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AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR A RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM GRANT FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A STORYBOOK TRAIL AT LINDEN PARK

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through the State of Ohio Recreational Trails grant program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rocky River desires financial assistance under the Recreational Trails Grant Program for a Storybook Trail at Linden Park in Rocky River, Ohio.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKY RIVER, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. The City of Rocky River approves filing this application for financial assistance.

SECTION 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.

SECTION 3. The City of Rocky River agrees to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms of the Recreational Trails Grant Program.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health and safety, and for the further reason this agreement is necessary to received authority to proceed with the grant application as proposed, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all 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.

PASSED: September 11th, 2023

James W. Moran
JAMES W. MORAN
President of Council

PRESENTED

TO MAYOR: September 11th, 2023

APPROVED: September 11th, 2023

ATTEST:

Susan G. Pease
SUSAN G. PEASE
Clerk of Council

Pamela E. Bobst
PAMELA E. BOBST
Mayor

I, the undersigned clerk of council of the city of Rocky River, State of Ohio, do hereby certify that publication of the foregoing ordinance was duly made by posting a true copy thereof in the lobby of the Rocky River City Hall, in accordance with the charter of Rocky River, commencing on the 11th day of September, 20 23.

Susan G. Pease
Clerk of Council of the City of Rocky River, Ohio

Rocky River, Ohio
Linden Park Storybook Trail
Ordinances & Resolutions/2023 Ordinances/ODNR Recreational Trails Program-

FORM 1

General Project Information (Please Type or Print in Ink)

Exhibit "A"

Please check the boxes below that are applicable to your proposed Storybook Trail project.

1. Classification of Project Applicant (Check One)

- Federal Government

☒ U.S. Forest Service

☐ National Park Service

☐ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

☐ U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

☐ Other (specify) _____
- State Government

ODNR

☐ Division of Parks and Recreation

☐ Division of Forestry

☐ Division of Natural Areas & Preserves

☐ Division of Wildlife

☐ Ohio Historical Society

☐ Other (specify) _____

Local Governments

- ☒ City, Village

☐ County

☐ Township

☐ Park District

☐ Conservancy District

☐ Other (specify) _____

Organizations

- ☐ Not-for-Profit (501-C3)

☐ Other (specify) _____

2. City of Rocky River on behalf of Eagle Scout Candidate Evan Baisch, Member of Boy Scouts of America, Lake Erie Council, Troop 421

Name of Agency/Organization

21012 Hilliard Blvd, Rocky River, Ohio 44116

Address City State Zip Code

Director of Public Safety Service

Rich Snyder

Agency/Organization Contact Person

rsnyder@rrcity.com

Title

Phone Number

440-331-0600

34-6002316

Federal Tax ID Number

e-mail address

Federal DUNS Number

6. (a) Name of Proposed Trail Linden Park Storybook Walkway (b) Length of Trail

Project 1.335 linear feet

7. (a) Public Land Private Land Combination Public/Private

(b) Name of Landowner(s)

City of Rocky River

8. Location of Project (If located in more than one county, township, legislative/congressional district, etc., please list all.)

Cuyahoga

County

17th

Ohio House District

Rocky River

Township

24th

Ohio Senate District

City or Village

16th

U.S. Congressional District

FORM 1 continued

9. Intended Use (Check One)

- ☐ Motorized Use
☒ Nonmotorized Use
- ☐ Combination of Motor-Nonmotorized
☐ Combination of Motorized Uses
☐ Combination of Nonmotorized Uses

10. Type of Use (Check all that apply)

- ☒ Bicycling
☐ Mountain Biking
☐ Cross Country Skiing
☒ Hiking/Jogging/Fitness/Nature Trail Activities
☐ Horseback Riding
☒ In-line Skating
☒ Walking

- ☐ Snowmobiling
☐ Aquatic or Water Activity
☐ Motorcycling

- ☐ Four-Wheel Driving
☐ All Terrain Off-Road Vehicles
☒ Wheelchair use
☒ Storybook Trail

11. Type of Trail Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☒ Asphalt
☐ Boardwalk
☒ Concrete
☐ Crushed stone/Gravel
☐ Dirt
☐ Grass
☐ Recycled materials

- ☐ Resin-based stabilized material
☐ Soil cement
☐ Wood Chips
☐ Other

12. Type of Project and Quantitative Measure (Please indicate the unit of measurement in acres, miles, linear feet, square miles, or other unit of measure that best quantifies the amount of work to be accomplished.)

