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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Columbus Division of Water is an active participant of the American Water Works Association Research Foundation. It is a necessity for the Division to participate in this program in order to take advantage of any advanced and cost effective solutions to perennial concerns of the industry, which may be discovered in their research. All subscribers are members of the AWWA Research Foundation and share in the responsibility of establishing an Independent Water Industry Research Program. For these reasons, the Division of Water would like to participate in the AWWA Research Foundation based on sole source provisions of the Columbus City Code. The Federal Identification Number for the AWWA Research Foundation is 13-6211834. They are a non-profit organization.

It is requested that this Ordinance be handled in an emergency manner as the Division of Water has received the invoice for payment to this foundation, and we would like to prevent as much delay in payment as possible.

FISCAL IMPACT: This is an annual expenditure and the Division of Water has allocated \$91,483.00 for this subscription in the 2005 budget.

\$ 87,592.00 was expended for this purpose during 2004.

\$ 87,592.00 was expended for this purpose during 2003.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to establish an encumbrance for participation in the AWWA Research Foundation, in accordance with the sole source provisions of the Columbus City Code, to authorize the expenditure of \$79,493.26 from Water Systems Operating Fund, and to declare an emergency. (\$79,493.26)

WHEREAS, the primary function of the American Water Works Association Research Foundation is to address operational problems of utilities, using expertise of utilities, universities, consultants, etc., in order to find more advanced and cost effective solutions to perennial concerns, and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to establish an encumbrance, in an emergency manner as the Division of Water has received the invoice for payment to this foundation, and we would like to prevent as much delay in payment as possible, for participation in the 2005 AWWA Research Foundation, in order to receive the benefit of an independent water industry research effort, 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 establish an encumbrance with AWWA Research Foundation, in accordance with the sole source provisions of Section 329.07(f1) of the Columbus City Code, for the Division of Water, Department of Public Utilities.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$79,493.26 or as much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized from Water Works Fund 600, Department 60-09, OCA Code 601849, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3332, to pay the cost thereof.

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.