

County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Ordinance No. O2013-0019

Sponsored by: Councilmembers Jones and Miller	An Ordinance amending Sections 704.01 to 704.03 of the Cuyahoga County Code to designate that the Additional DTAC Fee commence on 1/1/2014 and continue through 12/31/2018, and declaring the necessity that this Ordinance become immediately effective.
Co-sponsored by: Councilmembers Brady, Simon and Conwell	

WHEREAS, pursuant to division (B) of Section 321.261 of the Ohio Revised Code, this County Council may designate an additional five percent (5%) deduction from all collections of delinquent real property, personal property and manufactured and mobile home taxes and assessments (the "Additional DTAC Fee") to be deposited in the delinquent tax and assessment collection fund (the "DTAC Fund") and appropriated for the use of a county land reutilization corporation, including the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation (the "Corporation"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to subdivision (B) of Section 321.261 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Corporation has requested that this Council consider designating the Additional DTAC Fee, commencing January 1, 2014, and continuing through December 31, 2018, subject to the limitation provided for in Section 1 of this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds that designating the Additional DTAC Fee, subject to the limitation provided for in Section 1 of this Ordinance, to provide a portion of the Corporation's Annual Base Funding, is in the best interests of the County and is necessary for the Corporation to continue to achieve its mission and public purposes of, among others, alleviating the slum and blight of vacant, abandoned and foreclosed properties within the County and the negative consequences which certain national real estate practices and the prior recession have inflicted on the local real estate markets; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue and to provide for the efficient and effective operation of the County and the Corporation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. Sections 704.01 to 704.03 of the Cuyahoga County Code shall be amended and replaced to read as follows:

CHAPTER 704: Delinquent Tax Anticipation Notes (DTAN)/Delinquent Tax and Assessment Collection (DTAC)

Section 704.01: Additional DTAC Fee

Pursuant to and in accordance with Section 321.261(B) of the Ohio Revised Code and subject to the other provisions of this Chapter, this Council hereby designates the Additional DTAC Fee in the annual amount of five percent (5%) to be applied on all collections of delinquent real property, personal property and manufactured and mobile home taxes and assessments solely for the use of the Corporation as part of its annual base funding, commencing on January 1, 2014 and continuing through December 31, 2018.

Section 704.02: Maximum Base Funding

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 704.01 of the Cuyahoga County Code, the aggregate amount transferred to the Corporation from the DTAC Fund and the penalties and interest on current late and delinquent taxes and assessments deposited into the County Land Reutilization Fund in any single fiscal year of the Corporation shall not exceed \$7,000,000.00 (the "Maximum Annual Base Funding Amount").

Section 704.03: Deposit and Appropriation of Additional DTAC Fee

All amounts constituting the Additional DTAC Fee shall be deposited in the DTAC Fund, and such amounts upon their deposit in such fund, subject to the provisions of Section 704.02 of the Cuyahoga County Code, are hereby appropriated for the sole use of the Corporation and shall be disbursed to the Corporation upon warrant of the Fiscal Officer of the County (the "Fiscal Officer").

SECTION 2. The Clerk of Council is hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this Ordinance upon its execution by the County Council President, the County Executive and the Clerk of Council to the Fiscal Officer and the County Treasurer.

SECTION 3. It is necessary that this Ordinance become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health, or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council meeting and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Simon, the foregoing Ordinance was duly enacted.

Yeas: Miller, Brady, Germana, Gallagher, Conwell, Jones, Rogers, Simon, Greenspan and Connally

Nays: None

County Council President

Date

County Executive

Date

Clerk of Council

Date

First Reading/Referred to Committee: August 13, 2013

Committee(s) Assigned: Finance & Budgeting

Additional Sponsorship Requested on the Floor: August 13, 2013

Additional Sponsorship Requested: September 23, 2013

Committee Report/Second Reading: September 24, 2013

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