



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

This ordinance authorizes the Department of Public Service to enter into an agreement to participate in and fund a project with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority for the development of the Loop Road Land Use Study. Participants in the study include the City of Columbus, the Columbus Regional Airport Authority, and Franklin County.

In an effort to properly assess Port Columbus area development opportunities, the City of Columbus has identified the need to enter into a contract with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority to fund the supplemental scope of work in the land use study for the Loop Road area. The Director of Public Service shall determine the parameters of the scope of work. The supplemental work will advance the work of the Jobs, Expansion and Transportation (JET) Task Force, announced by the city earlier this year. The Task Force is exploring how to improve air service, to expand economic development, and to make Port Columbus a regional multimodal transportation center. It will submit a report and recommendations by the end of the year to the city and its regional project partners, the Columbus Regional Airport Authority and Franklin County.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

Funding in the amount of \$100,000.00 is available in the Streets and Highways Bonds Fund within the Department of Public Service for this contract.

3. CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

The contract compliance number for the Columbus Regional Airport Authority is 31-1335829.

4. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested to allow for the Department of Public Service to make funding for the design of this project available and allow the project schedule to proceed as planned, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority to provide funding for the completion of a supplemental scope of work within the Loop Road Land Use Study; to authorize the expenditure of \$100,000.00 from the Streets and Highways Bonds Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$100,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus created the JET Task Force to develop an actionable plan for increasing direct flights, expanding economic development and examining the feasibility of making Port Columbus a regional transportation center; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus and the Columbus Regional Airport Authority have identified the need to supplement the land use study for the Loop Road area near Columbus International Airport; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus wishes to contract with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority to provide funding for the supplemental work to advance the planning and overall efforts of the JET Task Force in the amount of \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the Streets and Highways Bonds Fund; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City of Columbus in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority to complete supplemental work relative to the Loop

Road Land Use Study, 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 Director of the Department of Public Service is authorized to contract with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority to fund the supplemental work of the Loop Road Land Use Study.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose of paying the cost of this contract the sum of up to \$100,000.00 or so much as thereof may be needed, is hereby authorized to be expended from the Streets and Highways Bonds Fund as follows:

Fund / Project / Project Name / O.L. 01-03 Codes / OCA / Amount
704 / 440104-100014 / Port Columbus Traffic Study / 06-6682 / 710414 / \$100,000.00

SECTION 3. That the funds are necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 4. That 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 5. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

SECTION 6. 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 adoption and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after the adoption if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.