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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Department of Public Utilities recommends reimbursement to Ideal Investment Properties LTD, 2130 Refugee Rd, Columbus, Ohio 43207, account number 146614-1183366, for over-payment of sewer usage and clean river charges.

Currently, the Department of Public Utilities bills Ideal Investment Properties, LTD for sewer services, however their property at 2130 Refugee Road, Columbus, Ohio 43207 utilizes a private sewer treatment plant. A private sewer treatment plant is not inspected by, nor is required to have a permit from the City of Columbus, Department of Public Utilities.

Ideal Investment Properties, LTD contacted the Department of Public Utilities and advised the department billing section that the property included a private sewer treatment plant. The department investigated and confirmed that the property was not using the city sewer system to dispose of sewage and therefore recommends reimbursement of sewer usage and clean river charges to the customer.

The account was adjusted from 11/24/2006 to 11/26/2014 resulting in a credit of \$115,984.39. Subsequent customer billings have reduced the customer credit to a total of \$108,921.40.

It is requested that this legislation be handled in an emergency manner in order to reimburse the customer at the earliest possible date.

Contract Compliance is not required as this refund is necessary to our customer to whom we have agreed to provide water and sewer services.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no budgetary impact because we are returning a portion of funds the customer paid. Revenues are not significantly impacted by this legislation.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to reimburse Ideal Investment Properties, LTD, 2130 Refugee Rd, Columbus, Ohio 43207, account number 146614-1183366, for over-payment of sewer usage and clean river charges, to authorize a revenue reduction transaction of \$108,921.40, and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Utilities recommends reimbursement to Ideal Investment Properties, LTD for over-payment of sewer usage and clean river charges; and

WHEREAS, an adjustment to the account was made as soon as it was discovered that the customer had been billed and had paid for 2314.7 CCF's of sewer usage and 369 ERU's of clean river charges per month; and

WHEREAS, due to the usage of a private sewer plant, the customer should not have been billed nor paid any sewer usage or clean river charges; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to reimburse the Ideal Investment Properties LTD for sewer usage and clean river charges, in an emergency manner in order to reimburse them at the earliest possible date, for the immediate preservation of public health, peace, property and safety; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

SECTION 1. That the Director of Public Utilities be and is hereby authorized to reimburse Ideal Investment Properties, LTD for sewer usage and clean river charges.

SECTION 2. That a revenue reduction transaction in the total amount of \$108,921.40 or as much thereof as may be needed is hereby authorized from:

Sewerage System Operating Fund 650, Dept. 60-05, \$108,921.40

SECTION 3. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, 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.