	Quantity	Unit of Measure
A. _____ Maintenance/Grooming of trails (Work that is done on a routine basis)	A. _____	_____
B. _____ Restoration of areas damaged by usage	B. _____	_____
C. _____ Development of trail-side and trail-head facilities	C. _____	_____
D. _____ Acquisition	D. _____	_____

(Must be willing seller; Please attach seller's letter of intent)

- (1) _____ Easement
(2) _____ Fee Simple
(3) _____ Lease

- E. _____ New Trail Construction
F. X _____ Storybook Trail Interpretive Signage
G. _____ Equipment
H. _____ Engineering/Planning
- E. _____
F. 18 see attachment
G. _____
H. _____

13. Description of Project - In the space below, provide a brief summary description of your project. Additional project detail will be requested later in the application.

Install a 1,335 linear foot Storybook Walkway along an existing walkway at Linden Park in Rocky River, Ohio. Evan Baisch will complete project as part of his Eagle Scout project.

14. Title(s) of Book(s) – In the space below, please provide the title(s) intended for use on the proposed storybook trail, including author and reading level.

The Rocky River Library will rotate early elementary books on a monthly basis.

15. Project Termini: Please describe the locations of all termini for the trail project for which you are seeking grant assistance. (For example: *The Trail project's two proposed termini are Fifth & Main Streets and the County Park parking lot*)

Installation along an existing trail in Linden Park, Linden Road, Rocky River, Ohio.

16. Does this project link to, or is it an integral part of any other trail(s)? (Check One)
☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, provide the names of trails and explain relationship. Please reflect this information on maps in form # 3 of this application.

17. Total Project Costs \$8,000.00

RTP Assistance requested (maximum 80% of total project costs) and source of your matching funds

\$6,400.00 RTP assistance is requested
\$1,600.00 Matching funds from local organizations and individual donations

• Please Note:

- RTP awards are capped at \$10,000 with a minimum request of \$5,000.00 per project

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FORM 2

General Project Cost Information

1. The RTP is an up-to-80 percent matching grant program. Payments to a project sponsor will cover up to 80 percent of the total cost of acquisition, development, maintenance, or rehabilitation undertaken by the project sponsor.

Grants may cover costs applicable to:

- a. Cost of land acquisition
- b. Cost of engineering design services performed by an outside consultant (must be incurred within project period).
- c. Direct labor costs - NOTE: Funds may only be used to pay the salaries or wages of employees specifically for this project. Salaries or wages of employees of the project sponsor will count as sponsor In-Kind match.
- d. Cost of special tradesmen secured under a service purchase agreement
- e. Cost of rental of equipment
- f. Cost of construction contracts
- g. Cost of materials purchased for the project

2. Project Cost Summary Chart for RTP application:

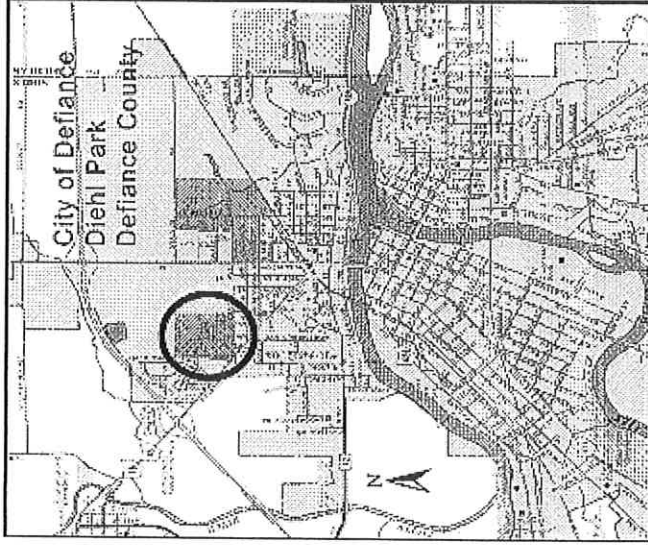
Eligible Costs	Requested Grant Amount (up to 80% of total)	Sponsor's Match		Total Project Cost
		Hard Cash	In-Kind	
Acquisition	\$0			
Design and Engineering	\$0			
Labor	\$800	\$400	\$1,600	\$2,800
Special Service Contracts	\$0			
Rental of Equipment Contracts	\$0			
Construction Contracts	\$0			
Purchase of Materials	\$5,600	\$1,400	\$0	\$7,000
Purchase of Equipment				
Other				
COLUMN TOTALS	\$6,400	\$1,800	\$1,600	\$9,800

