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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: In 2005 the Northland Alliance, the Morse Road SID Exploratory Committee, and the City of Columbus Development Department initiated an effort with property owners on Morse Road from Indianola Avenue to Cleveland Avenue to create a Special Improvement District (SID). This Council approved the Petition and Articles of Incorporation with Ordinance 0414-2006 on February 27, 2006. The Morse Road SID has been very successful in the first 10 year term and desires to reauthorize the SID for another 10 year term.

This Council is being asked to approve the Petition and the Articles of Incorporation of the Morse Road Special Improvement District, Inc., an Ohio not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to Chapter 1710 of the Revised Code.

This Council is also being asked to approve the inclusion of City owned property as part of the Special Improvement District.

The Petition and Articles of Incorporation are on file with the Clerk of the Columbus City Council.

Emergency action is required to allow the Morse Road Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc. to continue the reauthorization of a Special Improvement District in a timely manner.

FISCAL IMPACT: No funding is required for this legislation.

To approve the Morse Road Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc., Petition and Articles of Incorporation and the inclusion of the properties owned by the City of Columbus in said district; and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, Chapter 1710 of the Revised Code, effective September 29, 1994 provides for the creation of Special Improvement Districts (SID), by non-profit corporations governed by trustees elected by the property owners for the provision of special services in a designated district; and

WHEREAS, the property owners located on Morse Road from Indianola Avenue to Cleveland Avenue have initiated a petition to reauthorize the SID and have filed the petition with the Clerk of the Columbus City Council along with the Articles of Incorporation of the Morse Road Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc. an Ohio non-profit corporation, created pursuant to Chapter 1710.02 of the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 1710.02 (E) further excludes the property owned by the municipal corporation unless the municipal corporation specifically authorizes its property to be included in the district; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk of Columbus City Council finds that the property owners per the signed Petition, if authorized by this Council represents 60% of the front footage of the property located in the SID, all as provided by Section 1710.02 of the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of this Council that the SID is a valuable tool for continuing to further economic development and a means of continuing to revitalize the Morse Road area; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to approve said Petition and the Articles of Incorporation to continue the reauthorization of a Special Improvement District in a timely manner, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, property, safety and welfare; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1. That the Petition for the reauthorization of the Morse Road Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc. and the Articles of Incorporation of the Morse Road Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc., now on file with the Clerk of the Columbus City Council, are hereby approved.

SECTION 2. That the properties of the city of Columbus abutting upon the streets described in the petition are hereby authorized to be included in the district.

SECTION 3. 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 its passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.