



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND: The Ohio EPA requires this legislation which authorizes the Director of Public Utilities to apply for and execute up to forty-five (45) Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) loan agreements in 2018, totaling approximately \$229 Million, for the construction or design of forty-five Sanitary, Stormwater, and Treatment Engineering Capital Improvement Projects as identified in Section 1., under the direction of the Division of Sewerage and Drainage (DOSD). This loan program is jointly administered by the Ohio EPA's Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance, and the Ohio Water Development Authority (OWDA). The WPCLF Loan Fund program provides below-market interest rate loans for municipal storm water and wastewater treatment improvements.

2. FISCAL IMPACT: There is sufficient budget authority in the 2018 Sewer Systems and Stormwater Operating Funds for the loan application fee expenditures. These loans will be paid off over a 20-year period from Sewerage System and Stormwater fees (dedicated source of repayment). Sewerage System and Stormwater fee increases have been projected and planned in anticipation of these projects and loans.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to apply for, accept, and enter into up to forty-five (45) Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Agreements with the Ohio Water Development Authority and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, for the financing of up to forty-five Division of Sewerage and Drainage Division construction and design projects; and to designate a dedicated source of repayment for the loans.

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Utilities is scheduled to prepare loan applications for up to \$229 million in financing, for submittal to the Ohio EPA under the Ohio Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) program to finance, through below-market interest rate loans, the design or construction of up to forty-five capital improvements projects under the Division of Sewerage and Drainage, which said financial assistance may be of help in reducing total project costs to the City's sewerage customers; and

WHEREAS, prior to WPLCF loan agreement approval by the Ohio Water Development Authority, the WPCLF loan application and loan agreement documents require the City to submit to the Ohio EPA a certified copy of approved City Council legislation authorizing the Director of the Public Utilities Department to apply for and subsequently execute said WPCLF agreements, and to authorize a dedicated source of loan repayment for the loans; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities to authorize the Director to apply for, accept and enter into WPCLF loan agreements with Ohio Water Development Authority and submit a copy of this legislation to the Ohio EPA prior to the OWDA board's consideration for approval as part of the loan agreements' approval process; **now, therefore**

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Public Utilities is hereby authorized to apply for, accept, and enter into up to forty-five (45) Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Loan Agreements with the Ohio Water Development Authority and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, for the financing of up to forty-five Division of Sewerage and Drainage projects as described with the "not to exceed" project costs in parenthesis, below:

