



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3706.04 Development authority - powers and duties.

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The Ohio air quality development authority may:

- (A) Adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business;
- (B) Adopt an official seal;
- (C) Maintain a principal office and suboffices at such places within the state as it designates;
- (D) Sue and plead in its own name; be sued and impleaded in its own name with respect to its contracts or torts of its members, employees, or agents acting within the scope of their employment, or to enforce its obligations and covenants made under sections 3706.05, 3706.07, and 3706.12 of the Revised Code. Any such actions against the authority shall be brought in the court of common pleas of the county in which the principal office of the authority is located, or in the court of common pleas of the county in which the cause of action arose, provided such county is located within this state, and all summonses, exceptions, and notices of every kind shall be served on the authority by leaving a copy thereof at the principal office with the person in charge thereof or with the secretary-treasurer of the authority.
- (E) Make loans and grants to governmental agencies for the acquisition or construction of air quality projects by any such governmental agency and adopt rules and procedures for making such loans and grants;
- (F) Acquire, construct, reconstruct, enlarge, improve, furnish, equip, maintain, repair, operate, lease or rent to, or contract for operation by, a person or governmental agency, air quality projects, and establish rules for the use of such projects;
- (G) Make available the use or services of any air quality project to one or more persons, one or more governmental agencies, or any combination thereof;



(H) Issue air quality revenue bonds and notes and air quality revenue refunding bonds of the state, payable solely from revenues as provided in section 3706.05 of the Revised Code, unless the bonds be refunded by refunding bonds, for the purpose of paying any part of the cost of one or more air quality projects or parts thereof;

(I) Acquire by gift or purchase, hold, and dispose of real and personal property in the exercise of the powers of the authority and the performance of its duties under this chapter;

(J) Acquire, in the name of the state, by purchase or otherwise, on such terms and in such manner as the authority finds proper, or by the exercise of the right of condemnation in the manner provided by section 3706.17 of the Revised Code, such public or private lands, including public parks, playgrounds, or reservations, or parts thereof or rights therein, rights-of-way, property, rights, easements, and interests as it finds necessary for carrying out this chapter, but excluding the acquisition by the exercise of the right of condemnation of any air quality facility owned by any person or governmental agency; and compensation shall be paid for public or private lands so taken;

(K) Make and enter into all contracts and agreements and execute all instruments necessary or incidental to the performance of its duties and the execution of its powers under this chapter.

(1) When the cost under any such contract or agreement, other than compensation for personal services, involves an expenditure of more than two thousand dollars, the authority shall make a written contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in accordance with section 9.312 of the Revised Code, after advertisement for not less than two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Franklin county, and in such other publications as the authority determines, which notice shall state the general character of the work and the general character of the materials to be furnished, the place where plans and specifications therefor may be examined, and the time and place of receiving bids; provided, that a contract or lease for the operation of an air quality project constructed and owned by the authority or an agreement for cooperation in the acquisition or construction of an air quality project pursuant to section 3706.12 of the Revised Code or any contract for the construction of an air quality project that is to be leased by the authority to, and operated by, persons who are not governmental agencies and the cost of such project is to be amortized exclusively from rentals or other charges paid to the authority by persons who are not



governmental agencies is not subject to the foregoing requirements and the authority may enter into such contract, lease, or agreement pursuant to negotiation and upon such terms and conditions and for such period as it finds to be reasonable and proper in the circumstances and in the best interests of proper operation or of efficient acquisition or construction of such project.

(2) Each bid for a contract for the construction, demolition, alteration, repair, or reconstruction of an improvement shall contain the full name of every person interested in it and meet the requirements of section 153.54 of the Revised Code.

(3) Each bid for a contract except as provided in division (K)(2) of this section shall contain the full name of every person interested in it and shall be accompanied by a sufficient bond or certified check on a solvent bank that if the bid is accepted a contract will be entered into and the performance thereof secured.

(4) The authority may reject any and all bids.

(5) A bond with good and sufficient surety, approved by the authority, shall be required of every contractor awarded a contract except as provided in division (K)(2) of this section, in an amount equal to at least fifty per cent of the contract price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract.

(L) Employ managers, superintendents, and other employees and retain or contract with consulting engineers, financial consultants, accounting experts, architects, attorneys, and such other consultants and independent contractors as are necessary in its judgment to carry out this chapter, and fix the compensation thereof. All expenses thereof shall be payable solely from the proceeds of air quality revenue bonds or notes issued under this chapter, from revenues, or from funds appropriated for such purpose by the general assembly.

(M) Receive and accept from any federal agency, subject to the approval of the governor, grants for or in aid of the construction of any air quality project or for research and development with respect to air quality facilities, and receive and accept aid or contributions from any source of money, property, labor, or other things of value, to be held, used, and applied only for the purposes for which such grants and contributions are made;



(N) Engage in research and development with respect to air quality facilities;

(O) Purchase fire and extended coverage and liability insurance for any air quality project and for the principal office and suboffices of the authority, insurance protecting the authority and its officers and employees against liability for damage to property or injury to or death of persons arising from its operations, and any other insurance the authority may agree to provide under any resolution authorizing its air quality revenue bonds or in any trust agreement securing the same;

(P) Charge, alter, and collect rentals and other charges for the use or services of any air quality project as provided in section 3706.13 of the Revised Code;

(Q) Provide coverage for its employees under Chapters 145., 4123., and 4141. of the Revised Code;

(R) In accordance with section 54D(e) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. 54D(e), allocate the national qualified energy conservation bond limitation allocated to the state and reallocate any portion of an allocation waived by a county or municipality.

(S) Do all acts necessary or proper to carry out the powers expressly granted in this chapter.

Any instrument by which real property is acquired pursuant to this section shall identify the agency of the state that has the use and benefit of the real property as specified in section 5301.012 of the Revised Code.