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Legislation Text

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Background: This is consent legislation with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for an Interchange improvement project. ODOT intends to remove the IR-70 westbound ramp to SR 317 Northbound ramp and will widen the remaining ramp to provide for both left and right turning movements. The existing signal will be upgraded. The work in this project will address the most frequent cause of accidents at the intersection: rear-end accidents for people on the right turn to go northbound ramp and merging accidents at Hamilton from that ramp. This is an ODOT Central Office safety-funded project. (FRA-70-21.33 PID 82390)

Since a portion of this project lies within the City of Columbus, this consent ordinance is necessary. Construction of this project is scheduled for fall 2009 and will be completed by the end of construction season 2010. This legislation also authorizes the Public Service Director to enter into the necessary agreements to complete this project.

Fiscal Impact: The estimated total cost of this project is \$780,000.00. There is no cost to the City for this project.

To authorize the Public Service Director 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 the IR70/SR317 interchange ramp improvement project for the Transportation Division. (\$0)

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:

This project proposes to remove the IR-70 westbound to SR-317 (Hamilton Road) northbound ramp. The remaining ramp will be widened to provide for both left and right turns. The existing signal will be removed and a new signal installed.

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:

That 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 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 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

The LPA 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. The LPA also understands that right-of-way costs include eligible utility costs. The LPA agrees that all utility accommodation, relocation, and reimbursement will comply with the current provision of 23 CFR 645 and the ODOT Utilities Manual.

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.