

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

**Amendment to Rivergate Park Lease with Cleveland Metroparks to Add
Additional City-Owned Land**

Ordinance No: 803-2025

Legislative Purpose: To authorize the Directors of Parks & Recreation and Port Control to amend the existing 99-year lease with The Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District ("Metroparks") for Rivergate Park, authorized by Ordinance No. 1233-13, to add City-owned property on Merwin Avenue at the westerly edge of the Columbus Road Peninsula (portions of PPNs 101-16-007, PPN 101-16-006, and PPN 101-16-005) for construction, operation and maintenance of park improvements including but not limited to a multi-purpose path, signage and landscaping.

Rivergate Park is a 2.8 acre park, operated by Metroparks, and located west of Columbus Road Lift Bridge and west of Hart Crane Park, near Merwin's Wharf, Cleveland Rowing Foundation, and City's Crooked River Skate Park. In 2014, City entered into a 99-year lease ("Lease") with Metroparks pursuant to Ordinance Number 1233-13 for City-owned property on the Cuyahoga River for a portion of Rivergate Park. The lease was amended twice, first in July of 2015 and again in February 2016, to add additional City-owned land to the park and create a connection to The Cleveland Foundation Centennial Trail (also known as Lake Link Trail) pursuant to Ord. No. 609-15.

Metroparks wishes to add additional City-owned land into the Lease on the westerly edge of the Columbus Road Peninsula (portions of PPNs 101-16-005, 101-16-006, and 101-16-007) for additional park improvements including a multipurpose path that will connect Rivergate Park to Heritage Park and Settlers Landing, and the Lease needs to be amended to allow for the additional improvements.

Permanent Parcel Nos.: Portions of 101-16-007, 101-16-006, 101-16-005

Ward: Ward 3 (Councilmember Kerry McCormack)

Attachments: Location Map & Legal Descriptions