Metroparks advertised a Request for Qualifications (RFQu #6865) for interested parties to submit qualifications related to the performance of Construction Manager at Risk for the Cleveland Metroparks Barge 225 Permanent Mooring and Renovation, Euclid Creek Reservation (“Project”). On November 21, 2024, the Board awarded a Construction Manager at Risk Contract to The Ruhlin Company

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(“Ruhlin”) for the Project (Resolution No. 24-11-155). At the time of the Board’s award, only the preconstruction stage compensation was fixed at \$17,000. Per the contract, a Guaranteed Maximum Price (“GMP”) for construction is then developed and brought back to the Board for approval.

Amendment #1 for GMP #1 was approved by the Board on August 21, 2025 (Resolution No. 25-08-129) for roof maintenance to ensure that the Barge interior is kept dry while it awaits full renovation.

The GMP #2 construction scope for the Project will connect gas and electrical service from shore to the Barge so that existing mechanical HVAC equipment can be placed back in operation. It will also allow for repairs and minor alterations to the first-floor interior of the Barge. Once complete, this opens up the opportunity for Cleveland Metroparks staff to allow limited public use and programming.

GMP #2 Establishment

Ruhlin has established the below GMP #2 based upon 75% construction drawings and specifications produced by the design team dated January 9, 2026, and estimates provided by Ruhlin and subcontractors:

Barge 225 Improvements GMP #2

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Demolition and Replacements:	
Pavement Demolition & Replacement	\$ 23,006
Interior Demolition	\$ 11,787
Paint	\$ 11,634
Patch & Paint	\$ 410
Door Replacement	\$ 22,750
Carpet Replacement	\$ 6,297
New Appurtenance	\$ 1,337
Interior Allowance (Owner Directed)	\$ 25,000
Exterior Allowance (Owner Directed)	\$ 25,000
New Gas Line Installation & Existing System Verification	\$ 43,470
New Electrical Line & System Installation	\$ 130,492
<i>Cost of Work Subtotal</i>	\$ 301,183
Hull Repair Owner Contingency	\$ 100,000
Design Contingency	\$ 100,000
Contractor Contingency (3.0%)	\$ 9,036
General Conditions (12.21%)	\$ 36,775
CMR Fee (2.0%)	\$ 6,024
GMP # 2 Total	\$ 553,018

Construction Schedule

Ruhlin’s construction schedule associated with the proposed GMP #2 anticipates an April 6, 2026 construction notice to proceed and June 23, 2026 GMP #2 substantial completion

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barring any unseasonal weather or material procurement delays. Cleveland Metroparks Staff will monitor construction progress and supply chain challenges and provide updates to the Board.

No. 26-02-033: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by Vice President Moore and carried, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to amend the Guaranteed Maximum Price #2 (GMP #2) contract with **The Ruhlin Company**, for the construction of RFP #6865-b, Barge 225 Permanent Mooring and Renovation, Euclid Creek Reservation, to reflect a **GMP #2** in the amount of \$553,018, which will be an amount in the addition of \$17,000 already awarded for preconstruction stage services and \$44,551 already awarded for GMP #1 construction services, for a total **contract valued at \$614,569**, in a form of contract to be approved by the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Rinker.

Aye: Ms. Ittu.

Aye: Mr. Moore.

Nays: None.

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

- No. 26-02-034:** It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by Vice President Moore and carried, to authorize the following awards:
- (a) **Commodities Usage Report:**
 - **Sourcewell Co-Op ORC 125.04 #6738:** Portable Toilet Rentals (see page **105748**);
 - (b) **RFP Renewal #6729:** Cleveland Metroparks Database Administration Professional Services (see page **105749**);
 - (c) **Amendment to Bid #6965:** Janitorial Cleaning Services (see page **105750**);
 - (d) **Bid #6971:** Rocky River Nature Center Shoreline Protection – Rocky River Reservation (see page **105751**);
 - (e) **Bid #6978:** Grass Seeds, Fertilizers, Fungicides, Herbicides, Insecticides, and Other Misc. Turf Supplies (see page **105753**);
 - (f) **RFP #6984:** Audio-Visual Services (see page **105754**);
 - (g) **Single Source #7004:** Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment (FF&E) (see page **105755**);
 - (h) **Sourcewell Co-Op #7011:** One (1) New 2026 Brush Bandit Chipper (see page **105756**);
 - (i) **HGAC Buys Co-Op #7012:** One (1) New 2026 Beachtech 3000 Tow-Behind Beach Cleaner (see page **105757**);
 - (j) **Ohio Co-Op #7013:** Three (3) New 2026 Ford F250 Regular Cab 4x4 Pickup Trucks (see page **105758**);
 - (k) **Ohio Co-Op #7014:** Two (2) New 2026 Ford F250 Regular Cab 4x4 Pickup Trucks (see page **105759**);
 - (l) **Sourcewell Co-Op #7015:** Six (6) New 2026 Chevrolet Electric Police SUVs (see page **105760**);

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- (m) **Sourcewell Co-Op #7017:** Two (2) Ventrac Mowers (see page **105761**);
- (n) **Single Source #7018:** Professional Services: Government Relations and Consulting Services (see page **105762**);
- (o) **OMNIA Co-Op #7020:** Purchase of Lighting and Site Furnishings for Gordon Park Improvements (see page **105763**); and,
- (p) **Ohio, NASPO and GSA Co-Ops #7021:** Wireless Voice and Data Services (see page **105764**).

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Rinker.

Aye: Ms. Ittu.

Aye: Mr. Moore.

Nays: None.

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

COMMODITIES USAGE REPORT - *“In the event the original estimate exceeds 90% consumption, an action item will be presented to the Board.”*

SOURCEWELL CO-OP ORC 125.04 #6738:

PORTABLE TOILET RENTALS for various locations throughout Cleveland Metroparks for a three (3) year period from May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2026

ORIGINAL ESTIMATE \$350,000 (90% = \$315,000)

The estimated encumbrance was based upon a three (3) year spend of portable toilet rental utilization throughout the Park District. On January 16, 2025, the Board approved an increase of \$200,000 (Board Resolution No. 25-01-011) based on an increase in portable toilets used throughout the park district for special events, holiday events, and increased activity. However, due to the continued increase in portable toilet use, additional funding is required. The requested commodity adjustment pays current invoices and anticipates remaining orders through April 30, 2026.

ORIGINAL AWARD (3/15/23):	\$350,000
Additional Consumption (1/16/25):	200,000
<u>Additional Consumption/Final “Close-out” Estimate:</u>	<u>125,000</u>
REVISED TOTAL AWARD:	\$675,000

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to amend Resolution No. 23-03-049 to accommodate usage in excess of the original estimate as follows:

No. 23-03-049: It was moved by Vice President Berry, seconded by Vice President Moore and carried, to authorize the award for Sourcewell Co-Op ORC 125.04 #6738 to **Great Lakes Portables LLC**, for a three (3) year period beginning May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2026 (with a price escalation of ±7% each subsequent year consistent with co-op pricing as required by ORC 125.04), for portable toilet rentals at the unit prices listed above, **for a total cost not to exceed ~~\$350,000~~ ~~\$550,000~~ \$675,000**. In the event the log of consumption approaches 90 percent of the estimate, an action item will be presented to the Board requesting an increase.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

(See Approval of this Item by Resolution No. 26-02-034 on Page 105746)

AWARD OF BIDS/RFPS/CO-OPS/SINGLE SOURCES (cont.)**RFP RENEWAL #6729 SUMMARY: CLEVELAND METROPARKS DATABASE ADMINISTRATION PROFESSIONAL SERVICES****Background**

On January 20, 2023, Cleveland Metroparks released RFP #6729 for Database Administration Professional Services. Cleveland Metroparks staff identified the need for additional database and database server support due to the ongoing increase in data workloads and data security needs. Contributing factors include new point of sale systems, new web and mobile applications, and a continued focus on data warehousing, data analysis, and business intelligence initiatives. Professional services were needed to provide a centralized monitoring system with the ability to identify and correct errors in real time along with 24/7 support to ensure system security and uptime.

The proposal objective was to seek a full solutions database administration provider able to provide services including the daily administration of databases and respective servers, and support on multiple production and development database servers in various service areas, including but not limited to, database server management and monitoring, database management and monitoring, database optimization, database security and database design and implementation.

Staff identified BraveSoftTech, Inc. as the best responder to RFP #6729. The current contract term, approved by the Board on March 15, 2023 (Resolution No. 23-03-049), is for a three (3) year period, with an option to renew for up to one (1) additional one (1) year period with BraveSoftTech, Inc.

Based on BraveSoftTech, Inc.'s performance during the initial three-year period, staff recommends the renewal of database administrative professional services from BraveSoftTech, Inc. for a one (1) year period.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to renew an agreement, in a form approved by the Chief Legal & Ethics Officer, between Cleveland Metroparks and BraveSoftTech, Inc. for the most advantageous proposal to Cleveland Metroparks, as summarized above and maintained in the proposal file for RFP #6729 Database Administration Professional Services, **for a total one (1) year renewal amount not to exceed \$42,600**, for a total four (4) year cost in the amount of \$170,400.

(See Approval of this Item by Resolution No. 26-02-034 on Page 105746)

AWARD OF BIDS/RFPS/CO-OPS/SINGLE SOURCES (cont.)**AMENDMENT TO BID #6965 SUMMARY:**

JANITORIAL CLEANING SERVICES for various locations throughout Cleveland Metroparks for a two (2) year period beginning January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027 with an option to renew for up to an additional two (2) year period from January 1, 2028 through December 31, 2029

Background

In October 2025, Cleveland Metroparks solicited bids for janitorial cleaning services for various locations throughout the Park District including Merwin's Wharf, various Nature Centers, Golf Clubhouses, and Ohio & Erie Canal Management Center (OEC) for up to seven (7) days a week. Vocational Services, Inc. was awarded a contract due to best overall value, as the vendor of choice for Cleveland Metroparks' janitorial cleaning services for a two (2) year period beginning January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027, with a two (2) year cost of approximately \$250,000 and an option to renew for an additional two (2) year period for a total four (4) year cost of approximately \$500,000 upon renewal.

The award was authorized by the Board in Resolution No. 25-12-187 and adopted on December 18, 2025.

Subsequent service implementation did not result in acceptable service levels in accordance with the specifications in the RFP.

As a result, Cleveland Metroparks Purchasing Division staff recommends awarding janitorial cleaning services to the next bidder offering best overall value, JT Dillard LLC dba Jan-Pro Development of Cleveland Akron Toledo, for a 22-month contract period beginning March 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027, with an option to renew for an additional two (2) year period at Cleveland Metroparks' sole discretion, as determined by the Chief Executive Officer, for a total three-year, 10-month approximate cost of \$600,000.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board amend Resolution No. 25-12-187 and approve an award on Bid #6965 Janitorial Cleaning Services for various locations throughout Cleveland Metroparks and authorize the Chief Executive Officer, in a form approved by the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer, to enter into a 22-month agreement beginning March 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027, with an option to renew for an additional two (2) year period through December 31, 2029 at the Chief Executive Officer's discretion, between Cleveland Metroparks and **JT Dillard LLC dba Jan-Pro Development of Cleveland Akron Toledo, rather than Vocational Services, Inc., for a combined total three-year, 10-month approximate cost of \$600,000** for JT Dillard LLC dba Jan-Pro Development of Cleveland Akron Toledo's next best bid, as summarized above and maintained in the bid file for Bid #6965.

