



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** On November 4, 2013 City Council approved Ordinance Number 2529-2013 authorizing the Director of Development to enter into an annexation agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, the legislative authority of and for Franklin Township. The City and the Township have contiguous boundaries and overlapping jurisdictions within Franklin County. In order to advance the welfare of the citizens for the respective jurisdictions, the parties desire to cooperate by fostering and promoting development which is compatible with the character of the area, while also preserving the geographic integrity of the Township.

The annexation agreement outlines annexation payments as well as areas of cooperation including joint land use planning to ensure coordination on projects, joint marketing to advance economic development, and coordination of capital improvement projects along the West Broad Street Corridor.

This legislation authorizes quarterly payments not to exceed \$150,000 for the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 made to the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township as set forth in the Annexation Agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township authorized by Ordinance Number 2529-2013 and approved by City Council on November 4, 2013.

Emergency action is requested so that the quarterly payments are made in a timely manner.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding for this legislation is budgeted in the 2017 general fund operating budget.

To authorize quarterly expenditures in an amount equal to the percentages set forth in the Annexation Agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township; to authorize and direct the City Auditor to transfer \$150,000.00 within the general fund; and to authorize an expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 from the general fund for the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017; and to declare an emergency. (\$150,000.00)

**WHEREAS,** the City and the Township are political subdivisions located entirely within the State of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS,** the Township and City being contiguous and to a certain extent, having overlapping jurisdictions within areas located in Franklin County; and

**WHEREAS,** as part of such cooperation and in order to improve and advance the welfare of their respective citizens, the parties desire to cooperate in the development of the territory to which the agreement will pertain in order to foster and promote development which is compatible with the character of the area; and

**WHEREAS,** on November 4, 2013 City Council approved Ordinance Number 2529-2013 authorizing the Director of Development to enter into an annexation agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, the legislative authority of and for Franklin Township; and

**WHEREAS,** the annexation agreement outlines annexation payments as well as areas of cooperation including joint land use planning to ensure coordination on projects, joint marketing to advance economic development and coordination of capital improvement projects along the West Broad Street Corridor; and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City in that it is immediately necessary to authorize quarterly expenditures as set forth in the Franklin Township Annexation Agreement, thereby preserving the public health, peace, prosperity, safety and welfare; **NOW THEREFORE,**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the City Auditor is authorized and directed to transfer an amount not to exceed \$150,000, per the Annexation Agreement with the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, as authorized by Columbus City Council, per Ordinance Number 2529-2013 on November 4, 2013, for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 2.** That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$150,000 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 General Fund in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That the funds 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.** 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 passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after the passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.