

endum is applicable to the ordinance of the city's portion, and not applicable to the property owners' portion. The practice of uniting the city's portion of the bonds, and the property owners' portion is not contemplated under the present statutes and procedure for the issuance of such bonds.

For the reasons set forth herein, I am compelled to disapprove the purchase of this issue of bonds, and you are advised not to accept same.

Respectfully,

C. C. CRABBE,

*Attorney General.*

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND BOYAJOHNS & BARR FOR ADDITION OF THIRD FLOOR TO INDUSTRIAL ART SHOP BUILDING, MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD, OHIO, AT EXPENDITURE OF \$17,600.00. SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY SOUTHERN SURETY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Aug. 12, 1925.

HON. GEORGE F. SCHLESSINGER, *Director, Department of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—Your predecessor, Hon. L. A. Boulay, has submitted for my approval a contract between the state of Ohio, acting by the department of highways and public works, and Boyajohn & Barr of Columbus, Ohio. This contract covers the general contract (exclusive of electric wiring, plumbing and heating) for addition of third floor to industrial art shop building, Miami university, Oxford, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$17,600.00.

There has been submitted the certificate of the director of finance to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated in a sum sufficient to cover the obligations of the contract. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which the Southern Surety Company appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

There has further been submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared and approved. notice to bidders was properly given, bids tabulated as required by law and the contract duly awarded. Also it appears that the laws relating to the status of surety companies and the workmen's compensation have been complied with.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other data submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,

C. C. CRABBE,

*Attorney General.*