(See Approval of this Item by Resolution No. 26-02-034 on Page 105746)

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

BID #6971 SUMMARY: ROCKY RIVER NATURE CENTER SHORELINE PROTECTION – ROCKY RIVER RESERVATION

Background

The Rocky River Nature Center Shoreline Protection (“Project”) will provide bank stabilization along the Rocky River to protect the Rocky River Nature Center (“RRNC”) and viewing deck at the top of the bluff from toe erosion due to the flow of the Rocky River. On September 19, 2024, the Board awarded a professional services contract to KS Associates (Resolution No. 24-09-123) in the not-to-exceed amount of \$110,950 for design, regulatory permitting, and modeling, and construction phase services for the Project. Staff last provided an update to the Board in January of 2026 when final design and a tentative construction schedule were presented.

Funding for permitting, final design, and construction of the Project comes from the Stormwater Management Reimbursement Fund (“SMRF”) between Cleveland Metroparks and Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (“NEORS”). Additionally, Cleveland Metroparks provided funding for preliminary design and modeling.

Cleveland Metroparks advertised and subsequently opened Bid #6971 Rocky River Nature Center Shoreline Protection on January 30, 2026.

Rocky River Nature Center Shoreline Protection Scope of Work

The Project will include the construction of a new armor stone revetment and three curved stone weirs at the base of the RRNC overlook. A section of the Rocky River will also be dredged to encourage water to flow away from the bluff. The dredged material will be reused as earth fill between the weirs and planted with riparian vegetation to further stabilize the toe of the bluff and provide wildlife habitat. KS Associates undertook a design and modeling process to evaluate multiple alternatives before advancing and refining the current design as the most appropriate for the location and conditions.

The scope of work also includes site access, surveying, erosion and sediment control, and restoration of the site to pre-construction conditions.

Bid Results

On January 30, 2026, the following sealed bids were received for Bid #6971 – Rocky River Nature Center Shoreline Protection. Eleven (11) bids were received for the Project. The bids are summarized below:

VENDOR	BID TOTAL
Shoreline Contractors LLC	\$197,840
Akron Building and Outdoor Maintenance DBA RiverReach Construction	\$428,665
Mark Haynes Construction, Inc.	\$437,673
Leach Excavating	\$546,540
Meadville Land Service	\$549,920
Ironsite Inc.	\$598,228
Mark’s Construction, Inc.	\$600,852
The Ruhlin Co.	\$630,975

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Huffman Equipment Rental, Inc.	\$632,887
Nerone & Sons, Inc.	\$739,187
Grassbaugh LLC	\$757,386

Bid Analysis

Staff performed a review of the bid results as well as met with Shoreline Contractors LLC (“Shoreline”) for a pre-award scope review. Shoreline demonstrated a full understanding of the scope of work and has significant in-water and shoreline stabilization experience. Staff recommends acceptance and award of Shoreline base bid for the Project, for a total amount of **\$197,840**.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract with **Shoreline Contractors LLC** as the lowest and best bidder for Bid #6971 – Rocky River Nature Center Shoreline Protection, Rocky River Reservation in a **not to exceed amount of \$197,840** as noted above. In the event that the bidder cannot satisfy the bid, the award will be given to the next successive bidder who the Board, in its discretion, has reflected in the minutes as being the next lowest and best bidder who can satisfy the bid. The difference in cost and all related costs to the difference will be assumed by the original bidder and/or surety. The form of the contract shall be approved by the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

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BID #6978 SUMMARY: **GRASS SEEDS, FERTILIZERS, FUNGICIDES, HERBICIDES, INSECTICIDES, AND OTHER MISC. TURF SUPPLIES** to be supplied on an “as needed” basis to various Cleveland Metroparks golf courses and other locations throughout Cleveland Metroparks during the 2026 Season

HIGHLIGHTS AT A GLANCE
2025 Expenditures = \$480,142.36
2026 Estimate = \$750,000.00

This bid provides 191 various turf products. The entire spreadsheet, recording of all bids and alternatives submitted, is on file in the Office of Procurement. A split award is recommended, and cost estimates are listed in the table below.

Vendors	Advanced Turf Solutions	Aquatic Control	Aqua DOC	Harrell’s LLC	Nutrien Ag Solutions	Oliger Seed Company	SiteOne Landscape Supply	Target Specialties	Walker Supply
Estimated Encumbrance per Vendor	\$100,000	\$6,000	\$2,000	\$100,000	\$200,000	\$2,000	\$90,000	\$100,000	\$150,000

The 2026 estimate is based on a “worst case/highest usage” scenario (i.e., anticipating unfavorable summer conditions). The actual expenditures are typically less per year.

All materials and quantities were specified under the direction of the Golf Operations Staff who reviewed the bids and present the above recommendation.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board authorize the purchase of various Grass Seeds, Fertilizers, Fungicides, Herbicides, Insecticides, and Other Miscellaneous Turf Supplies on a split award basis to the following lowest and best bidders for Bid #6978, **Advanced Turf Solutions, Aquatic Control, Aqua DOC, Harrell’s LLC, Nutrien Ag Solutions, Oliger Seed Company, SiteOne Landscape Supply, Target Specialties, and Walker Supply** to be purchased on an "as-needed" basis, during the 2026 season, as shown and at the unit prices reflected and on file in the Procurement Office, **in the amount of \$750,000**. In the event the log of consumption approaches 90 percent and is likely to surpass 100 percent of the estimate during the time period, an action item will be presented to the Board requesting an estimated increase. In the event one of the awarded vendors cannot satisfy the bid, the award will be given to the next lowest and best bidder who can satisfy the bid as reflected on the spreadsheet recording bids and alternatives on file in the Office of Procurement, which the Board, in its discretion, adopts in these minutes. The difference in cost and all related costs to the difference will be assumed by the original bidder and/or surety.

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RFP #6984 SUMMARY: AUDIO-VISUAL SERVICES

Background

Information Technology Services (ITS) regularly utilizes outside Audio-Visual vendors to install a wide variety of media related equipment including the service and programming of said equipment.

This recommendation is to select a listing of companies from which Cleveland Metroparks can obtain Audio-Visual systems and services. This competitive process allows Cleveland Metroparks to select the best companies for the required job(s) while maintaining financial objectivity. Depending on the type of project, a company from the list may be selected based on either skillset, previous work, or a combination of factors (state-term, previous programming knowledge, previous work experience, etc.). For projects in which multiple companies can perform, the highest ranked companies will be selected first to provide quotations.

Anticipated Vendors

Company	Statement of Capability/ Biographies (30)	Pricing (30)	Prior Work History (20)	Location (15)	Core Values (5)	Total
Audio Visual Innovations	29	30	20	15	5	99
Root Integrated Systems	29	29	19	15	5	97

*Please note other vendors/consultants may be chosen throughout the course of this contract through the State of Ohio Cooperative Contract or another cooperative agreement available to government municipalities.

Cleveland Metroparks reserves the right to not award any contracts to either of the consultants listed above.

These services will be provided on an “as needed” basis for a two (2) year contract period beginning May 1, 2026 through April 30, 2028, for an estimated annual cost of \$400,000 and an initial estimated total two (2) year cost of \$800,000, with an option to renew for up to two (2) additional one (1) year periods at Cleveland Metroparks’ sole discretion, at an estimated annual cost of \$400,000 per renewal year with an estimated four (4) year cost of \$1,600,000.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement, in a form approved by the Chief Legal & Ethics Officer, between Cleveland Metroparks and the two companies listed and summarized above, and maintained in the proposal file for RFP #6984, for a two (2) year contract period beginning May 1, 2026 through April 30, 2028, with an estimated annual cost of \$400,000 and an estimated two (2) year cost of \$800,000, with an option to renew for up to two (2) additional one (1) year periods, with an estimated annual cost of \$400,000 and an estimated total four (4) year cost of \$1,600,000.

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SINGLE SOURCE #7004 SUMMARY: **FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT (FF&E)** for concession, catering, and retail spaces of Primate Forest at the Zoo

Background

Cleveland Metroparks is working in partnership with Aramark on the Primate Forest construction project to furnish and outfit the renovated concession, catering and retail spaces. Renovations include a new gift shop and food services area inclusive of kitchen spaces, serving area, and guest seating.

Cleveland Metroparks' existing Management Services Agreement with Aramark includes a repair and refurbishment restricted fund, into which Aramark has been paying since the beginning of the Agreement. The accounts contain at least \$400,000, which staff recommends be committed to this project. Funds will be spent on needs such as smallwares, electronics (e.g., point-of-sale devices, screens, menu boards), furniture (e.g., tables, chairs), various food service needs (e.g., condiment pumps, trash cans, catering hot boxes, etc.), mannequins, merchandise accessories (e.g., fixtures, bins, racks), retail signage, and equipment needs for accepting deliveries to this location.

These items may be purchased by Cleveland Metroparks directly from suppliers or through Aramark for optimal pricing. If Aramark purchases the items, Cleveland Metroparks will reimburse Aramark for its costs. If Cleveland Metroparks makes purchases, it will comply with all purchasing requirements for purchases between \$5,000.01 and \$75,000.00 and any purchase over \$75,000.00.

Current Available Balance	\$402,548
Primate Forest Expenses (Food)	\$361,000
Primate Forest Expenses (Retail)	\$ 39,000
Primate Forest Total	\$400,000

Recommendation

That the Board approve the purchase of items to furnish the concession, catering, and retail spaces of Primate Forest from various vendors or via reimbursement to Aramark per Single Source #7004 in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 utilizing repair and refurbishment restricted fund balances.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board approve the purchase of furniture, fixtures and equipment items to furnish the concession, catering, and retail spaces of Primate Forest as summarized above, from various vendors or via reimbursement to Aramark per Single Source #7004 **in an amount not to exceed \$400,000** utilizing repair and refurbishment restricted fund balances.

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

SOURCEWELL CO-OP #7011 SUMMARY: ONE (1) NEW 2026 BRUSH BANDIT CHIPPER for Park Operations, Forestry

ITEM	One (1) New 2026 Brush Bandit Chipper
Description	Brush Bandit 18XP tow behind chipper equipped with 37" drum, 6.0L gasoline engine, auto-feed, 10,000# Axle, 17.5" tires, hydraulic tongue jack, with three (3) year 3500-hour warranty
New unit base cost-plus accessories, including delivery and tags	\$79,518.40
Unit replaced	EM2895 – a 1995 Woodchuck Chipper
TOTAL	\$79,518.40

The replaced unit 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 one (1) new 2026 Brush Bandit Chipper, equipped as specified in the above summary, as per Sourcewell Co-Op #7011, from **EarthworX Equipment, for a total cost of approximately \$79,518.40** in full utilization of the Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Number 0101925-BAN.

(See Approval of this Item by Resolution No. 26-02-034 on Page 105746)

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

HGAC BUYS CO-OP #7012 SUMMARY: **ONE (1) NEW 2026 BEACHTECH 3000 TOW-BEHIND BEACH CLEANER** for Park Operations, Lakefront

ITEM	One (1) New 2026 BeachTech 3000 Tow-Behind Beach Cleaner
Description	BeachTech 3000, with 5.3-yard dump hopper and .9 yard collecting hopper, roadway compliant lighting, task lighting, working depth of 12” and 8’ 2” working width, one (1) year 800 engine hour warranty, as per quote using HGAC Buys Contract RH04-25
*New unit base cost-plus accessories, including delivery and tags	\$120,850.00
Unit replaced	EM1084 – 2013 Cherrington 4600XL with 5000 hours
TOTAL	\$120,850.00

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

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board approve the purchase of one (1) new 2026 BeachTech 3000 tow-behind beach cleaner, equipped as specified in above summary, as per HGAC Buys Co-Op #7012, from **Kassbohrer All-Terrain Vehicles**, for a **total cost of approximately \$120,850**, in full utilization of the HGAC Buys Cooperative Contract Number RH04-25.

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

OHIO CO-OP #7013 SUMMARY: THREE (3) NEW 2026 FORD F250 REGULAR CAB 4X4 PICKUP TRUCKS for Park Operations

ITEM	Three (3) New 2026 Ford F250 Regular Cab 4X4 Pickup Trucks – Two (2) with Snowplows, One (1) with 6-Bay Utility Body
Description	All three (3) trucks will be equipped with 6.8L gasoline engine, ten (10) speed auto transmission, 4x4, white exterior color and trailer towing. Two (2) trucks will also be equipped with snowplows. One (1) truck will also be equipped with a 6-bay utility body. All trucks include a three (3) year 36,000-mile warranty.
New unit base cost-plus accessories, including delivery and tags	\$54,432.02 each x 2 = \$108,864.04 for Trucks equipped with snowplows \$55,792.38 x 1 = truck equipped with 6-bay utility body
Units replaced	EO3703 a 2003 Ford F250 – w/97,000 miles EO0212 a 2012 Ford F250 – w/119,000 miles EO1108 a 2008 Ford F250 – w/80,000 miles
TOTAL	\$164,656.42

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 three (3) new 2026 Ford F250 regular cab 4x4 pickup trucks, equipped as specified in the above summary, as per Ohio Co-Op #7013, from **Cronin Ford North LLC, for a total cost of approximately \$164,656.42** in full utilization of the State of Ohio Cooperative Contract Number RSI023710.

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OHIO CO-OP #7014 SUMMARY: TWO (2) NEW 2026 FORD F250 REGULAR CAB 4X4 PICKUP TRUCKS for Park Operations

ITEM	Two (2) New 2026 Ford F250 Regular Cab 4X4 Pickup Trucks
Description	The trucks will be equipped with 6.8L gasoline engine, ten (10) speed auto transmission, 4x4, white exterior color, trailer towing, and a three (3) year 36,000-mile warranty, as per quote using affidavit ORC 125.04 comparing Ohio Cooperative Contract #RSI023710.
New unit base cost-plus accessories, including delivery and tags.	\$47,941.00 each
Units replaced	EO0808 a 2008 Ford F250 – w/173,000 miles EO1411a 2011 Ford F250 – w/108,000 miles
TOTAL	\$95,882.00

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 2026 Ford F250 regular cab 4X4 pickup trucks, equipped as specified in the above summary, as per Ohio Co-Op #7014, from **Ganley Ford West, for a total cost of approximately \$95,882**, in full utilization of ORC 125.04 comparing State of Ohio Cooperative Contract Number RSI023710.

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SOURCEWELL CO-OP #7015 SUMMARY: **SIX (6) NEW 2026 CHEVROLET ELECTRIC POLICE SUVs for Police**

ITEM	Six (6) New 2026 Chevrolet Electric Police SUVs
Description	<p>Two (2) Blazer SUVs will be equipped with grill light wiring, horn siren wiring, spotlights, additional keys, red/white dome light, and keyed alike.</p> <p>Three (3) Equinox SUVs and one (1) Traverse SUV will be equipped with all-wheel drive, and the LT equipment package.</p> <p>All six (6) SUVs have a three- (3-) year 36,000-mile warranty.</p>
New unit base cost-plus accessories, including delivery and tags	<p>Blazer SUVs: \$47,447.00 x 2 = \$94,894.00</p> <p>Equinox SUVs: \$30,513.00 x 3 = \$91,539.00</p> <p>Traverse SUV = \$41,688.00</p>
TOTAL	\$228,121.00

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board approve the purchase of six (6) new 2026 Chevrolet electric police SUVs, equipped as specified in the above summary, as per Sourcewell Co-Op #7015, from **Tim Lally Chevrolet, for a total cost of approximately \$228,121** in full utilization of the ORC 125.04 comparing Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Number 081325-NAF.

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SOURCEWELL CO-OP #7017 SUMMARY: TWO (2) VENTRAC MOWERS for Golf

ITEM	Two (2) New Ventrac Mowers
Description	Ventrac 4520N tractor with MJ840 contour mower deck, dual wheel kit, dual front auxiliary hydraulics and Kubota 32.5 HP EFI engine
New unit base cost plus all accessories	\$42,812.00 each
Units replaced	Toro 580D and Toro 4000
TOTAL	\$85,624.00

The replaced units will go to online auction.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board approve the purchase of two (2) new Ventrac Mowers, equipped as specified in the above summary, as per Sourcewell Co-Op #7017, from **Cutter Power Sales, LLC**, for a total cost of approximately **\$85,624**, in full utilization of the Sourcewell Cooperative Contract Number #47681.

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AWARD OF BIDS/RFPS/CO-OPS/SINGLE SOURCES (cont.)**SINGLE SOURCE #7018 SUMMARY: PROFESSIONAL SERVICES: GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AND CONSULTING SERVICES**

(Originating Sources: Natalie Ronayne, Chief Development Officer/Kristen Trolio, Director of Grants/Bisi Mikleus, Director of Development)

Background

In 2024 and 2025, Cleveland Metroparks contracted with McCaulley & Company to provide government relations, federal advocacy, and consulting services to guide the Park District through the federal appropriations process and to provide some assistance at the Ohio State House. Throughout 2025, McCaulley & Company was instrumental as Cleveland Metroparks navigated the shifting federal landscape and changes in federal funding priorities. McCaulley & Company has assisted with identifying federal, state, and local funding opportunities that align with the mission and work of Cleveland Metroparks, arranged meetings with federal agencies and representatives for Cleveland Metroparks leadership both locally and in Washington D.C., and assisted with communication with federal offices, including securing letters of support from key legislators for federal grant applications. In 2025, McCaulley & Company's work with Cleveland Metroparks resulted in a \$1,092,000 appropriation via Congresswoman Shontel Brown for the CHEERS project.

McCaulley has unique and longstanding relationships with key federal appropriations committee officials and members of congress and associated staff as well as key Ohio State House legislators and staff.

Staff recommends that Cleveland Metroparks enter into a contract with McCaulley & Company for 36 months of professional services in an amount of approximately \$378,300 (\$10,000/month for the first year, with fee increases not to exceed 5% per year in years 2 and 3) plus reasonable expenses to continue these government relations and consulting services.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a Professional Service Agreement, as per Single Source #7018, with **McCaulley & Company** for government relations and consulting services in the **amount of approximately \$378,300 plus reasonable expenses**, for professional services described above in a form acceptable to the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

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

OMNIA CO-OP #7020 SUMMARY: PURCHASE OF LIGHTING AND SITE FURNISHINGS FOR GORDON PARK IMPROVEMENTS

(Originating Sources: Sean E. McDermott, P.E., Chief Planning and Design Officer/Keith Carney, Project Manager/Amanda Meier, Landscape Architect)

Background

As part of the effort to revitalize Gordon Park within the Lakefront Reservation, Cleveland Metroparks has secured a generous donation from the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Foundation. Their donation along with Cleveland Metroparks’ capital dollars will provide funding for the first phase of improvements within Gordon Park. Included within the first phase of improvements is a great lawn and promenade, a play space with an adjacent plaza and comfort station, picnic and grilling areas, and general park utility upgrades and wayfinding. The area lighting and site furnishings will be located throughout the park to enhance the park users’ experience as well as provide a safely lit space.

Recommendation

Cleveland Metroparks staff recommends the purchase of lighting, benches, configured seating, trash receptables and bike racks through the Omnia Cooperative Purchasing Program, Contract number 07-100 as per a Landscape Forms quote numbers 451798 and 458462.

Description	Total
Area lighting throughout park: (72) Ashbery pole lights with base cover and accessories. (pole height 13.5’ & lens height 16’) Color: matte black	\$344,880
Site furnishing Quantities: (13) Parc Vue Benches – 72” length with end arms (3) Theory configured seating – benches for comfort station plaza (8) Northport Litter – trash receptacles around the great lawn (8) Northport Bike Rack – bike racks at the comfort station plaza	\$56,071
Total Amount (includes freight)	\$400,951

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board approve the purchase of lighting and site furnishings from Landscape Forms **OMNIA Co-Op #7020** as described in the above summary, for a sum not to exceed **\$400,951** in full utilization of the OMNIA Partners Cooperative Purchase Program Contract Number 07-100. Form of agreement(s) to be approved by the Chief Legal and Ethics Officer.

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AWARD OF BIDS/RFPs/CO-OPS/SINGLE SOURCES (cont.)**OHIO, NASPO AND GSA CO-OPS #7021 SUMMARY:**

WIRELESS VOICE AND DATA SERVICES for a two (2) year period beginning February 20, 2026 through February 19, 2028

Background

The Park District has historically relied on Verizon Wireless for much of its cellular voice and data services. As operational needs have evolved, staff has begun transitioning select lines to T-Mobile USA, Inc. This new account is a bridge to supplement connectivity in areas where staff have experienced persistent signal gaps impacting operations, safety communication, Internet of Things (IoT) integration, and remote fieldwork.

Although the current device total is nearly 25 active lines, additional resources will be procured which will include but not be limited to: Internet of Things (IoT) devices, backup cellular connectivity, Long Range Wide Area (LoRaWAN) or Camera connectivity options, and other information technology related needs. The Park District utilizes a variety of cooperative contracts including the State of Ohio DAS Contract Number MSA0039, NASPO Contract Number MA176, and Federal GSA Contract Number 47QTCA22D008N for these purchases.

These plans cover both data transmission for all cellular equipment along with any other required hardware. Plans range in price from \$10.00 to \$100.00 per month, and other specialty devices have varying prices depending on type and usage (i.e., cellular gateways, cameras, and other misc. devices). Many of the plans offer unlimited voice and data service. T-Mobile USA, Inc. allows both staff and other T-Mobile customers to communicate with each other at no “minute” costs.

Most Cleveland Metroparks data phone plans are unlimited minutes and data use. These plans and devices allow users to use their cellular phones for e-mail and when necessary, internet access. Some of these devices, including specialty devices include cellular service for parking/ticketing kiosks, water sensors, trail counters, and other potential devices. If devices are transferred from Verizon to T-Mobile, those associated costs will be moved from the Verizon account to the T-Mobile USA, Inc. account and will either be less or cost the same in most cases. Replacement costs for devices can range from \$0 to as high as \$1600 for devices with more storage or memory. In lieu of a comprehensive upgrade, free individual upgrades are and will be issued upon request with supervisor approval.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board authorize the award for wireless voice and data services to **T-Mobile USA, Inc.** at the terms and rates as per Ohio, NASPO and GSA Co-Ops #7021, beginning February 20, 2026 through February 19, 2028, **estimated at \$100,000** over a two (2) year period, in full utilization of various cooperative contracts including the State of Ohio DAS Contract Number MSA0039, NASPO Contract Number MA176, and Federal GSA Contract Number 47QTCA22D008N. 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.

