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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage, on behalf of the City of Columbus, Ohio (“City”), an Ohio municipal corporation, is undertaking the improvement of sanitary sewer utility infrastructure for the Blacklick Creek Sanitary Interceptor Sewer Public Project (CIP 650034-100006) (“Project”). The City is required to acquire certain real property interests in the vicinity of Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road, Blacklick, Ohio 43004 (collectively, “Property”) in order to complete the Project. City Ordinance 1794-2013 previously authorized the Columbus City Attorney to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests, contract for professional services, and spend funds for costs related to the acquisition of the Property for the Project. Additionally, City Ordinance 2717-2013 previously authorized an increase in the funds for costs relating to the acquisition of the Property for the Project. However, in order to complete the Project, the Columbus City Attorney needs additional funds to acquire the real property interests for the Project. Therefore, it is necessary for the Columbus City Auditor to increase the Project’s existing Auditor’s Certificate (AC-035409) by Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$500,000.00) to pay for acquisition costs of the Property needed for the Project.

FISCAL IMPACT: The City determined the Project’s funding will require the transfer within and the expenditure of funds from the Department of Public Utilities’ Sanitary Sewer General Obligation Bond Fund, Fund 664 and an amendment to the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget.

EMERGENCY JUSTIFICATION: Emergency action is requested in order for the City to immediately acquire the Property necessary for the City to complete the Project, which preserves the public health, peace, property, and safety.

To authorize the Columbus City Auditor to increase an existing Auditor’s Certificate (AC-035409) by Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars; to authorize a transfer and expenditure up to Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars within the Sanitary Sewer Bonds Funds for the Department of Public Utilities’ Blacklick Creek Sanitary Interceptor Sewer Public Project; to amend the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget; and to declare an emergency. (\$500,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage, is undertaking the improvement of sanitary sewer utility infrastructure for the Blacklick Creek Sanitary Interceptor Sewer Public Project (CIP 650034-100006) (“Project”);

WHEREAS, the City is required to acquire certain real property interests in the vicinity of Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road, Blacklick, Ohio 43004 (collectively, “Property”) in order to complete the Project;

WHEREAS, Ordinance 1794-2013 previously authorized the Columbus City Attorney to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests, contract for professional services, and spend funds for costs related to the acquisition of the Property for the Project;

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2717-2013 previously authorized an increase in the funds for costs relating to the acquisition of the Property for the Project;

WHEREAS, in order to complete the Project, the Columbus City Attorney needs additional funds to acquire the real property interests for the Project;

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Columbus City Attorney to spend up to an additional Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$500,000.00) within the Sanitary Sewer Bond Funds, Fund 664, for the Project;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase existing Auditor's Certificate (AC-035409) in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$500,000.00);

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the City Auditor to transfer and spend funds within the Sanitary Sewer Bond Funds, Fund 664;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize an amendment to the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget to provide sufficient funding and expenditure authority for the Project; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City of Columbus, because it is immediately necessary to authorize the Columbus City Auditor to increase the Project's funding so that the Columbus City Attorney may continue with the acquisition of the Property needed for the Project, which will immediately preserve the public health, peace, property, and safety; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO ("CITY"):

SECTION 1. That the City Auditor is authorized to increase Auditor's Certificate (AC-035409) in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$500,000.00) for the City Attorney's acquisition of real property interests for the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage, Blacklick Creek Sanitary Interceptor Sewer Public Project (CIP 650034-100006) ("Project").

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is authorized to transfer Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$500,000.00) within the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage | Div. 60-05 | Obj. Lvl 3: 6601 as follows:

FROM:

PROJECT NO. | PROJECT NAME | OCA CODE | CHANGE

650014-100000 | Sanitary Sewer Construction | 664140 | -\$500,000.00

TO:

PROJECT NO. | PROJECT NAME | OCA CODE | CHANGE

650034-100006 | Alum Creek Trunk (N) & Alum Creek Sub-Trunk | 643406 | +\$500,000.00

SECTION 3. That the 2013 Capital Improvements budget Ordinance Number 0645-2013 is amended as follows, to provide sufficient budget authority for the Project's expenditures stated in this ordinance:

PROJECT NO. | PROJ. NAME | CURRENT | REVISED | (CHANGE)

650014-100000 | Sanitary Sewer Construction | \$500,000 | \$0 | (-\$500,000)

650034-100006 | Alum Creek Trunk (N) & Alum Creek Sub-Trunk | \$0 | \$500,000 | (+\$500,000)

SECTION 4. That the City Attorney is authorized to spend up to an additional Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$500,000.00), or as much as may be necessary for the acquisition of the Property needed for the Project, from the Sanitary Sewer General Obligation Bond Fund | Fund 664 | Div. 60-05 | CIP 650034-100006 | Obj. Lvl 3: 6601:

FUND NO. | PROJ. NO. | PROJ NAME | OCA CODE | CHANGE

650034-100006 | Alum Creek Trunk (N) & Alum Creek Sub-Trunk | 643406 | +\$500,000.00

SECTION 5. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance are deemed appropriated, and the

City Auditor is directed to establish any appropriate accounting codes.

SECTION 6. That the City Auditor is authorized and directed to transfer any unencumbered balance in the Project account to the unallocated balance within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the director of the department administering the Project that the Project is complete and the monies are no longer required for the Project, except that no transfer can be made from a project account by monies from more than one source.

SECTION 7. That the City Auditor is authorized to establish any proper and appropriate project accounting numbers.

SECTION 8. 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 9. For the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which are 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 its passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.