



## Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to pay operating license fees for the City's three water treatment plants to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for the Division of Water and to authorize the expenditure of \$215,000.00 or as much thereof as may be needed from the Water Operating Fund (\$215,000.00).

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Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
10/21/2021	1	CITY CLERK	Attest	
10/20/2021	1	MAYOR	Signed	
10/18/2021	1	COUNCIL PRESIDENT	Signed	
10/18/2021	1	Columbus City Council	Approved	Pass
10/11/2021	1	Columbus City Council	Read for the First Time	

**BACKGROUND:** In 1993, the State of Ohio passed House Bill 152, which requires the Division of Water to pay operating license fees for the three water treatment plants (Hap Cremean, Parsons Avenue, and Dublin Road). This fee is based upon the number of service connections. This is the 29<sup>th</sup> year for this payment. The fee is payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency by December 31, 2021.

The Ohio EPA's Federal Identification Number is 31-6402047 (082). Governmental Agency

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The Division of Water has allocated \$215,000.00 for this payment in the 2021 Water Operating Fund Budget.

\$211,707.12 was expended for this purpose in 2020

\$211,385.64 was expended for this purpose in 2019

\$210,165.84 was expended for this purpose in 2018

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**WHEREAS,** the State of Ohio passed House Bill 152 in 1993 requiring the Division of Water to pay operating license fees for three water treatment plants; and

**WHEREAS**, this fee is based upon the number of service connections. This is the 29th year for this payment and the current number of service connections is 279,746. This fee is payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance authorizes the expenditure of \$215,000.00 or as much thereof as may be needed for the payment of this fee; and

**WHEREAS**, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities to authorize the Director to make payment of State of Ohio operating fees to the State of Ohio EPA on or before December 31, 2021 for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, and safety; now, therefore

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Public Utilities be and is hereby authorized to pay operating license fees to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency on or before December 31, 2021 for the Division of Water's three water treatment plants.

**SECTION 2.** 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 3.** That the expenditure of \$215,000.00 or as much thereof as may be needed is hereby authorized in Fund 6000 Water Operating Fund object class 03 Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.