FORM 3

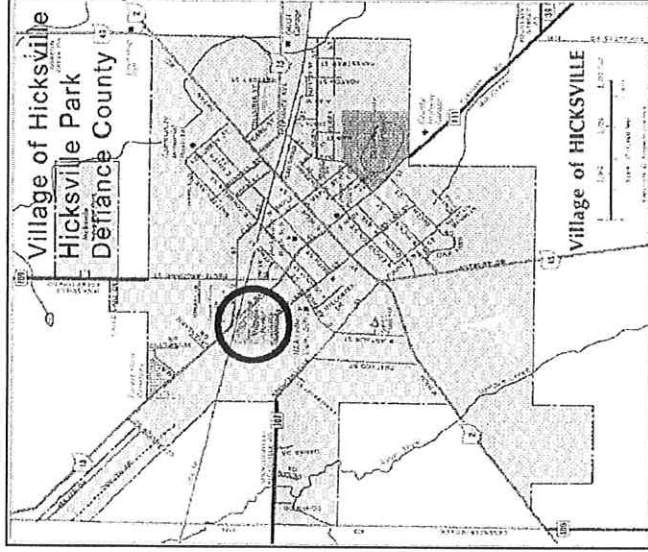
Site Vicinity Map

Please submit a highway, street, county, or other map that will clearly locate your project in relation to nearby streets, highways, towns, and other important landmarks. Be sure to indicate north on the maps.

Example: Vicinity Map (City)



Example: Vicinity Map (Village)



Directions to project site: Please provide directions to a logical project entry point from a numbered interstate exit or municipality that is shown on the State of Ohio Transportation Map. Please indicate the project start and ending point.

From Cleveland, take I-90 West to the Hilliard Road exit. Go straight through light at end of off ramp. Make left on Northview Drive. Make a right on Center Ridge. Make a left on Linden Drive. The park will be on the left side.

2. Equipment Purchases

If this project is for equipment purchases, describe the equipment, how it will be used to benefit recreational trails (include where it will be stored, who will maintain it, proposed projects for its use and the land managing agency on whose property the equipment will be used). *Equipment cannot be used for other purposes that are not related to trail use. An applicant must demonstrate, in a convincing manner, of how they will ensure that all purchased equipment will be stored, maintained and applied only for trail use. If there is considerable doubt about the ability of the applicant's ability to use purchased equipment for only trail use, throughout the life of the equipment, ODNR reserves the right to deny the equipment purchase request.*

I will be purchasing 18 angled aluminum posts. They will be installed and maintained by the city of Rocky River.

3. Local Public Participation in Formulating the Proposal

Public or citizen participation at the local level should be included in planning the project. Please describe the public/citizen participation associated with your project. Provide proof of the public participation. *Proof of public/civic participation can be accomplished via advertised public meetings for the project (Note: public meeting must be for the sole purpose of discussing the project proposed in the application), review by advisory councils and boards, public notices, news releases, completion of a publicly approved parks and recreation or trail plan, citizen surveys, etc. Examples are public notices; official sign in sheets from meeting(s), meeting notes, survey results, survey questionnaire, meeting summaries etc. Please provide copies of any of these documents if applicable. For maximum consideration please provide any copies of meeting(s) sign in sheets, public notices, meeting summary document. If a survey was given please provide a copy of the survey instrument, number of survey respondents, and survey results.*

The Rocky River City Service & Recreation Departments will assist to install these. Also, I will be having fellow Boy Scouts and friends helping put these together and install them as well. I will provide the specific documentation at a later date. Additionally, I will have sign-in sheets for this installation to show the Boy Scouts that have assisted me with this.

4. Ease of Site Access for the Intended Use

Please explain ease of access at your project location. *Ease of access refers to the location of the site and ease of access onto and throughout the site. Consideration is given to the type of facility planned for the site and the type of service area (neighborhood, community, regional, etc.).*

This will be located along an existing walkway of a city park with open access along the way.