1	CIP# 610050-100000	Fountain Square Storm Imps	(\$3,900,000.00)
2	CIP# 610785-100000	Linden Neighborhood Stormwater Imps Ph 2	(\$1,200,000.00)
3	CIP# 610788-100000	Lehnert Farms/Bolton Field Storm Imps	(\$1,200,000.00)
4	CIP# 610792-100002	Woodward Ave. Detention Basin Imps	(\$800,000.00)
5	CIP# 610792-100003	Summit View Detention Basin Mods (STORM)	(\$800,000.00)
6	CIP# 610804-100001	Olde Beechwold Area Stormwater System Imps	(\$3,000,000.00)
7	CIP# 610805-100000	Rathbone Ave Stormwater System Imps	(\$2,300,000.00)
8	CIP# 611010-100000	Holt Ave/Somersworth Storm System Imps	(\$1,600,000.00)
9	CIP# 611021-100000	Fairwood Facilities Stormwater Imps	(\$2,400,000.00)
10	CIP# 611034-100000	Windsor Ave Stormwater System Imps	(\$800,000.00)
11	CIP# 611700-100000	Bethel Rd Culvert Rehab (STORM)	(\$1,900,000.00)
12	CIP# 650009-100001	Alum Creek Storm Tanks - Real Time Controls	(\$1,800,000.00)
13	CIP# 650243-100002	JPWWTP Biosolids Land Application Facility	(\$18,400,000.00)
14	CIP# 650250-100005	JPWWTP Digester Cover Rehab	(\$7,200,000.00)
15	CIP# 650250-100007	JPWWTP Cogeneration Facilities DESIGN	(\$1,200,000.00)
16	CIP# 650258-100001	Facilities & Equipment Upgrades at WSST	(\$21,600,000.00)
17	CIP# 650353-100003	SWWTP Digestion Process Expansion	(\$25,000,000.00)
18	CIP# 650353-100004	SWWTP Cogeneration DESIGN	(\$800,000.00)
19	CIP# 650375-100002	Southwesterly Compost Facilities Odor Control DESIGN	(\$1,800,000.00)
20	CIP# 650404-100045	2018 Annual Lining	(\$6,000,000.00)
21	CIP# 650491-100004	Lockbourne Subtrunk - Canal Rd. Area DESIGN	(\$900,000.00)
22	CIP# 650491-100005	LIS Air Quality Imps	(\$4,200,000.00)
23	CIP# 650491-100008	Rickenbacker Intermodal Sanitary Ext. DESIGN	(\$900,000.00)
24	CIP# 650560-100001	East Franklinton Sewer Imps.	(\$1,600,000.00)
25	CIP# 650570-100000	Woodward Ave Sanitary Sewer	(\$700,000.00)
26	CIP# 650600-100006	Franklin Main Section 6 - King Ave to 2 nd	(\$2,400,000.00)
27	CIP# 650700-100000	Portage Grove Sanitary Sewer Extension	(\$2,400,000.00)
28	CIP# 650725-100015	AC Trunk (Middle) Phase B [formerly 650725-100003]	(\$6,000,000.00)
29	CIP# 650725-100016	AC Trunk (Middle) Phase C [formerly 650725-100003]	(\$4,200,000.00)
30	CIP# 650744-100000	Brimfield Area Sanitary System Repair	(\$1,600,000.00)
31	CIP# 650751-100000	Williams/Castle Rds Pump Stn Control Valve Upgrades	(\$4,200,000.00)
32	CIP# 650755-100000	Third Ave CSO & Green Infrastructure	(\$3,700,000.00)
33	CIP# 650768-100003	3rd Ave Relief Sewer Phase 3	(\$3,600,000.00)
34	CIP# 650870-100701	Blueprint Linden GI - Hudson	(\$6,000,000.00)
35	CIP# 650870-100702	Blueprint Linden GI - Oakland	(\$4,200,000.00)
36	CIP# 650870-100703	Blueprint Linden GI - Agler/B	(\$4,200,000.00)
37	CIP# 650870-100704	Blueprint Linden GI - Artane/	(\$5,000,000.00)
38	CIP# 650870-100801	Blueprint Hilltop GI - Palmett	(\$9,200,000.00)
39	CIP# 650870-100802	Blueprint Hilltop GI - Eureka/	(\$5,700,000.00)
40	CIP# 650870-101201	Blueprint Miller-Kelton GI - N	(\$4,000,000.00)
41	CIP# 650870-101202	Blueprint Miller-Kelton GI - K	(\$3,800,000.00)
42	CIP# 650872-110170	Blueprint Clintonville 1 Area F	(\$26,000,000.00)
43	CIP# 650875-100006	Blueprint Clintonville 3 Area F	(\$12,000,000.00)
44	CIP# 650876-111180	Blueprint Linden 1 Area - Sun	(\$6,000,000.00)
45	CIP# 650890-100000	Meeklynn Dr. Sanitary Sewer	(\$2,400,000.00)

SECTION 2. That Sewerage System Service Charges are hereby authorized to be the dedicated source of repayment for the Sanitary and Treatment Engineering projects' Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Loans.

SECTION 3. That Stormwater Fees are hereby authorized to be the dedicated source of repayment for the Stormwater projects' Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Loans.

SECTION 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to establish proper project accounting numbers as appropriate.

SECTION 5. 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 6. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.