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**Background:** This ordinance authorizes the Finance and Management Director to acquire property on behalf of the Department of Public Utilities, consisting of approximately 373.916 acres on Lockbourne Road and identified as Franklin County Tax Parcels 150-000411, 150-000820, 150-000821, and 150-000683 Lockbourne, Ohio, 43137. Water treatment residuals are created as a byproduct of the water treatment process and management of these residuals is an integral part of the treatment process. The City's McKinley Quarry location is the current disposal site for treatment residuals from all three water treatment plants. Capacity of the McKinley Quarry is limited. Purchase of this property will provide the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Water, a site proximate to the Parsons Avenue Water Plant (PAWP) to serve as a potential reservoir for the disposal of its water treatment residuals thereby reducing residual disposal costs and extending the life of the McKinley Quarry for use for the disposal of residuals from the City's two other water treatment plants. The site may also possibly serve as an additional water source for the Plant.

This legislation authorizes the Director of Finance and Management to execute those documents necessary to purchase the real property from The National Lime And Stone Company and authorizes a transfer and expenditure of funds in an amount up to Three Million Six Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,600,000.00) for payment of all costs associated with the acquisition of the real property.

**Fiscal Impact:** Funding of \$3,600,000.00 is budgeted and available within the Water G.O. Bonds Fund to pay costs associated with the acquisition.

**Emergency Justification:** Emergency action is requested to allow for the immediate execution of the purchase agreement by the City so that the acquisition can proceed without delay in agreement with the closing transaction deadlines and other terms of the purchase agreement in order to secure the real property for the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Water uses.

To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to execute those documents necessary to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests to real property identified as Franklin County Tax Parcels 150-000411, 150-000820, 150-000821, and 150-000683 located on Lockbourne Road, Lockbourne, Ohio, to authorize the City Auditor a transfer and expenditure of up to \$3,600,000.00 within the Water G.O. Bonds Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$3,600,000.00).

**WHEREAS,** the City of Columbus Department of Finance and Management on behalf of the Department of Public Utilities desires to enter into a purchase contract between the City and The National Lime And Stone Company for the purchase of approximately 373.916 acres, more or less, of real property located in the vicinity of Lockbourne Road, Lockbourne, Ohio, 43137 and further identified as Franklin County Tax Parcels 150-000411, 150-000820, 150-000821, and 150-000683; and

**WHEREAS,** the site is proximate to the Parsons Avenue Water Plant (PAWP) and the purchase of this real property will allow the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Water, to have a potential reservoir for disposal of water treatment residuals and potentially an additional water source for the Plant; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to transfer cash between projects within the Water G.O. Bonds Fund; and;

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the City in that it is immediately necessary to authorize

the Director of Finance and Management to execute those documents necessary for the acquisition of that real property identified as Franklin County Tax Parcels 150-000411, 150-000820, 150-000821, and 150-000683 in Lockbourne, Ohio from The National Lime And Stone Company at the earliest feasible date thereby providing for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, welfare; and now, therefore:

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Finance and Management, on behalf of the Department of Public Utilities be, and hereby is, authorized to execute those documents, as approved by the Department of Law, Real Estate Division, necessary for the purchase of that real property containing approximately 373.916 acres, more or less, located in the vicinity of Lockbourne Road, Lockbourne, Ohio 43137, and identified as Franklin County Tax Parcels 150-000411, 150-000820, 150-000821, and 150-000683.

**SECTION 2.** That the transfer of Three Million One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,175,000.00) or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized between projects within Fund 6006 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance. See attachment "Ordinance 1058-2018 Funding".

**SECTION 3.** That the expenditure of Three Million Six Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,600,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized in Fund 6006 per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance. See attachment "Ordinance 1058-2018 Funding".

**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 authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account of 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 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 7.** 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 ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.