

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY
Mayor's Office of Capital Projects

**CHEERS Early Implementation Phase Park and Fishing Area / ARPA
Waterfront Activation Fund**

Ordinance Number:	531-2023
Description:	Appropriating funds and authorizing the Director of Mayor's Office of Capital Projects to enter into agreement(s) with Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority to allocate \$1.5 million for detailed design of the CHEERS Early Implementation Phase Park and Fishing Area project.
Waterfront Activation Fund:	The ARPA Waterfront Activation Fund focuses on activating the east side lakefront from the Collinwood neighborhood to the downtown neighborhood by funding transformative projects that have strong resident and community support. These projects will advance the city's values of equity, economic opportunity through redevelopment, and sustainability.
Project:	<p>The Cleveland Harbor Eastern Embayment Resilience Strategy (CHEERS) project is a concept that emerged from a yearlong study to determine how to transform Cleveland's lakeshore through reconnecting communities to the lake, improving public health, bolstering the economy, and benefiting the environment and natural habitat.</p> <p>The Early Implementation Phase of the CHEERS project will replace failing breakwall to maintain protected marina infrastructure, alter breakwall to facilitate paddle access, and expand nearshore habitat and provide additional 4-6 acres of parkland with enhanced fishing areas for residents.</p> <p>Two major objectives of this project are erosion control and resiliency. It also will create</p>

enhanced recreation areas and enhanced natural habitat.

Funding would go to Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority towards cost of detailed design of the Early Implementation Phase. Estimated total project costs for design, construction and permitting are \$14.5M.

Schedule: 2023: Completion of Master Plan
2024: Detailed Design and Engineering
2025: Permits secured
2026: Construction

Project Partners: Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority,
Cleveland Metroparks, ODOT, ODNR, Black Environmental Leaders Association

Cost: \$1.5 million

Ward: 10, Councilman Hairston

Attachments: Map

Masterplan

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City of Cleveland **Memorandum**

Justin M. Bibb, Mayor

Date: April 6, 2023

To: Mark Griffin, Director
Department of Law

From: James DeRosa, Director
Mayor's Office of Capital Projects

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James DeRosa".

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Please prepare legislation authorizing the Director of Mayor's Office of Capital Projects to enter into agreement(s) with Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority to allocate \$1.5 million for detailed design of the CHEERS Early Implementation Phase Park and Fishing Area project.

Thank you.

Encl.

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