LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY City Planning

Accept a Grant from Project for Public Spaces for one or more pedestrian plazas

Ordinance No: 341-2024

Legislative Purpose:

To accept a grant from the Project for Public Spaces for a project along W. 29th Street in the Ohio City neighborhood. The grant award of \$100,000.00 will allow for the design, community engagement, supply purchase and installation of one or more pedestrianized plazas on W. 29th Street.

Project Summary:

This project will study, model, demonstrate and install best practices for neighborhood-scale public spaces in the City of Cleveland, particularly for the youngest Clevelanders. Some elements that would help achieve the goals to improve this space would be:

- Removing or painting current asphalt in the street, to be replaced with permeable paving, paint, plantings, and trees;
- Addition of lighting, seating, planters, shaded areas, and an opening gathering space for community use;
- Addition of small-scale play structures or playful seating elements, public art, or mounded grade changes to allow for children's informal play;
- Physical protections at each edge to prevent vehicular traffic with likely inclusion of removable bollards or barriers in case of specific loading issues or emergency vehicle needs;
- Expansion of current neighborhood events or family days, and addition of art and music-focused kid-friendly community events in partnership with area institutions;
- Expansion of current outdoor wellness events
- Inclusion of bike infrastructure and parking;
- Possible introduction of recurring larger events, e.g. farmers market, flea market.

Focus Area: The study area will be along W. 29th Street north of Clinton Avenue and south of

Detroit Avenue.

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