



## Legislation Text

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**Background:** This ordinance authorizes the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to modify the contract with The Righter Company for the installation of three miles of trail for the Camp Chase Trail.

The need for additional funds are due to additional costs encountered during the construction of the project including: additional Stormwater BMP structures, soft path subgrade conditions, installing 1,900 additional linear feet of connector paths requested by local neighborhoods, additional utility relocation costs at Hague Avenue, additional construction inspection fees for Dept. of Public Service, 1,100' of boundary fencing along casino, and drainage culverts.

The Camp Chase Rail Trail is in the final stage of construction. The three mile trail travels from Eureka Avenue to Georgesville Road. The trail serves the Hilltop/Westgate communities, and is also a segment of the statewide Ohio to Erie Trail.

The original legislation was authorized by Ordinance 2403-2014.

The costs for this modification will be \$347,000.00 which when added to the original legislated amount of \$4,167,766.71 will increase the project total to \$4,514,766.71.

**Principal Parties:**

The Righter Company, Inc.  
2424 Harrison Road  
Columbus, OH 43204  
Bradley Nadolson 614-272-9700  
31-0889208  
Expires 2/18/18

**Emergency Justification:** An emergency is being requested because it is immediately necessary to modify said contract so that work may continue so the Camp Chase Trail project will stay on schedule.

**Benefits to the Public:**

Cycling, walking, running, and active trail uses provide highly recognized year-round benefits to urban lifestyles. Access to trails and to key destinations is one of the top rated priorities noted by residents, and this project fills a significant gap in gaining access to the core of the city. The West Columbus community is currently isolated from improved biking, walking, and non-motorized forms of transportation, and the project fills a major gap in tying the community into a large regional network.

**Area(s) Affected:** Planning Area: 15

**Master Plan Relation:** This project will support the mission of the Recreation and Parks Master Plan by improving access to trails and greenways corridors, improving the environmental health of the city's waterways; improving recreational access to streams; and providing long term protection corridors for water quality and trail development.

**Fiscal Impact:** The expenditure of \$4,167,766.71 was legislated for the Camp Chase Rail Trail Project by Ordinance 2403-2014. This ordinance will provide funding that will modify the previously authorized amount by \$347,000.00. \$347,000.00 is budgeted and available in the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702 to meet the financial

obligations of this contract modification. The aggregate total amount authorized, including this modification, is \$4,514,766.71.

To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to modify the contract with The Righter Company for the installation of three miles of trail for the Camp Chase Trail by \$347,000.00 for a total expenditure of \$4,514,766.71 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$347,000.00)

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to modify the contract with The Righter Company for the installation of three miles of trail for the Camp Chase Trail; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to authorize funding that will modify the previously authorized amount by \$347,000.00 for a total expenditure of \$4,514,766.71; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Recreation and Parks in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to modify said contract so that work may continue so that the Camp Chase Trail project will stay on schedule; **NOW, THEREFORE**

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Recreation and Parks is hereby authorized to modify the contract with The Righter Company for the installation of three miles of trail for the Camp Chase Trail.

**SECTION 2.** 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 3.** 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 4.** 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 5.** For the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$347,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the cost thereof, be and is hereby authorized from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 7702 in object class 06 Capital Outlay per the accounting codes in the attachment.

**SECTION 6.** That 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 its passage and approval by the Mayor, or 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.