



Legislation Text

File #: 2862-2012, **Version:** 1

This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Utilities to enter into an agreement with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) for the purposes of providing funding and continued support for the Franklin County Greenways Plan for Fiscal Year 2013. MORPC receives funding from various sources including the City of Columbus, State of Ohio, counties and townships to provide legislative representation, training and educational forums, consulting services, and regional networking opportunities.

City funding, along with funds from the State of Ohio, Department of Natural Resources, will allow for continued program funding. The results of this program will be very useful to the Department of Public Utilities by potentially providing better services to the City Of Columbus in the form of better floodplain infrastructure, and improved stream water quality. The mission of the program is to foster a better understanding and appreciation for that waterways play in our environment. Furthermore, the program provides models, strategies and information for environmental planning process and land use decisions in the community and watersheds. The support covers the period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

SUPPLIER: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (31-1009675) Non-Profit

FISCAL IMPACT: \$60,000.00 is needed and budgeted for this support. This ordinance is contingent on the passage of 2013 Operating Budget.

\$60,000.00 was spent in 2012
\$60,000.00 was spent in 2011
\$60,000.00 was spent in 2010

Emergency legislation is being requested so that there is no delay in funding the program and that the Greenways program continues without interruption.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to enter into an agreement with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) for the purposes of providing funding and support for the Franklin County Greenways Plan for Fiscal Year 2013, and to authorize the expenditure of \$26,100.00 from the Sanitary Sewer Operating Fund, \$23,280.00 for the Water Operating Fund, \$6,960.00 from the Storm Sewer Operating Fund, \$3,660.00 from the Electricity Operating Fund and to declare an emergency. (\$60,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) has developed multi-jurisdictional plans for long-term protection and enhancement of our rivers and streams, and

WHEREAS, City funding, along with funds from the State of Ohio, Department of Natural Resources, will allow for continued program funding, and

WHEREAS, the results of this program will be very useful to the Department of Public Utilities by potentially providing better services to the City Of Columbus in the form of better floodplain infrastructure, and improved stream water quality

WHEREAS, the mission of the program is to foster a better understanding and appreciation for that waterways play in

our environment. Furthermore, the program provides models, strategies and information for environmental planning process and land use decisions in the community and watersheds, and

WHEREAS, the support covers the period of January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities, in that it is immediately necessary to enter into an agreement with MORPC for the Greenways Program 2013 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 to enter into a support agreement with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission for the purposes of providing funding and continued support for the Franklin County Greenways Plan for the Fiscal Year 2013.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$60,000.00 or as much thereof as may be needed, be and the same hereby authorized as follows:

FUND 650
OCA 605006
Object Level 3337
Amount: \$26,100.00

FUND 600
OCA: 601849
Object Level 3337
Amount: \$23,280.00

FUND 675
OCA 675002
Object Level 3337
Amount: \$6,960.00

FUND 550
OCA 600700
Object Level 3 3337
Amount: \$3,660.00

SECTION 3. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, where is hereby made a part hereof, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, which 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.