



Legislation Text

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Police Tow Management
Toledo Police Department
Lt. James Brown (x3203)
Revised

Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a three-year towing management agreement; authorizing the Municipal Tow Lot expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$211,500 for year one, \$190,575 for year two and \$200,103.75 for year three; subject to future appropriations; further authorizing the Mayor to accept and deposit \$30,000 from the Lucas County Sheriff's Office for initial year start-up costs; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of same for start-up costs; and declaring an emergency.

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

This ordinance authorizes the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Auto Return US, LLC for a three-year vehicle tow management agreement. Auto Return US LLC enables more efficient response to towing requests, reducing the amount of time police wait for tow trucks and improving officer safety. This agreement is expected to be cost neutral to the City of Toledo. An administrative fee of twenty dollars is collected for each vehicle towed to the Toledo Police Impound Lot. Bidding was conducted on Planet Bids and Auto Return US LLC was the winning bidder.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into a three-year vehicle towing management agreement, upon terms and conditions acceptable to the Director of Police and the Director of Law.

SECTION 2. That subject to future appropriations the total amount not to exceed \$602,178.75 is authorized for expenditure from the Municipal Tow Lot Fund Account Code 607T-52000-3391001STDSTD for the three-year agreement.

SECTION 3. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into an agreement and to accept and deposit \$30,000 from the Lucas County Sheriff's Office for year-one Auto Return US LLC start-up costs into the Municipal Tow Lot Fund Account Code 607T-52000-3391001STDSTD.

SECTION 4. That the appropriation of \$30,000 is authorized from the unappropriated balance of the Municipal Tow Lot Fund to Account Code 607T-52000-3391001STDSTD for the purpose authorized in Section 1.

SECTION 5. That the Finance Director is authorized to draw a warrant or warrants against the above referenced Account Codes in payment of the obligation authorized above in an amount not to exceed \$602,178.75 and upon presentation of proper voucher or vouchers.

SECTION 6. That this Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall be in force and effect from and after its passage. The reason for the emergency lies in the fact that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and property and for the further reason that this Ordinance must be immediately effective in order to capitalize on efficiencies and the \$30,000 start-up costs contributed by the Lucas County Sheriff's Office.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas 12, nays 0.

Passed: July 18, 2023, as an emergency measure: yeas 12, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger
Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry
President of Council

Approved:

July 18, 2023
Wade Kapszukiewicz
Mayor