

Legislation Text

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The purpose of this legislation is to authorize the City Auditor to transfer funds within the Storm Sewer Operating Fund to allow for the payment of internal bills. The division's internal bills are trending higher than anticipated at the time of 2018 budget submission. In particular, the quarterly bill from the Department of Public Service for street cleaning and snow removal services has increased above budget estimates. In 2017, the Department of Public Service billed the Stormwater Division a total of \$8,880,572.00 for street cleaning services. The projected total for 2018 after the third quarter financial review is \$9,500,000.00, which represents an increase of seven percent.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is sufficient budget authority available in the 2018 Storm Sewer Operating Fund's Budget to fund the transfers, which total \$1,547,301.98.

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION: This ordinance is being submitted as an emergency in order to align budget authority with projected expenditures to provide for the timely payment of internal bills.

To authorize the City Auditor to transfer \$1,547,301.98 between Object Classes within the Storm Sewer Operating Fund Budget to pay internal bills for street cleaning and snow removal services to the Department of Public Service and to declare an emergency. (\$1,547,301.98).

WHEREAS, the Stormwater Division's internal bills are trending much higher than was anticipated at the time of budget submission, particularly the bill from the Department of Public Service for street cleaning and snow removal services; and

WHEREAS, the Stormwater Division has a need to transfer \$1,547,301.98 between Object Classes within the 2018 Storm Sewer Operating Fund's Budget. Funds for the transfer have been identified and are available in Object Classes 05 (Other), 06 (Capital) and 07 (Debt Interest); and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities, Stormwater Division, in that it is immediately necessary to transfer appropriation between Object Classes within the Storm Sewer Operating Fund to allow for the timely payment of internal bills; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the transfer of \$1,547,301.98 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized between Object Classes within Fund 6200 Storm Sewer Operating Fund per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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 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.