

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: The Department of Public Utilities recommends reimbursement to Opus North Corporation for over-payment of tap/capacity fees. The customer paid a water service fee for a ten (10) inch fire protection only line in the amount of \$67,028.00. Due to inadequate water supply pressure the company was required by Jackson township fire department to install an on site water tank in order to meet the needs of the ESFR sprinkler system. The water tank only required a four (4) inch line and tap. The original ten (10) inch tap was installed then removed and reduced to a four (4) inch fire service as required. The four (4) inch tap for fire protection only is \$14,571.50. Therefore the total refund they are entitled to is \$52,456.50.

It is requested 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 water 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 Opus North Corporation for over-payment of tap/capacity fees, to authorize a revenue reduction transaction of \$52,456.50 and to declare an emergency. (\$52,456.50)

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Utilities recommends reimbursement to Opus North Corporation for over-payment of tap/capacity fees, and

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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 Opus North Corporation for over-payment of tap/capacity fees, 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 Opus North Corporation for over-payment of tap/capacity fees.

Section 2. That a revenue reduction transaction in the total amount of \$52,456.50 or as much thereof as may be needed is hereby authorized from:

Water Operating Fund 600, Dept. 60-09, \$52,456.50

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.

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