



Legislation Text

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Background: This ordinance authorizes the Public Service Director to modify an existing agreement with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) to provide additional services to complete the Columbus Bicentennial Master Bikeways Plan associated with the Downtown Columbus Circulation Study. The traffic study has recommended a street network and bikeways to facilitate mobility, enhance pedestrian friendliness and contribute to the viability of the downtown community. These additional services will enhance bicycle travel in downtown and the connections to outlying areas by presenting a bikeway plan.

In February, 2006, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) was instructed to proceed with the Economic Analysis of the I-70/71 Innerbelt Alternatives on behalf of the Planning Division. This ordinance allows for the transfer of \$20,000 from the Planning Division to the Transportation Division as reimbursement for funds that were provided to cover the costs of the study.

The original contract was approved by ordinance #2026-2003 for \$250,000.00. This ordinance authorizes increasing the contract funds by \$30,000.00 and extends completion time for all contract tasks through December 31, 2008 to continue development of the Columbus Bicentennial Master Bikeways Plan. This work includes an additional stakeholder meeting to review the draft plan, create a master reproducible bikeway map and prepare public presentation materials. The total contract authorization amount will now be \$785,000.00 after passage of this ordinance.

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) is a not-for-profit governmental entity; their contract compliance number is 31-1009675.

Fiscal Impact: Monies for this contract modification are budgeted and available due to encumbrance cancellations within the 1995, 1999, 2004 Voted Streets and Highways Fund.

Emergency Justification: In order to complete the required tasks of the Downtown Circulation Study for timely response to freeway changes that ODOT may recommend from the I-70/71 alternatives analysis and also complete the Columbus Bicentennial Master Bikeways Plan and in order to construct improvements as soon as possible, emergency action is requested.

To amend the 2007 Capital Improvement Budget; to authorize the transfer of \$20,000.00 within the Voted 1995, 1999, 2004 Streets and Highways Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$30,000.00 from the Voted 1995, 1999, 2004 Streets and Highways Fund; to authorize the Public Service Director to modify and increase an existing contract with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) to provide additional planning services for the Downtown Columbus Circulation Study for the Transportation Division; and to declare an emergency. (\$30,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Transportation Division and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) entered into an agreement on March 4, 2004 as authorized by Ordinance 2026-2003 to improve the downtown transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) agreed to extend the time needed to complete the study on October 13, 2004 as authorized by Ordinance 1492-2004; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) agreed to modify the Downtown Columbus Circulation Study and extend the time needed to complete the study to June 30, 2005 as authorized by Ordinance 0408-2005; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) agreed to extend the time needed to complete the study through December 31, 2007 as authorized by Ordinance 0722-2005; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) have jointly identified a need to secure additional planning services; and

WHEREAS, the performance of the study has proceeded with full participation by City staff in the development of recommended changes to the downtown street, bicycle and pedestrian network; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2007 Capital Improvement Budget, and

WHEREAS, monies are available in the 1995, 1999, 2004 Voted Streets and Highways Fund for this contract modification expense, and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Public Service Department, Transportation Division, in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the modification of this agreement with MORPC for downtown traffic study planning services to provide for timely bikeways plan completion in order to utilize existing design resources and construct improvements as soon as possible that will promote pedestrian/bicyclist friendliness, thereby preserving 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 2007 Capital Improvements Budget established within ordinance 0733-2007 be and hereby is amended due to encumbrance cancellations of EL006045 as follows:

Project Number/Project Name/Current CIB Amount/Amended Amount/CIB Amount as Amended

590131 / Miscellaneous Development (Carryover) / 0.00 (Carryover) / \$64,810.00 (Carryover) / \$64,810.00 (Carryover)

SECTION 2. That the 2007 Capital Improvements Budget established within ordinance 0733-2007 be and hereby is amended as follows:

Project Number/Project Name/Current CIB Amount/Amended Amount/CIB Amount as Amended

590131 / Miscellaneous Development (Carryover) / \$64,810.00 (Carryover) / (\$20,000.00) (Carryover) / \$44,810.00 (Carryover)

530161 / Roadway Improvements (Carryover) / \$5,938,985.00 / \$20,000.00 (Carryover) / \$5,958,985 (Carryover)

SECTION 3. That the sum \$20,000.00 be transferred within Fund 704 for reimbursement to the Transportation Division, Dept.-Div., 59-09, as follows:

TRANSFER FROM:

Project / Project Name / O.L. 01/03 Code / OCA / Amount

590131 / Miscellaneous Development / 06/6600 / 644385 / \$20,000.00

TRANSFER TO:

530161 / Roadway Improvements / 06/6600 /644385 / \$20,000.00

SECTION 4. That the expenditure of \$30,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed be and hereby is authorized to be expended from Fund 704, the 1995, 1999, 2004 Voted Streets and Highways Fund, Department No. 59-09, Transportation Division, Object Level One Code 06, Object Level Three Code 6682, OCA Code 644385 and Project 530161 (\$30,000.00).

SECTION 5. That the Director of Public Service be and is hereby authorized to modify and increase an existing agreement with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, 111 Liberty St, Ste 100, Columbus, OH 43215 to continue development of the Columbus Bicentennial Master Bikeways Plan. This work includes an additional stakeholder meeting to review the draft plan, create a master reproducible bikeway map and preparation of public presentation materials and extends the time to complete all contract work tasks through December 31, 2008.

SECTION 6. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for this contract and modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 7. 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.