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Legislation Text

File #: 2849-2012, **Version:** 1

Background:

This ordinance provides for the appropriation of special purpose funds to continue purchasing supplies and providing services in Fiscal Year 2013 that are supported by donations and fees. Deposits into this fund are from fees collected from reservoir neighbors and others for encroachment easement fees, tree damage assessments, utility easement fees, general restoration donations, settlements related to encroachment related issues among other fees collected by the Department of Public Utilities Watershed Management Section.

Under the joint agreement with the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department and the Department of Public Utilities, the Department of Public Utilities Watershed Management Section is responsible for resolving encroachments, including collection money for damages and repairing any damaged property on reservoir properties to a condition that would provide an appropriate reservoir buffer.

Monies collected into the Public Utilities Special Purpose Fund are utilized for the protection, restoration and enhancement of the City reservoir properties including but not limited to the purchase of trees, wildflowers, shrubs, evaluation of forest and wetlands, educational and informal signage and materials, personal protection equipment and landscaping services.

Emergency legislation is required in order to have funding available for necessary expenditures at the earliest time possible.

Fiscal Impact:

The fiscal impact of this ordinance will be to reduce the Special Purpose Fund's unappropriated balance by an amount not to exceed \$33,163.71.

To authorize the appropriation not to exceed \$33,163.71 from the unappropriated balance of the Public Utilities Special Purpose Fund to the Public Utilities Department to continue purchasing supplies and providing services during Fiscal Year 2013, and to declare an emergency. (\$33,163.71)

WHEREAS, this ordinance provides for the appropriation of lapsed funds in order to continue purchasing supplies and providing services during Fiscal Year 2013; and

WHEREAS, under the joint agreement with the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department and the Department of Public Utilities, the Department of Public Utilities Watershed Management Section is responsible for resolving encroachments, including collection money for damages and repairing any damaged property on reservoir properties to a condition that would provide an appropriate reservoir buffer, and

WHEREAS, deposits into this fund are from fees collected from reservoir neighbors and others for encroachment easement fees, tree damage assessments, utility easement fees, general restoration donations, settlements related to encroachment related issues among other fees collected by the Department of Public Utilities Watershed Management Section, and

WHEREAS, monies collected into the Public Utilities Special Purpose Fund are utilized for the protection, restoration and enhancement of the City reservoir properties including but not limited to the purchase of trees, wildflowers, shrubs, evaluation of forest and wetlands, educational and informal signage and materials, personal protection equipment and landscaping services, and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Public Utilities Department in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate said funds in order to have funding available at the earliest time available thereby preserving the City's public health, peace, safety, and welfare; NOW, THEREFORE

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

SECTION 1. That it is necessary to appropriate special purpose funds to continue purchasing supplies and providing services in Fiscal Year 2013 that are supported by donations and fees.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Public Utilities Special Purpose Fund, Fund No. 223, 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, 2013, the sum not to exceed \$33,163.71 is appropriated to the Public Utilities Department, Department No. 60-09, as follows:

<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Sub Fund</u>	<u>OCA Code</u>	<u>Object Level 3</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Waterways Nature Preservation	062	600223	2290	20,000.00
Waterways Nature Preservation	062	600223	3390	13,163.71
		TOTAL		\$33,163.71

SECTION 3. That an amount up to, but not to exceed the cash in the fund not encumbered for any other purpose may be appropriated within the Special Purpose Fund, Fund 223, Subfund 062 to carry out the purpose of the fund/subfund.

SECTION 4. That the monies in the foregoing Section 1 shall be paid upon order of the Director of Public Utilities, and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 5. 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 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.