



## Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND:** The Department of Public Utilities recommends reimbursement to the City of Dublin for overpayment of sanitary sewer capacity fees. The City of Dublin created three master meter subdivisions: The Glens at Ballantrae, The Cottages at Ballantrae Woods, and Deer Run. The City of Dublin owed Columbus for three master sanitary sewer connections (one for each of the three subdivisions). Dublin properly paid for two master sanitary connections (The Glens at Ballantrae and The Cottages at Ballantrae Woods). Additionally, over a period of four years (2016-2019), the City of Dublin paid for numerous single family connections within all three of these subdivisions. These payments were not owed and therefore need to be refunded. The City of Dublin has not yet paid for the master sanitary sewer connection for Deer Run. The amount owed for that connection is being deducted from the balance owed by The City of Columbus. The amount owed to the City of Dublin, minus the amount the City of Dublin owes for the master sanitary sewer correction for Deer Run, is \$250,620.00.

Contract Compliance is not required as this refund is necessary to our customer to whom we have agreed to provide services.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$250,620.00 will be appropriated from the unappropriated balance of the Sanitary Sewer Operating Fund and expended for this purpose.

**EMERGENCY DESIGNATION:** This ordinance is being submitted as an emergency in order to provide for the prompt refund of these fees to our customer.

To authorize the Director of Public Utilities to reimburse the City of Dublin for overpayment of sanitary sewer capacity fees; to authorize the appropriation of \$250,620.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Sanitary Sewer Operating Fund; to authorize the expenditure of \$250,620.00 from the Sanitary Sewer Operating Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$250,620.00)

**WHEREAS,** the Department of Public Utilities recommends reimbursement to the City of Dublin for overpayment of sanitary sewer capacity fees, and

**WHEREAS,** the amount owed to the City of Dublin is \$250,620.00, and

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Director of Public Utilities to refund the City of Dublin for the overpayment of sanitary sewer capacity fees, without delay, for the immediate 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 refund the City of Dublin \$250,620.00 for the overpayment of sanitary sewer capacity fees.

**SECTION 2.** That from the unappropriated monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020, the sum of \$250,620.00 is appropriated in Fund 6100 in Object Class 05 Other per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** That the expenditure of \$250,620.00 or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 6100 Sanitary Sewer Operating Fund in object class 05 Other per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

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