CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. - 2021

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING WEST CREEK CONSERVANCY'S CLEAN OHIO GREENSPACE ROUND 15 GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE MERRIMAN VALLEY BY THE CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Cuyahoga Falls supports the conservation and preservation of the Merriman Valley; and

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

WHEREAS, West Creek Conservancy's plan includes grant applications to the Clean Ohio program with the Ohio Public Works Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City of Akron also supports the funding and application of West Creek Conservancy's Clean Ohio applications; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Cuyahoga Falls to collaborate with West Creek Conservancy and the City of Akron in furtherance of the conservation and preservation of the Merriman Valley;

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

<u>Section 1</u>. This Council hereby supports West Creek Conservancy's Clean Ohio Greenspace Round 15 Grant application to the Ohio Public Works Commission for the conservation and preservation of the Merriman Valley.

<u>Section 2</u>. This Council hereby respectfully requests that the Ohio Public Works Commission give favorable consideration to West Creek Conservancy's Clean Ohio Greenspace Round 15 Grant application for funding.

Section 3. The Clerk of Council shall forward a certified copy of this Resolution to West Creek Conservancy, ATTN: Derek Schafer, PO BOX 347113, Parma, OH 44134.

Section 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

Section 5. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience, and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls, and the inhabitants thereof, and for further reason that this measure is necessary due to the upcoming grant application deadline, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law. Passed: 3 -22-2021 President of Council Clerk of Council Approved: 3-23-202/ Mayor \\cf-file01\ldpublic\Council\2021ords\03-08-21\Clean Ohio Sycamore Grant Resolution.docx