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1. BACKGROUND
This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Service to grant consent and propose cooperation with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) relative to the FRA-23-22.75 project, PID 109111.

The aforementioned effort encompasses upgrading signage on US 23 north of the I-270 interchange.

2. FISCAL IMPACT
There is no anticipated cost to the City for this project, as ODOT shall assume and bear all associated preliminary engineering, right-of-way acquisition, and construction costs.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION
Emergency action is requested to allow ODOT to maintain the planned construction schedule and promote highway safety.

To authorize the Director of Public Service to grant consent and propose cooperation with the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation for the FRA-23-22.75 project, PID 109111; and to declare an emergency. ($0.00)

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) proposes upgrading signage on US 23 north of the I-270 interchange; and

WHEREAS, this improvement project is within the Columbus corporate boundaries; and

WHEREAS, this legislation authorizes the Director of Public Service to grant consent and propose cooperation with ODOT relative to the aforementioned effort; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Service in that it is necessary to grant consent to ODOT at the earliest time possible so as to allow construction to proceed in accordance with the schedule established by ODOT for this project and to promote highway safety, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; **now, therefore**

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

The following is an Ordinance enacted by the City of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the Local Public Agency (LPA) in the matter of the stated described project.

SECTION 1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION
The STATE has identified the need for the described project:

Upgrade signing on US23 north of the IR270 interchange.

SECTION 2. CONSENT STATEMENT
Being in the public interest, the LPA gives consent to the Director of Transportation to complete the above described project.

SECTION 3. COOPERATION STATEMENT

The LPA shall cooperate with the Director of Transportation in the above described project as follows:

The City hereby agrees to cooperate with the Director of Transportation for the State of Ohio in the planning, design, and construction of the identified highway improvement project and grants consent to the Ohio Department of Transportation for its development and construction of the project in accordance with plans, specifications, and estimates as approved by the Director.

ODOT agrees to assume and bear the costs of preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction by administering Federal and State funds for this project.

The City agrees to assume and bear one hundred percent (100%) of the total cost of those features requested by the City which are not necessary for the improvement as determined by the State and Federal Highway Administration.

SECTION 4. UTILITIES AND RIGHT-OF-WAY STATEMENT
The LPA agrees that all right-of-way required for the described project will be acquired and/or made available in accordance with current State and Federal regulations. Right-of-way costs include eligible utility costs. ODOT agrees to be responsible for all utility accommodation, relocation, and reimbursement and agrees that all such accommodations, relocations, and reimbursements shall comply with the current provisions of 23 CFR 645 and the ODOT Utilities Manual.

SECTION 5. MAINTENANCE
Upon completion of the project, and unless otherwise agreed, the LPA shall: (1) provide adequate maintenance for the project in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws, including, but not limited to, Title 23, U.S.C., Section 116; (2) provide ample financial resources, as necessary, for the maintenance of the project; (3) maintain the right-of-way, keeping it free of obstructions, and (4) hold said right-of-way inviolate for public highway purposes.

SECTION 6. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION
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.