

# Ordinance No. 509-2022

**By Council Members Jones, Bishop and Griffin (by departmental request)**

## AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Public Works to enter into one or more agreements with the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation and/or the Cleveland Metropolitan School District relating to the demolition of the John F. Kennedy Recreation Center located on the campus of the former John F. Kennedy High School at 17300 Harvard Avenue; and authorizing any other agreements needed to implement this ordinance.

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WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland closed the John F. Kennedy Recreation Center located at 17300 Harvard Avenue when the new Frederick Douglass Recreation Center opened at another location in late 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Cleveland Metropolitan School District (“CMSD”) closed the John F. Kennedy High School located at 17300 Harvard Avenue when it constructed a new John F. Kennedy High School in late 2020 at another location; and

WHEREAS, both the City and CMSD wish to demolish their structures located at 17300 Harvard Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Development Building Demolition and Site Revitalization Program (the “ODOD Program”), the guidelines require the designation of a “lead entity”, which must be a county land reutilization corporation, if established, which, in Cuyahoga County, is the established Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation (“CCLRC”); and

WHEREAS, through the CCLRC, the City is seeking grant funding from the Ohio Department of Development through the ODOD Program, which is designed to provide grants for these purposes; and

WHEREAS, in order to maximize efficiencies and reduce demolition costs, the City desires to have CMSD conduct bidding and award of a demolition contract for both the high school and the recreation center, including but not limited to, asbestos abatement, site restoration, demolition drawings, environmental, and other related services (the “Demolition Contract”), with the City only financially responsible for the recreation center demolition costs and reimbursement of CMSD for the City responsibility; and

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

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

Section 1. That the Director of Public Works is authorized to enter into one or more agreements, including but not limited to a sub-recipient grant agreement, with the CCLRC, which would include, but not be limited to, matters regarding applying for, accepting and distributing grant funding to the City if received by CCLRC from the Ohio Department of Development to demolish the closed John F. Kennedy Recreation Center located at 17300 Harvard Avenue.

Section 2. That, with or without Ohio Department of Development funding, the Director of Public Works is authorized to enter into one or more agreements with the CMSD for the bidding, award and execution by CMSD of a Demolition Contract, and/or the reimbursement of the CMSD for demolition services on behalf of the City, which agreement(s) shall include provisions necessary to effect the demolition of the John F. Kennedy Recreation Center.

Section 3. That the Director of Public Works is authorized to cause payment to the CMSD for the City's financial responsibility associated with the demolition of the John F. Kennedy Recreation Center.

Section 4. That the costs of this ordinance shall be paid from Fund Nos. 20 SF 552, 20 SF 558, 20 SF 561, 20 SF 565, 20 SF 572, 20 SF 577, 20 SF 584, 20 SF 590, 20 SF 595, 20 SF 700, from the fund or fund to which are credited the grant proceeds from CCLRC, if received, from the fund or funds to which are credited the proceeds of the sale of future bonds, if issued for this purpose, and from any other funds approved by the Director of Finance. (RQS 0103, RLA 2022-38)

Section 5. 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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5-16-2022  
FOR: Acting Director Johnson

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