RESOLUTION No. R-35-2

Dayum Loyal Black, Inc

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND SAFETY OF TROY, OHIO, TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO CONSENT TO THE REMOVAL OF THE LOW HEAD DAM ON THE MIAMIRIVER IN THE CITY OF TROY, OHIO

WHEREAS, the City of Troy, Ohio owns a low head dam located on the Miami River in Troy, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency have held public hearings and determined that the removal of the low head darn will enhance recreational user safety, enhance fish passage, increase water quality, and enhance sediment transport for the Miami River; and

WHEREAS, funds are available from the Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program to completely fund the removal of the low head dam without financial contribution from the City, of Troy, Ohio.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Troy, Ohio, at least a majority thereto concurring as follows:

SECTION I: That the City of Troy, Ohio hereby consents to the removal of the low head darn on the Miami River by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

SECTION II: That the Director of Public Service and Safety of the City of Troy, Ohio is authorized to execute any and all necessary documents, use agreements, consents, and/or environmental covenants required by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, the Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program, and/or the Mlarni Conservancy District for the removal of the low head dam, subject to the dam removal project being cost neutral to the City of Troy, Ohio.

SECTION III: That this Resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

Adopted:	August 16, 2021	William Lutz President of Council
Approved:	August 16 2021	
Attest:	Sue G. Knight Clerk of Council	Robin I. Oda Mayor



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November 2, 2022

Patrick Titterington, City Manager City of Troy 100 S. Market St. Troy, OH 45373

Dear Patrick:

I am writing to express support for the City of Troy's Great Miami River Recreation Connectivity Project, to be submitted to the Dayton Development Coalition Priority Development Advocacy Committee (PDAC) review process.

Troy and MCD have a long and strong partnership in investing in the riverfront, starting in flood protection in the early 1900s to creating the first mile of paved recreational trail along the banks of the Great Miami River in 1972. That first mile of trail has grown to become the nation's largest system of connected paved trails with 340 total miles which now draws people from all over the country to bike on protected cycle lanes. In 2014 the City invested \$10 million dollars to improve public access at Treasure Island Marina, leading to greater usage on both sides of the river, and inspiring programs like Float Troy.

MCD is pleased to support Troy's PDAC request which envisions making stronger use of their riverfront location while protecting and preserving the riverine system in alignment with MCD's core mission. The removal of the low dam will enable safer paddling, as well as allowing for a pedestrian path and kayak access on the south along East Water Street. MCD looks forward to working with Troy through the project design with the understanding Troy intends to implement the project so that flood control and protection remains a priority while encouraging stewardship and recreation.

Finally, Troy is a founding member of the Great Miami Riverway, which promotes economic growth along Ohio's first nationally-designated water trail, from Sidney to Hamilton, and which MCD is proud to administer and promote on behalf of twenty community partners along the Great Miami River. MCD is pleased to support Troy in its endeavors to continue to invest in sustainable riverfront development that helps advance the economic growth and quality of life in the region.

Sincerely,

General Manager



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October 10, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great enthusiasm the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce supports the City of Troy, Ohio's PDAC application for the Great Miami River (GMR) Recreation Connectivity Project. This grant application includes several improvements in the downtown area which will improve access to the GMR Recreational Trail, construct a canoe/kayak launch and create additional pedestrian gathering space along our beautiful riverfront.

The GMR & Recreation Trail bisect the community and is a tremendous draw for our citizens and visitors to our community, increasing foot traffic into our downtown merchants and restaurants. We applaud the efforts of the City of Troy to continually improve the amenities along the GMR and the GMR Recreational Trail.

The scope of this grant application is quite lengthy, but all the included items will make a significant impact on our community. Downtown businesses, residents, visitors on bikes, and visitors by boat will all be positively affected by the scope of work to be completed. Also, the impact on those who have yet to discover the regenerative and healthy aspect of time outside, whether, biking, kayaking or simply, walking in beautiful surroundings cannot be measured.

Thank you for consideration for funding this grant application.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Graves, President



November 1, 2022

To Whom It May Concern:

The Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau (MCVCB) fully supports the City of Troy's PDAC application for the Great Miami River (GMR) Recreation Connectivity Project. The MCVCB recognizes the economic, social, environmental, and public health benefits of trails, bikeways, and riverways. The City of Troy has done a tremendous job of preserving history while also being innovative and progressive which is evident in the growth and development we have seen in downtown Troy and along the river thus far. We are blessed with wonderful recreational assets and feel that the connections Troy is working to make between the Great Miami River, Great Miami Recreational Trail, and Downtown Troy will have a significant impact on the quality of life of Troy and Miami County Residents and to those visitors coming into the area.

The City of Troy's passion for creating spaces where residents and visitors can come together to enjoy the riverway and bike path as well as events, businesses, and other amenities is admirable. The items within this grant application will bring opportunities to both trail users and businesses. Making these connections between the river, bike path, and downtown will encourage residents and visitors to enjoy the outdoor amenities in the area, promote a strong, healthy lifestyle, and allow businesses the opportunity to engage with more potential customers. Those coming off the river or bike path into downtown will spend their money in our shops, restaurants, and attractions contributing to the success of our business community and economic vitality of the area.

