



Legislation Text

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1. **BACKGROUND:**

A. **Need.** This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Utilities to enter into a construction contract with Kokosing Construction Company, Inc., for the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant B-Plant Secondary Clarifier Upgrade and A-Plant Wet Weather Hydraulic Improvements projects for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage.

This is a contract for two of the key, time-critical wastewater plants construction projects in the City's Wet Weather Management Plan (WWMP) program, for the period through 2010. The work in this program is a very substantial group of the sewer capital improvement projects (CIPs), both collections systems and treatment works improvements, which have been agreed to by the City and Ohio EPA in order to conform to the requirements of the City's consent orders. The WWMP projects at the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant will increase the plant's wet weather treatment capacity to 150 million gallons per day.

The proposed contract with Kokosing Construction Company, Inc. is for Contracts J210/J211. This contract Work consists of the Raw Sewage Pumps electrical, instrumentation and cone valve upgrade, addition of the Adjustable Frequency Drive (AFD) Room, addition of a Screenings Press, addition of a Material Lift in the Generator Building, modifications in Grit Tank Building, Parts Storage Building 4, installation of A-Plant and B-Plant Meter Systems, increasing the sizing of A-Plant and B-Plant Primary influent piping, construction of Bay 5 step feed capability to A-Plant and B-Plant Aeration Tanks, replacement of aeration air piping and diffusers in A-Plant Aeration Tanks, modification of the A-Plant and B-Plant Return Activated Sludge (RAS) systems, modifications to A-Plant and B-Plant Secondary Clarifiers, miscellaneous site improvements, removal of existing gates and minor demolition at the Deckebach Facility existing Grit Tanks, and other work as shown on drawings and described in the Project Manual.

The contracts were advertised in the City Bulletin, and bids were received on January 4, 2008, as follows:

1. Kokosing Construction Company, Inc. | Majority Firm | \$61,768,000.00
2. Kenmore Construction Co., Inc. | Majority Firm | \$82,672,800.00

The Engineer's construction cost estimate was \$74,400,312.00

Award is recommended to the lowest and best bidder.

B. **Contract Compliance No.:** 31-1023518/001 (MAJ) (Expires 3/16/2008)

C. **Emergency Designation:** The Division of Sewerage and Drainage is requesting City Council to designate this ordinance an emergency measure in order to allow for the immediate commencement of this work. This expediency is justified in order to fulfill the City's capital improvement project scheduling commitments set forth within the consent agreement between the City and the Ohio Attorney General's Office that addresses the City's wet weather wastewater overflows.

2. **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Sufficient monies and authority are already present to cover the necessary expenditure. This legislation will authorize the expenditure of \$37,128,000.00 for the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant B-Plant Secondary Clarifier Upgrade project and \$24,640,000.00 for the A-Plant Wet Weather Hydraulic Improvements project within the Sanitary Sewer Revenue Bonds Fund.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to enter into a construction contract with Kokosing Construction Company, Inc., for the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant B-Plant Secondary Clarifier Upgrade and the A-Plant Wet Weather Hydraulic Improvements projects; to authorize the expenditure of \$61,768,000.00 within the Sanitary Sewer Revenue Bonds Fund, for the

Division of Sewerage and Drainage; and to declare an emergency. (\$61,768,000.00)

WHEREAS, two competitive bids for construction of the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant B-Plant Secondary Clarifier Upgrade and A-Plant Wet Weather Hydraulic Improvements projects, Contracts J210/J211, were received and opened January 4, 2008 in the offices of the Director of Public Utilities; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Sewerage and Drainage engineering personnel have determined it necessary to enter into a construction contract with Kokosing Construction Company, Inc., in order to provide for construction of Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant B-Plant Secondary Clarifier Upgrade and A-Plant Wet Weather Hydraulic Improvements projects, Contracts J210/J211; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for City Council to approve the aforementioned necessary expenditure from the Sanitary Sewer Revenue Bonds Fund; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Sewerage and Drainage, Department of Public Utilities, in that it is immediately necessary for this Council to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to execute a construction contract with Kokosing Construction Company, Inc., in connection with the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant B-Plant Secondary Clarifier Upgrade and A-Plant Wet Weather Hydraulic Improvements projects, in order to fulfill the City's capital improvement project scheduling commitments set forth within the consent agreement between the City and the Ohio Attorney General's Office that addresses the City's wet weather wastewater overflows; for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, and safety; **Now, Therefore,**

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

Section 1. That the Director of Public Utilities be, and hereby is, authorized to enter into a contract with Kokosing Construction Company, Inc., 886 McKinley Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43222, for construction of the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant B-Plant Secondary Clarifier Upgrade and A-Plant Wet Weather Hydraulic Improvements projects in accordance with the terms and conditions as shown on the contract on file in the office of the Division of Sewerage and Drainage.

Section 2. That for the purpose of paying the cost of the construction contract, the following expenditure, or as much thereof as may be needed, be and the same is hereby authorized from Division 60-05; Fund 665 as follows:

Project Name | Project # | OBJLVL3 | OCA | Amount

JPWWTP B-Plant Secondary Clarifier Upgrade | 650245 | 6624 | 665245 | \$37,128,000.00

JPWWTP A-Plant Wet Weather Hydraulic Improv. | 650247 | 6624 | 665247 | \$24,640,000.00

Section 3. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized 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 said project that the project has been completed and the monies no longer required for said project; except that no transfer shall be made from a project by monies from more than one source.

Section 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to establish proper project accounting numbers as appropriate.

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 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 which 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.