



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

The Division of Planning and Operations is responsible for street cleaning within the City of Columbus. Debris gathered as the result of street cleaning, brush clearing and other street maintenance activities is dumped at the landfill operated by the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio (SWACO). This legislation authorizes the expenditure of up to \$50,000 for tipping fees at SWACO's landfill. This expenditure is necessary for the division to continue operations for the remainder of the year without interruptions.

This legislation also waives the formal competitive bidding requirements of the Columbus City Code. Even though refuse disposal services are available in the market place other than those offered by SWACO, competitive bidding must be waived because of the City's contractual relationship with SWACO. Fees are determined based on SWACO's rate setting process in which the City of Columbus has participated, based upon its membership on the SWACO Board.

Total: \$50,000.00.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

This ordinance authorizes the expenditure of up to \$50,000.00 in the Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair fund. The expenditure is necessary for the division to continue operations for the remainder of year without interruptions.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is necessary to ensure that funds are available and there is no lapse in service or late fee assessed.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to establish a purchase order with the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio for landfill use by the Division of Planning and Operations; to authorize the expenditure of \$50,000.00 or so much as be needed for the Street Construction, Maintenance and Repair Fund; to waive the competitive bidding requirements of the Columbus City Codes, 1959; and to declare an emergency. (\$50,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Division of Planning and Operations is responsible for maintenance of roadways in Columbus; and

WHEREAS, debris collected from the street cleaning activities must be dumped at an approved landfill; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that funds are available and there is no lapse in service; and

WHEREAS, the provision of Columbus City Code Section 329.06 must be waived; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the daily operation of the Department of Public Service, Division of Planning and Operations, in that it is immediately necessary to permit the expenditure, 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 establish a purchase order with the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio, Department 1833, Columbus, Ohio 43271, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 for

payment of refuse tipping fees in accordance with the applicable specifications on file in the Office of the Director of Public Service, which are hereby approved.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose of paying the cost of the tipping fees, the sum of \$50,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized to be expended:

Fund / OL 01-03 / OCA Code / Amount
265 / 03-3389 / 591117 / \$50,000.00

SECTION 3. That in accordance with Section 327.27 of the Columbus City Code, City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Columbus that Section 329.06 relating to formal competitive bidding requirements be waived and hereby waives said section.

SECTION 4. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 5. 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 10 days after its passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.