5. Accessibility Considerations

Projects must be accessible, where practical, to all segments of the general public, regardless of race, color, religion, creed, gender, national origin, age, or disability. Explain how the project will meet state/federal requirements for handicapped access. If the project exceeds state/federal minimum requirements for handicapped access, these opportunities should be explained. *Additional consideration will be given to projects that exceed the state/federal minimum requirements for handicapped access. See Regulatory Negotiation Committee on Accessibility Guidelines for Outdoor Developed Areas Final Report dated September 30, 1999. Access Board Guidelines and Standards Link and Designing Sidewalks and Trails for Access dated September 2001. Designing Sidewalks and Trails for Access Link. General statements without documented proof will receive minimal consideration.*

This will be installed on an existing walkway that is open to the general public and ADA accessible.

6. Please explain storybook trail access and nearby amenities. *Storybook trails will be evaluated on how close the trail is to trailhead areas, such as parking areas, restroom facilities, family-friendly areas, and areas children are away from dangerous motorized traffic.*

This will be located on an existing walkway toward the back of the park. It is behind the soccer fields and tennis courts. There is a parking lot close to it. The park is used all year around for various sports and family activities.

7. Suitability of Site for Proposed Recreational Use

Please describe how the proposed site is currently suitable for a storybook trail. *The site, as it exists, should be suitable for the planned use and major physical changes should not be required. Consideration is given to the site design, access onto and throughout the site, the type of facility planned for the site, and the type of service area (neighborhood, community, regional, etc.). Applicants should also demonstrate that their proposed project site is suitable for small children and families. This can include signage indicating areas that may be challenging to certain population or small children.*

The existing walkway that this will be installed next to is flat, easily accessible, and will not require any major physical changes. The stands will be at a low height and angle for easy accessibility for small children.

8. Partnerships and Economic Impacts

How will the project create or enhance a new or existing partnership between trail user groups, private interests, volunteering groups and/or public agencies? Explain how these new partnerships and volunteer groups will contribute to project completion and/or future project maintenance. Also describe if and how the project will foster economic revitalization or provide economic benefits to the area or region.

New partnerships will receive slightly more consideration over existing partnerships. Partnerships including or directly benefiting youth will be given maximum consideration.

Economic revitalization can be, but is not limited to, a trail or trail project that demonstrates the ability of providing economic revitalization to an area. Example: proposed trail is part of a city's economic revitalization project in an economically depressed area, community, city, village, etc. This trail will allow residents to walk from home to a newly constructed shopping center, store fronts, etc. Economic benefits are benefits that previously established businesses, proposed businesses and/or business ventures will realize from the proposed trail project. These benefits may not necessarily lead to economic revitalization but will provide economic benefits to an area.

This will enhance the partnership between the users and our local library, as well as create a new connection with the library, due to it providing new stories on a monthly basis to this. Our community has an independently owned library that is a vital part of our city. I am hopeful that this will help further build the interest in reading and services that our library offers our city.

9. Reasonable Project Costs

Please provide documentation for how project costs were estimated. If appraisers, contractors, or manufacturers were consulted, or if project costs are in line with similar nearby projects, details should be provided. Identify and point out any costs that might be perceived as unreasonable and explain why your project requires these items/services. Please note: ODNR reserves the right to deem certain project costs as unreasonable and will either cost share in these costs at a reduced level or not at all. When a situation such as this arises, ODNR will alert the project sponsor of our decision prior to awarding any funding to a particular project.

I have attached a proposal showing the cost of the stands. There should only be a minimal additional cost as the city will assist with installation and volunteers to assist with putting them together.

10. Documentation of Applicant's Non-Federal Share

Please provide an authorizing resolution, ordinance, or other written documentation which is required to obligate project sponsor funds for the project. Also provide sufficient documentation to show availability of funds and cash flow to complete the project. *Since this is an up-to-80 percent reimbursement program for RTP, sufficient funds must be available to at least substantially begin the project. In-kind services and donations of materials, cash, labor and land can be used as the non-federal/non-state match. If non-federal/non-state match is available now, sponsors should identify its source (bank account, stockpiled materials, etc.). If the non-federal match is not yet available, sponsors must describe the anticipated source of the match as well as when it will become available. Examples of written documentation are: approved budgets with specific line items for the project; specific bank accounts for the project with verification of the amount available; verified donations of private land with documented cash reserves (for cash flow); verification of private cash donations or foundation grants. Applicants who provide detailed evidence of the funding needed to pay for the entire project will receive additional consideration over applicants who only provide evidence that they will obligate funds necessary to complete their project.*

As this is for a Boy Scout Eagle project, I will raise funds by applying for donations from organizations and asking for assistance from various individuals. I need to determine if this grant is offered before I proceed with fundraising so I can ensure that I have the means to proceed with this project.

