



Legislation Text

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[COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR] ORDINANCE NO. 230966

Sponsor: Director of Public Works Department

Authorizing the Director of Public Works to enter into a First Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with Bike Share KC for a bicycle-sharing program until April 31, 2024 in the amount of \$377,000.00 from funds previously appropriated; permitting the continued installation of bicycle stations within the public right-of-way; and prioritizing funding for new installation of Bike Share KC facilities including hubs and infrastructure within the DOT equity census tracts and other underserved areas.

WHEREAS, Bike Share KC is a Missouri nonprofit corporation that has developed and operated a public bicycle-sharing rental program in the greater Kansas City metropolitan area since 2012; and

WHEREAS, the program has provided a low-cost transportation option for short trips and educational programs to offer users bicycle safety and skills, as well as opportunities for transportation, recreation, and fitness; and

WHEREAS, the annual usage of the bike share program has grown to over 20,000 users per year and resulted in over 275,000 pounds of carbon emissions reduced since the program was launched; and

WHEREAS, for a bicycle-sharing program to be successful, program facilities must be placed at locations throughout the City that prioritize visibility, location, desirability, and convenience, among other considerations, but due to a lack of sufficient public or private open space at optimal locations, it will be necessary to place some of the facilities of a bicycle-sharing program within the City right-of-way, including on sidewalks; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Works is authorized to enter into a First Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with Bike Share KC for the installation, management, and maintenance of public bike sharing stations and bicycles until April 31, 2024 in the amount of \$377,000.00 from funds previously appropriated to Account No. 24-2080-891319-B. A copy of the agreement is on file in the office of the City Manager.

Section 2. As authorized by Section 64-169 of the Code of Ordinances, the Council gives permission to Bike Share KC, as owner and permittee, subject to the conditions set forth in the cooperative agreement, its successors and assigns, to install, operate, and maintain bicycle stations within the public right-of-way.

Section 3. That in accordance with Section 64-169 of the Code of Ordinances, the Council finds it in the public interest to grant a waiver of the encroachment fee.

Section 4. That the Director of Public Works shall prioritize this funding and any future funding for the installation of Bike Share KC facilities including hubs and infrastructure within the DOT equity census tracts and other underserved areas.

I hereby certify that there is a balance, otherwise unencumbered, to the credit of the appropriation to which the foregoing expenditure is to be charged, and a cash balance, otherwise unencumbered, in the treasury, to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made, each sufficient to meet the obligation hereby incurred.

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Approved as to form:

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