

RESOLUTION 19-10

By Mr. Weber

A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO PARTICIPATE IN A WATERSHED PLANNING PARTNERSHIP TO DEVELOP A BALANCED GROWTH PLAN FOR THE BIG WALNUT CREEK WATERSHED

WHEREAS, the City of Bexley has learned that the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) has received grants to facilitate the development of a balanced growth plan for the watershed of the Big Walnut Creek; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the Big Walnut Creek Watershed is located within the boundaries of Bexley; and

WHEREAS, MORPC will form a Watershed Planning Partnership (WPP) of jurisdictions with planning authority within the Big Walnut Creek Watershed, and the WPP will then work collaboratively to seek broad public input and develop a balanced growth plan for the Big Walnut Creek Watershed based on that input; and

WHEREAS, the balanced growth plan developed with said grant would identify Priority Conservation Areas within the Big Walnut Creek Watershed to protect critically important ecological, recreational, agricultural, heritage, public access, and other areas, the preservation of which would enhance the quality of life of the citizens of Bexley; and

WHEREAS, the balanced growth plan would also identify Priority Development Areas within the Big Walnut Creek Watershed, which will be areas in which growth or redevelopment should especially be promoted and through which the economy of the region encompassed by the Big Walnut Creek Watershed will be enhanced; and

WHEREAS, the balanced growth plan would also identify a variety of recommended tools and programs through which Priority Conservation Areas can be protected and enhanced while sustainable development can be driven to Priority Development Areas; and

WHEREAS, while the final balanced growth plan would contain recommendations only, and would not impose any mandatory requirements or limitations on the City of Bexley, its effectiveness in influencing future growth and development in the Big Walnut Creek Watershed will depend on the active participation of the jurisdictions with planning authority within the Big Walnut Creek Watershed in the process of developing the balanced growth plan, and in attempting to implement those recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bexley desires to participate actively in the development of a balanced growth plan for the Big Walnut Creek Watershed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY:

SECTION 1: The City of Bexley shall join the Watershed Planning Partnership that will develop a balanced growth plan for the Big Walnut Creek Watershed, shall participate actively in the work of the Partnership, and shall make best faith efforts to implement applicable recommendations of the balanced growth plan in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio and the wishes of its own citizens.

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall go into effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: Nov. 16, 2010

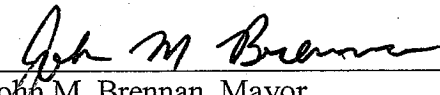


President of Council

Attest: 

Clerk of Council

Approved: 11-16, 2010



John M. Brennan, Mayor

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