



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Each year, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency assesses stipulated penalties for sanitary sewer overflow events. The penalties are payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section by March 1, 2020.

The Ohio EPA's Federal Identification Number is 31-6402047 (082). Governmental Agency

FISCAL IMPACT: \$55,000.00 is budgeted and available within the 2019 Sanitary Sewer Operating Fund for this expenditure.

\$53,000.00 was expended for this purpose in 2019

\$43,000.00 was expended for this purpose in 2018

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to pay stipulated penalties for sanitary sewer overflow events to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section, for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage and to authorize the expenditure of \$55,000.00 or as much thereof as may be needed from the Sanitary Sewer Operating Fund (\$55,000.00).

WHEREAS, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency assesses stipulated penalties for sanitary sewer overflow events; and

WHEREAS, the penalties are assessed on an annual basis based upon the number of sanitary sewer overflow events. The penalties are payable to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities to authorize the Director to make payment of stipulated penalties for sanitary sewer overflow events to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section on or before March 1, 2020 for the preservation of the public health, peace, property and safety; now, therefore

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

SECTION 1. That the Director of Public Utilities be and is hereby authorized to pay stipulated penalties for sanitary sewer overflow events to the Treasurer, State of Ohio, Ohio Attorney General's Office, Environmental Enforcement Section on or before March 1, 2020 for the Division of Sewerage and Drainage, Department of Public Utilities.

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 the expenditure of \$55,000.00 or as much thereof as may be needed is hereby authorized in Fund 6100 Sanitary Sewer Operating Fund object class 05 Other per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