11. Donation of Land (RTP)

Is donated land a part of your project? Donations cannot be accepted without prior approval by ODNR. *Any donated land should contribute directly to public trail-related recreation. Applicants should contact the ODNR Office of Real Estate to determine if the donation is eligible to be considered part of the non-federal share. Please refer to Attachment V, page 52 for detailed policies and procedures for donated land under the RTP program.*

No

12. Match Percentages

What is the match percentage being asked for this project? Less than 80 percent grants (RTP) allowed.

Additional consideration will be given to proposals requesting significantly less than 80 percent federal funds. This will allow for a greater distribution of funds.

I am requesting a 80% match at this time, but may need less depending on success of fundraising efforts.

13. Please list all funds from other sources that will be used in conjunction with RTP grant funds for your project.

If applicable, please list the dollar amount of these funds as well as specific information as to where these funds came from.

State Funds		Federal Funds	
Source of funds		Source of funds	
Local Funds		In-kind	\$1,600
Source of funds		Source of funds	City of Rocky River
Other			
Source of funds			

14. Operation and Maintenance Capabilities

Please provide a summary of the maintenance program planned for your project. Include details of the program and all persons and/or groups that will assist in this program. *Evidence of capability is based on such considerations as operation/maintenance budgets, size of operation/maintenance staff, and/or site inspections of existing areas. Maintenance program group example: A local friends group will provide scheduled trail maintenance two weekends a month.*
RTP-equipment requests should provide proof that the project sponsor can provide or currently has liability coverage, which will cover the equipment request contained within this application.

As the walkway is existing, this project should result in minimal additional maintenance. The City will maintain the posts after installation.

15. Performance on Previous ODNR Projects

Has your organization or agency received past grants through ODNR? If so, what grant(s) has your organization received? *Performance considered on previous trails projects include: project duration; conformance with the project agreement and EEO requirements; proper reimbursement; posted grant program sign; adequate maintenance of the site, etc.*

YES

16. Multiple Applications.

Does your organization have additional grant applications currently open with ODNR? If so, please rank and prioritize your submissions. *Applicants must prioritize multiple application submissions. A lower priority ranking by the submitting project sponsor will decrease that proposal's competitiveness. This will assure a more equitable statewide distribution of the RTP funds.*

17. Plan to Display Storybook

Please describe how your organization will obtain and display storybooks. *Applicants who use hi-res PDF's of storybooks printed to outdoor durable signage will be given additional consideration over applicants who plan to take apart a purchased book.*

The Rocky River Library will be providing hi-resolution PDF's of storybooks printed for outdoor durable signage. There will be a plexi-glass cover over the book pages to protect them.

18. Approval from Publisher or Owner of Story

Does your organization have documented approval from the publisher of the storybook? *Applicants who have documented approval from the publisher and/or owners will be given additional consideration over applicants who do not have written permission to use the story or stories on their trail.*

No, but the library will only be using books published to the public for the walkway.

19. Sign Infrastructure and Durability

Is signage manufactured to be outdoor durable with exposure to year-round Ohio weather extremes for three or more years? Is the signage safe for young children? *The highest consideration will be given to projects that have quality interpretive signage. Examples of safe conditions can be, but not limited to lack of sharp corners or materials that could harm children or other trail users, placed in a sturdy location and manner in which the materials will maintain their integrity throughout a 3-year period or more.*

The aluminum frame has a three year warranty. Although there are edges, they are not sharp. As the material is aluminum, the edges are not as sharp as others, such as wood would be.

16. Clarity of the Application

Your RTP application will be given additional consideration for veracity, completeness, and clarity of project description and plans, etc. Please take this opportunity to provide additional information about your project, if necessary.

FORM 5

Resolution of Authorization

Below is an example of a suggested form for a resolution of authorization to be passed by the governing body of a government agency or a private organization.

Any applicant may use such means as an ordinance or resolution to authorize filing of their application. In this case a signed certified copy of such an ordinance or resolution must be included with each application. *Any resolution of authorization must be hand signed.*

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, administers financial assistance for public recreation purposes, through Recreational Trails Program (RTP).

