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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Department of Public Utilities recommends reimbursement to Champps Restaurant, 1827 Olentangy River Road, Columbus, Ohio 43212 (account number 49778-1168094) for over-payment of clean river charges. Between February 9, 2009 to January 9, 2015, the customer was over-billed for and paid for 570 Equivalent Residential Units (ERU's) per month of clean river charges, when the actual area should be billed for 19 ERU's of clean river charges. Champps Restaurant was being billed for the entire Lennox Center Shopping area. This overbilling and overpayment resulted in a customer credit of \$68,957.31. The reason for the difference is relative to a re-calculation of the impervious areas for commercial and industrial customers.

The Department of Public Utilities requests that this credit of \$68,957.31 be returned to Champps Restaurant.

It is requested that that this legislation be handled in an emergency manner in order to reimburse the customer at the earliest possible date.

Contract Compliance is not required as this refund is necessary to our customer to whom we have agreed to provide services.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no budgetary impact because we are returning a portion of funds the customer paid. Revenues are not significantly impacted by this legislation.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to reimburse Champps Restaurant for over-payment of clean river charges, to authorize a revenue reduction transaction of \$68,957.31, and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Utilities recommends reimbursement to Champps Restaurant, 1827 Olentangy River Road, Columbus, Ohio 43212 for over-payment of clean river charges and,

WHEREAS, the adjustment was made after the customer was billed for and paid for 570 ERU's of clean river charges per month, when they should have been charged 19 ERUs of clean river charges per month from February 1, 2009 to January 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, this overbilling and overpayment resulted in a customer credit of \$68,957.31; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to reimburse Champps Restaurant, 1827 Olentangy River Road, Columbus, Ohio 43212 (49778-1168094) for clean river charges, in an emergency manner in order to reimburse them at the earliest possible date, for the immediate preservation of 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 Public Utilities be and is hereby authorized to reimburse Champps Restaurant, 1827

Olentangy River Road, Columbus, Ohio 43212 (account number 49778-1168094) for clean river charges.

SECTION 2. That a revenue reduction transaction in the total amount of \$68,957.31 or as much thereof as may be needed is hereby authorized from: Sewerage System Operating Fund 650, Dept. 60-05, \$68,957.31

SECTION 3. That for 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.