



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** The need exists to enter into an annexation agreement between the City and the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, the legislative authority of and for Franklin Township, a political subdivision duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the State of Ohio (“the Township”).

The City and the Township have contiguous boundaries and overlapping jurisdictions within Franklin County. In order to advance the welfare of the citizens for the respective jurisdictions, the parties desire to cooperate by fostering and promoting development which is compatible with the character of the area, while also preserving the geographic integrity of the Township.

The annexation agreement will outline areas of cooperation including joint land use planning to ensure coordination on projects, joint marketing to advance economic development and coordination of capital improvement projects along the West Broad Street Corridor.

The Department of Development requests emergency consideration of this Ordinance to allow for the immediate execution of this agreement, which is necessary to begin cooperative actions to foster development with the respective jurisdictions.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** While no funding is required for this legislation, the agreement authorized requires income tax sharing and reallocation of City millage.

To authorize the Director of Development to enter into an annexation agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, the legislative authority of and for Franklin Township; and to declare an emergency.

**WHEREAS,** the City and the Township are political subdivisions located entirely within the State of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township and City being contiguous and to a certain extent, having overlapping jurisdictions with areas located in Franklin County; and

**WHEREAS,** the parties wish to cooperate in several matters affecting each party, and the territory to which this agreement pertains, including, without limitation, land use planning matters and economic development projects within certain areas encompassed under the agreement; and

**WHEREAS,** as part of such cooperation and in order to improve and advance the welfare of their respective citizens, the parties desire to cooperate in the development of the territory to which the agreement will pertain in order to foster and promote development which is compatible with the character of the area; and

**WHEREAS,** the City desires to increase employment opportunities and encourage the creation of new jobs in the City in order to improve the overall economic climate of the City and its citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in that it is immediately necessary to execute this agreement in order to begin cooperative actions to foster development, all for the immediate preservation of the 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 the Department of Development is hereby authorized to enter into an annexation agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, the legislative authority of and for Franklin Township.

**Section 2.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby 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.