WHEREAS, the _____ desires financial assistance under the _____ (Specify RTP) Program

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the _____ as follows:

1. That the _____ (name of applicant) approves filing an application for _____ (specify RTP) financial assistance
2. That _____ (local coordinator) is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.
3. That the _____ (name of applicant) does agree to obligate the funds required to satisfactorily complete the proposed project and become eligible for reimbursement under the terms and conditions of the _____ (specify RTP) Program

CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

I, the undersigned, hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the _____ held on _____ day of _____ 20____, and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate.

(Original signature)

(title)

FORM 6

Civil Rights Compliance State of Ohio, U.S. Department of Transportation

As the authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant agrees that, as a condition to receiving any state assistance or federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, it will comply with all Federal laws relating to nondiscrimination. These laws include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin; (b) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap; (c) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; and applicable regulatory requirements to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, handicap or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity conducted by the applicant. THE APPLICANT HEREBY GIVES ASSURANCE THAT it will immediately take any measures necessary to effectuate this agreement.

THIS ASSURANCE shall apply to all aspects of the applicant’s operations including those parts that have not received or benefited from federal financial assistance.

If any real property or structure thereon is provided or improved with the aid of federal financial assistance extended to the Applicant by the Department, this assurance shall obligate the Applicant, or in the case of any transfer of such property, any transferee, for the period during which the real property or structure is used for a purpose for which the federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits. If any personal property is so provided, this assurance shall obligate the Applicant for the period during which it retains ownership or possession of the property. In all other cases, this assurance shall obligate the Applicant for the period during which the federal financial assistance is extended to it by the Department.

THIS ASSURANCE is given in consideration of and for the purpose of obtaining any and all federal grants, loans, contracts, property, discounts or other federal financial assistance extended after the date hereof to the Applicant by the Department, including installment payments after such date on account of applicants for federal financial assistance which were approved before such date.

The Applicant recognizes and agrees that such federal financial assistance will be extended in reliance on the representations and agreements made in this assurance, and that the United States shall have the right to seek judicial enforcement of this assurance. This assurance is binding on the Applicant, its successors, transferees, assignees, and sub-recipients and the person whose signature appears below who is authorized to sign this assurance on behalf of the Applicant. Your RTP proposal must be reviewed by your local intergovernmental review agency, and the Ohio Historic Preservation Office.

Signature of Authorized Certifying Official	Title Mayor
Applicant/Organization City of Rocky River	Date Submitted
Applicant/Organization Mailing Address 21012 Hilliard Blvd. Rocky River, OH 44116	

FORM 7

Inter-Agency Agreements

An Inter-Agency Agreement is an agreement between two or more public or private agencies involved with funding, operating, or maintaining the trail project.

Do you have an interagency agreement for your proposed project?

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Yes, An Inter-Agency Agreement exists for the project. Please complete Part 1.

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No, An Inter-Agency Agreement does not exist for the project. Please complete Part 2.

PART 1

☐ INTER-AGENCY AGREEMENTS DO EXIST

- a. If an inter-agency agreement exists, describe in detail any division of responsibility that may exist for completing acquisition, development and operation and maintenance. A copy of the agreements must be submitted with the application. If any future local inter-agency agreements are anticipated, please explain why.

PART 2

☐ INTER-AGENCY AGREEMENTS DO NOT EXIST

- a. If no inter-agency agreements exist, complete and sign the statement below and submit this form with the application.

Applicant-Agency _____

THE APPLICATION FOR _____

(Project Title)

IS NOT SUBJECT TO ANY LOCAL INTER-AGENCY AGREEMENTS

(Original Signature)

Mayor

(Title)

(Date)

FORM 8

Acknowledgement of Compliance

Upon acceptance of Linden Park Storybook Walkway as an assisted project, the applicant agrees to the following requirements of the Federal Highway Administration and/or the State of Ohio:

1. The area will be open to the general public for a minimum of 15 years. Differences in admission and other fees may be maintained on the basis of residence. However, these differences must be reasonable and discrimination on this basis is prohibited.
2. Considerations for the accessibility of disabled persons must be incorporated in the planning stage of any improvement on the site, regardless of whether not that improvement is grant-assisted. Applicants must adhere to the latest accessibility guidelines under the Americans and Disabilities Act (ADA) and Architectural Barriers Act (ABA). Any development funded must adhere to these guidelines. The guidelines can be accessed on the following webpage: [Access Board Guidelines and Standards Link](#)
There are links for accessible routes, plumbing elements and facilities, recreation facilities, etc.
3. A permanent project acknowledgement sign will be placed at the site as required below.

Local Coordinator (Original Signature)

Applicant-Agency

Date