




City of Cleveland **Memorandum**
Justin M. Bibb, Mayor

Date: October 17, 2023

To: Mark D. Griffin, Director
Department of Law

From: Frank D. Williams, Director 
Department of Public Works

Subject: Legislation for Mill Creek Stream Restoration in the Village of
Highland Hills

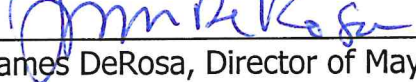
Please prepare legislation authorizing the Director of Public Works to enter into one or more agreements and grant a conservation easement to West Creek Conservancy or its designee for the expenditure of grant funds and to maintain its Mill Creek stream restoration project at Cleveland Enterprise Park in the Village of Highland Hills.

Legal descriptions are forthcoming.

Thank you.

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Encl.

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY
Mayor's Office of Capital Projects
Division of Real Estate

**West Creek Conservancy: Mill Creek Stream Restoration Project at
Cleveland Enterprise Park in Highland Hills**

Ordinance No: XXXX-2023

Legislative Purpose: To authorize the Director of Public Works to enter into one or more agreements and to grant a conservation easement to West Creek Conservancy ("West Creek") or its designee for expenditure of grant funds for its Mill Creek stream restoration project at Cleveland Enterprise Park in the Village of Highland Hills.

Project Summary: West Creek was awarded "319 Restoration Funds" from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency ("OEPA") to perform stream and floodplain restoration work within Mill Creek. The segment of Mill Creek to be restored is within City owned property (PPN 751-01-024) in the Village of Highland Hills between Northfield Road and Mill Creek Boulevard. The intent of this project is stream restoration, streambank stabilization, and riparian restoration.

The existing channel of Mill Creek between Northfield Road and Millcreek Boulevard has been experiencing erosion of the bed and banks causing the stream to become disconnected from its floodplain and creating vertical or undercut banks.

OEPA's 319 program awards grants to conduct stream restoration and nonpoint source pollution management projects that address impairment of water resources. West Creek previously restored an adjacent section of Mill Creek within City owned property in 2020 between Millcreek Boulevard and Harvard Road under the 319 program.

The 8.20 acre parcel is designated as a "Nature Reserve" within the Cleveland Enterprise Park.

West Creek's proposed improvements will provide benefits that will further the intent for the nature preserve as outlined in the Declarations of Restrictive Covenants for the business park. The stream restoration project will also help ensure that adjacent development parcels will not be eroded by the stream.

The OEPA requires that the City grant West Creek a Conservation Easement over the restoration work area to restrict development of the land and for West Creek's maintenance of the site in perpetuity.

Price:

Conservation Easement will be donated to West Creek due to the benefit the public will receive from this improvement project at no cost to the City

Permanent Parcel No:

PPN 751-01-001

Ward:

N/A – Land is in Village of Highland Hills

Attachments:

Location Map & Site Plan

**Phase 1 Mill Creek
Restoration
Completed 2020**

MILLCREEK BOULEVARD

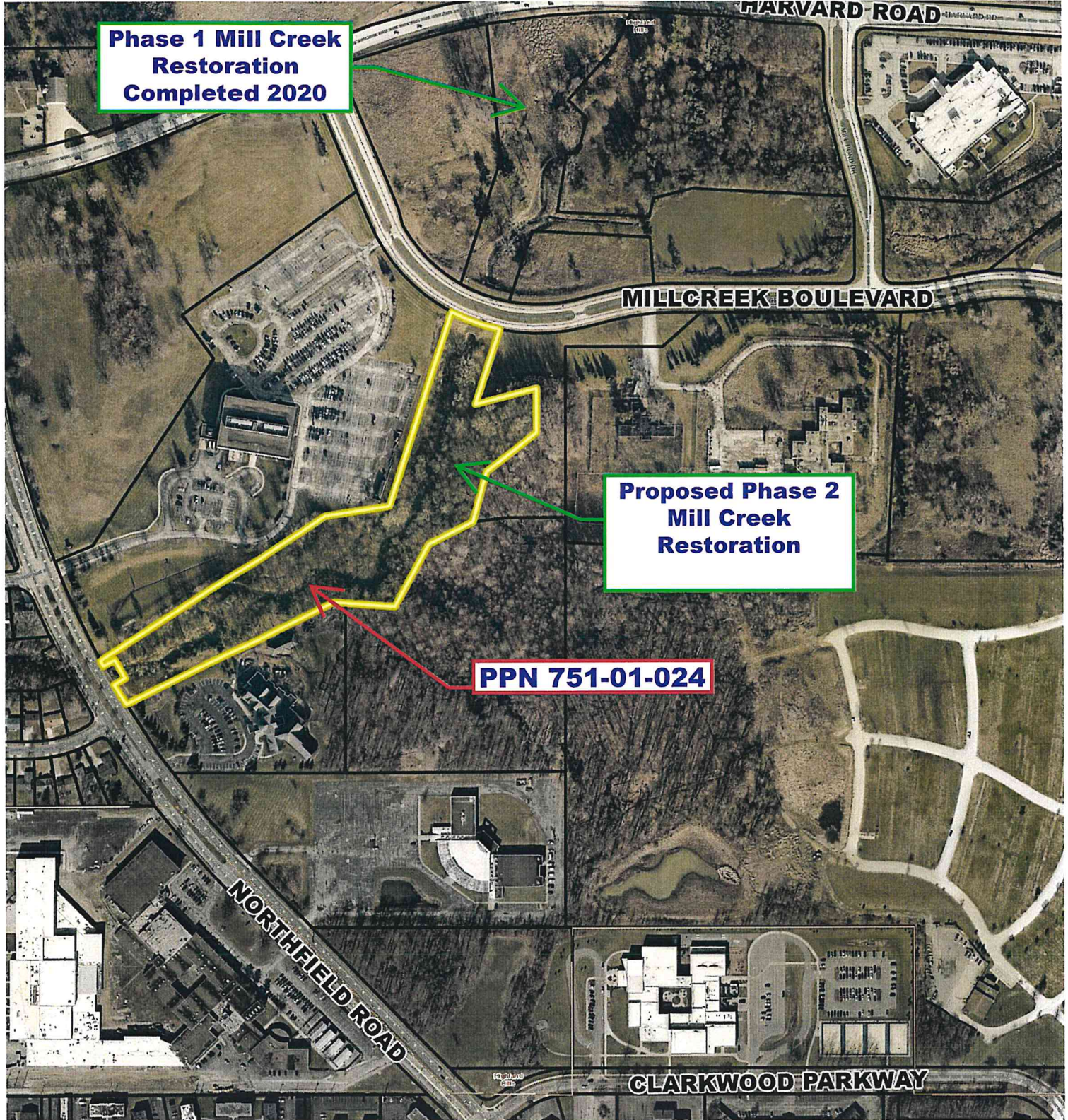
**Proposed Phase 2
Mill Creek
Restoration**

