

# Ordinance No. 1492-2025

By Council Members Gray, Bishop,  
Hairston and Griffin (by departmental  
request)

## AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Parks and Recreation to apply for and accept a grant from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for the Luke Easter Skatepark Project; to accept cash donations from The MGK Foundation and The Skate Park Project for this purpose; determining the method of making the public improvement of designing and constructing a skatepark at Luke Easter Park; and authorizing the Director of Parks and Recreation to enter into one or more contracts for the making of the improvement.

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WHEREAS, the unique design, time, budgetary, or other material requirements of this project can benefit from the special care, coordination, and expeditiousness possible by combining the performance of both the professional design services and the construction under a design-build or engineer-procure-construct contract with a single entity; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That the Director of Parks and Recreation is authorized to apply for and accept a grant in the amount up to \$500,000 from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCG) and any other funds that may become available during the grant term for constructing a skatepark at Luke Easter Park; that the Director is authorized to file all papers and execute all documents necessary to receive the funds under the grant; and that the funds are appropriated for the purposes described in the Legislative Summary for the grant contained in the file described below.

Section 2. That the Legislative Summary for the grant, File No. 1492-2025-A, made a part of this ordinance as if fully rewritten, including the obligation of the City of Cleveland to provide cash matching funds in the sum up to \$500,000 from the fund or funds to which are credited the proceeds from the sale of 2026 bonds, if issued for this purpose and Fund No. 01 SF 001, is approved in all respects and shall not be changed without additional legislative authority. (RQS 4503, RLA 2025-113)

Section 3. That the Director of Parks and Recreation is authorized to accept a gift of cash in the amount up to \$250,000 from The MGK Foundation and a gift of cash in the amount up to \$50,000 from The Skate Park Project for the purposes of this

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ordinance; that the Director is authorized to file all papers and execute all documents necessary to receive the funds; and that the funds are appropriated for the purposes described in the file mentioned above.

Section 4. That the Director of Parks and Recreation is authorized to extend the term of the grant during the grant term.

Section 5. That, under Section 167 of the Charter of the City of Cleveland, this Council determines to make the public improvement of designing and constructing a skatepark at Luke Easter Park (the "Improvement"), for the Department of Parks and Recreation, by one or more design-build or engineer-procure-construct contracts, or by combining construction management services, professional design services, and construction services in one or more construction-management contracts, duly let to the person, firm, or corporation or combination of them submitting the best proposal, taking into consideration the engineering and design, the construction delivery method, the proposed design and construction costs, the schedule, the total life-cycle costs, the qualifications of the proposed design professional and construction firm or firms, the community benefits offered, and the other objectives of the Improvement.

The selection of the person, firm, or corporation to design and construct the Improvement shall be made by the Board of Control on the nomination of the Director of Parks and Recreation from a list of qualified and available persons, firms, or corporations, as may be determined by the Director of Parks and Recreation after making a full and complete canvass for the purpose of compiling the list. The Board of Control shall fix the total compensation to be paid for all design and construction and procurement necessary for the Improvement. The contract or contracts shall be prepared by the Director of Law, approved by the Director of Parks and Recreation, and certified by the Director of Finance.

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Section 6. That the Director of Parks and Recreation is authorized to apply and pay for permits, licenses, or other authorizations required by any regulatory agency or public authority to permit performance of the work authorized by this ordinance.

Section 7. That the costs of the contract or contracts or payments authorized by this ordinance shall be paid from the fund or funds to which are credited the grant proceeds accepted under this ordinance, and the cash match.

Section 8. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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11-17-25

FOR: Director Nichols

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**READ FIRST TIME on NOVEMBER 17, 2025** **REPORTS**  
**and referred to DIRECTORS of Parks and Recreation, City Planning Commission, Finance, Law;**  
**COMMITTEES on Municipal Services and Properties, Development, Planning and Sustainability, Finance Diversity Equity and Inclusion**

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