



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

This ordinance authorizes the expenditure of up to \$100,000.00 to establish funding to repay various property owners for costs associated with the replacement of deteriorated concrete curb.

The Department of Public Service, Division of Infrastructure Management, is responsible for curb replacement within the City limits. Deteriorated curb is typically replaced by the City when a street is resurfaced. As it can be many years between resurfacing of the same street, the City has a program to reimburse property owners that do not want to wait to replace deteriorated curb until their street is resurfaced.

Property owners contact the Division of Infrastructure Management and are approved for the Curb Reimbursement Program. Reimbursement occurs subsequent to inspection of the new curb by the City. The majority of these replacements occur while the property owners are constructing new sidewalk, which are ordinarily the property owners' responsibility to maintain and/or replace. The Division of Infrastructure Management requires funding for this beneficial program to improve curbs in the City.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for this expense is available within Fund 7766, the Street and Highway Improvement NonBond Fund. A transfer of funds, appropriation, and an amendment to the 2021 Capital Improvement Budget is required to establish sufficient budget authority to align cash with the proper project. Funds are appropriated.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Public Service is requesting emergency designation so as to provide sufficient funding to be able to reimburse residents without delay.

To amend the 2021 Capital Improvement Budget; to authorize the transfer of funds and appropriation within the Street and Highway Improvement NonBond Fund; to authorize the Director of Public Service to reimburse various property owners for the replacement of concrete curbs; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$100,000.00 for curb reimbursement from the Street and Highway Improvement NonBond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$100,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Division of Infrastructure Management is responsible for curb replacement within the City limits; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the replacement of deteriorated curb, the City has a program to reimburse property owners who replace curbs; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to the Curb Reimbursement program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the expenditure of additional funds for this ongoing program; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes funding in the amount of \$100,000.00 for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize an amendment to the 2021 Capital Improvement Budget for the purpose of providing sufficient spending authority for the aforementioned project expenditure; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize a transfer of funds and appropriation within Fund 7766, the Street and Highway Improvement NonBond Fund, to establish sufficient cash to pay for the expenses; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Service in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to reimburse residents for the replacement of concrete curbs without delay, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; **now, therefore**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the 2021 Capital Improvements Budget authorized by ordinance 2707-2021 be amended as follows to establish sufficient authority for this project:

Fund / Project / Project Name / C.I.B. / Change / C.I.B. as Amended

7766 / P530161-100000 / Roadway Improvements (Street and Highway Improvement Carryover) / \$65,295.00 /

(\$65,295.00) / \$0.00

7766 / P590415-100015 / Nationwide Blvd & Hocking St - Arena West (Street and Highway Improvement Carryover) /

\$43,563.00 / (\$34,705.00) / \$8,858.00

7766 / P530210-100001 / Curb Reconstruction -- Curb Reimbursement Program (Street and Highway Improvement Carryover) / \$100,000.00 / \$100,000.00 / \$200,000.00

SECTION 2. That the transfer of \$65,295.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized within Fund 7766 (Street and Highway Improvement NonBond Fund), from Dept-Div 5912 (Design and Construction), Project P530161-100000 (Roadway Improvements), Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) to Dept-Div 5911 (Infrastructure Management), Project P530210-100001 (Curb Reconstruction - Curb Reimbursement Program), Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the transfer of \$34,705.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized within Fund 7766 (Street and Highway Improvement NonBond Fund), from Dept-Div 5912 (Design and Construction), Project P590415-100015 (Nationwide Blvd & Hocking St - Arena West), Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) to Dept-Div 5911 (Infrastructure Management), Project P530210-100001 (Curb Reconstruction - Curb Reimbursement Program), Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That the Director of Public Service be and hereby is authorized to reimburse various property owners for the replacement of concrete curb according to the existing program guidelines established for this purpose.

SECTION 5. That the expenditure of \$100,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 7766 (Street and Highway Improvement NonBond Fund), in Dept-Div 5911 (Infrastructure Management), Project P530210-100001 (Curb Reconstruction - Curb Reimbursement Program), in Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 6. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 7. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 8. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

SECTION 9. That, for the reasons stated in this ordinance's preamble, which are made a part of this ordinance, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and is effective and in force from and after its passage and approval by

the Mayor or ten (10) days after its passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes this ordinance.