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GOODS AND SERVICES (\$25,000 - \$75,000) ACQUIRED
SINCE LAST BOARD MEETING (Presented 2/19/26)

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>
Mooring modifications for Barge 225 at Euclid Creek Reservation.	Huffman Equipment Rental Inc.	\$45,585.00 <u>450.00</u> \$46,035.00	(3)
One (1) new 2026 F150 4x4 pickup truck for Fleet.	Ken Ganley Ford	\$51,638.00	(7)
Bus transportation to the Zoo for scholarship groups.	Precious Cargo Trailways	\$44,800.00	(7)
2026 executive preventative care program.	Cleveland Clinic	\$40,000.00	(3)
AI monitoring of animal behavior for Tropical Bears at the Zoo; additional services.	DigitalT3 LLC	\$25,000.00 <u>25,000.00</u> \$50,000.00	(3)
Three debris blowers for Garfield, Euclid Creek and Rocky River locations.	Revels Turf & Tractor	\$34,860.00	(7)
Three Cushman hauler 1200X utility vehicles for Park Ops.	Lake Erie Golf Cars	\$31,443.75	(2)
One (1) new 2026 Ford F350 4x4 pickup truck for Fleet.	Montrose Auto Group	\$58,400.00	(2)
Various native plants for resale at Nature Centers.	Archewild	\$31,503.31	(7)
One (1) Jacobsen Eclipse Elite 360 lithium greens mower for Sleepy Hollow.	Baker Vehicle Systems Inc.	\$69,635.80	(2)
Two (2) new Kubota worksite utility vehicles for Park Ops.	Akron Tractor & Equipment, Inc.	\$49,741.68	(2)
One (1) used 2024 John Deere 1600 Turbo TerrainCut mower for Park Ops.	Polen Implement, Inc.	\$59,000.00	(7)

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

<u>REF. NO. / ITEM – SERVICE</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>PROCEDURE</u>
One (1) new Vermeer PTX42 tractor for Golf.	Vermeer Sales & Service, Inc.	\$69,880.00	(2)
Cybersecurity enterprise service plan 3/29/26 through 3/28/27.	Cadre Computer Resources Co.	\$31,948.80	(2)
Electrical improvements at various Zoo concession’s locations.	Aramark	\$73,075.88	(3)
Environmental site assessment for ODOT maintenance property located in Cleveland.	Partners Environmental Consulting, Inc.	\$29,435.00	(5)
Furniture and trash cans for the Zoo.	Aramark	\$27,047.70	(3)
2026 renewal of Fulcrum Elite user licenses for GIS.	Spatial Networks	\$41,808.00	(3)
Digital budget and transparency software for the budget book for Finance.	Clear Gov Inc.	\$75,000.00	(7)
Various meats for animals at the Zoo.	Eastern Colorado Recycling Company LTD	\$75,000.00	(3)
One (1) Toro ProCore 864 turf aerator for Sleepy Hollow golf course.	Jerry Pate Turf & Irrigation	\$41,506.21	(2)
2026 Southwest Enforcement Bureau and Emergency Response team dues for Police.	Southwest Council of Governments	\$27,500.00	(3)
Professional services for planning, sampling and permitting for maintenance dredging at Wildwood Marina, Euclid Creek reservation.	KS Associates, Inc.	\$36,400.00	(7)

===== **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 (2/19/26)**

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>
<p><u>Cleveland Harbor West Pier Improvements, Lakefront Reservation</u></p> <p><u>Contract Amount:</u> Original Contract Amount: \$663,139.55 Change Order No. 1 Amount: \$3,989.27 Change Order No. 2 Amount: \$1,351.67 Change Order No. 3 Amount: (\$9,071.26) Revised Contract Amount: \$659,409.23</p>	<p>Additional fencing and double gate, landscaping deduct and bond deduct.</p>	<p>Regency Construction Services, Inc.</p>	<p>#3</p>
<p><u>Cleveland Metroparks Lakefront Building, Lakefront Reservation, Professional Design Services</u></p> <p><u>Contract Amount:</u> Original Contract Amount: \$114,700.00 Amendment No. 1 Amount: \$479,500.00 Amendment No. 2 Amount: \$36,400.00 Revised Contract Amount: \$630,600.00</p>	<p>Additional services; commissioning services.</p>	<p>Osborn Engineering Co.</p>	<p>#2</p>

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 105746 through 105764; \$25,000 to \$75,000 purchased items/services report, pages 105765 through 105766; and construction change orders, page 105767.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL.

No. 26-02-016: It was moved by Vice President Ittu, seconded by Vice President Moore and carried, to approve vouchers, net payroll, employee withholding taxes, and procurement card charges, as identified on pages 105791 to 105959.

Roll-call vote on the motion was as follows:

Aye: Mr. Rinker.

Aye: Ms. Ittu.

Aye: Mr. Moore.

Nays: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Public comments were offered by Marty Leshner of Olmsted Township and Margaret Ciaravino of Middleburg Heights. 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/board-of-park-commissioners/board-meeting-archives>.

INFORMATION/BRIEFING ITEMS/POLICY.**(a) 2025 Park District Visitation Results**

(Originating Sources: Kelly Manderfield, Chief Marketing Officer/Beth Coduti, Director of Research & Analytics)

Beth Coduti, Cleveland Metroparks Director of Research & Analytics, will present the 2025 Park District Visitation Results.

In 2025, Cleveland Metroparks attracted more than 19 million Recreational Visits (people using reservations in which they park their vehicles or arrive by foot/bike) for the sixth consecutive year. Based on the 2025 Park Visitation Study, there was a slight decrease of less than 1% compared to the previous year. The slight decline was a result of multiple construction projects throughout the park system. The most notable increases in visitation were seen at several reservations including: Garfield Park Reservation (+29%), which saw record breaking visitation following enhancements within the reservation, including the restoration of Garfield Pond in late 2024, Big Creek Reservation (+14%), which continues to see many APT improvements and parking lot enhancements, and Mill Stream Run Reservation (+8%), which saw an increase following the improvements at Wallace Lake unveiled in mid-year 2025.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was scheduled by the Board for Thursday, March 19, 2026, 8:00 a.m. at the Board's office, 4101 Fulton Parkway, Cleveland, Ohio.

ADJOURNMENT.

No. 26-02-035: There being no further matters to come before the Board, upon motion by Vice President Ittu, seconded by Vice President Moore, and carried, President Rinker adjourned the meeting at 8:54 a.m.

Vote on the motion was as follows:

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

Nays: None.

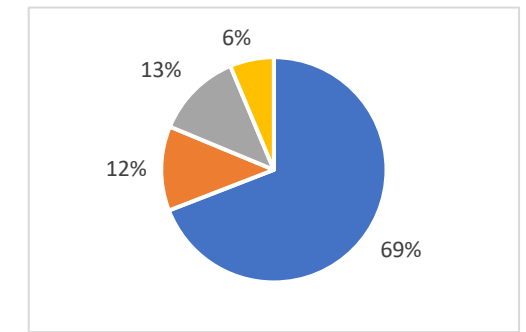
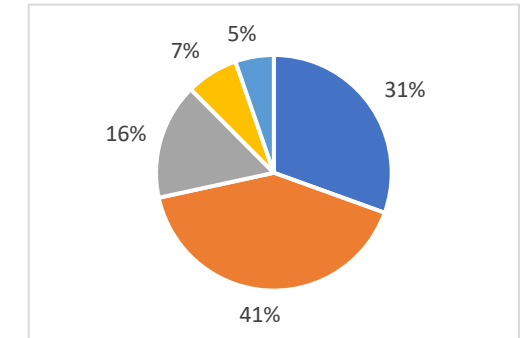
President.

Attest:

Secretary.

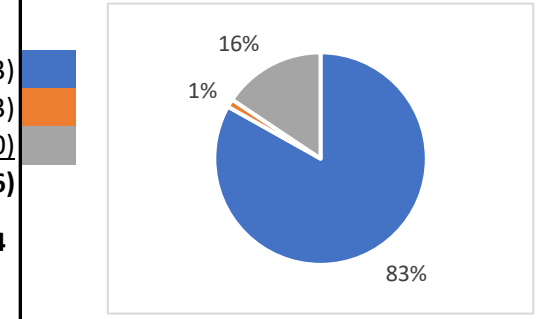
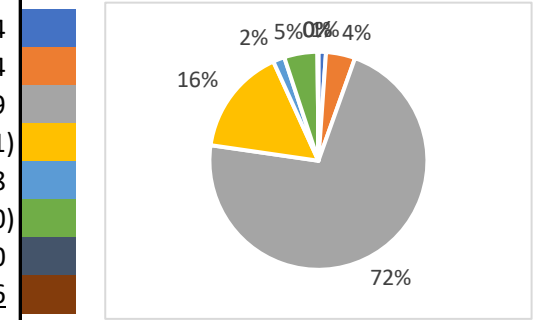
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CM Park District**

	Actual January '25	Actual January '26	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD January '25	Actual YTD January '26	Fav (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Property Tax	4,156,471	4,331,000	174,529	4,156,471	4,331,000	174,529
Local Gov/Grants/Gifts	4,167,171	5,831,031	1,663,860	4,167,171	5,831,031	1,663,860
Charges for Services	1,998,961	2,260,819	261,858	1,998,961	2,260,819	261,858
Self-Funded	988,987	1,018,002	29,015	988,987	1,018,002	29,015
Interest, Fines, Other	<u>278,461</u>	<u>751,185</u>	<u>472,724</u>	<u>278,461</u>	<u>751,185</u>	<u>472,724</u>
Total Revenue	11,590,051	14,192,037	2,601,986	11,590,051	14,192,037	2,601,986
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	9,754,159	9,692,035	62,124	9,754,159	9,692,035	62,124
Contractual Services	1,568,623	1,703,671	(135,048)	1,568,623	1,703,671	(135,048)
Operations	1,397,005	1,741,020	(344,015)	1,397,005	1,741,020	(344,015)
Self-Funded Exp	<u>710,001</u>	<u>886,869</u>	<u>(176,868)</u>	<u>710,001</u>	<u>886,869</u>	<u>(176,868)</u>
Total OpEx	13,429,788	14,023,595	(593,807)	13,429,788	14,023,595	(593,807)
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	(1,839,737)	168,442	2,008,179	(1,839,737)	168,442	2,008,179
CapEx:						
Capital Labor	112,909	108,823	4,086	112,909	108,823	4,086
Construction Expenses	1,581,382	12,218,520	(10,637,138)	1,581,382	12,218,520	(10,637,138)
Capital Equipment	369,316	386,730	(17,414)	369,316	386,730	(17,414)
Land Acquisition	90,017	32,382	57,635	90,017	32,382	57,635
Capital Animal Costs	<u>157</u>	<u>(1,148)</u>	<u>1,305</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>(1,148)</u>	<u>1,305</u>
Total CapEx	2,153,781	12,745,307	(10,591,526)	2,153,781	12,745,307	(10,591,526)
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(3,993,518)	(12,576,865)	(8,583,347)	(3,993,518)	(12,576,865)	(8,583,347)



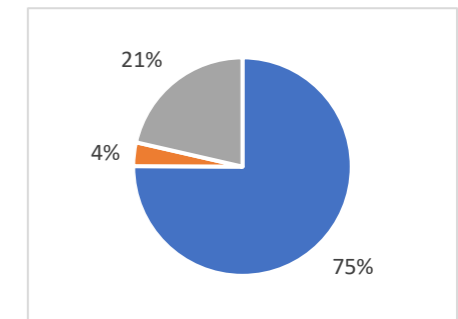
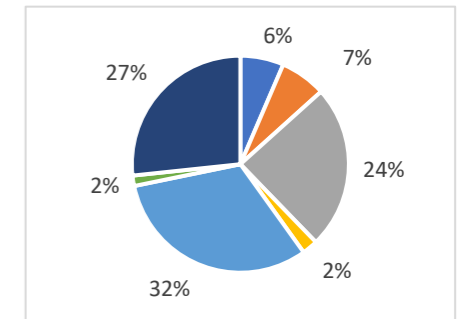
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Zoo**

