



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

The Department of Public Service, Division of Transportation, awarded several street resurfacing contracts in 2008 that totaled in excess of \$14,000,000.00. Similar activity is anticipated for 2009. This ordinance authorizes the expenditure of up to \$100,000.00 for construction inspection for future Americans with Disability Act (ADA)-compliant Ramp Installation and Resurfacing capital improvement projects. Pre-engineering inspection activity will be undertaken by the Division of Transportation beginning in October 2008 to assist in the generation of bid specifications prior to the projects being advertised for formal competitive bids in the year 2009. This activity has the added bonus of efficiently utilizing construction inspection labor during a period of the year that traditionally experiences reduced inspection activity due to adverse weather. These pre-engineering and inspection costs can be capitalized; this creates income for the Development Services Fund that contributes to the latter's viability. Similar legislation, Ordinance 2053-2005 passed by City Council on January 10, 2006, authorized a \$250,000.00 expenditure for the 2006 resurfacing program and Ordinance 2253-2004 passed March 21, 2005, authorized a \$200,000.00 expenditure for the 2005 resurfacing program.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this expense are available due to encumbrance cancellations from completed projects. This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$100,000.00.

To amend the 2008 C.I.B; to authorize the expenditure of \$100,000.00 from the Streets and Highways GO Bonds Fund; and to authorize the Director of Public Service to establish encumbrances to pay construction inspection and engineering services in connection with the 2009 ADA-Compliant Ramp Installation and 2009 Resurfacing Program that will be undertaken by the Division of Transportation. (\$100,000.00)

WHEREAS, the ADA-compliant Ramp Installation and Resurfacing projects will be undertaken in 2009 by the Division of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, pre-engineering inspection activity will begin in the fall of 2008 to assist in the generation of bid specifications prior to the projects being advertised for formal competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, these pre-engineering and inspection costs can be capitalized; and

WHEREAS, this activity creates income to the Development Services Fund that contributes to that Fund's viability; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the Division of Transportation, Department of Public Service, establish encumbrances against which to bill these costs in order to maintain Development Services Fund cash flow and viability and to keep the anticipated projects on schedule; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the 2008 Capital Improvements Budget established within ordinance 0690-2008 be and hereby is amended due to cancellations as follows:

Project Number / Project / Current CIB Amount / Amendment Amount / CIB Amount

530282-100000 / Resurfacing (Carryover) / \$15,415,252.00 (Carryover) / \$199,244.00 (Carryover) / \$15,614,496.00 (Carryover)

Section 2. That the Public Service Director be and hereby is authorized to establish encumbrances as appropriate to pay construction inspection charges related to the 2009 ADA-compliant Ramp Installation and 2009 Resurfacing projects that will be undertaken by the Division of Transportation.

Section 3. That the expenditure of \$100,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed be and hereby is authorized from Fund 704, the Streets and Highways GO Bonds Fund, Department No. 59-09, Division of Transportation, Object Level One Code 06, Object Level

Three Code 6687, OCA Code 644385 and Project 530282 for this purpose.

Section 4. 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 5. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.