

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY
Mayor's Office of Capital Projects

Irishtown Bend / ARPA Waterfront Activation Fund

Ordinance Number:	530-2023
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 and LAND Studio or their designee(s) to allocate \$5 million for construction of the Irishtown Bend Stabilization and Park 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 Irishtown Bend project will install 2,300 linear feet of sheet steel bulkheads, remove or realign failed roadways, and regrade the hillside along the shoreline of the Cuyahoga River along the section known as Irishtown Bend to correct a major hillside failure that threatens to disrupt commerce on the river. After securing the hillside, the project will create a 17-acre park for residents with a riverfront boardwalk, multi-use trails, greenspace and spectacular views.</p> <p>Total project costs for hillside stabilization and site preparation are approximately \$50M and total project costs for park improvements are approximately \$45M. Project partners have obtained a variety of federal, state, and local support for these projects. City contribution will support local match requirements and will be used for bulkheading, slope stabilization,</p>

removing/relocating Riverbed Street utilities and infrastructure, and park improvements.

Two major objectives of this project are safety and jobs & commerce. It also will create enhanced recreation areas and enhanced natural habitat.

Funding would go to Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority towards its estimated \$50M total project cost of stabilization and to LAND Studio towards its estimated \$45M total project cost of park improvements.

Schedule:	2023/2024: Bulkhead/Stabilization/Roadway Construction 2025/2026: Park Construction
Project Partners:	Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority, LAND Studio, Cleveland Metroparks, NOACA, Ohio City Inc., West Creek Land Conservancy, NEORSD, ODOT
Cost:	\$5 million
Ward:	3, Councilman McCormack
Attachments:	Map





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 *James DeRosa*

Subject: Irishtown Bend / ARPA Waterfront Activation Fund

Please prepare legislation authorizing the Director of Mayor's Office of Capital Projects to enter into agreement(s) with Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority and LAND Studio or their designee(s) to allocate \$5 million for construction of the Irishtown Bend Stabilization and Park project.

Thank you.

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