



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

The City of Columbus is currently engaged in, and is partnering with the City of Canal Winchester for the Roadway Improvements - Gender Road Improvement Project.

Ordinance 1726-2011 authorized the Director of Public Service to enter into a cooperative design agreement with the City of Canal Winchester for this project.

This project will focus on roadway and traffic improvements to Gender Road from US-33 to Lehman Road. The project will be constructed to improve safety and reduce traffic congestion along the project corridor.

Improvements to Gender Road to be constructed will include widening and partial-depth pavement repair/resurfacing from US-33 to Winchester Highlands Drive. The pavement widening will be constructed to be generally one lane in width to provide for a center left turn lane. The widening will be constructed to occur on both sides of Gender Road to make maximum use of existing right-of-way.

Improvements to Winchester Pike to be constructed will include widening and partial-depth pavement repair/resurfacing from Gender Road to approximately 750 feet west of Gender Road to extend the existing eastbound left turn lane in order to provide additional storage volume. Pavement widening will be constructed to occur on the north side of Winchester Pike to take advantage of additional right-of-way width on this side of the road.

Also, due to the widening of Gender Road pavement, modifications to the US-33 westbound entrance ramp will be required.

A sidewalk, solely in Columbus, shall be constructed as part of this project. The sidewalk is located on the east side of Gender Road between Winchester Highlands Drive and Lehman Road, a distance of approximately 590 linear feet. Columbus shall design the sidewalk and provide plans and proposal sheets for bidding.

The purpose of the legislation is to authorize the Director of the Department of Public Service to enter into a cooperative construction agreement with the City of Canal Winchester for the Construction of the Roadway Improvements - Gender Road Improvement project. The City of Columbus will provide inspection services for this project and will establish funding for the inspection as well as a portion of sidewalk to be constructed.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

This ordinance authorizes the Director of Public Service to expend \$373,462.00 for Columbus personnel to provide construction inspection of the joint project with Canal Winchester; to reimburse Canal Winchester up to \$40,000.00 for the construction of a sidewalk in Columbus city limits; and to expend \$5,000 for Columbus personnel to provide inspection of the sidewalk that is in Columbus city limits.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

The Department of Public Service is requesting this ordinance to be considered an emergency measure in order to allow for immediate execution of this agreement which is necessary to maintain the project schedule and fulfill requirements for OPWC funding.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to enter into a cooperative construction agreement with The City of Canal Winchester; to authorize the expenditure of \$418,462.00 for construction and inspection of the Roadway Improvements - Gender Road Improvement project from the Street and Highway Improvement Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$418,462.00)

WHEREAS, The City of Columbus is currently engaged in, and is partnering with the City of Canal Winchester for the Roadway Improvements - Gender Road Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, ordinance 1726-2011 authorized the Director of Public Service to enter into a cooperative design agreement with the City of Canal Winchester for this project.

WHEREAS, this project will focus on roadway and traffic improvements to Gender Road from US-33 to Lehman Road; **WHEREAS**, the project will be designed to improve safety and reduce traffic congestion along the project corridor; and **WHEREAS**, it is necessary to enter into a cooperative construction agreement with the City of Canal Winchester to detail responsibilities of each City in this project; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the Director of Public Service to enter into cooperative construction agreement with the City of Canal Winchester for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance also authorizes the expenditure of \$418,462.00 for the purpose of providing construction inspection and reimbursement to the City of Canal Winchester for the construction of a section of sidewalk at the north end of the project; 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 immediately necessary to authorize this agreement and the expenditure of funds to maintain the project schedule and meet community commitments; thereby immediately 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 enter into a cooperative construction agreement with The City of Canal Winchester for the construction of the Roadway Improvements - Gender Road Improvement project and to authorize the expenditure of funds for inspection and reimbursement to Canal Winchester for a portion of sidewalk within the City of Columbus.

SECTION 2. That the 2011 C.I.B. be amended as follows to provide sufficient authority for this project:

Fund / Project / Project Name / Current C.I.B. / Change / Amended C.I.B.

766 / 766999-100000 / Unallocated Balance (Street & Highway Carryover) / \$1,244,807.00 / (\$418,462.00) / \$826,345.00

766 / 530161-100093 / Roadway Improvements - Gender Road (Street & Highway Carryover) / \$0.00 / \$418,462.00 / \$418,462.00

SECTION 3. That the transfer of \$418,462.00 be authorized within the Street and Highway Improvement Fund to provide funding for this project as follows:

Transfer from:

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

766 / 766999-100000 / Unallocated Balance / 06-6600 / 766999 / \$418,462.00

Transfer to:

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

766 / 530161-100093 / Roadway Improvements - Gender Road / 06-6600 / 766193 / \$418,462.00

SECTION 4. That the expenditure of up to \$418,462.00 be authorized as follows for inspection services and reimbursement to the City of Canal Winchester:

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

766 / 530161-100093 / Roadway Improvements - Gender Road / 06-6687 / 766193 / \$373,462.00 (Roadway Project Inspection)

766 / 530161-100093 / Roadway Improvements - Gender Road / 06-6621 / 766193 / \$40,000.00 (Sidewalk Project)

766 / 530161-100093 / Roadway Improvements - Gender Road / 06-6687 / 766193 / \$5,000.00 (Sidewalk Project Inspection)

SECTION 5. 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 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.