DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY 2022 LEBANESE CULTURAL GARDEN

Ordinance:

607-2022

Legislative Purpose:

Legislation authorizing the Director of Public Works to execute a Joint Use Agreement, License Agreement, and other required documentation to permit the Lebanese Cultural Garden of Cleveland to construct improvements at the Lebanese Garden and to accept funding from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for this purpose. The garden is located at 1200 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio 44108.

Estimated Grant Award:

Amount of State funding received from SB 310 Sub-Total \$50,000

Amount & source of non-state funding
 Private Funding - \$100,000

Sub-Total **\$100,000 TOTAL \$150.00**

Program Description:

The Lebanese Cultural Gardens have been awarded funds by the State of Ohio's Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

Passage of this legislation will allow the City of Cleveland, Department of Public Works to start and complete of Phase II of Lebanese Garden's project.

Funding Source:

State of Ohio's Ohio Department of Natural Resources and Holden Parks Trust.



American Lebanese Community Council

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November 4, 2021

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The American Lebanese Community Council (ALCC) is a 501(C)(3) nonprofit organization created for all of the Lebanese descent and their families regardless of their political affiliation or religion. This organization was created with objectives that include being the sole sponsor to establish and maintain the Lebanese Cultural Garden.

The scope of the project is to complete the next phase of construction at the Lebanese Garden. Phase 1 was completed in June of 2019 at the cost of \$75,000. The next phase of the Garden is projected to cost \$100,00. The funds to pay for this stage will be from the Capital Budget Grant and money raised through fundraising. Phase II will include the design and placement of statues of the Lebanese Cedar Tree, poet Kahlil Gibran and the story wall reflecting the history of Lebanon. Designers and artists will be commissioned to cast the two statues and story wall. An architect will be overseeing the project completion and placement of the works. The contractor for the projects is Lakeland Management. The work is expected to start as soon as the grant money is dispersed to ALCC and completed within one year of disbursement.

We hope we have met the City of Cleveland's requirements to proceed with obtaining the funding. Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Pierre Bejjani, Chairman 216-269-5898

§ 559.234 Lebanese Garden

Beginning in the westerly line of Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. (formerly Liberty Boulevard), at the south-easterly corner of the India Garden (Section 559.232), and the principle place of beginning;

Thence southwesterly, along the southeasterly line of said India Garden, and its prolongation approximately 129.50 feet to the easterly line of Doan Brook;

Thence southeasterly, along said easterly line of Doan Brook, approximately 276.36 feet to a point;

Thence northeasterly, along a line parallel to the aforementioned southeasterly line of the India Garden, approximately 141.55 feet to a point in the aforementioned westerly line of Martin Luther King Jr. Dr.;

Thence northwesterly, along said westerly line of Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., approximately 272.68 feet, to the aforementioned southeasterly line of the India Garden and the principle place of beginning, containing 36,758 sq. ft., 0.8438 acres, be the same more or less but subject to all legal highways.

(Ord. No. 407-15. Passed 6-1-15, eff. 6-2-15)



CLEVELAND LANDMARKS COMMISSION



CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

No. 18-067(2)

Name City of Cleveland Department of Public Works / Lebanese Garden / Pierre Bejjani / Berj Shakarian / Fahim Gemayal

Project Address 1190 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive

<u>Description</u> Cleveland Cultural Gardens

Phase 2 Improvements to the Lebanese Cultural Garden, approved with the condition that final materials of the pedestals and medallions, colors, structural details of the cedar tree and foundation are submitted to staff for final review.