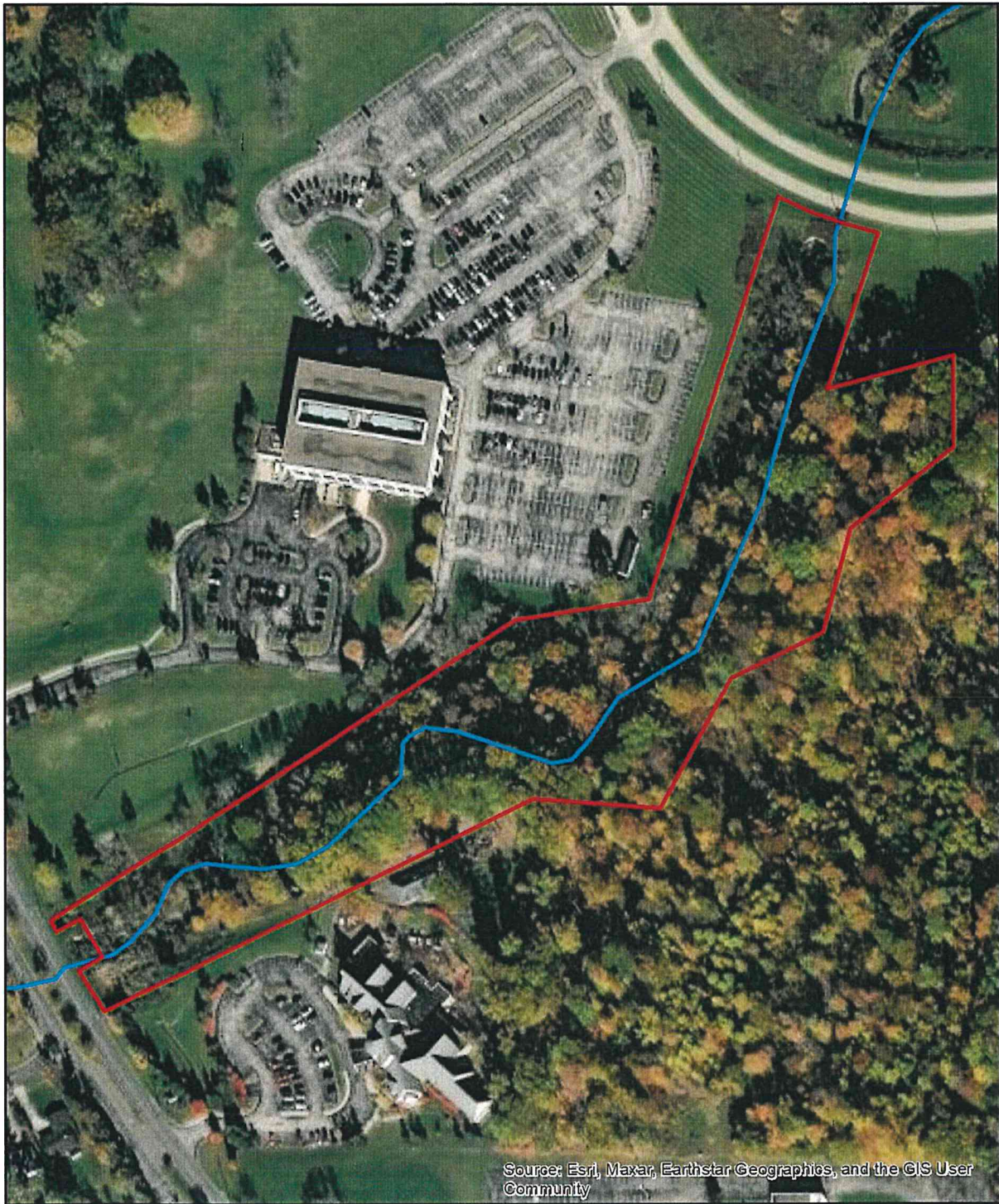
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NORTHFIELD ROAD

