

## City of Columbus

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## **Legislation Text**

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**BACKGROUND:** This Council is being asked to approve the Base Services Plan and Transit Services Plan (both attached) to be provided by the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District; and to approve the properties of the municipal corporation in said plans for services.

A companion ordinance is being presented simultaneously that approves the Petition and Articles of Incorporation that are on file with the Clerk of the Columbus City Council.

At the request of property owners in the core of Downtown, City Council authorized the creation of the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc. (Capital Crossroads SID) in 2001 to begin collecting assessments for services in the SID area. The Capital Crossroads SID has operated successfully since its inception and the property owners reauthorized the Capital Crossroads SID in 2006, 2011 and 2016 with Council's consent. City Council approved the addition of the Transit Services Plan for the Capital Crossroads SID at the request of property owners in 2017. The property owners now request reauthorization of the Base Services Plan for an additional four-year period (2022 -2025) and the Transit Services Plan for an additional five-year period (2021-2025), both with slightly different boundaries.

A one-petition process has been initiated in which at least 60% of the property owners within the District signed that they are interested in reauthorizing the SID and they approve of both plans for services to be provided by the SID.

This resolution is the second of a series of four actions required by Chapter 1710 of the Ohio Revised code to reauthorize.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** No funding is required for this legislation.

To approve the Base Services Plan and Transit Services Plan to be provided by the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc.; and to approve the properties of the municipal corporation in said plan for improvements and services.

WHEREAS, the property owners located in the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement Development area have initiated a petition to reauthorize the SID and have filed the petition with the Clerk of the Columbus City Council along with the Articles of Incorporation of the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc., an Ohio non-profit corporation to be responsible for the operation of the SID; and

WHEREAS, a companion piece of the legislation being presented to Columbus Council simultaneously will request the approval of the Capital Crossroads SID's Petition and Articles of Incorporation and the inclusion of the properties owned by the City of Columbus in said district; and

WHEREAS, this legislation is requesting the approval of the Base Services Plan and the Transit Services Plan to be provided by the Capital Crossroads SID pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 1710; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk of Columbus City Council finds the property owners per the signed petition and the City per this resolution represent at least 60% of the front footage of the property located in the SID and to be assessed for the Base Services Plan, all as provided by Section 1710.02 of the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk of Columbus City Council finds the property owners per the signed petition and the City per this resolution represents at least 60% of the front footage of the property located in the SID and to be assessed for the Transit

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Services Plan, all as provided by Section 1710.02 of the Revised Code; and

**WHEREAS,** the Transit Services Plan will be financed through a combination of assessments on property within the Transit District, funds from third-party sources, and contract service payments.

WHEREAS, funds from third-party sources may include revenue from a Parking Benefit District created by the City of Columbus Department of Public Service; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a downtown Parking Benefit District is subject to City Council approval and disbursement of funds is subject to the recommendations from a yet to be created Parking Benefit District committee and a final approval by the Director of Public Service or their designee; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by this Council that the Special Improvement District is a valuable tool for continuing to further economic development and a means of continuing to revitalize the downtown area; NOW, THEREFORE,

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

- **Section 1.** That the Base Services Plan, including the estimate of cost of the improvements and services to be provided by the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc., now on file with the Clerk of Columbus City Council, and all of which are incorporated herein as (Attachment A), are hereby approved.
- **Section 2.** That the Transit Services Plan, including the estimate of cost of the improvements and services to be provided by the Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District of Columbus, Inc., now on file with the Clerk of Columbus City Council, and all of which are incorporated herein as (Attachment B), are hereby approved.
- **Section 2.** That the Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized to designate in writing that the properties of municipal corporation abutting upon the streets described in the petition are included in the Base Services Plan and Transit Services Plan as required by the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 1710.
- **Section 3.** That the Clerk of Columbus City Council is hereby directed to post a copy of this Resolution in the Office of the Clerk of Columbus City Council as provided by the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 1710.
- **SECTION 4.** That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.