

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE CITY OF STOW TO MATCH THE FUNDS RAISED BY PRIVATE DONORS UP TO SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REBUILDING OR REPLACING SKIP PARK AND TO DIRECT THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT AND SET ASIDE FUNDS FOR SUCH PURPOSE FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, due to safety concerns, the City of Stow razed the decaying and hazardous SKiP Park formerly located outside of the safety center at 3800 Darrow Rd. Stow, Ohio;

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Stow wishes to commit the City to rebuilding and/or replacing SKiP Park;

WHEREAS, to encourage partnerships with private community members, businesses, and non-profit entities, City Council wishes to commit the City to match whatever funds are raised by said private persons or entities and donated to the City of Stow with City funds up to Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars to achieve the common goal of a replacing or rebuilding SKiP Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOW, COUNTY OF SUMMIT AND STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the City of Stow shall match all funds donated to the City of Stow, up to a maximum of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) for the purpose of rebuilding or replacing SKiP Park formerly located outside of the Safety Center at 3800 Darrow Rd. Stow, Ohio. The City shall match private funds raised up to the date the City enters into a construction contract for the park or the date construction commences, whichever occurs first and the City shall only allocate funds to the project upon occurrence of the same. Additional funds may be appropriated to complete or support said project only upon further authorization by City Council.

SECTION 2. That the Finance Director shall be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to accept said private donations, secure said funds in a designated fund, and to match all private funds raised with funds from the capital improvements fund in accordance with Section 1.

SECTION 3. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees or subcommittees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance was adopted pursuant to Section 4.11, Charter, and is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety for the reason that the City needs to meet all project deadlines for park planning and construction, and, pursuant to Section 4.13, Charter, shall take effect upon its adoption by Council and approval by the Mayor, otherwise at the earliest period allowed by law.

ADOPTED BY COUNCIL _____

ATTEST _____
Bonnie J. Emahiser
CLERK OF COUNCIL

Matt Riehl
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH MAYOR _____

APPROVED

FILED WITH CLERK _____

James M. Costello
MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM

EFFECTIVE DATE _____

Amber K. Zibritosky
LAW DIRECTOR