



Legislation Text

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1. BACKGROUND

This ordinance authorizes the City Attorney's Office to hire professional services and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the various property rights necessary to complete the Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Maple Canyon Avenue Sidewalks project.

The Department of Public service is engaged in the Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Maple Canyon Avenue Sidewalks project. The project will install sidewalk along the east side of Maple Canyon Avenue from the existing sidewalk installed at the Fire Station approximately 500 feet north of SR161 to Jewett Drive. Sidewalk installation will include a combination of curb and uncurbed ditch sections, drive approaches, curb ramps, and storm sewer.

The cost to acquire the right-of-way needed to complete the project is estimated at \$130,000.00. If the cost to acquire the needed right-of-way should exceed this estimate, additional legislation will be submitted to Council requesting the needed funding.

The Department of Public Service is currently finalizing construction plans and is prepared to authorize right-of-way acquisition pending passage of this funding ordinance.

2. FISCAL IMPACT

Funds in the amount of \$130,000.00 are budgeted, available, and appropriated for this project within Fund 7704, the Streets and Highways Bond Fund, Project P538004-100000 (Intersection - SR 161 at Maple Canyon Avenue). An amendment to the 2020 Capital Improvements Budget is necessary for the purpose of providing sufficient budget authority for the proper project. A transfer of cash and appropriation is required to align cash and appropriation with the proper project.

3. EMERGENCY DESIGNATION

Emergency action is requested to provide necessary right-of-way acquisition funding to prevent unnecessary delays in the Department of Public Service's Capital Improvement Program.

To amend the 2020 Capital Improvement Budget; to authorize the transfer of cash and appropriation between projects within the Streets and Highways Bond Fund; to authorize the City Attorney's Office to contract for professional services and to acquire property needed for the Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Maple Canyon Avenue Sidewalks project; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$130,000.00 from the Streets and Highways Bond Fund for the project; and to declare an emergency. (\$130,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus is engaged in the Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Maple Canyon Avenue Sidewalks project; and

WHEREAS, the project will include installing sidewalk along the east side of Maple Canyon Avenue from the Fire Station to Jewett Drive; and

WHEREAS, successful completion of this project necessitates the City acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in and to various properties located along the project corridor as additional rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, right-of-way acquisition cost, including professional services, staff and land costs, have been estimated to total \$130,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes funding in the amount of \$130,000.00 for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize an amendment to the 2020 Capital Improvements Budget for the purpose of providing sufficient budget authority for the aforementioned project expenditure; and

WHEREAS, cash and appropriation will need to be transferred between projects within the Streets and Highways Bond Fund to align cash and appropriation with the proper project; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance authorizes the City Attorney's Office to expend \$130,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to hire professional services and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the various property rights necessary to complete Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Maple Canyon Avenue Sidewalks project; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Service in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the necessary right-of-way acquisition for the project to prevent unnecessary delays in the Department of Public Service's Capital Improvement Program, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; **now, therefore**

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

SECTION 1. That the 2020 Capital Improvements Budget authorized by ordinance 2521-2020 be amended as follows to establish sufficient authority for this project:

Fund / Project / Project Name / Current / Change / C.I.B. as Amended

7704 / P538004-100000 / Intersection - SR 161 at Maple Canyon Avenue (Voted Carryover) / \$150,000.00 / (\$130,000.00) / \$20,000.00

7704 / P590955-100032 / Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Maple Canyon Avenue Sidewalks (Voted Carryover) / \$0.00 / \$130,000.00 / \$130,000.00

SECTION 2. That the transfer of \$130,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized within Fund 7704 (Streets and Highways Bond Fund), from Dept-Div 5912 (Design and Construction), Project P538004-100000 (Intersection - SR 161 at Maple Canyon Avenue), Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) to Dept-Div 5912 (Design and Construction), Project P590955-100032 (Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Maple Canyon Avenue Sidewalks), Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the account codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the City Attorney's Office be, and hereby is, authorized to acquire fee simple title and lesser interests in and to certain parcels of real estate, to contract for professional services, and to negotiate with property owners to acquire the additional rights of way needed to complete the Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Maple Canyon Avenue Sidewalks project in an amount up to \$130,000.00.

SECTION 4. That the expenditure of \$130,000.00, or so much thereof as may be needed, is hereby authorized in Fund 7704 (Streets and Highways Bond Fund) in Dept-Div 5912 (Design and Construction), Project P590955-100032 (Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Maple Canyon Avenue Sidewalks), in Object Class 06 (Capital Outlay) per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Funds are hereby deemed appropriated and expenditures and transfers authorized to carry out the purposes of this ordinance and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 6. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 7. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

SECTION 8. 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.