The MCVCB takes pride in the communities, partners, and people it serves...it is a pleasure for us to promote Troy and Miami County as a destination to those traveling from near and far. We thank the City of Troy for always striving to provide the best experience possible to its residents and visitors and look forward to seeing the GMR Recreation Connectivity Project unfold.

It is our hope that you will consider contributing to this very important project.

With Sincere Regards,

Leiann Stewart

Leiann Stewart Executive Director Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau

MIAMI COUNTY PARK DISTRICT



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November 3, 2022

To Whom it may concern:

The Miami County Park District enthusiastically supports the City of Troy, Ohio's PDAC application for the Great Miami River (GMR) Recreation Connectivity Project. The grant application includes several improvements in the downtown area which will improve access to the GMR Recreational Trail, construct a canoe/kayak launch and create additional gathering space along the beautiful downtown riverfront.

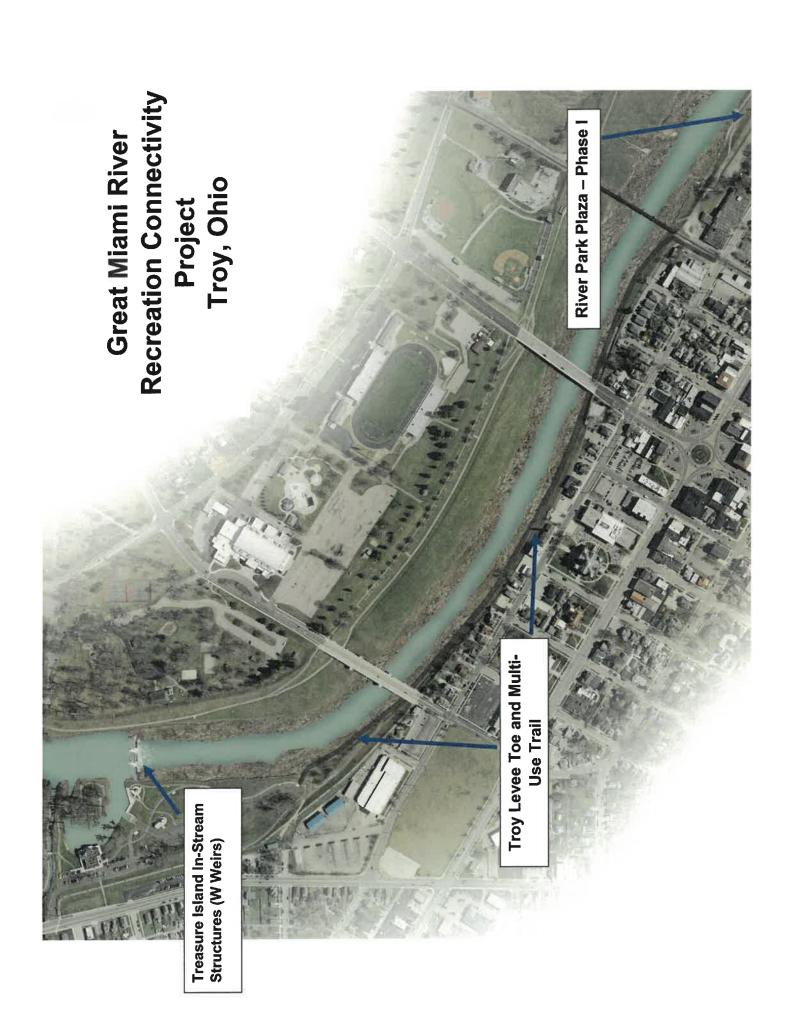
The Park District has been instrumental in constructing portions of the GMR Recreational Trail north and south of Troy, as well as having canoe/kayak launches along the Great Miami River north of the City. By adding additional assets and accesses to the river and bike trail for the citizens of Troy and Miami County from the downtown area of Troy only adds to the uses of our great assets along the river and bike trail. We have partnered with the City of Troy on other projects along the river and trail and are excited to see more work being done to make our previous investments more relevant.

