ORDINANCE NO. 07-132 INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Stefanik

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO NEGOTIATE THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF SPORTS AND RECREATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS: The city has long established a Recreation Capital Improvement Fund, funded by donations from the development of subdivisions over time; and

WHEREAS: The Recreation Department and Recreation Board have established that the various sports programs operated on behalf of the city by designated agents are large programs requiring the need for additional recreation fields; and

WHEREAS: The Recreation Board has requested that the city purchase additional property for development of much needed sports fields for baseball, football and soccer; and

WHEREAS: The Mayor and Economic Development Director have identified property in the city which is large enough to accommodate the necessary sports fields requested by the Recreation Board; and

WHEREAS: Council desires to authorize the Mayor to negotiate for the purchase of said property described herein for the public purpose of sports and recreation fields for the Recreation Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH ROYALTON, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. Council hereby approves and the Mayor is hereby authorized to negotiate for the purchase of real property for the public purpose of sports and recreation for use by the Recreation Board and its many sports programs. The property is described by Permanent Parcel Number 486-23-023 and presently owned by Rosa C. Austria, Trustee. The limitations of negotiation shall be as approved by Council in Executive Session authorized pursuant to the Laws of the State of Ohio and the City of North Royalton.

Section 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the city, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to approve the public purpose of the negotiation for the purchase of property for use as a sports and recreation fields for the Recreation Department of the city.

THEREFORE, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

_____ APPROVED: _____
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL MAYOR

DATE PASSED: _____ DATE APPROVED: _____

First reading October 16, 2007
Second reading November 7, 2007
Sponsorship withdrawn March 17, 2008

ATTEST:_____
DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

YEAS:

NAYS: