

Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Public Service Director to enter into an agreement to participate and fund a portion of the Gender Road Traffic Safety Study. This study will be undertaken by Evans, Mechwart, Hambleton & Tilton (EMH&T) and will be funded by the City of Columbus and Village of Canal Winchester (Village). The Village will serve as the contracting agency. The study area is Gender Road from the U.S. 33 interchange to north of Lehman Road. Using existing and projected traffic volumes and recent crash history, EMH&T will identify conceptual design alternatives that will address traffic flow and any safety deficiencies in the corridor. A strategic implementation plan will also be developed that conforms to the Ohio Department of Transportation Highway (ODOT) Safety Program funding requirements. A Safety Funding Application will be prepared based on the safety study report recommendations.

Emergency action is requested in order to reimburse the Village timely and the ODOT Safety Funding Application for this study can be submitted by April.

**Fiscal Impact**: The City of Columbus will be responsible for fifty percent (50%) of the cost of this study with the Village of Canal Winchester responsible for the other fifty percent (50%). The Transportation Division share of this project is \$12,250.00. Partial funding in the amount of \$7,647.02 is available due to cancellations, the remainder, \$4,602.98, is not budgeted but available within the Voted 1995, 1999, 2004 Streets and Highways Fund in the Pedestrian Safety project.

To authorize the Public Service Director to enter into an agreement for the Transportation Division with the Village of Canal Winchester to undertake the Gender Road Traffic Safety Study; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$12,250.00 from the Voted 1995, 1999, 2004 Streets and Highways Fund for the Transportation Division; and to declare an emergency. (\$12,250.00)

**WHEREAS**, by working with the Village of Canal Winchester, the City of Columbus Transportation Division has identified the need to improve traffic flow and safety on Gender Road from the U.S. 33 interchange to north of Lehman Road; and

WHEREAS, this portion of Gender Road lies in the jurisdiction of both the City of Columbus and the Village of Canal Winchester; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus Transportation Division and the Village of Canal Winchester have agreed to a scope, schedule and budget for the Gender Road Traffic Safety Study, to participate in the conduct of the study, and to provide funding to undertake the study; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the Voted 1995, 1999, 2004 Streets and Highways Fund for this reimbursement; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Public Service Department, Transportation Division, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize said contract in order reimburse the Village of Canal Winchester timely and to meet the Safety Funding Application timelines, 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 Public Service Director be authorized to enter into an agreement with the Village of Canal Winchester, 10 North High Street, Canal Winchester, OH, 43110, up to \$12,250.00, for the Transportation Division to participate in the Gender Road Traffic Safety Study to develop a strategic plan for the purpose of addressing identified traffic flow and safety deficiencies in the corridor.

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**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$12,250.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary be and hereby is authorized from Fund 704, the Voted 1995, 1999, 2004 Streets and Highways Fund, Department 59-09, Transportation Division, Object Level One Code 06, Object Level Three Code 6682, OCA Code 644385 and Project 590105 to pay the cost of said study.

**SECTION 3.** 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 4.** That for the 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.