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

Easements to Connect the Morgana Bluffs Nature Preserve and Learning Center with City's Morgana Run Trail

Ordinance No: 996-2019

Legislative Purpose: Authorizing the Director of Public Works to grant two

deeds of easement to West Creek Conservancy for ADA accessible connections from the Morgana Run Trail to the Morgana Bluffs Nature Preserve and

Learning Center.

Project Summary: The Morgana Bluffs Nature Preserve and Learning

Center is a collaborative effort between the City of Cleveland, Slavic Village Development Corporation, West Creek Conservancy, the Cleveland Metropolitan

School District, and the Boys & Girls Clubs of

Cleveland.

The purpose of the project is to restore approximately 4 acres of open space, improve stormwater quality and reduce runoff volumes, and create outdoor programming and a classroom that will be accessible to more than 1,700 children annually. The programming will be provided by the Boys & Girls Clubs of Cleveland and the site will be owned and maintained by West Creek Conservancy.

The project improvements are funded by grants from the State of Ohio's Clean Ohio Greenspace Conservation program and the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District's Green Infrastructure Grant program.

Ordinance 923-18 authorized fee simple transfers of City owned land to the West Creek Conservancy and drainage easements to the Boys and Girls Club of Cleveland.

As the design of the project developed, the stakeholders agreed that the project could be further enhanced by connecting the paths in the bluff viewing area to the existing Morgana Run Trail via ADA ramps/walkways. Part of these proposed walkways are on City owned property (PPN 131-24-004) and will require two deeds of easements to be granted to the West Creek Conservancy.

West Creek Conservancy will be responsible for the construction and all future maintenance of the walkways connecting to the City owned trail.

Sale Price: Easements will be donated at no cost due to the

benefit the public will receive from the

improvements.

Project Budget: Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Grant Funds:

\$249,400

NEORSD Green Infrastructure Grant Funds:

\$240,000

PPNs: 131-24-004

Ward: Ward 12 (Councilmember Anthony Brancatelli)

Attachments: Location Map and Exhibits