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Legislation Text

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Background: The City owns property located at 475 Elwood Avenue containing 4.88 acres of mostly vacant land that was originally acquired in December 1996 as part of the Community Development Program. The site contains a small building that has been leased since 2007 to the Columbus Urban League for Head Start programs.

The property at 475 Elwood Avenue abutts Groveport Road, except for an intervening .054 acre parcel of vacant land identified as Groveport Pike, Stambaugh, .054 Acre Lot 5, Franklin County Tax Parcel 010-000807 which is surrounded on three sides by the City's property. The owner of this property wishes to sell it to the City. It is in the City's best interest to purchase this property in order to create uninterrupted ownership of the frontage of the City's property along Groveport Road.

This legislation authorizes the Director of Finance and Management to execute those documents necessary to purchase that .054 acre parcel of land from Catherine Windom, and to expend up to \$850.00, for all costs associated with said acquisition. Purchase contingencies may include, but are not limited to, the satisfactory completion of Environmental Site Assessments (Phase I ESA and Phase II, if necessary).

Fiscal Impact: Funding for this project is available within the Department of Finance and Management Construction Management Capital Improvement Fund.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Finance and Management to execute those documents necessary to purchase that real property adjacent to the City's owned parcel on Elwood Avenue, from Catherine Windom and to authorize the expenditure of up to \$850.00 from the Construction Management Capital Improvement Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$850.00)

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into a purchase contract with Catherine Windom, for the purchase of that real property commonly known as Groveport Pike, Stambaugh, .054 Acre Lot 5, Columbus, Ohio, and identified as Franklin County Tax Parcel ID 010-000807; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to acquire this property to consolidate its ownership along the Groveport Road frontage of its property known as 475 Elwood to allow the City to create a consolidated tract for future use; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Finance and Management, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to contract with Catherine Windom for the purchase of that real property commonly known as as Groveport Pike, Stambaugh, .054 Acre Lot 5, and identified as Franklin County Tax Parcel 010-000807 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 the Department of Finance and Management be, and hereby is, authorized to execute

those documents approved by the Department of Law, Division of Real Estate necessary for the purchase of that real property located on Groveport Road, Columbus, Ohio, identified as Franklin County Tax Parcel ID 010-000807.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure up to \$850.00, or so much thereof that may be necessary in regard to the action authorized in SECTION 1, be and is hereby authorized and approved as follows:

Fund 733
Construction Management Capital Improvement Fund
Dept. 45-50
Project# 570030-100120
OCA#733120
Object Level 1: 06
Object Level 3: 6601
Amount: \$850.00

SECTION 3. The 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 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to establish proper project accounting numbers as appropriate.

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 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.