



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Department of Public Service, Division of Design and Construction (“DPS”) is engaged in the Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Safe Routes To School (SRTS) Kingsford Road Sidewalks project, CIP 590105-100121, PID 109136 (“Project”), which will construct sidewalks along the west side of Kingsford Road from Briggs Road to Eakin Road and along the north side of Briggs Road from the existing sidewalk to Kingsford Road, including curb ramps and driveway approaches. The construction of this additional infrastructure necessitates the need for storm water pollution control and construction of a storm water retention basin. The City through its Department of Development, Land Redevelopment Division (“Land Bank”) owns Franklin County Tax Parcel Number 010-119799 (commonly known as, 911 Kingsford Rd.) (“Parcel”), on which DPS has identified an approximate .245 acre portion of the Parcel as being suitable to construct the needed retention basin. The proposed transfer of the approximate .245 acre portion of the Parcel has been reviewed and approved by the Department of Finance and Management, Real Estate Management Office, (REMO), and the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage (“DOSD”) for transfer from the Land Bank to DOSD, to be used in City operations. Upon DPS’s completion of the construction, DOSD will maintain the .245 acre tract and the detention basin. The Land Bank will retain control and responsibility for maintenance of the remainder portion of the Parcel.

FISCAL IMPACT: DPS has agreed to pay the Land Bank \$16,000.00 for the approximate .245+/- acre portion of the Parcel, based on comparable appraised values. Funds for land acquisition were budgeted in Fund 7704, Streets and Highways Bond Fund, with the expenditure for land acquisition for this project previously approved by Ordinance 3029-2018 and Ordinance 1762-2021 which established ACDI001231 and ACDI001539 respectively

EMERGENCY JUSTIFICATION: This legislation is requested as an emergency measure to expedite the transfer of the .245 acre portion of the Parcel from the Land Bank to DOSD and allow DPS to complete the Project as quickly as possible and without delay, which will preserve the public peace, health, welfare and safety.

To transfer the control and maintenance responsibilities of an approximate .245 acre portion of real property held in the Land Redevelopment Division, Land Bank Program from the Department of Development to the Department of Public Service, Division of Design and Construction and subsequently to the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage to facilitate the Safe Routes To School (SRTS) Kingsford Road Sidewalks project; to authorize the expenditure of \$16,000.00 from an existing Auditor’s Certificate and to declare an emergency. (\$16,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Service, Division of Design and Construction (“DPS”) is engaged in the Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Safe Routes To School (SRTS) Kingsford Road Sidewalks project, CIP 590105-100121, PID 109136 (“Project”), which will construct sidewalks along the west side of Kingsford Road from Briggs Road to Eakin Road and along the north side of Briggs Road from the existing sidewalk to Kingsford Road, including curb ramps and driveway approaches; and

WHEREAS, the construction of this additional infrastructure necessitates the need for storm water pollution control and construction of a storm water retention basin the Department of Public Service, Division of Design and Construction wishes to acquire this parcels from the Department of Development, Land Redevelopment Division to facilitate the Safe Routes To School (SRTS) Kingsford Road Sidewalks project; and

WHEREAS, the City through its Department of Development, Land Redevelopment Division (“Land Bank”) owns Franklin County Tax Parcel Number 010-119799 (commonly known as, 911 Kingsford Rd.) (“Parcel”), on which DPS has identified an approximate .245 acre portion of the Parcel as being suitable to construct the needed retention basin; and

WHEREAS, the Land Bank no longer needs this portion of the Parcel for redevelopment, but the City will retain ownership; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of the approximate .245 acre portion of the Parcel has been reviewed and approved by the Department of Finance and Management, Real Estate Management Office, (REMO), and the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage (“DOSD”) for transfer from the Land Bank to DOSD, to be used in City operations; and

WHEREAS, upon DPS’s completion of the construction, DOSD will maintain the .245 acre tract and the detention basin; and

WHEREAS, DPS has agreed to pay the Land Bank \$16,000.00 from existing Auditor Certificates ACDI001231 and ACDI001539 for the approximate .245+/- acre portion of the Parcel, based on comparable appraised values; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of DPS in that it is immediately necessary to transfer control of the .245 acre portion of the Parcel to DPS in order to prevent unnecessary delay in completing the Project, which will preserve the public peace, property, health, welfare and safety; and **now, therefore**,

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

SECTION 1. That an approximate .245+/- acre portion of Franklin County Tax Parcel Number: 010-119799 (911 Kingsford Rd.) is no longer needed by the City’s Land Redevelopment Division for redevelopment purposes.

SECTION 2. That the control and maintenance responsibilities of the approximate .245 +/- acre tract of real property shall be transferred from the Department of Development, Land Redevelopment to the Department of Public Service, Division of Design and Construction during construction of a detention basin in connection to DPS’s Safe Routes To School (SRTS) Kingsford Road Sidewalks project, CIP 590105-100121, PID 109136, and then upon completion of the detention basin shall automatically transfer to the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$16,000.00 be and is hereby authorized from existing auditor certificates ACDI001231-10 and ACDI001539-10.

SECTION 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance, for the reasons stated in the preamble, which are made a part of this ordinance and fully incorporated for reference as if rewritten, is declared to be an emergency and shall take effect and be in force from and after this ordinance’s adoption and approval by the Mayor or ten (10) days after its adoption if the Mayor neither approves or vetoes this ordinance.