



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

The following legislation authorizes the City Attorney's Office, Real Estate Division, to hire professional services and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the various property rights necessary to perform the Intersection Improvements - SR 161 North Service Road at Cleveland Avenue project.

The Department of Public Service is engaged in the Intersection Improvements - SR 161 North Service Road at Cleveland Avenue project in the Northland Community Planning Area. The project will install a new mast arm signal to stop the eastbound and southbound movements at the intersection of the western leg of the service road north of SR161 with Cleveland Avenue, and the raised median on the north leg of Cleveland Avenue will be adjusted to provide positive offset for the northbound and southbound left turn lanes. The Department of Public Service is currently finalizing construction plans and is prepared to authorize right-of-way acquisition pending passage of this funding legislation

2. FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for this contract is available within Fund 7704, the Streets and Highways Bond Fund. An amendment to the 2018 Capital Improvement Budget and a transfer of cash is required to establish sufficient budget authority for the project.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested to provide right-of-way acquisition funding to prevent delays in the Department of Public Service's Capital Improvement Program.

To amend the 2018 Capital Improvement Budget; to authorize the transfer of funds and appropriation within the Streets and Highways Bond Fund; to authorize the City Attorney's Office, Real Estate Division, to contract for professional services relative to the acquisition of fee simple title and lesser interests in and to property needed for the Intersection Improvements - SR 161 North Service Road at Cleveland Avenue project and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the additional rights of way necessary to complete this project; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$30,000.00 from the Streets and Highways Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$30,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Service is engaged in the Intersection Improvements - SR 161 North Service Road at Cleveland Avenue project; and

WHEREAS, the project will install a new mast arm signal to stop the eastbound and southbound movements at the intersection of the western leg of the service road north of SR161 with Cleveland Avenue, and the raised median on the north leg of Cleveland Avenue will be adjusted to provide positive offset for the northbound and southbound left turn lanes; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize an amendment to the 2018 Capital Improvements Budget for the purpose of providing sufficient spending authority for the aforementioned project expenditure; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary Council to authorize a transfer of funds between projects within the Streets and Highways Bond Fund, Fund 7704; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the City Attorney's Office, Real Estate Division, to expend \$30,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to hire professional services and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the various property rights necessary to complete the Intersection Improvements - SR 161 North Service Road at Cleveland

Avenue 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 the City Attorney's Office to acquire the various property rights necessary so as to prevent delays in the Departments of Public Service's Capital Improvement Program, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; **now, therefore**

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

SECTION 1. That the 2018 Capital Improvement Budget authorized by Ordinance 1010-2018 be amended as follows to establish sufficient authority for this project:

Fund / Project / Project Name / Current / Change / Amended

7704/ P530086-100030 / Intersection Improvements - SR 161 Corridor Study (Voted Carryover) / \$630,000.00 / (\$30,000.00) / \$600,000.00

7704/ P530086-100040 / Intersection Improvements SR 161 North Service Road at Cleveland Avenue (Voted Carryover) / \$0.00 / \$30,000.00 / \$30,000.00

SECTION 2. That the transfer of \$30,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized within Fund 7704 (Streets and Highways Bond Fund), from Dept-Div 5912 (Design and Construction), Project P530086-100030 (Intersection Improvements - SR 161 Corridor Study), Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) to Dept-Div 5912 (Design and Construction), Project P530086-100040 (Intersection Improvements - SR 161 North Service Road at Cleveland Avenue), Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay).

SECTION 3. That the City Attorney's Office, Real Estate Division, be, and hereby is, authorized to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in and to certain parcels of real estate, to contract for professional services, and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the additional rights of way needed to complete Intersection Improvements - SR 161 North Service Road at Cleveland Avenue project.

SECTION 4. That the expenditure of \$30,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 7704 (Streets and Highways Bond Fund) in Dept-Div 5912 (Division of Design and Construction), Project P530086-100040 (Intersection Improvements - SR 161 North Service Road at Cleveland Avenue), in Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 5. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 6. 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 7. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a 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.

SECTION 8. 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.