



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Service to execute a Local Project Administration (LPA) agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the Intersection Improvements - Northwest Boulevard at Fifth Avenue and King Avenue project and to accept a grant from ODOT for this project. The City will be the lead agent for this project.

Ordinance 1260-2012 previously authorized the Director of Public Service to accept a grant and to enter into an agreement with The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and to provide funding to ODOT to perform engineering and design for this project.

The project consists of shifting the left turn lanes along Northwest Boulevard at King Avenue and West Fifth Avenue. The lanes shift will be accomplished by narrowing the existing medians. The purpose of this project is to eliminate the sight distance issues that occur at these two intersections.
(FRA-Northwest Blvd.- PID 93027)

2. FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost for this project is estimated to be \$238,889.00. ODOT shall provide to the LPA 90% (ninety percent) of the eligible costs for Construction, up to a maximum of \$215,000.00. The City's estimated cost for construction of this project is \$23,889.00.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested to allow for the execution of this agreement so the schedule for this project may proceed as planned for the safety of the travelling public.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation for the City to act as the Local Project Administrator for the Intersection Improvements - Northwest Boulevard at Fifth Avenue and King Avenue project; to accept a grant from the Ohio Department of Transportation for this project for the Division of Design and Construction, and to declare an emergency. (\$0)

WHEREAS, the City has identified the need for, and proposes the improvement of the Northwest Boulevard at Fifth Avenue and King Avenue intersections; and

WHEREAS, the project consists of shifting the left turn lanes along Northwest Boulevard at King Avenue and West Fifth Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this project is to eliminate the sight distance issues that occur at these two intersections; and

WHEREAS, the City further desires cooperation from the Ohio Department of Transportation in the construction of said improvement; and

WHEREAS, the City will act as the lead agent for this project; and

WHEREAS, ODOT shall provide to the LPA 90% (ninety percent) of the eligible costs for construction, up to a maximum of \$215,000.00; and

WHEREAS, The City's estimated cost of construction is \$23,889.00; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the Director of Public Service to enter into agreements necessary to complete this project and accept a grant from ODOT for this project; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the City of Columbus, Department of Public Service in that it is immediately necessary to grant consent for this project so it can proceed according to the established time lines to keep this project on schedule and budget, 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 Director of Public Service be and hereby is authorized on behalf of the City to enter into a Local Project Administration agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation necessary to complete the construction of the Intersection Improvements - Northwest Boulevard at Fifth Avenue and King Avenue project and to accept a grant from ODOT for this project.

SECTION 2. 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 3. 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 4. 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 5. At the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused City match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 6. 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.