



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND:

This legislation will authorize the Director of Public Utilities to apply for, accept, and enter into a Surface Water Improvement Fund (SWIF) grant agreement through the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's Division of Surface Water. The total amount of the project cost is \$82,860.00. The grant amount is \$67,860.00 and the match amount provided by the Department of Public Utilities is \$15,000.00. The match will be paid for via transfer from the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund into the Water Grants Fund.

The Surface Water Improvement Fund (SWIF) Grant is administered by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. This grant will be used for the Hoover Boardwalk Parking Area Development Project. The proposed improvements include the development of a parking area with a pervious paver parking spaces as well as the removal, and native restoration, of existing gravel areas in close proximity to the waters of Hoover Reservoir and will include related activities to not only provide safer access to the Hoover Boardwalk, but to lessen the impact of stormwater runoff to the water quality of the City's raw water source at that location.

2. EMERGENCY:

The grant application deadline is April 30, 2012 and the Department of Public Utilities is requesting City Council to deem this legislation an emergency measure to allow the Director to submit the application by the deadline and enter into the grant agreement as soon as possible upon award of the grant to expedite the project to take advantage of the construction season.

3. FISCAL IMPACT:

A grant match amount of \$15,000.00 will be paid by the Department of Public Utilities should the Department be awarded the grant. The \$15,000.00 in match amount will come via transfer from the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund into the Water Grants Fund. This Ordinance also requests the authority for the City Auditor to appropriate the proceeds of said grant for purposes of funding this project work.

To authorize and direct the Director of Public Utilities to apply for, accept, and enter into a Surface Water Improvement Fund grant agreement through the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's Division of Surface Water; to authorize the appropriation of \$67,860.00 within the Water Grants Fund; to authorize the appropriation and transfer of \$15,000.00 within the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund to provide the grant match; to accept the grant and to authorize the appropriation and expenditure in the amount of \$82,860.00; and to declare an emergency (\$82,860.00)

WHEREAS, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's Division of Surface Water, has solicited applications for a grant in accordance with the Surface Water Improvement Fund; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to apply for and, if awarded, accept said grant, to appropriate and expend the funds; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Utilities is required to be authorized by Council to apply for and enter into the grant agreement; to accept the grant money; and appropriate the funds necessary for the grant match; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to apply for the grant and enter into the grant

agreement, in an emergency manner in order to meet the application deadline and expedite the project contract so the terms and conditions of the grant agreement are accomplished for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property and safety; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Public Utilities, be and hereby is, authorized and directed to apply for and enter into a grant agreement with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's Division of Surface Water through the Surface Water Improvement Fund Grant Program; and to accept a grant in the amount of \$67,860.00 from the Ohio EPA SWIF Grant; and to transfer \$15,000.00 from the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund into the Water Grants Fund for the match amount.

SECTION 2. That the Department of Public Utilities has committed to administer the grant through grant coordination, grant reporting, grant fund pay requests, and contract administration services.

SECTION 3. That from the unappropriated monies in the Water Grants Fund, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012, the sum of \$67,860.00 shall be appropriated, effective upon receipt of the executed grant agreement, to the Department of Public Utilities, **Department/Division 60-09**, as follows:

Fund Type: Grant | **Grant Title:** Surface Water Improvement Fund Grant Program | **Fund Name:** Water Grants Fund | **Fund No:** 620 | **Grant No:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **OCA Code:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **Object Level 3:** 6602 | **Amount:** \$67,860.00.

SECTION 4. That the Director of Public Utilities, be and hereby is, authorized and directed to transfer \$15,000.00 from the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund to the Water Grant Fund for the purpose of meeting the grant match requirement for the Surface Water Improvement Fund Grant Program awarded to the Department of Public Utilities for the Hoover Boardwalk Parking Area Development project.

SECTION 5. That from the unappropriated monies in the Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources, and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012, the sum of \$15,000.00, is hereby appropriated to the Division of Power and Water, Division 60-09, Fund No. 606, Object Level One 10, Object Level Three 5501, OCA 900704.

SECTION 6. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer \$15,000.00 between funds as follows:

FROM:

Dept/Div No. | Fund No. | Fund Name | Project No. | OCA Code | OL3 | Change

Department/Division: 60-09 | **Fund No:** 606 | **Fund Name:** Water Works Enlargement Voted Bonds Fund | **Project No:** 690411-100000 (carryover) | **OCA Code:** 900704 | **Object Level 3:** 5501 | **Amount:** -\$15,000

TO:

Dept/Div No. | Fund No. | Fund Name | Grant Title | Grant No. | OCA Code | OL3 | Change

Department/Division: 60-09 | **Fund No:** 620 | **Fund Name:** Water Grants Fund | **Grant Title:** Surface Water Improvement Fund Grant Program | **Grant No:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **OCA Code:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **Object Level 3:** 6602 | **Amount:** +\$15,000

SECTION 7. That the proceeds from the Water Grants Fund, for the Hoover Boardwalk Parking Area Development project, in the amount of \$15,000.00, are hereby appropriated to the Division of Power and Water | **Dept/Div.** 60-09 | **Fund No.** 620 | **Fund Name:** Water Grants Fund | **Grant Title:** Surface Water Improvement Fund Grant Program | **Grant No:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **OCA Code:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **Object Level 3:** 6602 | \$15,000.

SECTION 8. That for the purpose of paying the costs associated with the match for the grant project, an expenditure up to \$15,000.00 is hereby authorized within the Division of Power and Water as follows: **Dept No:** 60-09 | **Fund No:** 620 | **Fund Name:** Water Grants Fund | **Grant Title:** Surface Water Improvement Fund Grant Program | **Grant No:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **OCA Code:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **Object Level 3:** 6602 | **Amount:** \$15,000.00.

SECTION 9. That for the purpose of paying the cost of the aforementioned grant project contract, the expenditure of \$67,860.00 is hereby authorized within the **Department/Division:** 60-09 | **Fund Name:** Water Grants Fund | **Fund No:** 620 | **Grant Title:** Surface Water Improvement Fund Grant Program | **Grant No:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **OCA Code:** to be assigned by City Auditor | **Object Level 3:** 6602 | **Amount:** \$67,860.00.

SECTION 10. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to transfer any unencumbered balance in the project account to the unallocated balance 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; except that no transfer shall be made from a project account by monies from more than one source.

SECTION 11. That the City Auditor is authorized to establish proper project accounting numbers as appropriate.

SECTION 12. 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 13. That 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 14. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated.

SECTION 15. 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 approved nor vetoes the same.