



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

This legislation authorizes and directs the Division of Fire to purchase two sets of combination rescue tools and related equipment to speed emergency rescue services to accident scenes. Council member Michael Mentel has been working with the division and Local 67 to review existing resources and heavy rescue operations. The additional tools will be purchased with a portion of the \$2 million Public Safety Initiatives fund created by Council in its 2005 budget amendments.

Emergency action is requested to expedite the deployment of additional life-saving equipment.

Bid Information: Competitive bids will be solicited for this purchase.

FISCAL IMPACT:

City Council set aside \$2 million in its 2005 amendments for Public Safety initiatives. This ordinance taps \$21,000 of that amount.

To authorize and direct the transfer of \$21,000.00 within the General Fund and to authorize and direct the Division of Fire to contract for the purchase of combination rescue tools and related equipment; to authorize the expenditure of \$21,000.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$21,000.00)

WHEREAS, Council member Michael Mentel has been working with the Division of Fire and Local 67 to review the division's heavy rescue operations and resources, and as a result of that work, now recommends the purchase of additional combination rescue tools and related equipment that can accelerate response to certain emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, City Council set aside \$2 million in its 2005 budget amendments for Public Safety initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Fire will solicit bids for this purchase, and will select the lowest, best and most responsive firm; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Safety, in that it is immediately necessary to purchase said equipment, for the immediate preservation of 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 City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer \$21,000.00 within the general fund from the Department of Finance, Department 45, OL1 10, OL3 5501, OCA 904508 to the Division of Fire, Department 30-04, OL1 06, OL3 6645, OCA 301531.

SECTION 2. That the Public Safety Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to solicit bids for the purchase of two sets of combination rescue tools and related equipment, and to expend up to \$21,000.00, or so much as may be necessary, for said purpose from the General Fund, Fund 010, Division of Fire No. 30-04, Object Level One 06, Object Level Three 6645, OCA 301531.

SECTION 3. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared 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.

