



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

This ordinance authorizes the Director of Public Service to grant consent and propose cooperation with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the design and construction of the D06 Regional Pedestrian Signal project.

The aforementioned project consists of upgrading crosswalks and installing pedestrian count down signals and Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at various locations in 11 jurisdictions in Franklin, Delaware, and Fairfield counties. The initial projection is approximately 45 intersections in Columbus will be included in the project; however, this number may change once ODOT has finalized the project plans.

Construction of the project is slated to begin in the spring of 2017 and to conclude in the fall of 2018.

2. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested to allow ODOT to maintain the planned schedule for this project.

3. FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated construction cost for this project is \$1,000,000.00, which will be fully funded by ODOT. There is no cost to the City for this project.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to grant consent and propose cooperation with the Director of the State of Ohio Department of Transportation for the design and construction of the D06 Regional Pedestrian Signal project, which consists of pedestrian safety improvements at various locations in Franklin, Delaware, and Fairfield counties; and to declare an emergency. (\$0.00)

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) proposes upgrading crosswalks and installing pedestrian count down signals and Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at various locations in 11 jurisdictions in Franklin, Delaware, and Fairfield counties, known as the D06 Regional Pedestrian Signal project; and

WHEREAS, the initial projection is approximately 45 intersections in Columbus will be included in the aforementioned project; however this number may change once ODOT has finalized the project plans; and

WHEREAS, ODOT will assume and bear the costs of preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction for the D06 Regional Pedestrian Signal project; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the Director of Public Service to grant consent and propose cooperation with ODOT for the design and construction of the aforementioned project; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Service in that it is immediately necessary to authorize consent for this project in order to maintain the schedule established by ODOT, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; now therefore

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

The following is an Ordinance enacted by the City of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the

Local Public Agency (LPA), in the matter of the D06 Regional Pedestrian Signal project.

SECTION 1. Project Description

The STATE has identified the need for the described project:

Upgrade crosswalks and install pedestrian count down signals and RRFBs at various locations in 11 jurisdictions in Franklin, Delaware, and Fairfield counties.

SECTION 2. Consent Statement

Being in the public interest, the LPA gives consent to the Director of Transportation to complete the above described project.

SECTION 3. Cooperation Statement

The LPA shall cooperate with the Director of Transportation in the above described project as follows:

The City of Columbus hereby agrees to cooperate with the Director of Transportation for the State of Ohio in the planning, design, and construction of the identified highway improvement project and grants consent to the Ohio Department of Transportation for its development and construction of the project in accordance with plans, specifications, and estimates as approved by the Director.

ODOT agrees to assume and bear the costs of preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction by administering Federal and State funds for this project.

The City agrees to assume and bear one hundred percent (100%) of the total cost of those features requested by the City which are not necessary for the improvement as determined by the State and Federal Highway Administration.

SECTION 4. Utilities and Right-of-Way Statement

The LPA agrees that all right-of-way required for the described project will be acquired and/or made available in accordance with current State and Federal regulations. Right-of-way costs include eligible utility costs. ODOT agrees to be responsible for all utility accommodation, relocation, and reimbursement and agrees that all such accommodations, relocations, and reimbursement shall comply with the current provisions of 23 CFR 645 and the ODOT Utilities Manual.

SECTION 5. Maintenance

Upon completion of the project, and unless otherwise agreed, the LPA shall: (1) provide adequate maintenance for the project in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws, including, but not limited to, Title 23, U.S.C., Section 116; (2) provide ample financial resources, as necessary, for the maintenance of the project; (3) maintain the right-of-way, keeping it free of obstructions, and (4) hold said right-of-way inviolate for public highway purposes.

SECTION 6. Emergency Designation

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.