



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

The City's Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage, is undertaking the improvement of sanitary sewer utility infrastructure for the Blacklick Creek Sanitary Interceptor Sewer (CIP 650034-100006) Public Project (the "Public Project"). The City is required to acquire certain fee simple title and lesser real property interests in the vicinity of Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road, Blacklick, Ohio 43004 (collectively, the "Real Estate Interests") in order to complete the Public Project.

The City previously passed Ordinance Numbers 1794-2013, 2717-2013 and 0134-2014, which authorized the City Attorney to spend City funds for costs relating to the acquisition of the Real Estate Interests. Additional City funding in the amount of Three Hundred-fifty Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$350,000.00) is now needed. Therefore, this ordinance authorizes: (I) the City Auditor to increase the Public Project's existing Auditor's Certificate (AC-035409) by Three Hundred-fifty Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$350,000.00) to pay for the acquisition of the Public Project's Real Estate Interests; and (II) authorizes the City Attorney to spend these additional funds.

FISCAL IMPACT: The City determined the Public Project's funding will come from the Department of Public Utilities' Sanitary Sewer General Obligation Bond Fund.

EMERGENCY JUSTIFICATION: Emergency action is requested in order for the City to immediately acquire the Public Project's Real Estate Interests, which preserves the public health, peace, property, and safety.

To: (I) authorize the City Auditor to increase an existing Auditor's Certificate (AC-035409); (II) authorize the expenditure of funds from the Sanitary Sewer Bonds Funds for the Department of Public Utilities' Blacklick Creek Sanitary Interceptor Sewer Public Project; (III) authorize the City Attorney to spend additional City Sanitary Sewer General Obligation Bond Funds to acquire certain fee simple title and lesser real property interests for the Blacklick Creek Sanitary Interceptor Sewer Public Project; and (IV) declare an emergency. (\$350,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City's Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage, is undertaking the improvement of sanitary sewer utility infrastructure for the Blacklick Creek Sanitary Interceptor Sewer (CIP 650034-100006) Public Project (the "Public Project");

WHEREAS, the City is required to acquire certain fee simple title and lesser real property interests in the vicinity of Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road, Blacklick, Ohio 43004 (collectively, the "Real Estate Interests") in order to complete the Public Project;

WHEREAS, the City passed Ordinance Numbers 1794-2013, 2717-2013, and 0134-2014 which authorized the City Attorney to spend City funds for costs relating to the acquisition of the Public Project's Real Estate Interests;

WHEREAS, additional City funds in the amount of Three Hundred-fifty Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$350,000.00) are now needed for the acquisition of the Public Project's Real Estate Interests;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase existing Auditor's Certificate (AC-035409) in the amount of Three Hundred-fifty

Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$350,000.00); and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City, because it is immediately necessary to authorize the City Auditor to increase the Public Project's funding so that the City Attorney may continue with the acquisition of the Public Project's Real Estate Interests, which will preserve the public health, peace, property, and safety; and, **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1. The City Auditor is authorized to increase Auditor's Certificate (AC-035409) in the amount of Three Hundred-fifty Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$350,000.00) for the City Attorney's acquisition of certain fee simple title and lesser real property interests in the vicinity of Reynoldsburg-New Albany Road, Blacklick, Ohio 43004 (collectively, the "Real Estate Interests") for the City's Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage, Blacklick Creek Sanitary Interceptor Sewer (CIP 650034-100006) Public Project (the "Public Project").

SECTION 2. The City Attorney is authorized to spend up to an additional Three Hundred-fifty Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$350,000.00) to acquire the Public Project's Real Estate Interests from the Sanitary Sewer General Obligation Bond Fund | Fund 664 | Div. 60-05 | CIP 650034-100006 | Obj. Lvl 3: 6601:

<u>FUND NO.</u>	<u>PROJ. NO.</u>	<u>PROJ NAME</u>	<u>OCA CODE</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>
650034-100006		Blacklick Creek Interceptor	643406	+\$350,000.00

SECTION 3. The funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor is directed to establish any appropriate accounting codes.

SECTION 4. The City Auditor is authorized and directed to transfer any unencumbered balance in the Public Project's account to the unallocated balance within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the director of the department administering the Public Project that the Public Project is complete and the monies are no longer required for the Public Project, except that no transfer can be made from a project account by monies from more than one source.

SECTION 5. The City Auditor is authorized to establish any proper and appropriate project accounting numbers.

SECTION 6. The City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. For the reasons stated in the preamble of this ordinance, which are fully incorporated into this ordinance, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and is required take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor or ten (10) days after its passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes this ordinance.