



Legislation Text

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The purpose of this legislation is to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to pay the State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) Annual Discharge Fees for the Jackson Pike and Southerly Wastewater Treatment Plants for fiscal year 2008.

House Bill 152 became law in July 1993. This law created a series of fees which provides financial support of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. Included in these fees is an annual Wastewater Treatment Plant Discharges Fees that need to be paid by holders of NPDES permits.

The Division of Sewerage and Drainage holds two such permits, Jackson Pike Permit Number 4PF00000, Southerly Permit Number 4PF00001. The Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant has discharge fees totaling \$41,400.00 and the Southerly Wastewater Treatment Plant has discharge fees totaling \$41,400.00, payment is due on January 31, 2009. A ten percent (10%) penalty is accessed if payment is not received on or before January 31, 2009 by the Ohio EPA.

The fees for calendar year 2008 are based upon the average volume of wastewater discharged by each facility during the previous year (2007) between May 1 and October 31. During this period, the Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant averaged 71.2906 MGD and the Southerly Wastewater Treatment Plant averaged 69.2761 MGD.

SUPPLIER: State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (31-6402047-090) Governmental Entity

FISCAL IMPACT: \$82,800.00 is needed and budgeted to pay these fees.

\$82,800.00 was paid in 2007

\$82,800.00 was paid in 2006

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to pay the annual Discharge Fees for Fiscal Year 2008 to the State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage; and to authorize the expenditure of \$82,800.00 from the Sewerage System Operating Fund. (\$82,800.00)

WHEREAS, House Bill 152 became law in July 1993 and created a series of fees which provide financial support to the State of Ohio, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency; and,

WHEREAS, included in these fees is an annual Wastewater Treatment Plant Discharger Fees to be paid by holders of NPDES permits; and,

WHEREAS, the Division of Sewerage and Drainage holds such permits for the Jackson Pike and Southerly Wastewater Treatment Plants; and,

WHEREAS, these fees were first paid in January 1994, and have been paid each year thereafter, and have been budgeted for the 2008 payments; and,

WHEREAS, payment is due on or before January 31, 2009 to prevent a ten percent (10%) penalty, now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Director of Public Utilities be and is hereby authorized to pay the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency through the Treasurer, State of Ohio, for annual Discharger Fees for 2008 upon receipt of proper invoices.

Section 2. That the expenditure of \$82,800.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized from the Sewerage System Operating Fund 650, as follows:

Jackson Pike Wastewater Treatment Plant

OCA 605014

Object Level One 03

Object Level Three 3401

Amount \$41,400.00

Southerly Wastewater Treatment Plant

OCA 605048

Object Level One 03

Object Level Three 3401

Amount \$41,400.00

Total Amount: \$82,800.00

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