



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

Background: This is consent legislation with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for a bridge reconstruction project. The project proposes to perform bridge reconstruction work, including replacing specified expansion joints and patching abutments and backwalls, on the North Third Street bridge over the Goodale-Convention Center Connector and Norfolk Southern railroad. (FRA -23D-2.82 PID Number 85277)

This is an Ohio Department of Transportation bridge reconstruction project and no sidewalks, bike paths, or curb ramps will be added or reconstructed as part of this project.

Since a portion of this project lies within the City of Columbus, this consent ordinance is necessary. Construction of this project is scheduled from Spring 2011 through Fall 2011. This legislation also authorizes the Director of Public Service to enter into the necessary agreements to complete this project.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

Fiscal Impact: The estimated total cost of this project is \$700,000.00. There is no cost to the City of Columbus at this time.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to enter into an agreement with the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation and to grant consent and propose cooperation with the State of Ohio for this North Third Street over the Goodale Street/Convention Center Connector/Norfolk Southern railroad reconstruction Project for the Division of Design and Construction.

The following is an Ordinance enacted by the City of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the Local Public Agency (LPA), in the matter of the stated described project.

WHEREAS, the State has identified the need for the described project:

Bridge rehabilitation work, including replacing specified expansion joints and patching abutments and backwalls, on the North Third Street bridge over Goodale Street/Convention Center Connector/Norfolk Southern Railroad; now, therefore

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

Section 1 - Consent Statement

Being in the public interest, the LPA gives consent to the Director of Transportation to complete the above described project.

Section 2 - Cooperation Statement

The LPA shall cooperate with the Director of Transportation in the above described project as follows:

The City hereby agrees to cooperate with the Director of Transportation of the State of Ohio in the planning, design and construction of the identified highway improvement project and grants consent to the Ohio Department of Transportation for its development and construction of the project in accordance with plans, specifications and estimates as approved by the Director.

The Ohio Department of Transportation shall assume and bear one hundred percent of the necessary costs of the State's highway improvement project.

In the event that the City requests certain features or appurtenances be included within the highway improvement project's design and construction, and which features and appurtenances are determined by the State and the Federal Highway Administration to be not necessary for the State's highway improvement project, the City shall, prior to the project being advertised for construction contract bidding purposes, provide appropriate documentation that its Council has appropriated, and its Auditor has certified as being available for such specific purposes, funds sufficient in amount to cover one hundred percent (100%) of the costs of incorporating such additional features or appurtenances within the State's project, including preliminary engineering, final design, right-of-way, construction and construction engineering expenses as may be directly related thereto.

Section 3 - Utilities and Right-of-Way Statement

ODOT agrees that all right-of-way required for the described project will be acquired and/or made available in accordance with current State and Federal regulations. ODOT also understands that right-of-way costs include eligible utility costs.

ODOT agrees that all utility accommodation, relocation and reimbursement will comply with the current provisions of 23 CFR 645 and the ODOT Utilities Manual.

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Section 4 - Maintenance

Upon completion of the project, and unless otherwise agreed, the LPA shall: (1) provide adequate maintenance for the project in accordance with all applicable state and federal law, including, but not limited to, Title 23, U.S.C., Section 116; (2) provide ample financial resources, as necessary, for the maintenance of the project; (3) maintain the right-of-way, keeping it free of obstructions, and (4) hold said right-of-way inviolate for public highway purposes.

Section 5 - Authority to Sign

The Director of Public Service of said City is hereby empowered on behalf of the City of Columbus to enter into contracts with the Director of Transportation necessary to complete the above described project.

Section 6 - This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.