



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** This legislation authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of \$10,000 for an agreement for the preparation of a request for proposal for the Big Darby Accord Town Center Master Plan. This agreement is between the Board of Trustees of Prairie Township, Franklin County (Prairie Township), the Board of Trustees of Brown Township, Franklin County (Brown Township), the City of Columbus ("Columbus"), and the Board of Commissioners of Franklin County.

All four participating jurisdictions have adopted the Big Darby Accord Watershed Master Plan. It is intended to protect the water quality and other natural resources of this planning area, while recognizing growth pressures and the rights of property owners. The Big Darby Accord designates that a Town Center be developed in portions of Brown and Prairie Townships in Franklin County. All parties have a direct interest in the successful development and maintenance of the Town Center and therefore they wish to enter into a contract with a consultant team in order to prepare a request for proposals for the Town Center Master Plan. The Big Darby Accord lays out certain requirements for determining the scope of the Town Center Master Plan and preparing a request for proposals based on this scope. The participating jurisdictions desire to contract with a firm in order to perform the various tasks required to identify a scope of work for the Town Center Master Plan and prepare a request for proposals and conduct the consultant selection process. These funds will be used to pay Prairie Township to enter into an agreement with the consultant selection facilitator selected by mutual agreement among the jurisdictions.

Emergency action is requested to allow the agreement to be initiated and completed in a timely manner.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This legislation authorizes the appropriation and expenditure of \$10,000 from the Jobs Growth Fund to provide funds for the preparation of a request for proposal for the Town Center Master Plan.

To authorize the appropriation of \$10,000 within the Jobs Growth Fund to the Development Department to provide funds to enter into an agreement for the preparation of a request for proposal for the Big Darby Accord Town Center Master Plan; to authorize the Director of Development to enter into a participation agreement with Prairie Township, Brown Township, and The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County; to authorize the expenditure of \$10,000 from the Jobs Growth Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$10,000)

**WHEREAS,** the Big Darby Accord designates that a Town Center be developed in portions of Brown and Prairie Townships in Franklin County; and

**WHEREAS,** all parties have a direct interest in the successful development and maintenance of the Town Center and therefore they wish to enter into a contract with a consultant team in order to prepare a request for proposals for the Town Center Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS,** the Big Darby Accord lays out certain requirements for determining the scope of the Town Center Master Plan and preparing a request for proposals based on this scope; and

**WHEREAS,** the participating jurisdictions desire to contract with a firm in order to perform the various tasks required to identify a scope of work for the Town Center Master Plan and prepare a request for proposals and conduct the consultant selection process; and

**WHEREAS,** Jobs Growth funds are available for the preparation of a request for proposal for the Town Center Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate and authorize the expenditure of funds for the request for proposal; **NOW THEREFORE,**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS;**

**Section 1.** That the City Auditor be and is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate \$10,000 from the Jobs Growth Fund, Fund 015 to the Development Department, Planning Division, Division 44-06, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3336, OCA 446015.

**Section 2.** That the Director of the Department of Development is authorized to enter into an agreement with Prairie Township, Brown Township, and the Board of Commissioners of Franklin County for the preparation of a request for proposal for the Town Center Master Plan.

**Section 3.** That the expenditure of \$10,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized to be expended from the Department of Development, Planning Division, Division 44-06, Jobs Growth Fund, Fund 015, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3336, OCA 446015.

**Section 4.** 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.