CLARKWOOD PARKWAY

HARVARD ROAD



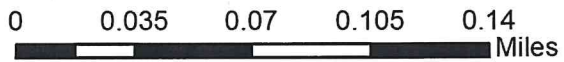


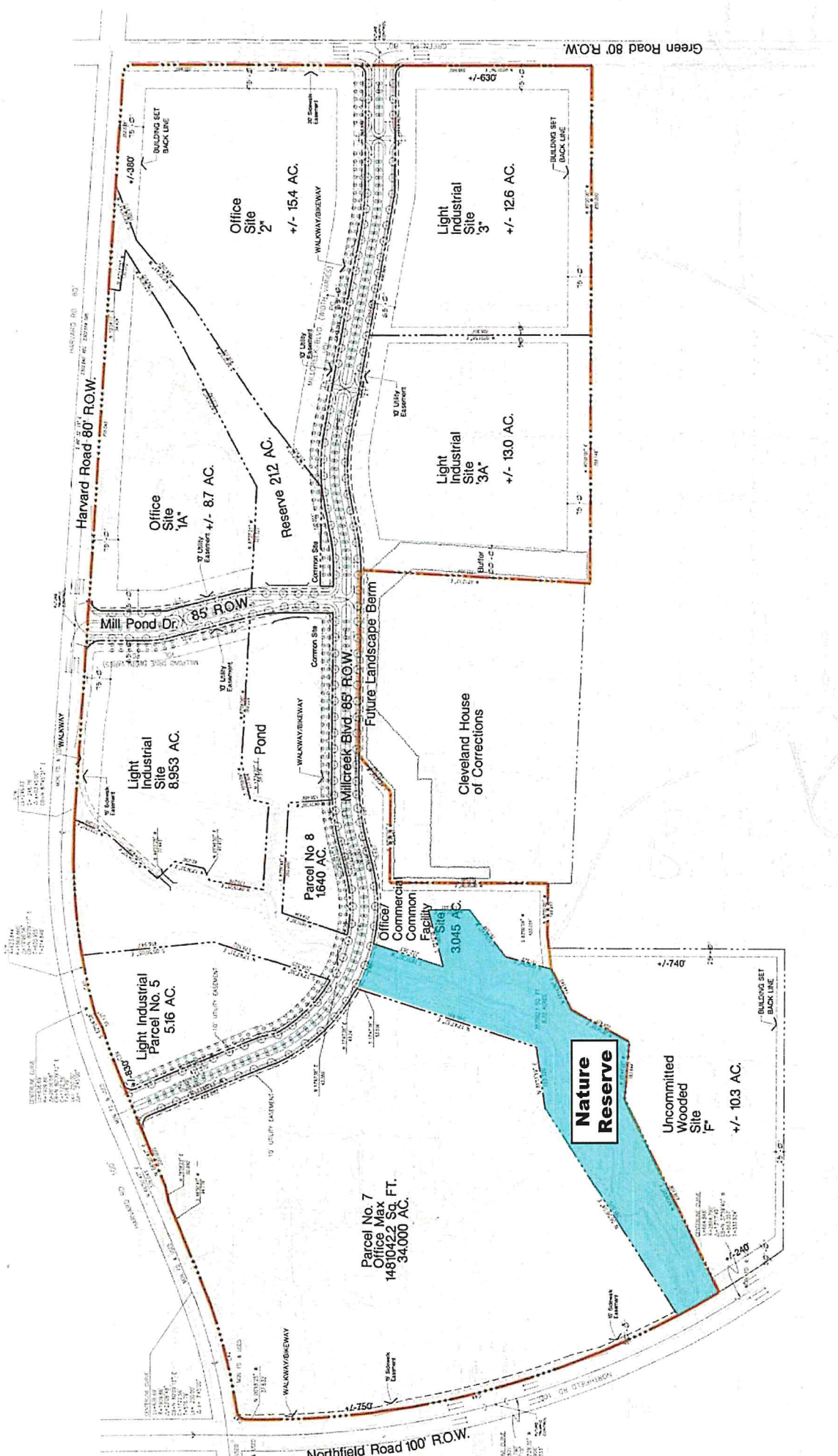
Mill Creek Restoration at Northfield Road

- Legend**
-  Survey Parcel
 -  Mill_Creek



Aerial Map





CLEVELAND ENTERPRISE PARK AT MILL CREEK IN HIGHLAND HILLS

