

Legislation Text

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Background: A special election will be held on August 2, 2016, relating to a Proposed Charter Amendment for the City of Columbus. Pursuant to the Ohio General Assembly's passage of Am. Sub. H.B. 64, a political subdivision must prepay 65% of the estimated amount of its share of the cost of a special election before the election. Continuing law requires the political subdivisions that place items on the ballot at a special election to pay the cost of holding the election. Those costs include, for example, the compensation of precinct election officials, the cost of operating polling places, and the cost of printing and delivering ballots and other election supplies.

As such, this ordinance will authorize the City Auditor to pay the Franklin County Board of Elections for the purpose of reimbursing the County for sixty-five percent (65%) of the applicable costs of this special election pursuant to the requirements under the aforementioned H.B. 64.

Fiscal Impact: Funding for this cost reimbursement is available within the General Fund.

To authorize the City Auditor to pay the Franklin County Board of Elections for special election cost reimbursement; to authorize the transfer of \$1,220,000.00 between Departments within the General Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$1,220,000.00 from the General Fund. (\$1,220,000.00)

WHEREAS, A special election will be held on August 2, 2016, relating to a Proposed Charter Amendment for the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Ohio General Assembly's passage of Am. Sub. H.B. 64, a political subdivision must prepay 65% of the estimated amount of its share of the cost of a special election before the election; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to pay the Franklin County Board of Elections for the purpose of reimbursing the County for sixty-five percent (65%) of the costs of this special election pursuant to the requirements under the aforementioned H.B. 64.

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

SECTION 1. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to pay the Franklin County Board of Elections for special election cost reimbursement.

SECTION 2. That the transfer of \$1,220,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized between Departments within the General Fund 1000, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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SECTION 3. That the sum of \$1,220,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary pursuant to the actions authorized in Section 1, is hereby authorized to be expended from the General Fund 1000, Department 22-01, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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SECTION 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.