



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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### BACKGROUND:

Canine "Boris" a police dog was purchased by the Division of Police in March 1998. "Boris" is being retired from active police service due to his becoming noticeably slower and sluggish in police training scenarios and deployments, which are largely due to his age of nearly 10 years old.

It is recommended that "Boris" be donated to Police Officer Wallace Sprague "Boris's" handler prior to accepting a new job. Officer Sprague can provide a good home for this canine that has served the citizens of Columbus for the past seven - (7) years.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for a new canine was requested in the Division's 2005 General Fund Budget.

To authorize and direct the Finance and Management Director to sell to Officer Wallace Sprague for the sum of \$1.00 a police canine with the registered name of "Boris " which has no further value to the Division of Police and to waive provisions of the City Code-Sale of City Owned Personal Property. (\$1.00)

WHEREAS, canine "Boris" has been a faithful working police dog with the Division of Police since 1998; and

WHEREAS, canine "Boris's" retirement from active police service is due to his age related problems; and

WHEREAS, no City of Columbus Government Agency except Police use canines; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City that City Code 329.26 Sale of City-owned personal property be waived; and

WHEREAS, canine "Boris" has been trained in police tactics, it would be in the City's best interest to provide the dog a good home during retirement in a public safety environment; and

WHEREAS, Officer Wallace Sprague "Boris's" handler prior to his transfer is able and willing to provide accommodations for this canine at his personal residence; and

WHEREAS, the City should allow this canine to be purchased by Officer Sprague for the sum of \$1.00; now therefore:

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

Section 1. That the Finance and Management Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to sell a police canine with the registered name of "Boris" (asset 22272) to Officer Wallace Sprague for the sum of \$1.00.

Section 2. That the Council of the City of Columbus finds it is in the best interests of the City that City Code 329.26 Sale of City-owned personal property, be and is hereby waived to permit the sale of this specific police dog to Officer Wallace Sprague.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

