

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY
Mayor's Office of Capital Projects
Division of Engineering and Construction

Downtown Cleveland Alliance/Flats East Development, L.L.C. Encroachment

Ordinance Number: 227-18

Description: Authorizing the Director of Capital Projects to enter into one or more agreements with Downtown Cleveland Alliance, Flats East Development, L.L.C. and/or designee and issue a permit to encroach into the public right-of-ways of Main Avenue, Old River Road, West 11th Street, West 10th Street and West 9th Street by installing, using and maintaining electric power improvements, lighting and wayfinding signs, historical and informational kiosks, electrical ducts, and to accept additional right-of-way as easements at no cost to the city and to record any necessary documents.

Summary of Flats East Bank Capital Improvement Community Recreation Project

Purpose:

History

In 2013, construction of the Ernst and Young Tower in the Flats East Bank was completed. It was the first new Class A office building in downtown Cleveland since the completion of Key Tower in 1991. Phase II of the project continued the momentum through the construction of residential apartments, restaurants and public amenities, such as the boardwalk along the Cuyahoga River. To date, these investments have created over 2,500 jobs. This district is now preparing for another round of significant investments which is to establish a connection between the central business district and the historic waterfront.

Grant Project Summary

The Flats East Bank has been awarded a capital improvement community recreation project grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources in the amount of \$2 million. This award will be used to implement three strategic initiatives that will enhance the public's experience while in the Flats.

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1. Install lighting under the Main Avenue Bridge between W. 9th street and W. 10th Street, which will create a gateway to the community recreation asset Cuyahoga River and adjacent properties.
2. Install wayfinding signs to assist the public in navigating the Flats East Bank and enjoying its assets, such as access to the riverfront along the boardwalk.
3. Install power at the public plaza located along the boardwalk to enable outdoor festivals and entertainment.

The Flats East Bank will work with its partners at the City of Cleveland and Cuyahoga County to obtain all necessary design approvals, property access, and permits. There is no local match requirement; however, Flats East Bank will work with local partners Downtown Cleveland Alliance, Historic Warehouse District Development Corporation and Flats Forward to leverage this investment for other public improvement projects.

Ward: Ward 3, Council Member Kerry P. McCormack