## City of Toledo



## **Legislation Text**

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DPU060722FY22USEPAASSESSMENTGRANT Environmental Services Abed Semaan (X3951) Revised

Authorizing the mayor to enter into a Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment cooperative grant agreement with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) for the purpose of completing environmental site assessment activities in the Toledo area; authorizing the mayor to accept and deposit grant proceeds in the amount of \$500,000 for said purpose; authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of grant proceeds of \$500,000 in the Operation Grants Fund; authorizing the mayor to accept bids and execute contracts related to environmental site assessment work; and declaring an emergency.

## SUMMARY & BACKGROUND:

The city of Toledo, in partnership with the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority, the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area, ConnecToledo, and Lucas County Land Bank Reutilization Corporation ("Project Partners") has been awarded a U.S. EPA Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment grant in the amount of \$500,000 for the purpose of completing environmental site assessment work on brownfield properties in Toledo. The City and Project Partners have identified two target areas including the Detroit Ave. Rail Corridor and Greater Downtown to focus its efforts. Additional sites outside target areas are also eligible for assessment funding.

The city will enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the U.S. EPA. This ordinance authorizes the mayor to enter into necessary agreements, and to accept, deposit, appropriate and expend the \$500,000 in grant funds.

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

SECTION 1. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the U.S. EPA for a Brownfield Community-Wide Assessment grant and to accept and deposit \$500,000 into the Operation Grants Fund Account Code 2016-38000-6G10409STDSTD.

SECTION 2. That the appropriation of \$500,000 is authorized from the unappropriated grant proceeds of the Operation Grants Fund to Account Code 2016-38000-6G10409STDSTD and the expenditure of same is authorized for the purpose of completing environmental site assessment activities in the Toledo area in conformance with the Grant Agreement authorized in Section 1.

SECTION 3. That the mayor is authorized to accept bids and execute contracts for the completion of environmental assessment activities in the Toledo area upon such terms and conditions as approved by the Director of Public Utilities and the Director of Law.

SECTION 4. That the Finance Director is authorized to issue their warrant or warrants against the

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account code identified in Section 2 in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 in payment of the obligations authorized above upon presentation of proper voucher or vouchers.

SECTION 5. 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 this Ordinance 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 timely complete environmental site assessment activities which will help to create or preserve jobs and employment opportunities and improve the economic welfare of the people of the City.

Vote on emergency clause: yeas 12, nays 0.

Passed: June 7, 2022, as an emergency measure: yeas 12, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger Matt Cherry

Clerk of Council President of Council

Approved: June , 2022

Wade Kapszukiewicz

Mayor