<u>Date</u> Approved by Commission

March 10, 2022

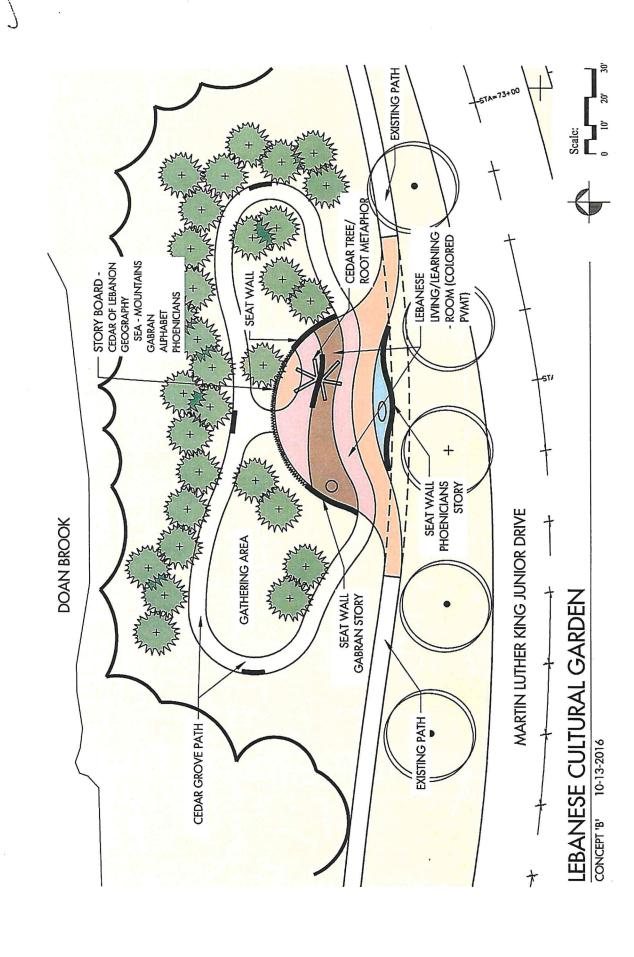
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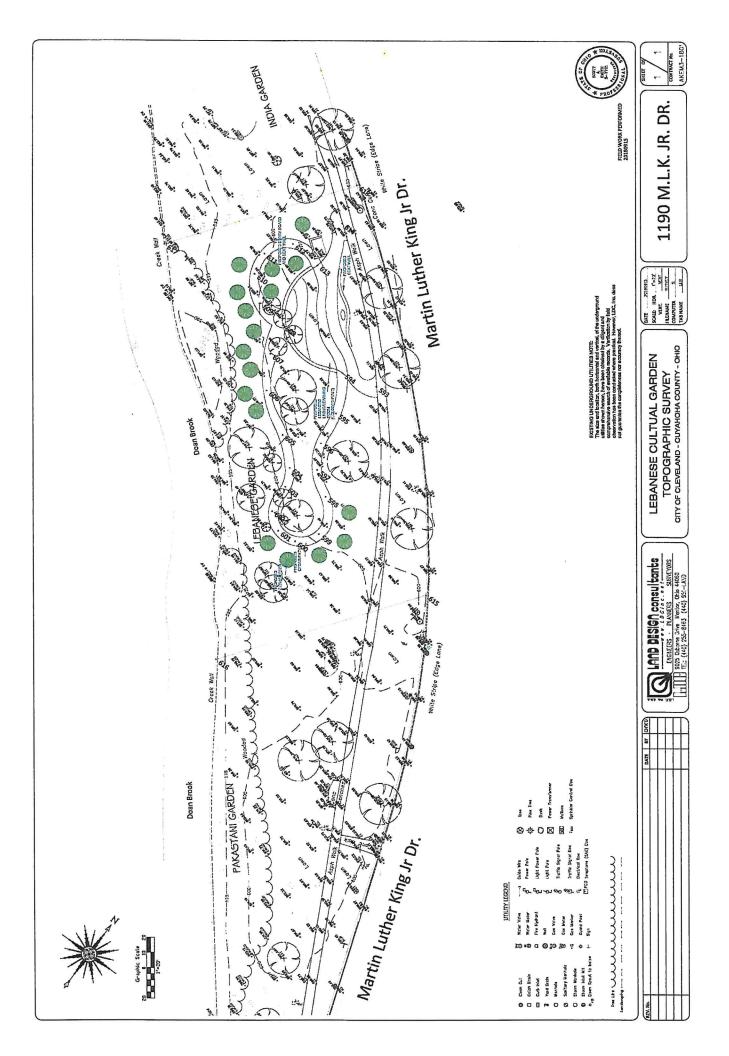
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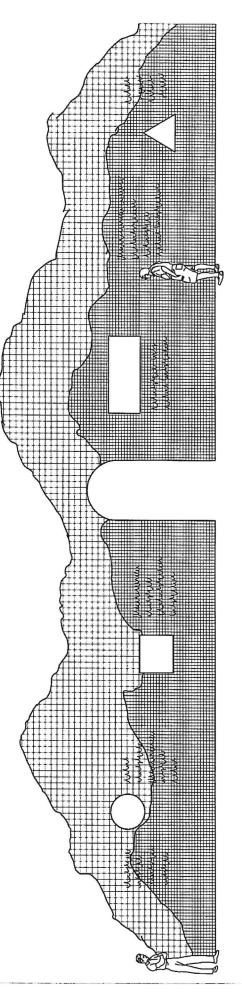
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STORY BOARD WALL

The experience across the garden takes you from the sea —Phoenicians-to the woodland —tree- to the mountains



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