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CITY OF PATASKALA

RESOLUTION 2020-047

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE LICKING PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND GILBERT REESE FAMILY FOUNDATION FOR WALKING TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS AT FOUNDATION PARK

WHEREAS, the City of Pataskala operates and maintains the Thomas J. Evans Foundation Park, located at 10255 McIntosh Road, Pataskala, Ohio 43062 (“Foundation Park”) pursuant to a lease agreement with the Thomas J. Evans Foundation, a non-profit entity closely affiliated with the Gilbert Reese Family Foundation (the “Foundation”). The City intends for Foundation Park to be used for year-round recreation and enjoyment by local residents; and

WHEREAS, the Licking Park District Board of Commissioners (“Park District”) maintains parks and bike/multi-use trails throughout Licking County, under an agreement with the Licking County Board of Commissioners, and also in conjunction with the Thomas J. Evans Foundation; and,

WHEREAS, Foundation Park is the largest park in the City, encompassing nearly 78 acres, and presently contains an approximately 1.4-mile (7,200’) mulch-topped walking trail that spans the entire park and surrounding wooded area; and,

WHEREAS, the City desires to upgrade and improve the existing walking trail through construction of an approximately 7,200’ compacted, aggregate trail (hereinafter, the “Walking Trail Improvements”); and,

WHEREAS, the Walking Trail Improvements will allow for a safer, more accessible trail for all Foundation Park visitors and will provide a benefit to the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Foundation and the Park District each desire to contribute financial assistance toward the City’s upcoming construction of the Walking Trail Improvements, and have each agreed to pay 1/3 of the construction costs thereto, or \$38,000.00, whichever is less.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PATASKALA, COUNTY OF LICKING, STATE OF OHIO, A MAJORITY OF

MEMBERS PRESENT CONCURRING THAT:

Section 1: Council for the City of Pataskala hereby authorizes and directs the City Administrator to execute a cost sharing agreement, in substantially the same form and content as the agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, with the Foundation and Park District.

Section 2: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of Council and that all deliberations of the Council and any of the decision-making bodies of the City of Pataskala which resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the State of Ohio.

Section 3: This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by the Charter of the City of Pataskala.

ATTEST:

Kathy M. Hoskinson, Clerk of Council

Michael W. Compton, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Brian M. Zets, Law Director