	Actual January '25	Actual January '26	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD January '25	Actual YTD January '26	Fav (Unfav)
Revenue:						
General/SE Admissions	(211,667)	11,347	223,014	(211,667)	11,347	223,014
Guest Experience	28,257	43,981	15,724	28,257	43,981	15,724
Zoo Society	702,417	728,316	25,899	702,417	728,316	25,899
Souvenirs/Refreshments	171,813	161,502	(10,311)	171,813	161,502	(10,311)
Education	7,604	17,342	9,738	7,604	17,342	9,738
Rentals & Events	77,100	50,250	(26,850)	77,100	50,250	(26,850)
Consignment	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	(2,470)	1,206	3,676	(2,470)	1,206	3,676
Total Revenue	773,054	1,013,944	240,890	773,054	1,013,944	240,890
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	1,988,195	2,026,788	(38,593)	1,988,195	2,026,788	(38,593)
Contractual Services	15,094	30,087	(14,993)	15,094	30,087	(14,993)
Operations	365,519	381,239	(15,720)	365,519	381,239	(15,720)
Total OpEx	2,368,808	2,438,114	(69,306)	2,368,808	2,438,114	(69,306)
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	(1,595,754)	(1,424,170)	171,584	(1,595,754)	(1,424,170)	171,584
CapEx:						
Capital Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction Expenses	95,037	848,830	(753,793)	95,037	848,830	(753,793)
Capital Equipment	53,396	0	53,396	53,396	0	53,396
Capital Animal Costs	157	(1,148)	1,305	157	(1,148)	1,305
Total CapEx	148,590	847,682	(699,092)	148,590	847,682	(699,092)
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(1,744,344)	(2,271,852)	(527,508)	(1,744,344)	(2,271,852)	(527,508)
Restricted Revenue-Other	2,947,869	5,228,332	2,280,463	2,947,869	5,228,332	2,280,463
Restricted Revenue-Zipline	0	216	216	0	216	216
Restricted Expenses	111,131	3,330,960	(3,219,829)	111,131	3,330,960	(3,219,829)
Restricted Surplus/(Subsidy)	2,836,738	1,897,588	(939,150)	2,836,738	1,897,588	(939,150)



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	Actual January '25	Actual January '26	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD January '25	Actual YTD January '26	Fav (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Greens Fees	13,120	10,614	(2,506)	13,120	10,614	(2,506)
Equipment Rentals	3,247	11,275	8,028	3,247	11,275	8,028
Food Service	22,133	40,061	17,928	22,133	40,061	17,928
Merchandise Sales	2,072	3,837	1,765	2,072	3,837	1,765
Pro Services	38,655	51,975	13,320	38,655	51,975	13,320
Driving Range	2,784	2,542	(242)	2,784	2,542	(242)
Other	<u>11,206</u>	<u>43,775</u>	<u>32,569</u>	<u>11,206</u>	<u>43,775</u>	<u>32,569</u>
Total Revenue	93,217	164,079	70,862	93,217	164,079	70,862
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	567,169	599,422	(32,253)	567,169	599,422	(32,253)
Contractual Services	17,352	28,004	(10,652)	17,352	28,004	(10,652)
Operations	<u>144,948</u>	<u>171,065</u>	<u>(26,117)</u>	<u>144,948</u>	<u>171,065</u>	<u>(26,117)</u>
Total OpEx	729,469	798,491	(69,022)	729,469	798,491	(69,022)
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	(636,252)	(634,412)	1,840	(636,252)	(634,412)	1,840
CapEx:						
Capital Labor	57,943	53,936	4,007	57,943	53,936	4,007
Construction Expenses	427,725	947,421	(519,696)	427,725	947,421	(519,696)
Capital Equipment	<u>99,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>99,000</u>	<u>99,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>99,000</u>
Total CapEx	584,668	1,001,357	(416,689)	584,668	1,001,357	(416,689)
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(1,220,920)	(1,635,769)	(414,849)	(1,220,920)	(1,635,769)	(414,849)



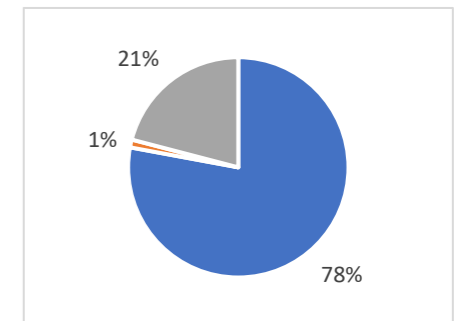
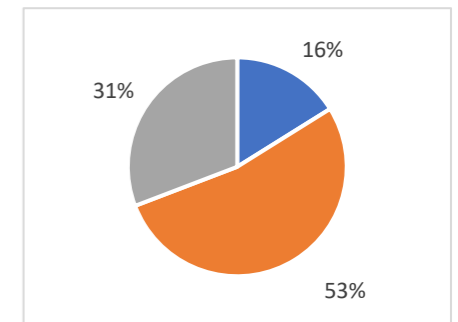
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	Big Met (18)		Little Met (9)		Mastick Woods (9)		Manakiki (18)		Sleepy Hollow (18)		Total	
	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26
Operating Revenue	9,879	22,947	5,081	841	1,668	7,705	15,635	31,292	16,096	30,396	93,217	164,081
Operating Expenses	91,858	115,084	14,472	17,818	24,944	15,064	112,640	94,316	93,749	112,108	729,469	798,493
Operating Surplus/(Subsidy)	(81,979)	(92,137)	(9,391)	(16,977)	(23,276)	(7,359)	(97,005)	(63,024)	(77,653)	(81,712)	(636,252)	(634,412)
Capital Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0	54,374	3,487	3,569	13,832	57,943	53,936
Construction Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,213	0	75	2,543	427,725	947,421
Capital Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99,000	0
Total Capital Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	59,587	3,487	3,644	16,375	584,668	1,001,357
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(81,979)	(92,137)	(9,391)	(16,977)	(23,276)	(7,359)	(156,592)	(66,511)	(81,297)	(98,087)	(1,220,920)	(1,635,769)

	Shawnee Hills (27)		Washington Park (9)		Seneca (36)		Ironwood		Golf Admin		Total	
	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26
Operating Revenue	26,669	22,505	11,496	18,300	4,435	21,390	2,258	3,382	0	5,323	93,217	164,081
Operating Expenses	82,350	85,487	48,262	35,332	82,588	89,140	63,008	76,047	115,598	158,097	729,469	798,493
Operating Surplus/(Subsidy)	(55,681)	(62,982)	(36,766)	(17,032)	(78,153)	(67,750)	(60,750)	(72,665)	(115,598)	(152,774)	(636,252)	(634,412)
Capital Labor	0	2,824	0	0	0	33,793	0	0	0	0	57,943	53,936
Construction Expenses	0	118,000	77,839	0	344,598	824,186	0	2,692	0	0	427,725	947,421
Capital Equipment	99,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99,000	0
Total Capital Expenditures	99,000	120,824	77,839	0	344,598	857,979	0	2,692	0	0	584,668	1,001,357
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(154,681)	(183,806)	(114,605)	(17,032)	(422,751)	(925,729)	(60,750)	(75,357)	(115,598)	(152,774)	(1,220,920)	(1,635,769)

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Enterprise Summary**

	Actual January '25	Actual January '26	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD January '25	Actual YTD January '26	Fav (Unfav)
Revenue:						
Concessions	117,526	110,379	(7,147)	117,526	110,379	(7,147)
Dock Rentals	425,950	363,205	(62,745)	425,950	363,205	(62,745)
Other*	<u>217,007</u>	<u>210,916</u>	<u>(6,091)</u>	<u>217,007</u>	<u>210,916</u>	<u>(6,091)</u>
Total Revenue	760,483	684,500	(75,983)	760,483	684,500	(75,983)
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	411,831	406,512	5,319	411,831	406,512	5,319
Contractual Services	9,342	5,994	3,348	9,342	5,994	3,348
Operations	<u>119,094</u>	<u>109,253</u>	<u>9,841</u>	<u>119,094</u>	<u>109,253</u>	<u>9,841</u>
Total OpEx	540,267	521,759	18,508	540,267	521,759	18,508
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	220,216	162,741	(57,475)	220,216	162,741	(57,475)
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>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total CapEx	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	220,216	162,741	(57,475)	220,216	162,741	(57,475)



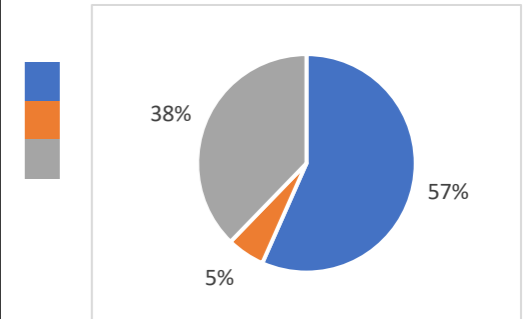
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	Merwin's Wharf		EW Beach House		E55th Marina		E55th Restaurant		North Coast Harbor Marina		Hinckley Lake Boathouse	
	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26
Operating Revenue	108,944	105,282	0	0	365,470	299,753	0	0	0	0	0	822
Operating Expenses	179,811	175,360	413	802	12,723	9,287	289	73	0	12	0	4,069
Operating Surplus/(Subsidy)	(70,867)	(70,078)	(413)	(802)	352,747	290,466	(289)	(73)	0	(12)	0	(3,247)
Capital Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capital Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Capital Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(70,867)	(70,078)	(413)	(802)	352,747	290,466	(289)	(73)	0	(12)	0	(3,247)
	Wildwood		Euclid Beach		EmerNeck Marina		EmerNeck Restaurant		Astorhurst Concession			
	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26		
Operating Revenue	17	0	23	0	105,942	119,853	12,173	13,987	0	0		
Operating Expenses	617	399	120	180	3,980	4,352	19,432	20,824	0	307		
Operating Surplus/(Subsidy)	(600)	(399)	(97)	(180)	101,962	115,501	(7,259)	(6,837)	0	(307)		
Capital Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Construction Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Capital Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Total Capital Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(600)	(399)	(97)	(180)	101,962	115,501	(7,259)	(6,837)	0	(307)		
	Edgewater Pier		Wallace Lake		Hinckley Lake Concession		Huntington		Boat Dock			
	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26		
Operating Revenue	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5		
Operating Expenses	25	25	30	317	0	0	634	367	185	184		
Operating Surplus/(Subsidy)	5	(25)	(30)	(317)	0	0	(634)	(367)	(185)	(179)		
Capital Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Construction Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Capital Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Total Capital Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	5	(25)	(30)	(317)	0	0	(634)	(367)	(185)	(179)		
	Chalet		Ledge Lake		Parking		Enterprise Admin		Total			
	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26	YTD January '25	YTD January '26		
Operating Revenue	152,951	125,117	1,295	1,230	13,639	18,449	0	0	760,484	684,498		
Operating Expenses	116,356	105,123	1,301	642	1,635	4,064	202,717	195,370	540,268	521,757		
Operating Surplus/(Subsidy)	36,595	19,994	(6)	588	12,004	14,385	(202,717)	(195,370)	220,216	162,741		
Capital Labor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Construction Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Capital Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Total Capital Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	36,595	19,994	(6)	588	12,004	14,385	(202,717)	(195,370)	220,216	162,741		

**Cleveland Metroparks
Financial Performance
1/31/2026
Nature Shops and Kiosks**

	Actual January '25	Actual January '26	Fav (Unfav)	Actual YTD January '25	Actual YTD January '26	Fav (Unfav)
Retail Revenue	17,144	21,418	4,274	17,144	21,418	4,274
OpEx:						
Salaries and Benefits	40,638	24,116	16,522	40,638	24,116	16,522
Contractual Services	0	2,389	(2,389)	0	2,389	(2,389)
Operations	<u>15,625</u>	<u>16,078</u>	<u>(453)</u>	<u>15,625</u>	<u>16,078</u>	<u>(453)</u>
Total OpEx	56,263	42,583	13,680	56,263	42,583	13,680
Op Surplus/(Subsidy)	(39,119)	(21,165)	17,954	(39,119)	(21,165)	17,954
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>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total CapEx	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Surplus/(Subsidy)	(39,119)	(21,165)	17,954	(39,119)	(21,165)	17,954



**CLEVELAND METROPARKS
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND INVESTMENTS SCHEDULES
FOR THE MONTH END-January 2026**

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Current	Past Due				Total
	1-30 Days	30-60 Days	61-90 Days	Over 90 Days	
\$873,084	\$28,066	\$210,793	\$5,560	\$154,986	\$1,272,490

Date Placed	Bank	Description	Days of Duration	Rate		Date of Maturity	Interest Earned	EOM Balance
01/01/26	PNC Bank	Money Market (A)	30	1.96%		01/31/26	\$12,443	\$7,610,908
01/01/26	Key Bank Capital Markets	Portfolio (B)	30	7.080%	(D)	01/31/26	41,949.00	\$0
01/01/26	STAR Ohio	State pool (C)	30	5.33%		01/31/26	147,139.81	\$24,658,819

(A) Premium Business Money Market Account

Investment balance ranged from \$1,389,670 to \$7,610,908 in January 2026.

