



Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the City Clerk to enter into a grant agreement with the Community Arts Project Inc. DBA The King Arts Complex, a non profit entity, for the support of their 25th Annual Heritage Music Festival.

The Heritage Music Festival honors the rich historical, artistic, and entrepreneurial tradition of African-Americans in Columbus, Ohio. The King-Lincoln District is the home for the event, but the event honors all communities that have and continue to be a part of Columbus' African American history. It is a free, family-friendly concert series welcome to all residents. The festival - approaching its 25th year - is designed to enrich and improve the quality of life in the King-Lincoln District as well as fostering enhanced understanding and harmony via the arts. We feature local artists and musicians, food vendors, merchant vendors and informational vendors offering information about their local health and wellness services.

The six weeks of the festival creates an economic boost for the entire neighborhood each Thursday for the duration of the series. Local businesses frequently hold parallel events during the festival to capitalize on the influx of concert attendees. The King Arts Complex encourages entrepreneurship in the community and highlight those who are making a difference.

Emergency action is necessary to ensure funding is available for the events in July.

Fiscal Impact: Funding is available within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund.

To authorize the City Clerk to enter into a grant agreement with the Community Arts Project Inc. DBA The King Arts Complex for the support of their 25th Annual Heritage Music Festival; and to authorize an appropriation and expenditure within the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund; and to declare an emergency. (\$25,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Heritage Music Festival honors the rich historical, artistic, and entrepreneurial tradition of African-Americans in Columbus, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, The Heritage Music Festival - approaching its 25th year - is designed to enrich and improve the quality of life in the King-Lincoln District as well as fostering enhanced understanding and harmony via the arts; and

WHEREAS, the six weeks of the festival creates an economic boost for the entire neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Clerk's Office in that it is immediately necessary to authorize a grant agreement with the Community Arts Project Inc. DBA The King Arts Complex for the support of their 25th Annual Heritage Music Festival to ensure funding is available for the events in July, thereby preserving 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 City Clerk is authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the not-for-profit the Community Arts Project Inc. DBA The King Arts Complex for the support of their 25th Annual Heritage Music Festival.

SECTION 2. That the City Auditor is authorized and directed to appropriate \$25,000.00 in the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, to Columbus City Council per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the expenditure of \$25,000.00 or so much thereof as may be needed pursuant to the action authorized in SECTION 1, is authorized in the Neighborhood Initiatives subfund, fund 1000, subfund 100018, per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 5. 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 6. That for the reason 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.