



## Legislation Text

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DPS Traffic Signal Communications Upgrade \$150,000

Transportation

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**Due to the bids coming in higher than expected, authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of an extra \$150,000 from the unappropriated balance of the Franklin Park/Westfield Tax Increment Fund (TIF) for traffic signal communication upgrades and installation of signal performance measures (SPM) software to improve traffic signal timing and coordination in the TIF area; and declaring an emergency.**

### SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

Ohio Revised Code Sections 5709.40, 5709.42 and 5709.43 provide City Council with the authority to dedicate real estate tax proceeds on specific parcels towards infrastructure improvements in the vicinity of those parcels. In 2004, to improve safety conditions and reduce hazards to vehicular traffic associated with the expansion of the Franklin Park Mall and Westgate Village Shopping Center, City Council passed Ordinance 810-04 enabling tax proceeds from properties in these areas to be dedicated to infrastructure improvements in their respective vicinities.

The Division of Transportation is requesting the appropriation and expenditure of \$150,000 from the Franklin Park/Westfield Tax Increment Fund (TIF). This money will be used for a project to improve communications to the traffic signals in the TIF area, as well as installing high-resolution traffic data collection and analytics software that will proactively optimize traffic signal timing.

Approving the expenditure of these critical funds now will allow for timely bidding and construction to ensure all projects are completed this year in a balanced, efficient fashion. It also allows for the processing of agreements needed to accept the outside grant and loan dollars before funding agency deadlines.

The fiscal impact of this ordinance is as follows:

- The amount of funds requested: \$150,000
- The expenditure budget line item: 5031-22500-8CT1803TRCOMM
- New revenue generated (operational revenue, grants, if any): none
- Revenue budget line item (if any): none
- Are funds budgeted in the current fiscal year (yes/no)? no
- Is this a capital project (yes/no)? no
- If yes, is it new or existing (new/existing)? N/A
- What section of the City's Strategic Plan does this support:
  - o Excellence in Basic Services (yes/no) yes
  - o Quality Community Investment (Livable City, Development) (yes/no) yes
  - o Workplace Culture & Customer Service (yes/no) yes
  - o Environment (yes/no) yes

