

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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This legislation will enable the Division of Sewerage and Drainage to renew the subscription service with the Water Environment Federation Research Foundation (WERF). The Research Foundation performs research that applies to our operations - sewage sludge incineration, Stormwater management, bio-solids reuse, whole effluent toxicity, and combined sewage overflow.

The USEPA no longer performs important research work and the Water Environmental Federation Research Foundation fills this void by performing needed research in the areas stated above. Subscribers to WERF are provided direct and timely access to research information that enables the Department of Public Utilities to enhance and improve the quality of wastewater and storm water management. There are many emerging issues that require research in the near future and being a subscriber to WERF enable the Department of Public Utilities to receive any future research will be shared to personnel within the department. The subscription period is through December 31, 2007.

SUPPLIER: Water Environment Research Foundation (54-1511635) Non-Profit.

Fiscal Impact: This contract was budgeted in the amount of \$57,920.00. \$59,920.00 was spent in 2006 \$55,040.00 was spent in 2005

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to subscribe with the Water Environment Research Foundation for Fiscal Year 2007 for use of the Utility Subscription Program for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage, and to authorize the expenditure of \$57,920.00 from the Sewerage System Operating Fund. (\$57,920.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to subscribe with the Water Environment Federation Research Foundation to insure continued and proper research in Wastewater Treatment areas for Fiscal Year 2007, and

WHEREAS, the Research Foundation performs research that applies to our operations - sewage sludge incineration, Stormwater management, bio-solids reuse, whole effluent toxicity, and combined sewage overflow, and

WHEREAS, the Water Environment Federation Research Foundation currently conducts research applicable to the City of Columbus operations including sewage sludge incineration, bio-solids reuse/recycling, whole effluent toxicity, combined sewer overflows and other areas. The collaborative research provided by the Water Environment Federation Research Foundation is a cost-effective means to fill a void of wastewater industry. Subscription enables the City to participate in developing future topics and have full access to research in progress; now, therefore

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

Section I. That the Director of Public Utilities be and is hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents to subscribe to the Water Environment Federation Research Foundation, for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$57,920.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized from Sewerage System Operating Fund, Fund No. 650, OCA 605006, Object Level 1 03, Object Level 3: 3332 to pay for the cost thereof.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.