

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY
Mayor's Office of Capital Projects
Division of Engineering and Construction

Encroachment on River Avenue for Metro Parks all-purpose trail

Ordinance Number: 442-2020

Description: Authorizing the Director of Capital Projects to issue a permit to The Board of Park Commissioners of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park District to encroach into the public right-of-way of River Avenue by installing, using and maintaining an asphalt all-purpose trail.

Purpose This is a key trail connection in our city that helps realize part of the City of Cleveland's 2004 Waterfront District Plan, 2007 Cleveland Bikeway Master Plan, and 2014 Bikeway Implementation Plan. Specifically, this project is a key remaining piece of the trail network that will fill the gap between the completed runs from Mulberry St. to Detroit Ave. (0.4 miles) and the Transportation Infrastructure Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant-funded Wendy Park Bridge that will break ground in the next several months for an early 2021 opening. This ±700 ft. trail connector project and associated intersection and sidewalk improvements will enable access from the lakefront at Wendy Park on Whiskey Island to the Towpath Trail via the CFCT and to the other TIGER-funded trail projects in Cleveland.

All work to be performed by Metroparks will be within the existing City of Cleveland right-of-way. The City of Cleveland will work through the standard encroachment permit process as we have successfully done recently with Cleveland Metroparks' TIGER-funded projects.

A consent form acknowledging approval of this request will be forthcoming from the Council Member

Ward: Ward 3 Council Member Kerry McCormack

