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**Background:** The mayoral New Neighborhood Initiative culminated in a 6-month effort by Parsons Avenue area stakeholders to create the Greater Parsons Avenue Area Vision Plan. Ordinance No. 0717-2006, passed April 3, 2006, Ordinance No. 1410-2006, passed July 31, 2006 and Ordinance No. 0700-2007, passed May 14, 2007 authorized the Director of Development to enter into contracts for purchase of certain real properties within the Greater Parsons Avenue Area Vision Plan and authorized the expenditure of \$2,700,000. Gaining control of certain real properties is a key component to the success of the Vision Plan and this step is nearly complete. The land planning process is the next step and requires gathering detailed information on the type and location of utilities. It is estimated that this will cost \$50,000.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$50,000 is available in the 2007 Capital Improvement Budget.

To amend the 2007 Capital Improvements Budget; to authorize the transfer of cash between projects in the Northland and Other Acquisitions Fund; to authorize the Director of Development to enter into a contract with Columbus Urban Growth Corporation for \$50,000 to conduct topographical and utility location surveys of the City-owned properties in the Greater Parsons Avenue Area Vision Plan; to waive the provisions of Chapter 329 regarding consultant selection; to authorize the expenditure of \$50,000 from the Northland and Other Acquisitions Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$50,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** the City has purchased certain key properties along Parsons Avenue as a first step in realizing the goals of the Greater Parsons Avenue Area Vision Plan; and

**WHEREAS,** the land planning process necessitates gathering accurate information on the type and location of utilities; and

**WHEREAS,** Parsons Avenue stakeholders are anxious for the momentum towards redevelopment to continue; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to transfer cash between projects in the Northland and Other Acquisitions Fund; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to amend the 2007 Capital Improvements Budget; and

**WHEREAS;** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to authorize this expenditure of funds, all for the immediate preservation of 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 2007 Capital Improvement Budget is hereby amended as follows:

**CURRENT CIB:**

Dept/Div: 44-01|Fund: 735|Project Number 441743|Project Name - Parsons Ave. Acquisitions|Amount \$250,900

Dept/Div: 44-01|Fund: 735|Project Number 440104|Project Name - Miscellaneous Economic Development|Amount \$858,471

**REVISED CIB:**

Dept/Div: 44-01|Fund: 735|Project Number 441743|Project Name - Parsons Ave. Acquisitions|Amount \$300,900

Dept/Div: 44-01|Fund: 735|Project Number 440104|Project Name - Miscellaneous Economic Development|Amount \$808,471

**Section 2.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer funds within the Northland and Other

Acquisitions Fund as follows:

**FROM:**

Dept/Div: 44-01|Fund: 735|Project Number 440104|Project Name - Miscellaneous Economic Development|Amount \$50,000

**TO:**

Dept/Div: 44-01|Fund: 735|Project Number 441743|Project Name - Parsons Ave. Acquisitions|Amount \$50,000

**Section 3.** That the Director of Development be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Columbus Urban Growth Corporation for \$50,000 to conduct the necessary studies to amass accurate locations of utilities within the Greater Parsons Avenue Vision Plan Area.

**Section 4.** That for the purpose stated in Section 3, the expenditure of up to \$50,000.00 from the Development Department, Division No. 44-01, Fund No. 735 Northland and Other Acquisitions, Project No. 441743 Parsons Avenue Acquisitions, OCA Code 441743, Object Level Three 6680 is hereby authorized.

**Section 5.** 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 6.** That the formal consultant selection process provisions of Chapter 329 of the City Code be and hereby are waived.

**Section 7.** That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.