(B) KBCM - Net Change in Portfolio \$0. Ending Account Value \$0

Investment balance ranged from \$14,207,221 to 0 in January 2026.

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

Investment balance ranged from \$41,566,013 to \$24,658,819 in January 2026.

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

Source: Wade Steen, Chief Finance Officer
02/06/26

**RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING THE
RETIREMENT OF
DONALD ANDERSON**

WHEREAS, *Donald Anderson has served Cleveland Metroparks for over 43 years; and,*

WHEREAS, *Donald Anderson has devoted these years of service utilizing his knowledge, skills and abilities as a Handyperson, Senior Handyperson, and Technician; and,*

WHEREAS, *Donald Anderson was noted for his great skill set and expertise in mechanics, and his ability to repair and maintain equipment throughout South Chagrin; and,*

WHEREAS, *Donald Anderson has used his skills to assist in many notable projects such as Coasting Hill/Sledding Hill where he excavated, built and graded the hill; and,*

WHEREAS, *Donald Anderson was highly skilled with over 20 years of house mechanics, repair and maintenance experience and knowledge and over 30 years of grading and maintaining bridle and hiking trails; and,*

WHEREAS, *Donald Anderson was known for his reliability and consistent work ethic that he displayed everyday he showed up for work; and,*

WHEREAS, *Donald Anderson was highly noted for his impeccable customer service towards patrons and his love for nature and animals; and,*

WHEREAS, *Donald's devotion to efficiency, teamwork and love for Cleveland Metroparks was a great asset to the organization and won't be forgotten.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, *that the Board of Park Commissioners of Cleveland Metroparks expresses its sincere appreciation to Donald Anderson for his years of service and dedication in serving the citizens of Greater Cleveland.*



Bruce G. Rinker
President, Board of Park Commissioners



Brian M. Zimmerman
Chief Executive Officer



**RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING THE
RETIREMENT OF
JAMES R. FOX III**

WHEREAS, *James R. Fox III has served Cleveland Metroparks for 23 years; and,*

WHEREAS, *James R. Fox III has devoted these years of service utilizing his knowledge, skills and abilities as a Technician and a Senior Technician; and,*

WHEREAS, *James R. Fox III contributed tremendously to the golf industry for nearly 45 years and brought a plethora of knowledge and skills to improve Cleveland Metroparks golf sites such as Sleepy Hollow, Seneca, and Manakiki; and,*

WHEREAS, *James R. Fox III assisted in multiple renovation projects with Cleveland Metroparks' golf courses such as greens, bunkers, cart paths, tee complexes, and fairways, and notably instrumental in the renovations at Seneca Golf Course; and,*

WHEREAS, *James R. Fox III proficiency in operating heavy equipment such as bull dozers, excavators, and skid steers to name a few was an important asset to the golf courses; and,*

WHEREAS, *James R. Fox III was a jack of all trades and was known for his arborist work that was seen on many golf courses; and,*

WHEREAS, *James R. Fox III was always an asset to the crews he worked with throughout the park district due to his collaboration mentality and his experience with equipment; and,*

WHEREAS, *James' devotion to efficiency, teamwork and love for Cleveland Metroparks was a great asset to the organization and won't be forgotten.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, *that the Board of Park Commissioners of Cleveland Metroparks expresses its sincere appreciation to James R. Fox III for his years of service and dedication in serving the citizens of Greater Cleveland.*



Bruce G. Rinker
President, Board of Park Commissioners



Brian M. Zimmerman
Chief Executive Officer



**CLEVELAND METROPARKS
Appropriation Summary - 2026**

Object Code	Object Description	Original Budget			Total Prior Budget Amendments	Proposed Amendment #1 2/19/2026	Total
		Baseline Budget	Carry Over Encumbrances	Total			
OPERATING							
51	Salaries	\$ 72,891,838	\$ 13,924	\$ 72,905,763	\$ -	\$ 147,050 A	\$ 73,052,813
52	Employee Fringe Benefits	25,704,801	31,692	25,736,492	-	-	25,736,492
53	Contractual Services	21,412,860	1,816,035	23,228,895	-	25,047 B	23,253,942
54	Operations	35,693,137	4,967,663	40,660,800	-	977,517 C	41,638,317
	Operating Subtotal	155,702,636	6,829,314	162,531,950	-	1,149,614	163,681,564
CAPITAL							
571	Capital Labor	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	1,000,000
572	Capital Construction Expenses	66,576,340	42,016,821	108,593,161	-	4,376,069 D	112,969,230
574	Capital Equipment	4,636,300	1,537,411	6,173,711	-	75,000 E	6,248,711
575	Zoo Animals	100,000	-	100,000	-	-	100,000
576	Land	592,150	129,002	721,152	-	-	721,152
	Capital Subtotal	72,904,790	43,683,234	116,588,024	-	4,451,069	121,039,093
TOTALS							
Grand totals		\$ 228,607,426	\$ 50,512,548	\$ 279,119,974	\$ -	\$ 5,600,683	\$ 284,720,656

CLEVELAND METROPARKS

Appropriations 2026 - Legend - Amendment #1

OPERATING

51 SALARIES

- \$ 30,000 Increase of appropriations in Seasonal Salaries for Park Operations Outdoor Experiences
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Outdoor Experiences Fund balance
- \$ 5,380 Increase of appropriations in Seasonal Salaries for Park Operations for Brecksville Nature Center
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Brecksville Enhancement Fund balance
- \$ 35,000 Increase of appropriations in Seasonal Salaries for Park Operations Mobile Outreach
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing PNC Grow Up Great Fund balance
- \$ 81,000 Increase of appropriations in Full-Time Salaries and Seasonal Salaries for Park Operations for the Euclid Beach STEM Adventure
Camp Expansion
Appropriation increase will be covered by new Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services grant
- \$ 8,670 Increase of appropriations in Seasonal Salaries for Park Operations Youth Outdoors
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Youth Outdoors Fund balance
- \$ (13,000) Transfer of appropriations from Seasonal Salaries to Operations for Park Operations
Net budget effect is zero

A \$ 147,050 Total increase (decrease) to Salaries

53 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

- \$ 24,440 Transfer of appropriations from Operations to Other Contractual Services for Park Operations
Net budget effect is zero
- \$ 607 Increase of appropriations in Contractual Services for Park Operations Natural Resources
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Wallace Hydrilla - ODNR Restricted Fund balance

B \$ 25,047 Total increase (decrease) to Contractual Services

54 OPERATIONS

- \$ 52,532 Increase of appropriations in Data Communications and Internet Services for Finance
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing General Operating Fund balance
- \$ 15,000 Increase of appropriations in Scholarships for Park Operations Outdoor Experiences
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing OE Scholarship Fund balance
- \$ 20,000 Increase of appropriations in Exhibit Material and Expenses for Park Operations Watershed Stewardship Center
Appropriation increase will be covered by NEORS annual contribution net yet received
- \$ 5,490 Increase of appropriations in Various Operations for Park Operations Outdoor Experiences
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Outdoor Recreation Fund balance
- \$ 8,815 Increase of appropriations in Property Maintenance Supplies for Park Operations for Brookside Reservation
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Western Reserve Land Conservancy Restricted Fund
- \$ 130,000 Increase of appropriations in Property Maintenance Supplies for Park Operations Enterprise
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Leased Parking Lots-ODOT Fund balance
- \$ (24,440) Transfer of appropriations from Various Operations to Contractual Services for Park Operations
Net budget effect is zero
- \$ 7,272 Increase of appropriations in Scholarships for Park Operations Outdoor Experiences
Appropriation increase will be covered by transfer from OE Virtual Learning Fund
- \$ 7,272 Increase of appropriations to closeout OE Virtual Learning Fund for Park Operations Outdoor Experiences
Appropriation increase will be covered by closeout of OE Virtual Learning Fund
- \$ 66,053 Increase of appropriations in Scholarships, Program Supplies, and Exhibit Material and Expenses for Park Operations Outdoor Experiences
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Outdoor Experiences Fund balance
- \$ 106,982 Increase of appropriations in Various Operations for Park Operations Rocky River Nature Center
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Rocky River Nature Center Maintenance and Improvements Fund balance
- \$ 1,638 Increase of appropriations in Training/Conference Registration Fees for Park Operations Outdoor Experiences
Appropriation increase will be covered by Certified Interpretive Guide Restricted Fund balance
- \$ 15,000 Increase of appropriations in Training/Conference Registration Fees for Police
Appropriation increase will be covered by Ohio CPT Grant Fund balance
- \$ (207,069) Transfer of appropriations from Tools and Non-Capital Equipment to Capital Construction Expenses for Zoo
Net budget effect is zero

CLEVELAND METROPARKS

Appropriations 2026 - Legend - Amendment #1

- \$ 5,149 Increase of appropriation in Property Maintenance Supplies for Park Operations Huntington Reservation
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Huntington Enhancement Fund balance
- \$ 6,000 Increase of appropriations in HVAC Supplies/Equipment for Park Operations for Brecksville Nature Center
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Brecksville Enhancement Fund balance
- \$ 889 Increase of appropriations in Plant Material for Park Operations Natural Resources
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Towpath Plantings Restricted Fund balance
- \$ 60,000 Increase of appropriations in Property Maintenance Supplies for Park Operations South Chagrin Reservation
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing South Chagrin Enhancement Fund balance
- \$ 817 Increase of appropriations in Program Supplies for Park Operations for Mobile Outreach
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Naturetracks Fund balance
- \$ 18,186 Increase of appropriations in Program Supplies for Park Operations for Nature Preschool
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Nature Preschool and North Chagrin Nature Preschool Fund balances
- \$ 15,590 Increase of appropriations in Program Supplies for Park Operations for the Euclid Beach STEM Adventure Camp Expansion
Appropriation increase will be covered by new Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services grant
- \$ 15,425 Increase of appropriation in Program Supplies for Park Operations for Outdoor Experience
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Canalway Fund balance
- \$ 367,754 Increase of appropriations in Program Supplies and Exhibit Material and Expenses for Park Operations
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing North Chagrin Nature Center Fund balance
- \$ 12,000 Increase of appropriations in Program Supplies for Park Operations Outdoor Experiences
Appropriation increase will be covered by new donations to the Outdoor Experiences Transportation Fund
- \$ 135,400 Increase of appropriations in Various Operations for Park Operations for legacy plantings and benches
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Restricted Fund balance
- \$ 86,362 Increase of appropriations in Various Operations for Park Operations Natural Resources
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Wallace Hydrilla - ODNR Restricted Fund balance
- \$ 36,400 Increase of appropriations in Property Maintenance Supplies for Park Operations Wildwood Marina
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing Shoreline Improvements Fund balance
- \$ 13,000 Transfer of appropriations from Salaries to Property Maintenance Supplies for Park Operations
Net budget effect is zero

C \$ 977,517 Total increase (decrease) to Operations
\$ 1,149,614 TOTAL INCREASE (DECREASE) TO OPERATIONS

CAPITAL

572 CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES

- \$ 4,094,000 Increase of appropriations in Capital Contracts for Cleveland Lakefront Bikeway - E. 9th to E. 55th Project
Appropriation increase will be covered by new funding from the Mandel Foundation
- \$ 207,069 Transfer of appropriations from Operations to Capital Contracts for Zoo
Net budget effect is zero
- \$ 75,000 Increase of appropriations in Capital Contracts for Park Operations Trails Fund
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing balance in the Trails Fund

D \$ 4,376,069 Total increase (decrease) to Capital Construction Expenses

574 CAPITAL EQUIPMENT

- \$ 75,000 Increase of appropriations in Misc. Capital Equipment for Park Operations Trail Fund
Appropriation increase will be covered by existing balance in the Trails Fund

E \$ 75,000 Total increase (decrease) to Capital Equipment

\$ 4,451,069 TOTAL INCREASE (DECREASE) TO CAPITAL
\$ 5,600,683 GRAND TOTAL - INCREASE (DECREASE) FOR AMENDMENT

A Resolution to Approve, Adopt and Enact Revised Rules and Regulations of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District; and Authorizing the Required Publication.

