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Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

In 2006, the Department of Public Service, Division of Refuse Collection, converted its low band radio system to an 800 MHz radio system. This new high band system facilitates more efficient communications because of the technical efficiencies inherent in a high-band system.

The radio infrastructure supporting the 800 MHz radio system [radio towers, repeaters, etcetera] for public service providers in Franklin County is maintained by the Franklin County Radio System and coordinated by the Central Ohio Communication Advisory Committee, while the public safety 800MHz radio systems are maintained by the City of Columbus, Division of Support Service. The original agreement between the Division of Refuse Collection and Franklin County was authorized by Ordinance 0952-2006, which was approved 06/26/2006.

This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Service to modify this agreement with Franklin County by increasing the amount of the contract in a total amount not to exceed \$102,519.00. This legislation also authorizes the expenditure of \$30,500.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay for the expenses related to this contract for 2009.

2. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

This ordinance is submitted as an emergency to ensure an uninterrupted supply of radio service.

3. FISCAL IMPACT

Funds in the amount of \$15,019.00 were established in 2006 for six months of service, \$27,000.00 for 2007, and \$30,000.00 for 2008. Funds for this expenditure are budgeted and available in the 2009 Refuse Collection General Fund Budget.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to modify an agreement with the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, or their designee, for provision of 800 MHz radio system support services for the Division of Refuse Collection; to authorize the expenditure of \$30,500.00 or so much thereof as may be needed from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$30,500.00)

WHEREAS, the Division of Refuse Collection has converted to an 800 MHz radio system; and

WHEREAS, the radio infrastructure supporting the 800 MHz radio system is maintained by the Franklin County Radio System and

coordinated by the Central Ohio Communication Advisory Committee at a cost to utilizing City agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Refuse Collection desires to modify an existing agreement with Franklin County to continue access to the latter's 800 MHz communications system through February 28, 2010, and increase the contractual financial obligation; and

WHEREAS, the expenditure of \$30,500.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay for the expenses related to this contract for 2009 must be authorized; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Refuse Collection Division in that it is necessary to ensure an uninterrupted supply of radio service, 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 Director of Public Service be and hereby is authorized to modify the agreement with the Franklin County Commissioners or their designee relative to the Division of Refuse Collection obtaining access to the County's 800 MHz communications system.

Section 2. That for the purpose of paying for the use of the Franklin County 800 MHz radio system for the Division of Refuse Collection, the Director of Public Service be and hereby is authorized to expend \$30,500.00 or so much thereof as may be needed from Fund 010, the General Fund, Department No. 59-02, Division of Refuse Collection, Object Level One Code 03, Object Level Three Code 3321 and OCA Code 593566.

Section 3. 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.