



## 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 Chestnut Street Combined Sewer Rehabilitation Project that the Division of Sewerage and Drainage is currently undertaking. This project is located in the downtown business district within Chestnut Street, generally between N. High Street and Cleveland Ave.

### 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, pursuant to the procurement of the construction services necessary to rehabilitate this vital sanitary sewer infrastructure.

### 3. FISCAL IMPACT:

The Division is requesting City Council to authorize the City Auditor to transfer residual project funds from within the Voted Sanitary Sewer Bond Fund. Project accounts from which funds are being transferred will not be adversely affected by this legislation.

To authorize the City Attorney to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests; to contract for professional services; to authorize the appropriation, transfer and expenditure of \$55,000.00 within the Voted Sanitary Bond Fund; in connection with the Chestnut Street Combined Sewer Rehabilitation Project; for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage; and to declare an emergency. (\$55,000.00)

**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 Chestnut Street combined sewer infrastructure; 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 and to contract for the professional services necessary to complete said acquisition; 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 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 Chestnut Street Combined 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 Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate a total of \$55,000.00 within the Voted Sanitary Bond Fund No. 664 as follows:

Proj. 664999| Unallocated Balance Fund 664| OL 6601| OCA 6642918| \$55,000.00

**Section 2.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer \$55,000.00 from within the Voted Sanitary Bond Fund No. 664, for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage as follows:

FROM:

664999| Unallocated Balance Fd. 664| OCA 642918| \$55,000.00

TO:

650618| Chestnut St. Comb. Sewer Rehab. OCA 664618| \$55,000.00

**Section 3.** 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 4.** 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 Chestnut St. Combined Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

**Section 5.** That the City Attorney be and hereby is authorized to expend \$55,000.00, 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, from the Voted Sanitary Bond Fund No. 664; Division 60-05; MOC 6601| Proj. No. 650618| Chestnut St. Comb. Sewer Rehab.| OCA 664618| \$55,000.00.

**Section 6.** 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.