SPECIAL MEETING

The Special Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of Great Parks of Hamilton County was held on this day at 10245 Winton Road, Cincinnati, OH 45231.

Board President Marcus Thompson called the special meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and led the Board, staff, and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. The purpose of the special meeting was to discuss Hamilton County Auditor's Certifications and a Resolution to Submit the Question of an Additional Tax Levy.

ROLL CALL: Present were Commissioners: Thompson, Burwinkel, DeGraffenreid, Laverty, Seta
Staff: Palmeter, Collins, Culman, deJesus, Messerschmitt, Rahe, Snow, Zelek, Sivak, Ference
Guests: Scott Wartman, Chris Wetterich

GENERAL REPORTS

1. CERTIFICATES OF ESTIMATED PROPERTY TAX REVENUE: Chief Executive Officer Todd Palmeter presented the Hamilton County Auditor's Certificates for Estimated Property Tax Revenue dated June 22, 2021, and July 19, 2021. The Board then ordered the report filed for the record.

ACTION

2. LEVY RESOLUTION: Chief Executive Officer Todd Palmeter presented four levy-certified amounts for the Board to consider for the November 2, 2021 ballot. The Board conducted a thorough review and discussion regarding the four separate resolutions which coincide with Hamilton County Auditor's Certification of Estimated Tax Revenues: Resolution #3677 – A Resolution to Submit the Question of an Additional 1.25 mill Tax Levy, Resolution #3677 – A Resolution to Submit the Question of an Additional 1.18 mill Tax Levy, Resolution #3677 – A Resolution to Submit the Question of an Additional 1.0 mill Tax Levy, and Resolution #3677 – A Resolution to Submit the Question of an Additional 0.95 mill Tax Levy.

Chief Executive Officer Todd Palmeter recommended the Board consider a resolution to submit the question of an additional 0.95 mill tax levy. This additional levy, combined with philanthropic generated funds from the capital campaign, would fund approximately 76% of critical infrastructure needs and 56% of park and facility master plan focus area projects.
In its discussion, the Board carefully weighed the needs of the parks with the needs of county taxpayers and determined that the 0.95 mill levy amount was most appropriate. Board President Marcus Thompson called for a motion.

Upon motion duly made by Seta, seconded by Laverty, the Board approved Resolution #3677 – A Resolution to Submit the Question of an Additional 0.95 mill Tax Levy. The Roll Call vote was as follows: Mr. Seta – Aye, Ms. Laverty – Aye, Mr. Thompson – Aye, Ms. DeGraffenreid – Aye, Mr. Burwinkel – Aye.
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further matters to come before the Board, a motion was made by DeGraffenreid, seconded by Seta, and unanimously carried to adjourn the special meeting at 10:21 a.m.

Board of Park Commissioners
Great Parks of Hamilton County

Marcus L. Thompson, President

William J. Burwinkel

Stacey DeGraffenreid

Caren Laverty

Joseph C. Seta

ATTEST:

Todd Palmet, Chief Executive Officer