

# City of Willoughby Hills

## RESOLUTION NO. 2016-6

Council  
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### **A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE USE OF PLAN4HEALTH GRANT FUNDING TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR THE ROEMISCH COMPLEX WELLNESS REVITALIZATION BY AND THROUGH THE COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS OF CLEVELAND METROPARKS, LAKE COUNTY PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CHAGRIN RIVER WATERSHED PARTNERS.**

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**WHEREAS**, ACHIEVE Wellness Lake County has received \$150,000 from the American Planning Association's Plan4Health program to combat two determinants of chronic disease: lack of physical activity and lack of access to nutritious foods; and

**WHEREAS**, ACHIEVE – which stands for Action Communities for Health, Innovation, and Environmental Change – Wellness Lake County brings local leaders and stakeholders together to build a healthy community by developing and implementing policy and environmental change strategies that focus on **physical activity, nutrition, chronic disease management, and leadership**; and

**WHEREAS**, Plan4Health is a multi-year program that strengthens the connection between planning and public health with seventy-five percent of the program's funding supporting local and state collaboration's working to advance public health through better planning and partnerships, specifically through leveraging skills and evidence-based strategies; and

**WHEREAS**, the program is implemented in partnership with the American Public Health Association and represents a major new collaboration between planners and health professionals with funding provided through an award from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

**WHEREAS**, the following thirteen communities in the county will be given \$10,000 grants: Willoughby Hills, Willowick, Wickliffe, Eastlake, Willoughby, Mentor-on-the Lake, Mentor, Painesville Township, Painesville City, Fairport Harbor, Grand River, Perry Township and Madison; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the City's intention to refurbish the Roemisch Complex, which currently consists of seven baseball fields, a pavilion, a concession stand, restrooms, and football field; the Willoughby Hills Community Center is also on the property and consists of a branch of the Willoughby-Eastlake Library, four rooms that are rented for parties and events, and the Willoughby Hills Senior Center; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the City's vision to develop Roemisch Complex into a "community wellness" area by upgrading the fields by providing proper drainage for optimum play, equipment boxes and fencing, add playground equipment to the complex and include a walking trail; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has already reached out to Cleveland Metroparks to discuss connecting the walking path to North Chagrin Reservation, which is adjacent to Roemisch Complex and in April 2016, will meet with Cleveland Metroparks as well as Chagrin River Watershed Partners, Inc. (CRWP) to discuss this opportunity.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO THAT:**

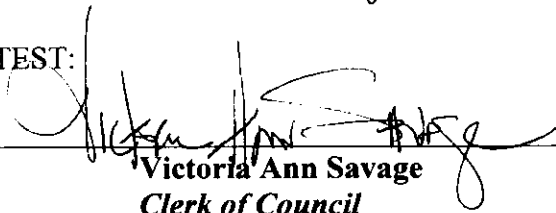
**SECTION 1.** The Council of the City of Willoughby Hills supports the use of Plan4Health Funding to develop a plan for Roemisch Complex to develop Roemisch Complex into a “community wellness” area by and through the collaborative efforts of Cleveland Metroparks, Lake County Planning & Community Development and the Chagrin River Watershed Partners.

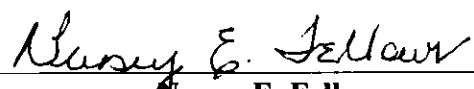
**SECTION 2.** The actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were held in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby Hills.

**SECTION 3.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

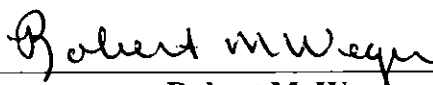
PASSED: April 14, 2016

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval  
On this 15 day of April 2016

ATTEST:   
Victoria Ann Savage  
Clerk of Council

  
Nancy E. Fellows  
President of Council

Approved by the Mayor  
April 15, 2016

  
Robert M. Weger  
Mayor