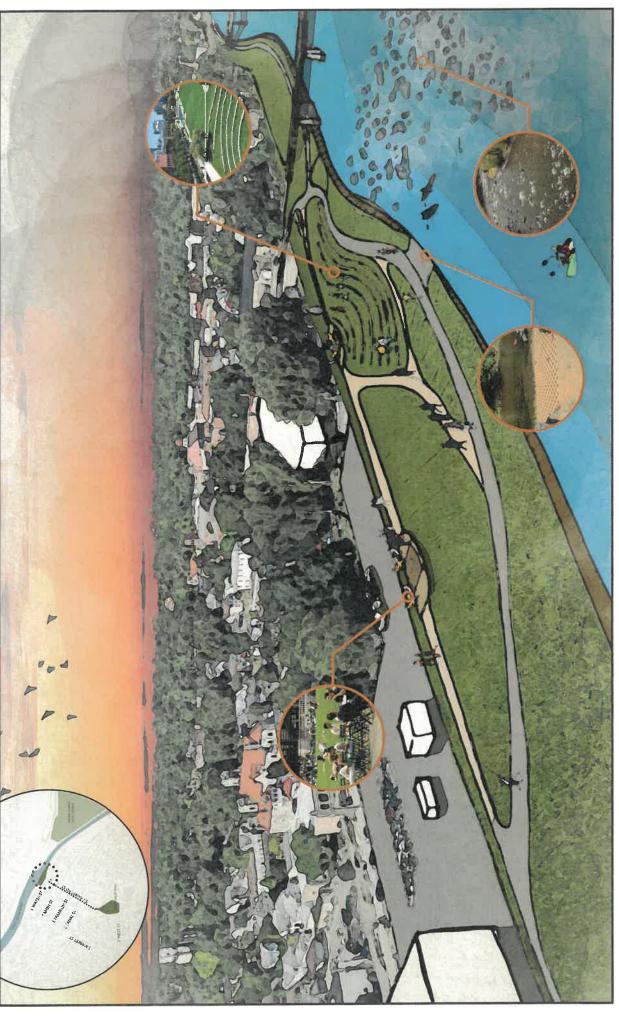
The scope of this project is extensive, but its elements will make a significant impact to our community and its recreational amenities. Downtown businesses, residents and visitors on bikes and kayaks will benefit greatly from this project when it is completed. Plus, Troy has a beautiful riverfront area and these new projects will add to the access to this wonderful natural resource.

Thank you for your consideration for funding this grant application.

Sincerely.

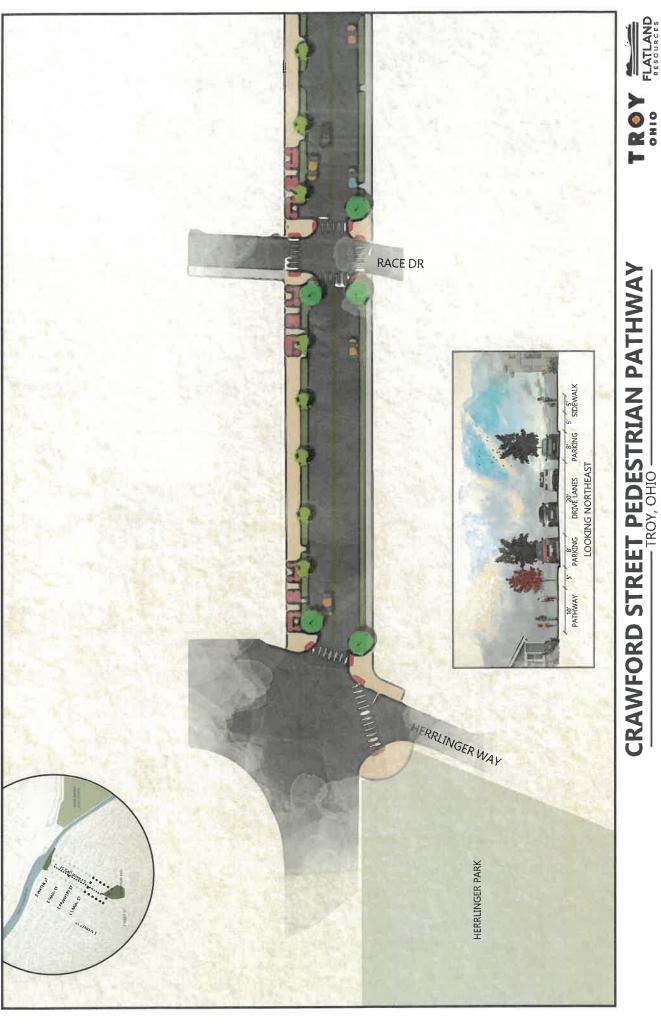
J. Scott Myers, Executive Director











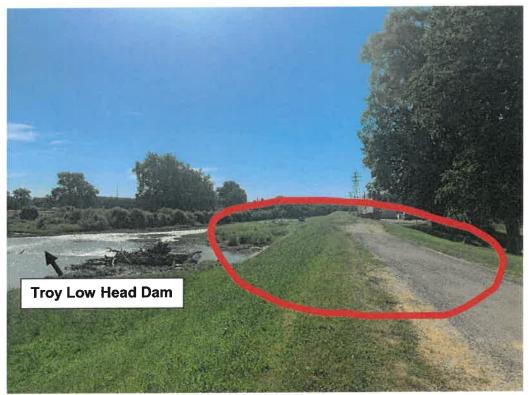


Existing Photos of Troy Low Head Dam and Southside Levee Toe



Levee

Great Miami River below the low head dam



Location of the proposed River Park Plaza

