



Legislation Text

File #: 3118-2021, **Version:** 1

BACKGROUND:

This ordinance will authorize the expenditure of \$349,952.85 as a result of PO300696 created and approved as a result of mayor's letter of emergency to proceed.

Mayor's emergency letter is attached and dated:
November 18, 2021

This ordinance will authorize the Board of Health to enter into contract with Giant Eagle in the amount of \$349,952.85 as a result of Mayor's emergency letter noted for the purpose of obtaining gift cards, which will be provided to the community as an incentive to receive a Covid-19 vaccine.

Columbus Public Health is currently implementing a community vaccine outreach and incentive program to promote adoption of such vaccines in our neighborhoods. These vaccines are needed to mitigate the spread of the pandemic and thus far community response has been overwhelming and has been extended for the rest of 2021. The strength of the community adoption has exceeded expectations and as such additional funds are needed in order to ensure that this program can continue without interruption.

Emergency Designation: This legislation is to be declared an emergency measure to ensure the continuation of COVID-19 response efforts while immediately providing funding in the correct auditing main accounts.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for this initiative is available within fund 2209 for this purpose.

To authorize the Board of Health to enter into contract with Giant Eagle, DBA the Tamarkin Company, in the amount of \$349,952.85 to provide vaccine incentives; to authorize the expenditure of \$349,952.85 from the Recovery Fund 2209; and to declare an emergency. (\$349,952.85)

WHEREAS, expenditure of American Rescue Plan Act funding to provide vaccine incentives is necessary to address the public health needs of the community as caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, Giant Eagle, DBA The Tamarkin Company vendor#032842 has been awarded a contract to provide gift cards based on their ability to provide such cards in a timely manner and provide for the vaccine incentive program to help prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Board of Health in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Board to enter into contract with Giant Eagle COVID-19 response and for the vaccine incentive program, to preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **now, therefore:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the Board of Health is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Giant Eagle, DBA the Tamarkin Company, in the amount of \$349,952.85.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of up to \$349,952.85 or so much thereof that may be necessary in regard to the action authorized in Sections 1, be and is hereby authorized and approved from the Recovery Fund 2209 as authorized by mayor's letters of emergency.

SECTION 3. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 5. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.