



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

The Department of Public Service, Division of Design and Construction is engaged in the Arterial Street Rehabilitation - North High Street Flint Road to County Line project.

This project involves widening North High Street from Flint Road to the County Line by one lane each direction to match ODOT's interchange reconstruction project at SR23 and I-270. Project improvements include sidewalk, multi-use path, construction and replacement of traffic signals, and utility relocations.

In the course of effecting roadway improvements, it is sometimes necessary to force the relocation of utilities from privately held easements. These relocations are in areas where the City has previously allowed utilities, but due to this project there is a need to relocate them at the City's expense.

This legislation authorizes payment for utility relocation work by Columbia Gas, Delco Water and other utilities up to the amount of \$503,669.03

Funding for this project is by the City. The City's current share of the utility relocation expenses is \$503,669.03. Future funding may be needed to complete utility relocations.

Searches in the Excluded Party List System (Federal) and the Findings for Recovery list (State) produced no findings against Columbia Gas and Delco Water.

2. CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

The contract compliance number for Columbia Gas is 31-0673990 and expires 2/15/13

3. FISCAL IMPACT

This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$503,669.03 for utility relocation expenses. Funds for this expenditure are available within the Streets and Highways G.O. Bonds Fund, No. 704.

4. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency Action is requested to provide reimbursement to these utilities at the earliest possible time for costs incurred for the relocation of utility for the Arterial Street Rehabilitation - North High Street Flint Road to County Line project.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to reimburse Columbia Gas, Delco Water and other utilities for utility relocation costs incurred in conjunction with Department of Public Service Arterial Street Rehabilitation - North High Street Flint Road to County Line capital improvement project; to authorize the expenditure of \$503,669.03 from the Streets and Highways G.O. Bonds Fund; and to declare an emergency.(\$503,669.03)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is engaged in the Arterial Street Rehabilitation - North High Street Flint Road to County Line project; and

WHEREAS, this project involves widening North High Street from Flint Road to the County Line by one lane in each direction to match ODOT's interchange reconstruction project at SR23 and I-270; and

WHEREAS, project improvements include sidewalk, multi-use path, construction and replacement of traffic signals, and utility relocations; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to relocate utilities for this project; and

WHEREAS, reimbursement to these utilities is necessary for expenses incurred by the utility for this relocation; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the Department of Public Service to reimburse Columbia Gas, Delco Water, and other utilities for these costs, and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Service, Division of Design and Construction, in that it is necessary to provide funding for this reimbursement at the earliest possible time, 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 to pay utility relocation costs to Columbia Gas, Delco Water, and other utilities in the amount of \$503,669.03 for utility relocation costs incurred for relocation of utilities on the Arterial Street Rehabilitation - North High Street Flint Road to County Line project.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose of paying the cost of the utility relocation the sum of \$503,669.03 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized to be expended for the Division of Design and Construction as follows Dept./Div. 59-12:

Fund / Project / Project Name / O.L. 01-03 / OCA Code / Amount

704 / 530103-100013 / Arterial Street Rehabilitation - North High Street Flint Road to County Line / 06-6621 / 741313 / \$503,669.03

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 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 day after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.