WHEREAS, there is a need to update and modify the Codified Rules and Regulations of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District:

Section 1. The rules and regulations of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District which will be published are hereby revised and approved. One copy of the Codified Rules and Regulations shall be certified as correct by the President of this Board and the Chief Executive Officer of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District, attached to this resolution as a part hereof, and filed with the permanent resolutions of this Board. All provisions of the Codified Rules and Regulations continue in full force and effect, including such revisions, commencing on and after 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on March 21, 2026.

Section 2. The Chief Executive Officer of this Board is hereby authorized and directed, in the manner and as provided in Section 731.23, Ohio Revised Code, to cause to be published in the manner required by that Section the revised provisions contained in the Codified Rules and Regulations and to give notice of the approval, adoption and enactment of the changes to the Codified Rules and Regulations except that such publication shall be made in *The Cleveland Plain Dealer* and the *Medina Gazette*.

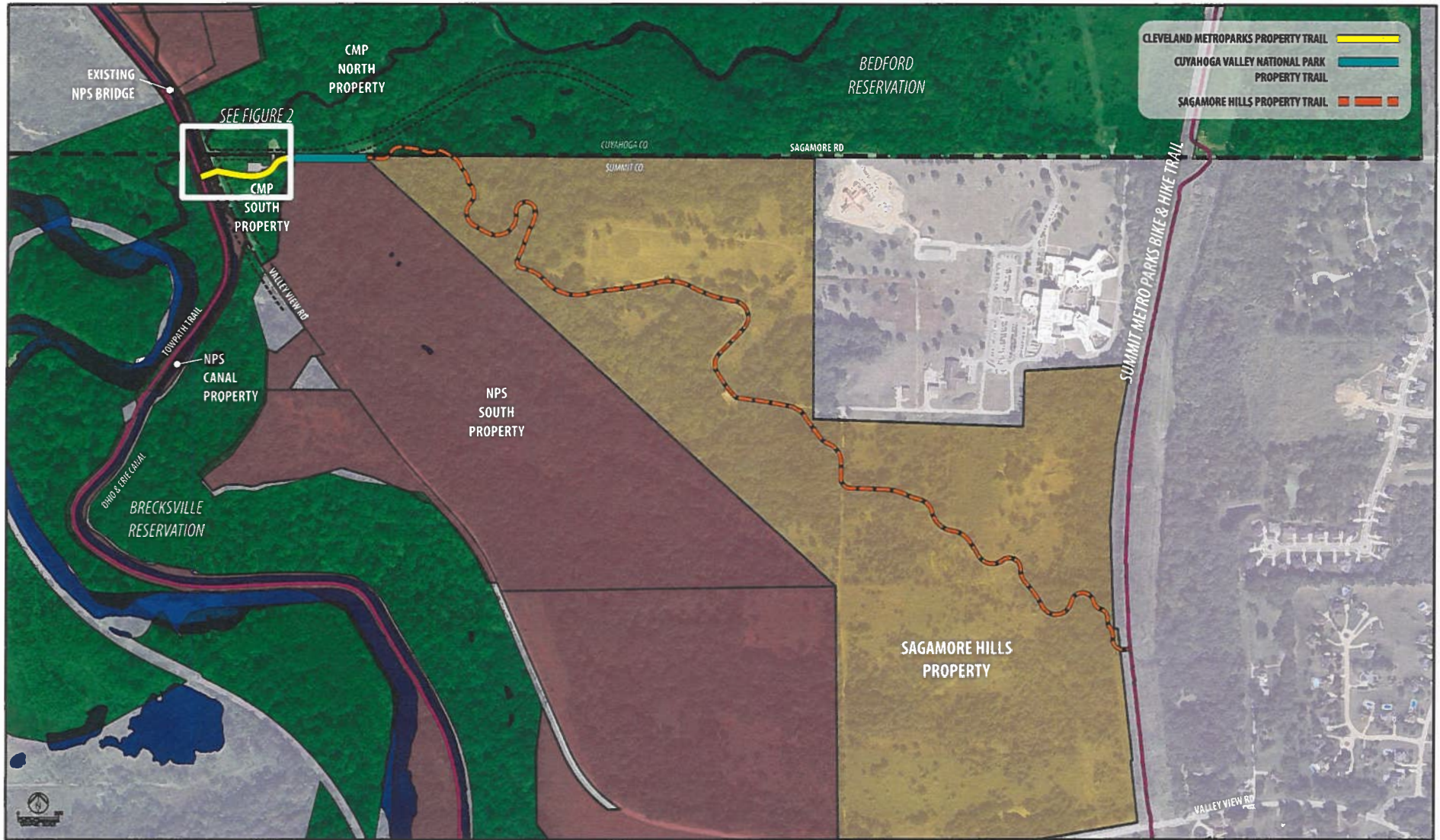
Section 3. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of the Board concerning and relating to the adoption of the changes to regulations were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 4. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption by this Board, provided that the Codified Rules and Regulations revised by this resolution shall become and be effective from and after 12:01 a.m. Eastern Standard Time on March 21, 2026.

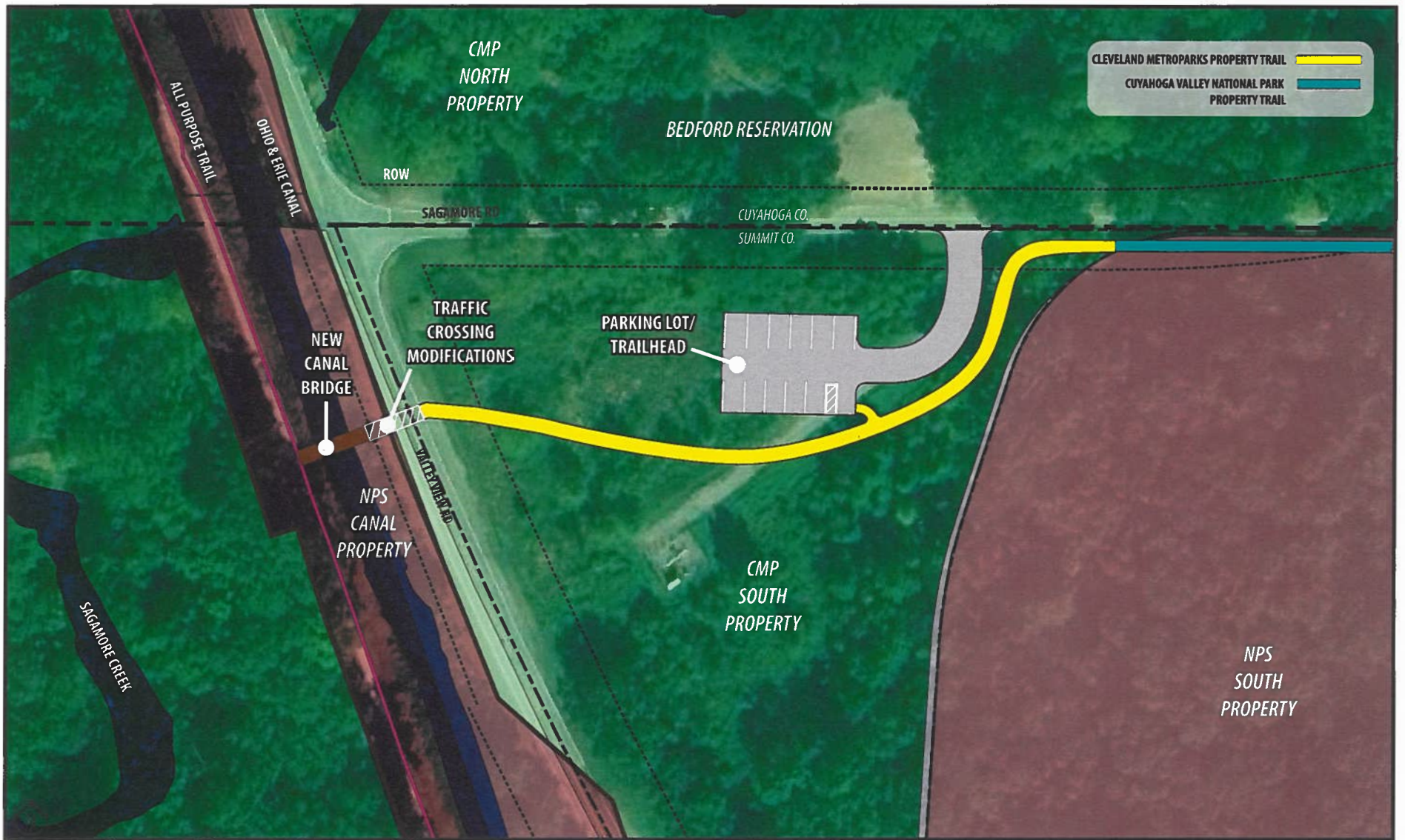
I hereby certify the forgoing to be a true and correct copy of the Resolution which was duly adopted by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, on the 19th day of February 2026.

Chief Executive Officer Date

President Date



SAGAMORE CONNECTOR TRAIL



SAGAMORE CONNECTOR TRAIL

**Resolution Authorizing Application to the Clean Ohio Trail Fund for the
*Sagamore Connector Trail***
February 19, 2026

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the Clean Ohio Trail Fund;

WHEREAS, Cleveland Metroparks desires financial assistance under the Clean Ohio Trail Fund; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland Metroparks desires to construct a ± 650 linear feet all purpose trail and associated improvements, known as the Sagamore Connector Trail project, located in the village of Valley View and Sagamore Hills Township.

