

Legislation Text

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<u>BACKGROUND</u>: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to increase contracts with various contractors for grass mowing and litter control services during the 2009 season. These services are needed to protect the health and safety of the citizens of Columbus.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funds will be transferred within the General Fund from the Economic Development Division to provide the funding for these increases. A transfer of \$10,000 is also included to provide funding for increased tipping fees to SWACO.

Emergency action is required so that weed abatement efforts will not be interrupted.

To authorize the City Auditor to transfer \$60,000 between divisions within the Development Department; to authorize the Development Director to increase contracts with various contractors for grass mowing and litter control services during the 2009 season; to authorize the expenditure of \$50,000.00 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$60,000.00)

Whereas, grass mowing and litter control is necessary to public health; and

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Weed Abatement Program to clear public sites and private properties deemed in violation; and

Whereas, in order to carry out this responsibility it is necessary to contract for grass mowing and litter control services; and

Whereas, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, in that it is immediately necessary to transfer funds and increase contracts with certain contractors to provide these services without interruption; all for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare; **now, therefore,**

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

Section 1. That the City Auditor be and is hereby authorized and directed to transfer \$60,000 within the Development Department, General Fund, Fund 010, as follows:

FROM:

Division 44-02 / Object Level One 05 / Object Level Three 5513 / OCA 440314 / Amount \$60,000

TO:

Division 44-03 / Object Level One 03 / Object Level Three 3354 / OCA 499046 / Amount \$50,000 Division 44-03 / Object Level One 03 / Object Level Three 3389 / OCA 499046 / Amount \$10,000

Section 2. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to increase contracts with the vendors listed below in accordance with Columbus City Code for grass mowing and litter control services for the Department of Development, Building Services Division.

<u>Vendor</u>

A-1 Swimming Pools Supplies

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Chapman's Lawn Care Higher Ground Commercial Maintenance Curb Appeal Lawn Care Cut it Now Lawn Care & Hauling Service DMS Lawn Care Johns Industrial Landscaping Lyles Landscape & Maintenance Martha Walker Garden Club Quality Lawn Care Service Shining Company

Section 3. That the expenditure of \$50,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the Department of Development, Building Services Division, Division 44-03, General Fund, Fund 010, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3354, OCA Code 499046 for the aforesaid purpose is hereby authorized.

Section 4. That for the reasons stated in the preamble thereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is 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.