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Presented by Mr. Shields

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and the Director of the Department of Engineering and Construction and the Director of the Department of Public Works to enter into a Cooperation and Access Agreement with the University of Pittsburgh to Administer Infrastructure Modifications in Conjunction with New Improvements to Schenley Plaza.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 285 of 1998, effective May 29, 1998, the City entered into a Cooperation Agreement with the Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy ("PPC") to establish an alliance to provide infrastructure improvements, special care, and restoration for the City's four regional parks: Frick, Schenley, Highland and Riverview; and

**WHEREAS**, the PPC has proposed to offer its services in connection with the restoration, operation, and maintenance of Schenley Plaza in Schenley Park for use as a vibrant public space and will be seeking to enter into a separate agreement with the City to set forth terms of its assistance therefore; and

**WHEREAS**, with the financial assistance of the Oakland Investment Committee and other private funding sources, the PPC plans to undertake capital improvements for Schenley Plaza (the "Project"), which improvements will require both design and construction phases; and

**WHEREAS**, the PPC has engaged the University as its Agent to assist with the management of the design and construction phases; and

WHEREAS, in connection with and to facilitate the Project, there are plans for surrounding roadwork and other infrastructure modifications (the "Infrastructure Modifications") as well, which will also be funded by private sources; and

**WHEREAS**, the City will approve all Plans and Specifications for the Project and Infrastructure Modifications; and

**WHEREAS**, the University has agreed to assist the PPC as its Agent with administering these Infrastructure Modifications as aforesaid and as part of its management, design and construction, on behalf of PPC, subject at all times to final City approval and acceptance; and

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**WHEREAS,** in order to implement the Infrastructure Modifications, the parties now wish to enter into this Cooperation and Access Agreement to set forth their respective responsibilities.

Section 1.

The Mayor and the Director of the Department of Engineering and Construction and the Department of Public Works are hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperation and Access Agreement with the University of Pittsburgh to administer Infrastructure Modifications in conjunction with new improvements to Schenley Plaza. The Cooperation and Access Agreement shall be approved by the City Solicitor as to form and substance.