



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

This legislation authorizes the Director of Development to enter into contract with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to provide professional services for the 3rd Street Cap Viability Study in an amount up to \$165,000.00.

The project was formally advertised on Vendor Services from March 11, 2021, to April 1, 2021. Four proposals were received and all proposals were responsive.

The submitting firms were:

AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (Columbus)

Elford, Inc. (Columbus)

Jonathan Barnes Architecture and Design Ltd. (Columbus)

ms consultants (Columbus)

The City of Columbus, in partnership with the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”), requested proposals to assess the viability of commercial development on a proposed building cap over Interstate 70/71 on 3rd Street between Livingston Ave. and Fulton St. in Downtown Columbus, Ohio (3rd St. Bridge) and on one acre of adjacent land.

The City of Columbus sought proposals to examine the feasibility of private development on and adjacent to the 3rd Street Bridge that will be reconstructed with ODOT’s Columbus Crossroads Phase 4B project. The City and ODOT seek to develop the property consistent with the goals of the surrounding neighborhoods and in a complimentary fashion with the public infrastructure projects being undertaken in the area.

Emergency action is requested to complete the study within the next six months in order to be in alignment with ODOT’s project schedule.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

Funds in the amount of \$165,000.00 are available for this contract in the Brewery District TIF Fund (fund 4409). The funds will be transferred to Fund 7740 for expenditure.

3. CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

The vendor’s vendor compliance number is 010897 and expires 7/22/2022.

To authorize the appropriation and transfer of up to \$165,000.00 from the Brewery District TIF Fund to the Brewery District Fund; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of up to \$165,000.00 in the Brewery District Fund; to authorize the Director of Development to enter into contract with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to provide professional services for the 3rd Street Cap Viability Study in an amount up to \$165,000.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$165,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Development has identified the need to assess the feasibility of commercial development on a proposed building cap over Interstate 70/71 on 3rd Street between Livingston Ave. and Fulton St. in Downtown Columbus, Ohio (3rd St. Bridge) and on one acre of adjacent land; and

WHEREAS, the project was formally advertised on Vendor Services web from March 11, 2021, to April 1, 2021 and the City received four proposals and all proposals were responsive; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the Director of Development to enter into contract with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to provide professional services for the 3rd Street Cap Viability Study in an amount up to \$165,000.00; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$165,000.00 are available in the Brewery District TIF Fund; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, to complete the study within the next six months in order to be in alignment with ODOT's project schedule, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; and **NOW THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1. That the appropriation and transfer of \$165,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized from Fund 4409 (Brewery District TIF), Dept-Div 44-02 (Economic Development) to Fund 7740 (Brewery District), Dept-Div 4402 (Economic Development) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, the sum of \$165,000.00 is appropriated in Fund 7740 (Brewery District), Dept-Div 44-02 (Economic Development), Project P782029-100000 (3rd St Cap), in object class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. The Director of Development is authorized to enter into contract with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. to provide professional services for the 3rd Street Cap Viability Study in an amount up to \$165,000.00.

SECTION 4. That the expenditure of \$165,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in 7740 (Brewery District), Dept-Div 44-02 (Economic Development), Project P782029-100000 (3rd St Cap), in object class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Funds are hereby deemed appropriated and expenditures and transfers authorized to carry out the purposes of this ordinance and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 6. 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 7. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

SECTION 8. 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 approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.