



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

This legislation authorizes the City Attorney's Real Estate Division to hire professional services and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the various property rights necessary to complete the Roadway Improvements-Sinclair Road project in Community Planning Area 06, Northland.

The City of Columbus, Department of Public Service, is engaged in the Roadway Improvement-Sinclair Road project, and is currently finalizing construction plans and is prepared to authorize right of way acquisition pending passage of this funding legislation.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

This is a budgeted expense. Funding in the amount of \$125,000.00 is available for this project the Morse Road TIF Fund, Fund 7414. It is necessary to transfer cash within Fund 7414, from the Morse Road TIF Fund to the Roadway Improvements - Sinclair Road Sidewalks Capital Fund project, to align spending in the proper project.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested to provide necessary right-of-way acquisition funding and prevent unnecessary delays in the Department of Public Service's Programs.

To authorize the transfer of cash within Fund 7414, the Morse Road TIF Fund, to the Roadway Improvements - Sinclair Road Sidewalks TIF Capital Fund project; to appropriate funds within the Roadway Improvements - Sinclair Road Sidewalks TIF Capital Fund project; to authorize the City Attorney's Real Estate Division to hire professional services and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the various property rights necessary to complete the Roadway Improvements-Sinclair Road project; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$125,000.00 from the Roadway Improvements - Sinclair Road Sidewalks Capital Fund to pay for the right-of-way acquisitions; and to declare an emergency. (\$125,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus, Department of Public Service is engaged in the Roadway Improvements-Sinclair Road project; and

WHEREAS, this project will construct sidewalks on both sides of Sinclair Road between Morse Road and Strimple Avenue and includes the replacement of an existing culvert and additional of storm sewers to remediate roadway flooding in the area.; and

WHEREAS, successful completion of this project necessitates the city acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in and to various properties located along the project corridor as additional rights of way; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the City Attorney's Real Estate Division to expend \$125,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary to hire professional services and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the various property rights necessary to complete the Roadway Improvements-Sinclair Road project; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize a transfer of cash within Fund 7414, from the Morse Road TIF Fund to the Roadway Improvements - Sinclair Road Sidewalks project , to establish sufficient cash to pay for the project; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Service in that it is

immediately necessary to authorize the City Attorney's Office, Real Estate Division to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in and to certain parcels of real estate, to contract for professional services, and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the additional rights of way needed to complete the Roadway Improvements - Sinclair Road Sidewalks project so that project deadlines may be achieved, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; **now, therefore**

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

SECTION 1. That from the unappropriated monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, the sum of \$125,000.00 is appropriated in Fund 7414, (Morse Road TIF Fund), Dept-Div 4401 (Development Administration), Project P530161-100153 (Roadway Improvements - Sinclair Road Sidewalks), in object class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the transfer of cash within Fund 7414 in the amount of \$125,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized between P414001-100000 (Morse Road TIF Fund), Dept-Div 4401 (Development Administration), to Project P530161-100153 (Roadway Improvements - Sinclair Road Sidewalks), in object class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the City Attorney's Office, Real Estate Division, be and hereby is authorized to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in and to certain parcels of real estate, to contract for professional services, and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the additional rights of way needed to complete the Roadway Improvements-Sinclair Road project.

SECTION 4. That the expenditure of \$125,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 7414, (Morse Road TIF Fund), Dept-Div 4401 (Development Administration), Project P530161-100153 (Roadway Improvements - Sinclair Road Sidewalks), in object class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 5. That the funds are hereby deemed appropriated and expenditures and transfers authorized to carry out the purposes of this ordinance and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 6. 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 7. 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 8. 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.