

Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** In 2005, the Northland Alliance, the Morse Road Exploratory Committee and the City of Columbus Department of Development initiated an effort with property owners on Morse Road, from Indianola Avenue to Cleveland Avenue, to create a Special Improvement District (SID). The Morse Road Special Improvement District (SID), a non-profit organization, per City Council approval, was created in August of 2006 to go into effect in January 2007. As part of the Morse Road SID, the Development Department and the Public Service Department entered into a Tri-Party Cooperative Share Agreement that authorized the Morse Road SID to perform land beautification and maintenance services on City-owned land in the Morse Road SID area. For services performed, the City of Columbus agreed to pay the Morse Road SID up to \$50,000 per year for the 10 years of the SID. The Morse Road SID has not received full compensation for services performed over the past three years. The last payment to the Morse Road SID was made in 2018. The payment amount was \$75,000.

This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with the Morse Road SID for the purpose of appropriating \$27,136 to the Morse Road SID for services performed as authorized by the Tri-Party Cooperative Agreement.

Emergency action is requested to allow the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with the Morse Road SID for the purpose of reimbursing the Morse Road SID for services performed as authorized by the Tri-Party Cooperative Share Agreement.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The funding of \$27,136 for this agreement has been budgeted in the 2019 General Fund budget.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into an agreement with the Morse Road Special Improvement District (SID) for land beautification and maintenance services performed on City-owned land in the Morse Road Special Improvement District (SID); to authorize the expenditure of \$27,136.00 from the general fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$27,136.00)

WHEREAS, the Morse Road SID was formed in August 2006, per Columbus City Council approval, and took effect in January 2007 for a period of ten years; and

WHEREAS, the Development Department and the Public Services Department entered into a Tri-Party Cooperative Share Agreement with the Morse Road SID that authorized the Morse Road SID to perform land beautification and maintenance services on City-owned land in the Morse Road SID area; and

**WHEREAS,** in exchange for land beautification and maintenance services performed by the Morse Road SID on Cityowned land, the City agreed to reimburse the Morse Road SID up to \$50,000 a year for a ten year period; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus has not provided full compensation for services performed; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Columbus desires to compensate the Morse Road SID for services performed in the amount of \$27,136; and

WHEREAS, the last payment was made in 2018 for \$75,000; and

WHEREAS, the payment of \$27,136 is the last payment owed to the Morse Road SID per the Tri-Party Agreement; and

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WHEREAS, emergency action is requested to allow the Director of Department of Development to enter into an agreement with the Morse Road SID for the purpose of reimbursing the Morse Road SID for services performed as authorized by the Tri-Party Cooperative Share Agreement.

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development in that it is immediately necessary to enter into an agreement with the Morse Road SID and to reimburse the Morse Road SID \$27,136 for services performed to prevent the interruption of the delivery of vital program services, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, property, safety and welfare; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Morse Road Special Improvement District in accordance with the Tri-Party Cooperative Share Agreement and to reimburse the Morse Road SID \$27,136 for services performed.

**SECTION 2.** That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$27,136 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 1000 General Fund in Object Class 03 Contractual Services per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That this contract is awarded in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329 relating to non-for-profit service contracts.

**SECTION 4.** 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 5.** 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 passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.