



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: In ordinance 1824-2010, the Director of Public Utilities was authorized to enter into an agreement to modify the water and sewer agreements with Franklin County for the Rickenbacker/Lockbourne service area at a future date, to add two new contract areas to Franklin County's water service territory at a future date, and to evaluate additional areas for water service. In Ordinance 0676-2011, the Director of Public Utilities was authorized to enter into the contract on the first two areas. The purpose of this ordinance is to **authorize** This ordinance authorizes the Director of Public Utilities to enter into contract modifications for water and sewer service **with Franklin County for the additional areas referenced in ordinance 1824-2010.** ~~County of Franklin, Ohio.~~ This modification is for the identification of boundaries in the Mon-E-Bak Farms and Leonard Park areas. The City and Franklin County have agreed to these boundaries. **In addition, this legislation authorizes a modification to the master sewer contract with Franklin County to address billing of the new water areas.**

FISCAL IMPACT: The Department of Public Utilities will collect revenue from water and sewer rates as specified for Outside City Rates in Chapter 1105 of the Columbus City Code.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to ~~enter into contract modifications~~ **modify existing water and sewer contracts** with the County of Franklin, Ohio to provide water and sewer service **to additional areas.**

WHEREAS, in ordinance 1824-2010, the Director of Public Utilities was authorized to enter into a contract with Franklin County that, inter alia, allowed the Department to agree to provide water service to new areas in the County. That ordinance specified that the Director would enter into a contract for two areas, known as Mon-E-Bak and Leonard Park. It also specified that the City and County would consider additional areas for service, as provided on an attached list; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ordinance 1824-2010, the City and County ("the Parties") entered into a contract for water service ("Water Agreement") to Mon-E-Bak and Leonard Park on March 29, 2011, pursuant to which was authorized by Ordinance No. 0676-2011, passed and approved by the City, and Resolution No. 0193-11, passed and approved by the County ("Mon-E-Bak Water Contract"); and

WHEREAS, the Water Agreement provided for water service in two areas (Mon-E-Bak Farms Subdivision and Leonard Park Area); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ordinance 1824-2010, the Parties reviewed the additional areas described in that ordinance to determine ~~desire to amend the Water Agreement to allow for service in additional areas~~ if such service is practical under the terms of the Water Agreement and agreed that there are eighteen additional service areas that can be provided service and thus desire to modify the Mon-E-Bak Water Contract to add eighteen additional areas, as more fully described in attached exhibits C to T; and

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into a contract for sewer service ("Sewer Agreement") on August 25, 2003, pursuant to Ordinance No. 0997-2003, passed and approved by the City and Resolution No. 772-03 passed and approved by the County; and

WHEREAS, the Sewer Agreement provides for procedures and responsibilities related to meter reading and billing

whereby the County is responsible for reading individual water meters for certain properties and providing such readings to the City for the purpose of billing sewerage service charges; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that, pursuant to the terms of the Water Agreement, properties within the Franklin County Sewer District Contract Areas not yet receiving centralized water service will convert to such service; and

WHEREAS, as properties are converted to centralized water service, the procedures and responsibilities related to billing sewer service charges must be modified; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Sewer Agreement to reflect the provision of centralized water service to areas within the Franklin County Sewer District Contract Areas pursuant to the Water Agreement; **and**

WHEREAS, in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities, it is necessary to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to enter into contract modifications for water and sewer services with the County of Franklin, Ohio for the preservation of 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 Utilities is hereby authorized to enter into contract modifications with the County of Franklin, Ohio to ~~provide water and sewer service~~ **modify the Mon-E-Bak Water Contract to add eighteen additional County service areas, as described in the attached exhibits marked C through T.**

SECTION 2. That the Director of Public Utilities is hereby authorized to modify the Sewer Agreement to reflect updated procedures related to meter reading and billing as these areas are converted to centralized water service.

SECTION 2 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.