



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** The City of Columbus has appropriated \$1,699,542 for the Columbus Housing Initiatives Project. These funds are part of the City's Capital Improvements Program funded by the Voted 1995, 1999 Streets and Highways Bond Package and are included in the Engineering and Construction Budget. The monies reimburse developers for a portion of the infrastructure improvements for development of single-family building lots in subdivisions in the City of Columbus and within the Columbus Public Schools District. The infrastructure reimbursement of up to \$4,000 per improved and sold lot is deposited in an escrow account to be released to the end buyers in the form of down-payment assistance.

Notice of Funding Availability was sent out and three applications were received and accepted for participation in the program, as follows:

Greater Columbus Habitat for Humanity 10 lots on Melva Avenue	\$ 40,000
Rockford Homes 38 lots off Alkire Road	152,000
Rockford Homes 50 lots off Obetz Road	<u>200,000</u>
Total	\$392,000

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$392,000 is available from the Voted 1995, Voted 1999 Streets and Highways Fund 704.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into tri-party agreements for infrastructure construction reimbursement as part of the Columbus Housing Initiatives Project, Capital Improvement Program; and to authorize the expenditure of \$392,000 from the Voted 1995, 1999 Streets and Highways Fund for this purpose. (\$392,000)

**WHEREAS**, Article I, Chapter 901.01 of the Code of the City of Columbus, Ohio 1959, authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an Agreement providing for such improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, Greater Columbus Habitat for Humanity will develop 10 lots on Melva Avenue near Weber Road; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockford Homes, Inc. will develop 38 lots off Alkire Road; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockford Homes, Inc. will develop 50 lots of Obetz Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the City will reimburse the developers for the construction of infrastructure improvements at \$4,000 per improved lot after passing inspection by the Transportation Division and after sale of the improved lot by depositing the funds in an escrow account to be released to the end buyers in the form of down-payment assistance; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

**Section 1.** That the Director of the Department of Development be and is hereby authorized to enter into a development agreement with Greater Columbus Habitat for Humanity to expend \$40,000 or so much thereof as necessary for the reimbursement for costs of constructing infrastructure improvements for 10 homes.

**Section 2.** That the Director of the Department of Development be and is hereby authorized to enter into a development agreement with Rockford Homes, Inc. to expend \$152,000 or so much thereof as necessary for the reimbursement for costs of constructing infrastructure improvements for 38 homes.

**Section 3.** That the Director of the Department of Development be and is hereby authorized to enter into a development agreement with Rockford Homes, Inc. to expend \$200,000 or so much thereof as necessary for the reimbursement for cost of constructing infrastructure improvements for 50 homes.

**Section 4.** That these development agreements are a guaranteed fixed price contract whose total amount shall not exceed \$392,000 pursuant to City Charter, Section 186.

**Section 5.** That the sum of \$392,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from Fund 704, Voted 1995, Voted 1999 Streets and Highway Fund, Transportation Division, Department No. 59-09, Object Level One Code 06, Object Level Three Code 6631, OCA Code 644385 and Project No. 530303.

**Section 6.** That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.