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

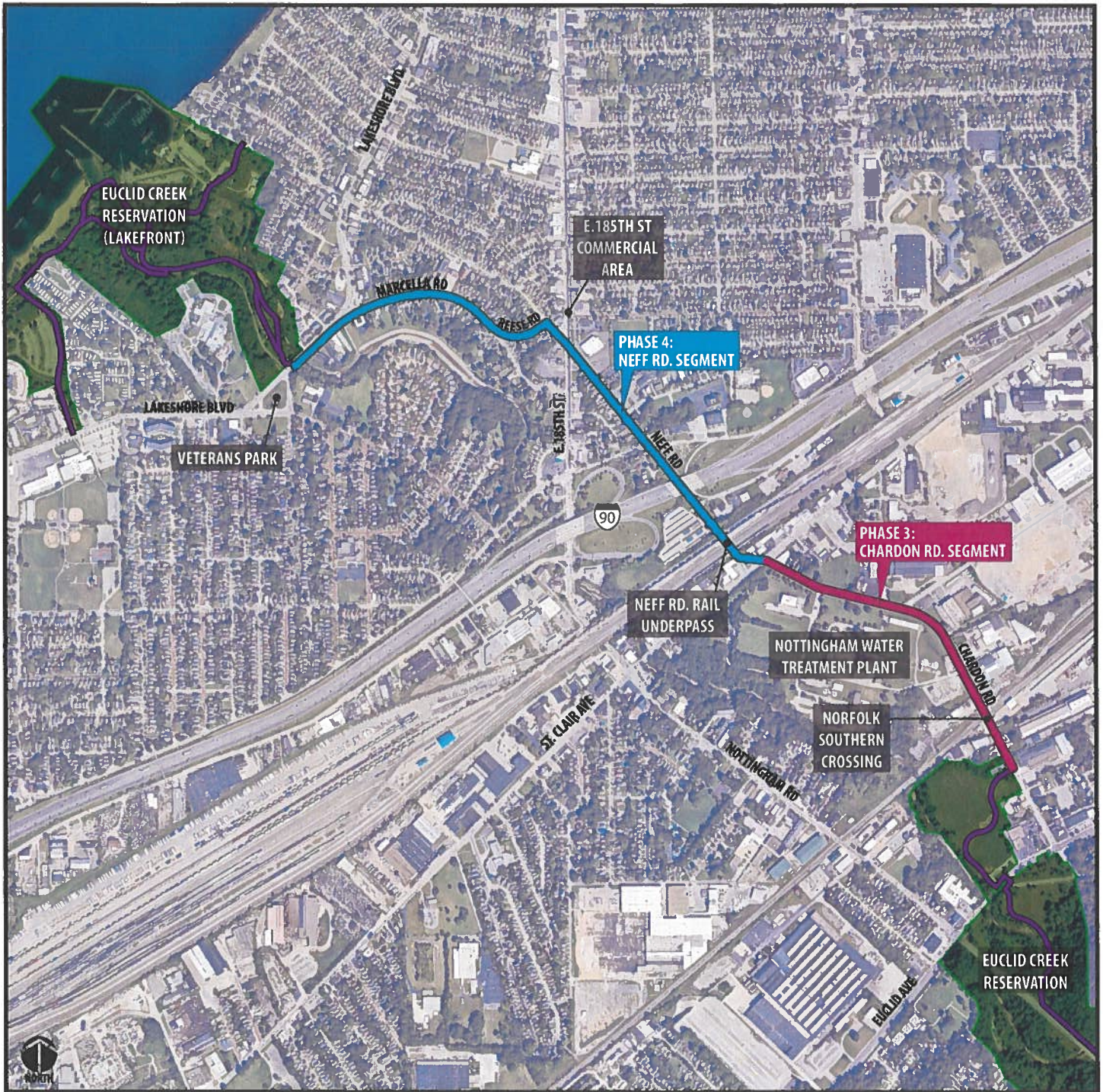
1. That the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District approves filing an application for the Clean Ohio Trail Fund financial assistance program.
2. That Brian M. Zimmerman, Chief Executive Officer, is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.
3. 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 as described in the Board action and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms and conditions of the Clean Ohio Trail Fund program.

Bruce G. Rinker
President
Board of Park Commissioners
Cleveland Metropolitan Park District

CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District on the 19th day of February 2026, and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate.

Brian M. Zimmerman
Chief Executive Officer



RAISE PLANNING GRANT - EUCLID CREEK GREENWAY EXTENSION

**CUY-Euclid Creek Greenway Phase 3
Legislation for Authority – Local-Let Project Agreement**

Resolution #: _____

PID No.: 122357

County/Rute/Section: CUY-Euclid Creek Greenway Ph3

Agreement No.: 41551

The following is a resolution enacted by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District (“Cleveland Metroparks”), of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the Local Public Agency (LPA).

WHEREAS, the National Transportation Act has made available certain Federal funding for use by local public agencies. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) designated the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) as the agency in Ohio to administer FHWA’s Federal funding programs;

WHEREAS, Section 5501.03(A)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Director of ODOT may coordinate the activities of ODOT with other appropriate public authorities and enter into contracts with such authorities as necessary to carry out its duties, powers and functions;

WHEREAS, Section 5501.03(D) of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Director of ODOT may enter into contracts with political subdivisions to administer the design, qualification of bidders, competitive bid letting, construction inspection, research, and acceptance of any projects or transportation facilities administered by ODOT, provided the administration of such projects or transportation facilities is performed in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations with oversight by ODOT;

WHEREAS, the CUY-Euclid Creek Greenway Phase 3 (PID 122357) (herein after known as the “Project”) is a transportation activity eligible to receive federal/state funding;

WHEREAS, the LPA has received funding approval for the Project listed above from the ODOT Program Manager having responsibility for the federal/state funds involved;

WHEREAS, it is the mutual desire of both ODOT and the LPA to have the LPA serve as the responsible lead agency for the administration of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the LPA authorizes Brian M. Zimmerman to enter into an agreement with ODOT for the above-mentioned improvements.

Passed: _____, 2026

Brian M. Zimmerman
Chief Executive Officer
Cleveland Metroparks

Bruce G. Rinker
President
Board of Park Commissioners
Cleveland Metropolitan Park District

CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District on the 19th day of February 2026, and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate.

Brian M. Zimmerman
Chief Executive Officer
Cleveland Metroparks

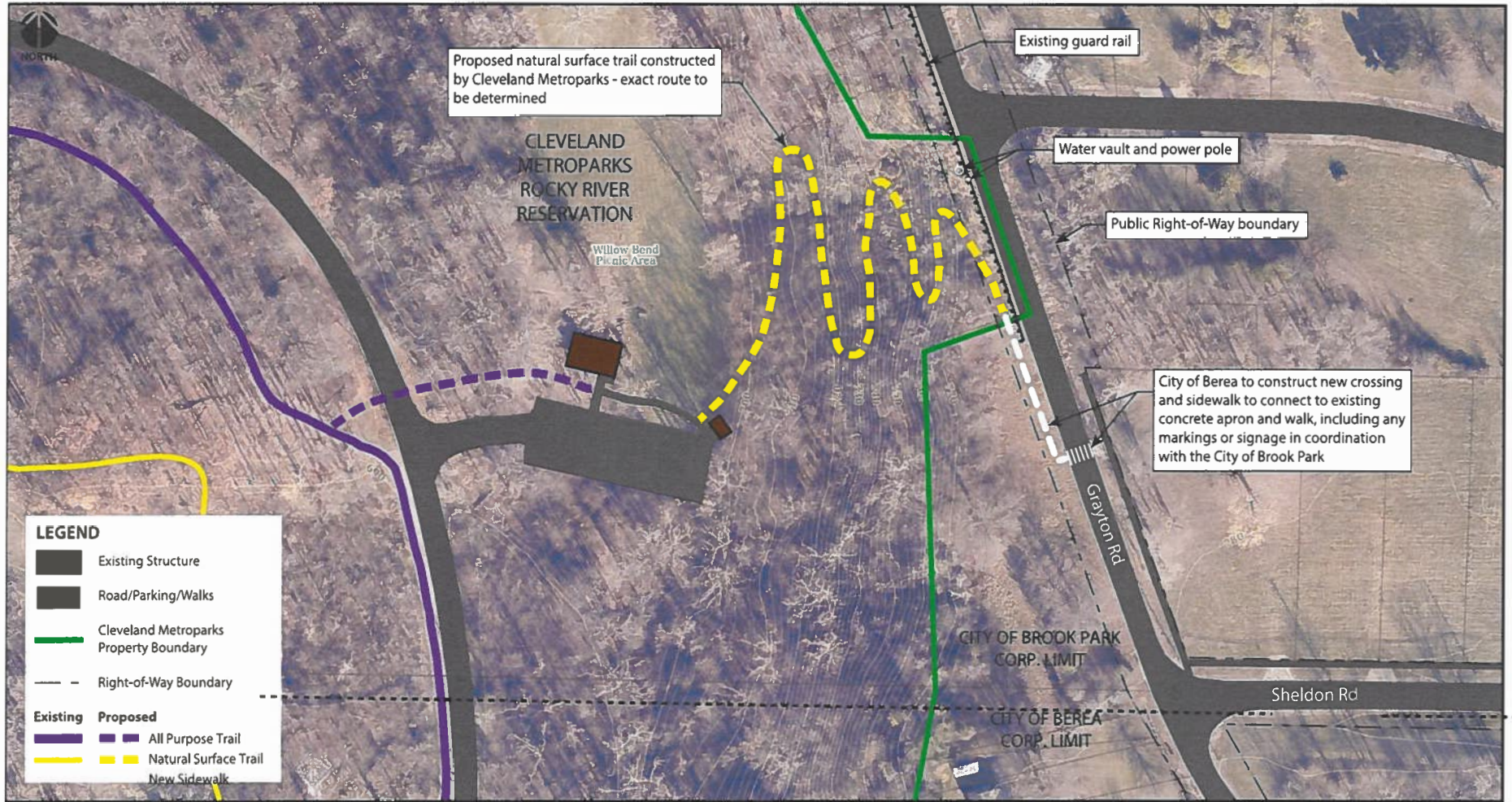


EXHIBIT A: Proposed Willow Bend Trail Connection

Rocky River Reservation

NOV. 19, 2025

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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.

Printed Checks/EFT's dated January 9, 2026 in the amount of \$4,608,175.73

Wire Transfer dated January 16, 2026 in the amount of \$5,243.00

Direct Disbursements dated January 16, 2026 in the amount of \$123,088.03

Printed Checks/EFT's dated January 16, 2026 in the amount of \$2,588,232.85

Printed Checks/EFT's dated January 23, 2026 in the amount of \$1,299,527.85

EFT dated January 26, 2026 in the amount of \$38,352.92

Direct Disbursements dated January 30, 2026 in the amount of \$118,912.08

Printed Checks/EFT's dated January 30, 2026 in the amount of \$2,109,896.47

Wire Transfers dated February 6, 2026 in the amount of \$13,833.60

Printed Checks/EFT's dated February 6, 2026 in the amount of \$3,541,640.02

Net Payroll dated December 14, 2025 to December 27, 2025 in the amount of \$1,673,146.93

Withholding Taxes in the amount of \$396,593.17

Net Payroll dated December 28, 2025 to January 10, 2026 in the amount of \$1,753,782.25

Withholding Taxes in the amount of \$428,007.12

Net Payroll dated January 11, 2026 to January 24, 2026 in the amount of \$1,727,617.66

Withholding Taxes in the amount of \$395,817.93

Bank Fees/ADP Fees in the amount of \$50,202.79

Cigna Payments in the amount of \$798,725.21

ACH Debits (First Energy; Sales Tax) in the amount of \$260,095.32

JP Morgan Mastercard dated January 1, 2026 to January 31, 2026 in the amount of \$498,786.85

OPERS in the amount of \$1,248,258.66

Total amount: \$23,677,936.44

PASSED: February 19, 2026

Attest: _____

President of The Board of Park Commissioners

Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the Board of Park Commissioners approves **Resolution No. 26-02-016** listed above.