



## Legislation Text

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### 1. BACKGROUND:

This ordinance will provide the City Attorney with funding for real estate services that are needed for the City to acquire sanitary sewer easements in connection with the Lockbourne Road Area Assessment Sewer that the Division of Sewerage and Drainage is currently undertaking. This project will take place South of the 104 Highway near Lockbourne Rd. and Koebel Rd..

### 2. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION:

The Division of Sewerage and Drainage is requesting City Council to consider this ordinance an emergency measure, in order to allow for the immediate commencement of the easement acquisition services. These easements are necessary to allow for the installation of sanitary sewer infrastructure that will replace failing on-site sewer systems and the associated groundwater pollution hazard.

### 3. FISCAL IMPACT:

This legislation includes a transfer of cash between projects within the Voted Sanitary Sewer Bond Fund and an amendment of the 2007 Capital Improvements Budget to establish sufficient funds and budget authority to cover the expenditure of \$70,000 upon passage of this ordinance.

To authorize the City Attorney to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests; to contract for professional services; to authorize the transfer and expenditure of \$70,000.00 from the Voted Sanitary Sewer Bond Fund; to amend the 2007 Capital Improvements Budget; in connection with the Lockbourne Road Area Assessment Sewer Project; for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage; and to declare an emergency. (\$70,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, the Division of Sewerage and Drainage, Department of Public Utilities, is in the process of developing construction plans and specification for the rehabilitation of the Lockbourne Road Area Assessment Sewer; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined necessary for the City to acquire certain fee simple title and lesser interests in and to certain parcels of real estate, to contract for the professional services necessary to complete said acquisition, and to request that City Council authorize the expenditure of necessary funds from the Sanitary Sewer Bond Fund for the project; at the earliest practical date; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize the transfer of monies within the Sanitary Sewer Bond Fund to provide sufficient funding for the aforementioned project expenditure; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize and amendment to the 2007 Capital Improvements Budget for the purpose of providing sufficient spending authority for the aforementioned project expenditure; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Sewerage and Drainage, Department of Public Utilities, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the transfer and expenditure of funds within the Voted Sanitary Sewer Bond Fund; to authorize the City Attorney to procure the required easements and or rights-of-way that are required to maintain and rehabilitate the infrastructure associated with the Lockbourne Road Area Assessment Sewer Project; for the preservation of the public health, peace, property and safety; now, therefore:

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

**Section 1.** That the City Attorney be, and hereby is, authorized to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in and to certain parcels of real estate and to contract for the professional services necessary in connection with the Lockbourne Road Area Assessment Sewer Project.

**Section 2.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate and expend \$70,000.00 from the Voted Sanitary

Sewer Bond Fund, or so much thereof as may be necessary, in order to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in and to certain parcels of real estate and to contract for the professional services necessary: Fund 664; Div. 60-05; Lockbourne Road Area Assessment Sewer; Proj. 650620; Object Level Three 6601; OCA 650620; Amount \$70,000.00

**Section 3.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer \$70,000.00 from within the Voted Sanitary Sewer Bond Fund No. 664, for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage, Div. 60-05, Object Level Three 6601; as follows:

FROM:

**Proj. No. | Proj. Name | OCA | Amount**

650014 | Sanitary Sewer Construction | 642918 | \$70,000

TO:

**Proj. No. | Proj. Name | OCA | Amount**

650620 | Lockbourne Road Area Assessment Sewer | 650620 | \$70,000

**Section 4.** That the 2007 Capital Improvements Budget, Ordinance No. 0733-2007, is hereby amended as follows, to provide sufficient budget authority for the execution of the project:

**Proj. No. | Proj. Name | Current | Revised | (Change)**

650014 | Sanitary Sewer Construction | \$2,972,376 | \$2,902,376 | (-\$70,000)

650620 | Lockbourne Road Area Assessment Sewer | \$39,997 | \$109,997 | (+\$70,000)

**Section 5.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer any unencumbered balance in the project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project; except that no transfer shall be so made from a project account funded by monies from more than one source.

**Section 6.** That the City Auditor is authorized to establish proper project accounting numbers as appropriate.

**Section 7.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

**Section 8.** 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.