

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-60

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS AND SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH FIRE HYDRANTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000 IN 2009; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Section 9.12 of Article IX of the Charter of the City of Blue Ash, Ohio, provides the method under which the City Manager shall make purchases and enter into contracts on behalf of the City, including purchases from other governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, the need exists to authorize payment for the purchase of new and replacement fire hydrants, hydrant parts, and hydrant repair services needed throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, in May 2008, the City began an arrangement with the Hamilton County Public Works Department to provide material and services associated with Blue Ash's 900+ fire hydrants throughout the City, including for the purchase of new fire hydrants where necessary, hydrant parts, and for repair of hydrants; and

WHEREAS, new hydrants to be installed in conjunction with road improvement projects or waterline replacement projects are the responsibility of the City; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate expenditure associated with these purchases in 2009 is expected to be approximately \$45,000; and

WHEREAS, since aggregate purchases throughout 2009 with Hamilton County Public Works will exceed the ordinance threshold of \$25,000, formal Council approval via ordinance would be appropriate.

Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Blue Ash, not less than five (5) members thereof concurring,

SECTION I.

The City Manager is hereby authorized to make payment to Hamilton County Public Works for an aggregate amount in 2009 not to exceed \$45,000 for the purchase of new and replacement fire hydrants, hydrant parts, and services associated with the repair of hydrants. Any requirement to follow formal bidding procedures is hereby waived in light of the fact that the services have been formally bid by Hamilton County.

SECTION II.

The Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer are hereby authorized to make the aforementioned expenditure, which funds are hereby appropriated.

SECTION III.

This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City of Blue Ash; the reason for the emergency being to provide for the proper equipment to assure the safety of the City's fire personnel. Therefore, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

PASSED this 8th day of October, 2009.

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Robert J. Buckman, Jr., Mayor

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Jamie K. Eifert, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Bryan Pacheco, Deputy Solicitor